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The Honorable James Hubbard  
Under Secretary  
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Dear Under Secretary Hubbard:

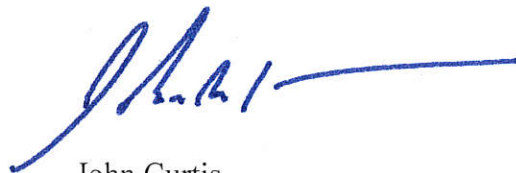
I write to personally invite you to the State of Utah to visit sites affected by the devastating 2018 Fire Season and to participate in a roundtable with local leaders of the communities impacted by the fires.

As we enter the 2019 Fire Season, Utahns are still recovering from the damage from last year's fires. I am encouraged by Secretary Perdue's recent visit to Utah, his signing of a shared stewardship agreement with Governor Herbert, and the recent announcement of \$20 million over four years to support and prioritize critical projects. I am hopeful these recent announcements facilitate and spur discussions on how we can achieve our mutual goals.

All levels of government must work together to have a meaningful impact on wildfire prevention and mitigation. The partnership between local, state, and federal leaders is vital to the safety of Americans, as well as the health of our public lands. I am looking forward to discussing with you, and Utah's local leaders, about how we can all work together to prepare for wildfires, and quickly fix damage done by past disasters.

Thank you for your service at the United States Department of Agriculture. I appreciate your time and consideration, and look forward to your response and visit to the great State of Utah.

Sincerely,



John Curtis  
Member of Congress