APPENDIX III

LIST OF TRIBAL WATERS

As set forth in EPA's proposed and final Findings of Fact documents, the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation contains two major drainages: the Tongue River drainage on the east and the Rosebud Creek drainage on the west. There are many perennial, intermittent and ephemeral streams on the Reservation that are tributaries to these two main water bodies. Attached to the Tribe's application is a map showing the extensive nature of the tributaries and the Rosebud Creek and Tongue River watersheds throughout the Reservation. A small portion of the Sarpy Creek drainage is located in the northwest corner of the Reservation, flowing north.

The general topography of the region is varied with long narrow ridges, extensive hillsides and generally narrow flood plains. The Reservation is within the unglaciated portion of the Missouri Plateau of the Northern Great Plains Province. The central portion of the Reservation is an upland plateau, which rises 800 to 1000 feet above the surrounding terrain, and is underlain by relatively flat-lying beds of the Fort Union Formation. This upland plateau has been deeply dissected by the Tongue River, Rosebud Creek and their tributaries.

The Tongue River is the primary water source for the eastern portion of the Reservation. The headwaters of the Tongue River are located in the Bighorn Mountains of Wyoming. The River flows north into Montana for approximately 265 miles eventually flowing into the Yellowstone River near Miles City, Montana and ultimately into the Missouri River. Major tributaries to the Tongue River located on the Reservation include Logging Creek and Cook Creek. Flow from these tributaries into the Tongue River is seasonal. Other on-Reservation tributaries to the Tongue River include Tie Creek, Pawnee Creek, Kelty Creek, Stebbins Creek and Reservation Creek. The area drained by these creeks is generally east sloping towards the Tongue River and opposite the Rosebud Creek drainage to the west. Logging Creek is supported by both surface water runoff and groundwater discharge. Tie Creek contributes flow directly to the Tongue River, draining an area entirely within the boundaries of the Reservation. Logging, Pawnee and Kelty Creeks collectively drain an area of about 95 square miles entirely within the Reservation and flow into the Tongue River. Stebbins and Reservation Creeks have a combined watershed area of about 50 square miles which is within the Reservation boundaries and flows into the Tongue River.

Rosebud Creek serves as the primary water source for the western side of the Reservation where some of the best lands for irrigation are located. The headwaters for Rosebud Creek are located on the Crow Indian Reservation, to the west of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation. Rosebud Creek flows easterly off the Crow Indian Reservation, turns north onto the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, then continues north, emptying into the Yellowstone River east of Forsyth. Rosebud Creek drains the western part of the Reservation and receives flow from surface water runoff and groundwater input, mostly from within the Reservation. The Rosebud Creek watershed area at the southern boundary of the Reservation is slightly over 100 square miles and about 640 square miles at the northern boundary of the Reservation, a distance of about 30 miles. The watershed receives about 15 inches of average annual precipitation and produces average annual flows of 6,850 acre-feet at the northern boundary and 25,000 acre-feet at the southern boundary of the Reservation.

Two major tributaries to Rosebud Creek include Lame Deer Creek and Muddy Creek, which flow throughout most of the year. At its confluence with Rosebud Creek, Muddy Creek has a watershed area of about 103 square miles. Lame Deer Creek produces a flow of about 5,620 acre-feet per year from a watershed area of about 82 square miles. There are a number of other tributaries to Rosebud Creek whose watersheds are either wholly or partially within the Reservation, including Trail Creek, Upper Dry Creek, Skunk Creek, Corral Creek, Greenleaf Creek, Ryegrass Creek, Indian Coulee and Black Spring Coulee. Ryegrass Creek, Greenleaf Creek and its tributary Miller Creek collectively drain about 33 square miles of land before exiting the Reservation and discharging to Rosebud Creek off the Reservation. Similarly, Black Spring Coulee and Lynch Coulee have watersheds totaling about 28 square miles, with a significant portion of those watersheds draining Reservation lands.

The Northern Cheyenne Tribe's *Surface Water Quality Standards* note that surface waters include perennial, intermittent and ephemeral rivers, streams, lakes, ponds, reservoirs, springs, wetlands and irrigation and drainage systems discharging to surface waters. [Treatment works used solely for treating, transporting or impounding pollutants are not considered surface waters.] In its water quality standards, the Tribe has assigned designated uses and criteria to those portions of the following waterbodies and their tributaries that are wholly or partially within the boundaries of the Reservation. These waters are listed here to provide a more complete inventory of the water resources on the Reservation.

Rosebud Creek Dry Creek Spring Gulch Sheep Gulch Corral Creek Skunk Creek Pine Creek Trail Creek Wolf Creek Thompson Creek Dog Creek Davis Creek Eagle Feathers Creek **Busby Creek** East Fork Busby Creek South Fork Busby Creek

Black Whiteman Creek Porcupine Creek Little Hawk Creek Butte Creek North Fork Butte Creek David Creek Wood Gulch Indian Coulee Waterhole Creek South Fork Indian Coulee Williams Prong North Fork Indian Coulee Two Moons Creek Killsnight Creek Ridgewalker Creek Little Chief Creek

Ash Creek **Deafy Creek** Teeth Creek Dry Fork Parker Creek Kelly Creek Miller Creek Muddy Creek Wilfred Creek Juddy Creek Black Canyon Creek East Fork Muddy Creek Red Shale Creek Paddy Creek West Fork Muddy Creek Slocum Creek Medicine Elk Creek Shavedhead Creek Bear Creek Hardrobe Creek Yellowfox Creek Soldier Gulch Sweet Medicine Creek South Fork Lame Deer Creek East Fork Lame Deer Creek Horn Creek **Tongue River** Logging Creek Bull Creek South Fork Bull Creek North Fork Bull Creek St. John's Fork Birney Creek Long Roach Creek Pawnee Creek Hollowwood Creek Wooenthigh Creek Little Coyote Coulee Walking Horse Creek South Fork Stebbins Creek Cow Creek **Burning Creek**

Black Spring Coulee Lynch Coulee Caswell Coulee **Ryegrass Creek** West Fork Ryegrass Creek **Greenleaf** Creek Hollowbreast Creek Whitedirt Creek Spang Creek Coal Creek Powell Creek Upper Spang Creek Longjaw Creek Wild Hog Creek Cow Creek Spring Creek Bee Creek Horse Creek Brady Creek Lame Deer Creek Alderson Creek Spottedelk Creek Calls First Gulch White Buffalo Creek Broken Jaw Creek Standing Elk Creek Cook Creek Prairie Dog Creek Coyote Creek Middle Fork Bull Creek Black Eagle Creek Mission Creek Tie Creek Clubfoot Creek Kelty Creek Parker Creek Crazyhead Creek Walking Horse Coulee **Stebbins Creek** Lake Creek **Reservation Creek** Lay Creek

Crazyhead Springs Crazyhead Pond #2 Crazyhead Pond #4 Upper S. Fork Logging Creek Spring #2 Patrick Springs South Fork Stebbins Creek Spring #1 Cow Creek Spring Middle Pawnee Creek Spring Station Spring **Elliot Spring** Black Eagle Spring Rondeau Spring St. John's Spring Cook Creek Spring #2 Middle Fork Bull Creek Spring #2 South Fork Bull Creek Spring #2 Coyote Creek Spring #2 Parker Creek Spring Indian Coulee Spring Ridge Walker Creek Spring Bear Creek Spring Dog Creek Spring Hard Robe Creek Spring #2 Muddy Creek Spring #1 Killsnight Spring Muddy Creek Spring #4 Paddy Creek Spring South Fork Lame Deer Creek Spring Alderson Creek Spring Wood Spring Greenleaf Creek Spring Ash Creek Spring #2

Crazyhead Pond #1 Crazyhead Pond #3 Upper S. Fork Logging Creek Spring #1 White Horse Spring Woodenthigh Spring North Fork Stebbins Creek Spring #1 Upper Pawnee Creek Spring Lower Pawnee Creek Spring Hollowbreast Spring Mission Creek Spring Canyon Spring B. Heart Spring Cook Creek Spring #1 Middle Fork Bull Creek Spring #1 South Fork Bull Creek Spring #1 Coyote Creek Spring #1 Pine Creek Spring Killsnight Creek Spring **Black Springs** Muddy Spring **Birdseye** Spring Hard Robe Creek Spring #1 Hard Robe Spring Muddy Creek Spring #2 Muddy Creek Spring #3 Muddy Creek Spring #5 Sweet Medicine Gulch Spring Broken Jaw Spring **Barbwood Spring** Diamond R Spring Ash Creek Spring #1 Hollowbreast Creek Spring