

Committee on Natural Resources
Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States

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314, S. 559, and S. 789**

Questions from Rep. Leger Fernández for Hon. Tom Wooten, Chairman, Samish Indian
Nation

1. Can you elaborate on the “clerical error” that the Bureau of Indian Affairs made in 1969, which effectively left the Samish Indian Nation off the list of federally recognized tribes?
 - a. How did the BIA’s negligence on the matter affect your Nation’s government and citizens?