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Nez Perce Tribe has made a deliberate effort to build its broadband infrastructure over our Tribal lands. The success of the Tribe's future developments can be tied directly to access to robust, high-speed internet and partnerships for future or next-gen opportunities that include or in some cases rely on access to spectrum. Nez Perce would respectfully ask that the National Spectrum Plan provide for access to spectrum over Tribal lands to Tribes. This access can come in any of the following forms:

- Tribal priority windows
- First right of refusal of licenses over Tribal lands before an auction is conducted
- Consultation before license is awarded
- Consent for build-out over Tribal lands before license is awarded
- Sub-lease or co-use agreements
- Time-limit or required build out terms

If none of the above options are viable or are not able to be included into the National Spectrum plan one final option:

- Compensation to Tribes for the spectrum over their lands.
- Compensation could come directly out of the license auction and could be based on the area covered by the license.
- Compensation would be made at the close of the auction or within 60-days of the auction.

If there are questions regarding these comments or clarification is needed, please contact me at: melissak@nezperce.org.

Thank you for your time,

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