



**Little River Band of Ottawa Indians**  
375 River Street  
Manistee MI 49660  
(231) 723-8288

RESOLUTION NO. 02-0130-01

**SUBMISSION OF A REQUEST FOR FUNDING FOR A ROADS STUDY**

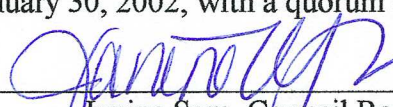
- WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has a long and proud history as a Nation which pre-dates the establishment of the government of the United States of America, and
- WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians was a signatory of the Treaty of Washington of March 28, 1836 and the Treaty of Detroit of July 31, 1855 with the United States of America, and
- WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians status as a federally-recognized Tribe was reaffirmed and restored by the United States Congress in Public Law 103-324, and
- WHEREAS, The Little River Band of Ottawa Indians has housing and business plans for a portion of the Tribal Reservation located near the intersection of highways U.S. 31 and M22, and
- WHEREAS, The County of Manistee is seeking a partnership to study the development of a US-31 Corridor Plan extending from Filer Township north to the intersection of M-22 in Manistee County, and
- WHEREAS, The BIA may have funding available to assist the Tribe in this roads study

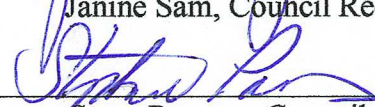
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that by this resolution the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council authorizes the submission of a request for funding of \$20,000 to the Bureau of Indian Affairs for a roads study.

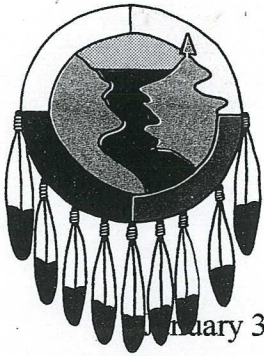
**CERTIFICATION OF ADOPTION**

I do hereby certify that the foregoing resolution was duly presented and adopted by the Tribal Council with 8 For, 0 Against, 1 Absent, and 0 Abstaining, at a Regular Session of the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians Tribal Council held at the Little River Band Community Center on January 30, 2002, with a quorum being present for such vote.

Attest:

  
Janine Sam, Council Recorder

  
Steve Parsons, Council Speaker



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January 30, 2002

Mr. Todd Kennedy, Regional Roads Engineer  
United States Department of the Interior  
Bureau of Indian Affairs Midwest Regional Office  
Bishop Henry Whipple Federal Building  
1 Federal Drive, Room 550  
Fort Snelling, MN 55111-4007

Re: Request for funding for a roads study.

Dear Mr. Kennedy:

This is a letter of request to your office to inquire as to whether you have funding available for a roads planning initiative for the Little River Band of Ottawa Indians. As a newly re-affirmed Tribe in Michigan, we have watched major development occur in Manistee County on our 1836 Reservation. The main road serving the Manistee area is U.S. 31. Currently our Tribe our County, City, and State are working together attempting to gather data on the uses of the U.S. 31 corridor. There is a need to initiate a U.S. 31 Corridor Study. The Tribe looks to you for assistance in partially funding this study.

Development along U.S. 31 from Filer Township to the intersection of M22 has changed the landscape of the corridor and introduced new challenges. The development of a Corridor Management Plan in Manistee County will help local, state, and Tribal officials manage growth, reduce congestion, and improve safety along U.S. 31. We therefore request you consider funding \$20,000 toward this study, which will provide the Tribes share of this joint endeavor.

We thank you in advance for your attention to this matter. You may contact Dan Shepard, our Tribal Roads person for any questions you may have on this request. Mr. Shepard may be reached at 231-398-6810, or Ruth Bussey, our Executive Director of Housing at 231-398-6734.

Sincerely,

Robert Guenthardt  
Tribal Ogema