

# Osage Minerals Council

## Osage Nation

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August 26, 2011

Dear Osage Headright Holder:

I write to you as Chairman of the Osage Trust Team, elected by the Osage Minerals Council, the Osage Nation Congress, and the Principal Chief, to direct the Osage trust litigation. Enclosed is the ballot I described in my letter of August 19, 2011, for you to express your position on the Osage trust settlement. The instructions for your ballot are also enclosed. Your completed ballot should be postmarked by September 19, 2011, to ensure that it is considered.

On August 17, 2011, the Osage Minerals Council voted unanimously to preliminarily approve this settlement and to urge you, as an Osage Headright Holder, to support it. The Osage Trust Team believes this is a fair settlement. After execution of the final settlement agreement, you will receive a payment based on your headright share of \$155,136 per headright on or before December 5, 2011.

Should you have any questions about this ballot or the settlement, please call the Osage Minerals Council at (918) 287-5433, or visit the website that has been created for this settlement at [www.osagesettlement.com](http://www.osagesettlement.com), which can be accessed with the username "June281906Act" and the password "pL73867!".

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dudley Whitehorn".

Dudley Whitehorn  
Chairman  
Osage Trust Team

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## BALLOT INSTRUCTIONS

1. Each ballot is numbered and is not transferable. Only the person named on the envelope may complete the enclosed ballot.
2. Use ink.
3. Mark only one box. Shade the box next to your choice, or place an X or a check mark in the box.
4. If you make a mistake and mark the wrong box, you may write on the ballot to make a correction clearly indicating your choice.
5. Sign and date the ballot.
6. Print your name and address in the lower right corner of the ballot.
7. Return your ballot in the enclosed envelope. If you did not receive an envelope or have lost the envelope, mail your ballot by U.S. Mail to:

Bureau of Indian Affairs  
Osage Agency  
P.O. Box 1046  
Pawhuska, OK 74056

8. DO NOT HAND DELIVER YOUR BALLOT. Ballots must be mailed to the Osage Agency by U.S. Mail to ensure consideration.
9. To ensure consideration, ballots should postmarked no later than **September 19, 2011**.
10. If you have questions about the ballot or about the settlement, you are encouraged to raise those questions at one of the remaining informational meetings with the Osage Trust Team and its outside counsel:

Friday, September 2 7:00 p.m. local time	Osage Event Center Located in the Tulsa Casino 951 West 36th Street North Tulsa, OK 74127
Saturday, September 3 1:00 p.m. local time	Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP 1700 Pacific Avenue, Suite 4100 Dallas, TX 75201

If you cannot attend a meeting and still have questions, please call the Osage Minerals Council at (918) 287-5433.

# BALLOT

Mark ONE Only

I SUPPORT the actions of the Osage Minerals Council in approving settlement of claims regarding the United States' alleged mismanagement of the Osage Tribal Trust Account and other Osage Trust Accounts and the Osage Mineral Estate.

I DO NOT SUPPORT the actions of the Osage Minerals Council in approving settlement of claims regarding the United States' alleged mismanagement of the Osage Tribal Trust Account and other Osage Trust Accounts and the Osage Mineral Estate.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

PRINT NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_