



# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Great Basin National Park  
Baker, Nevada 89311

IN REPLY REFER TO:

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Ms. Valerie S. Horton  
Administrative Assistant  
Division of Geriatrics

Dear Ms. Horton:

Thank you for your inquiry about Great Basin National Park and the Bristlecone pines. I am pleased that you have chosen the Bristlecone as the symbol of the mission of your Center on Aging. I have visited your web site and I can whole-heartedly support your mission and values statement.

I have enclosed two pine cones as well as a small section of the end of a branch for your use. Hopefully, these will provide you with an example for your future art work for your organization. I appreciate your sensitivity to the rare nature of this magnificent tree.

If you need further information or if there is anything else with which we can help you, please do not hesitate to contact us again.

Sincerely,

Cindy N. Nielsen  
Superintendent