

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

TOWN OF LAC DU FLAMBEAU,

Plaintiff,

Case No. 23-cv-541-wmc

v.

BRYAN NEWLAND, et al.

Defendants.

FEDERAL DEFENDANTS' MOTION TO DISMISS

Federal Defendants Bryan Newland, in his official capacity as Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs ("Assistant Secretary"), Tammie Poitra, in her official capacity as Midwest Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs ("Regional Director"), Deb Haaland, in her official capacity as Secretary of the Interior ("Secretary"), the United States Department of the Interior ("Interior"), and the Bureau of Indian Affairs ("BIA") (collectively, "Federal Defendants"), respectfully move to dismiss all claims in Plaintiff Town of Lac du Flambeau's Complaint (Dkt. 1) pursuant to Rules 12(b)(1) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The grounds on which the Federal Defendants seek dismissal of this suit are set forth in detail in the legal memorandum filed contemporaneously herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,

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