Schitsu’umsh - Lewis and Clark Rediscovery Life-Long Learning Online Project

Among the key questions addressed in the Schitsu’umsh - Lewis and Clark Rediscovery Life-Long Learning Online Internet Project are: What is the Schitsu’umsh perspective on Lewis and Clark and the Corps of Discovery; Who were the Schitsu’umsh before the arrival of Lewis and Clark; What are some of the subsequent consequences of White influences on the people; And, most importantly, who are the Schitsu’umsh people today and how and in what ways have they continued to prosper and grow as a sovereign people?

This project will develop a series of interactive, educational and cultural resource modules, to be conveyed over the Internet and designed to be accessible for the local public and schools in our region and throughout Idaho, as well as for a world-wide audience. The Schitsu’umsh modules will be part of a larger endeavor conveying some of the perspectives of all the peoples along the Lewis and Clark Corps of Discovery trail. The project is being funded by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

It will be critical that information on the Schitsu’umsh be presented accurately and appropriately. Before any cultural materials would be approved for public dissemination a thorough review process would be conducted by the various Schitsu’umsh consultants interviewed for the project, by the Department of Education, by the Office of Cultural Resources, and by Tribal Council, examining the proposed materials for their authenticity and appropriateness. For example, we are not seeking information on specific sacred sites and medicinal plant uses that would be shared publically.

We appreciate any advice and direction you might offer for this project. Thank you.

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