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TO: All Superintendents
All Chaplains.


FROM: Dan Pacholke, Acting Director
Prisons Division

SUBJECT: Changes to DOC 560.200 Religious Program Policy

Following the recent update and publication of DOC 560.200 Religious Program policy dated April 19, 2010, certain clarifications have been made. These changes will be made to the policy at the next review.

Light refreshments will be provided for ceremonies and annual religious events. Light refreshments will include juice, pastries, and/or fruit from Correctional Industries.

Fry bread has been added to the light refreshment list for the annual PowWow and will be prepared by food service staff. Offenders and guests will be allowed two pieces of Fry bread at this event.

Herbs to include Juniper and Chamomile, as defined in the Allowable Religious Items, Attachment 1 to policy 560.200, will be added to the Sacred Items list, and allowed to be kept in Sacred Items Box.

Additional changes may be forthcoming as we continue to consult with Native American advisors in the community.

The information contained in this memo should be made available to staff and offenders at your facility.

Should you have further questions regarding these changes, contact me at 360-725-8792.

cc: Eldon Vail, Secretary
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