

January 18, 2017

Attn: Ryan Fowler, Senior Planner
City of Menifee
Community Development Department
29714 Haun Road
Menifee, CA 92586



RE: AB 52 Consultation; City of Menifee Planning Applications for “Rockport Ranch” – TR 2016-285 (Tentative Tract Map), SP 2016-286 (Specific Plan), GPA 2016-287 (General Plan Amendment), CZ 2016-288 (Change of Zone)

The Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians has received your notification pursuant under Assembly Bill 52.

Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians is requesting to initiate formal consultation with the City of Menifee. A meeting can be scheduled by contacting me via email or phone. All contact information has been included in this letter.

I look forward to hearing from and meeting with you soon.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Joe", with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Joseph Ontiveros, Director of Cultural Resources
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AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS

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March 16, 2017

[VIA EMAIL TO:rfowler@cityofmenifee.us]

City of Menifee
Mr. Ryan Fowler
29714 Haun Road
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Re: SB 18 Consultation for Rockport Ranch (General Plan Amendment No. 2016-287, Specific Plan No. 2016-286, Change of Zone No. 2016-286, and Tract Map No. 2016-285), City of Menifee

Dear Mr. Ryan Fowler,

The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians (ACBCI) appreciates your efforts to include the Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO) in the Rockport Ranch project. The project area is not located within the boundaries of the ACBCI Reservation. However, it is within the Tribe's Traditional Use Area (TUA). For this reason, the ACBCI THPO requests the following:

- *A cultural resources inventory of the project area by a qualified archaeologist prior to any development activities in this area.
- *A copy of the records search with associated survey reports and site records from the information center.
- *Copies of any cultural resource documentation (report and site records) generated in connection with this project.

Again, the Agua Caliente appreciates your interest in our cultural heritage. If you have questions or require additional information, please call me at (760)699-6828. You may also email me at hfeeney@aguacaliente.net.

Cordially,

Hannah Feeney
Archaeological and Archives Technician
Tribal Historic Preservation Office
AGUA CALIENTE BAND
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January 26, 2017

VIA E-MAIL and USPS

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Re: Pechanga Tribe Request for Consultation Pursuant to SB 18 for the Rockport Ranch; TR 2016-285; SP 2016-286; GPA 2016-287; CZ 2016-288

Dear Mr. Fowler;

This letter is written on behalf of the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians (hereinafter, “the Tribe”), a federally recognized Indian tribe and sovereign government. We have not received an SB 18 notice for this project to date; however based on the AB 52 notice we have received on January 12, 2017, this project is proposing to amend General Plan and proposing a Specific Plan. This letter serves as the Tribe’s formal request for consultation under SB 18 for this Project. At this time, we do not have sufficient information to engage in meaningful consultation, as required by SB 18. As such, the Tribe hereby invokes its right to consult with City of Menifee under SB 18 and after reviewing the information requested below, we may request additional consultation, which may include a face-to-face meeting

Further, the Tribe formally requests, pursuant to Public Resources Code §21092.2, to be notified and involved in the entire CEQA environmental review process for the duration of the above referenced project (the “Project”). Please add the Tribe to your distribution list(s) for public notices and circulation of all documents, including environmental review documents, archeological reports, and all documents pertaining to this Project. The Tribe further requests to be directly notified of all public hearings and scheduled approvals concerning this Project. Please also incorporate these comments into the record of approval for this Project.

The Pechanga Tribe asserts that the Project area is part of ‘*Atáaxum* (Luiseño) and therefore the Tribe’s, aboriginal territory as evidenced by the existence of ‘*Atáaxum* place names, *tóota yixélval* (rock art, pictographs, petroglyphs), and an extensive Luiseño artifact record in the vicinity of the Project. This culturally sensitive area is affiliated with the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians because of the Tribe’s cultural ties to this area as well as extensive history with

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both this Project and other projects within the area. During our consultation we will provide more specific, confidential information on the resources located on and near this Project.

The Tribe has received conceptual grading plans for the project; however, we have not received archaeological reports, geotechnical report and all other applicable documents pertaining to this project. Please provide us copies of all available reports and documents as soon as possible so that we may review them prior to our initial SB 18 meeting.

As you know, the SB 18 consultation process is ongoing and continues for the duration of the Project. As such, under both CEQA and SB 18 we look forward to working closely with City of Menifee on ensuring that a full, comprehensive environmental review of the Project's impacts is completed. Further, we hope to assist the City with ensuring that the Project is designed to avoid impacts to cultural resources, as mandated by CEQA, in addition to developing mitigation measures addressing the culturally appropriate and respectful treatment of human remains, cultural resources and inadvertent discoveries.

In addition to those rights granted to the Tribe under SB 18, the Tribe reserves the right to fully participate in the environmental review process, as well as to provide further comment on the Project's impacts to cultural resources and potential mitigation for such impacts.

The Pechanga Tribe looks forward to working together with the City of Menifee in protecting the invaluable Pechanga cultural resources found in the Project area. Please contact me at 951-770-8113 or at eozdil@pechanga-nsn.gov once you have had a chance to review these comments so that we might address the issues concerning the mitigation language. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Tuba Ebru Ozdil
Planning Specialist

cc Pechanga Office of the General Counsel



AUGUSTINE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS

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March 15, 2017

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Received

RE: General Plan Amendment No. 2016-287, Specific Plan No. 2016-286, Change Zone No. 2016-288 and Tract Map No. 2016-285

Dear Mr. Fowler

Thank you for the opportunity to offer input concerning the development of the above-identified project. We appreciate your sensitivity to the cultural resources that may be impacted by your project, and the importance of these cultural resources to the Native American peoples that have occupied the land surrounding the area of your project for thousands of years. Unfortunately, increased development and lack of sensitivity to cultural resources has resulted in many significant cultural resources being destroyed or substantially altered and impacted. Your invitation to consult on this project is greatly appreciated.

At this time we are unaware of specific cultural resources that may be affected by the proposed project. We encourage you to contact other Native American Tribes and individuals within the immediate vicinity of the project site that may have specific information concerning cultural resources that may be located in the area. We also encourage you to contract with a monitor who is qualified in Native American cultural resources identification and who is able to be present on-site full-time during the pre-construction and construction phase of the project. Please notify us immediately should you discover any cultural resources during the development of this project.

Very truly yours,

Augustine Band of Cahuilla Indians

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amanda Vance".

Amanda Vance
Tribal Chairperson



RINCON BAND OF LUISEÑO INDIANS

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February 28, 2017

Ryan Fowler
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Re: General Plan Amendment No. 2016-287, Specific Plan No. 2016-286, Change of Zone No. 2016-288, and Tract Map No. 2016-285

Dear Mr. Fowler:

This letter is written on behalf of Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians. We have received your notification regarding the General Plan Amendment No. 2016-287, Specific Plan No. 2016-286, Change of Zone No. 2016-288, and Tract Map No. 2016-285 and we thank you for the consultation notification. The location you have identified is within the Territory of the Luiseño people.

Embedded in the Luiseño Territory are Rincon's history, culture and identity. The project is within the Luiseño Aboriginal Territory of the Luiseño people however, it is not within Rincon's Historic Boundaries. We do not have any additional information regarding this project but, we defer this project to the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians or Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians who are located closer to your project area.

Thank you for the opportunity to protect and preserve our cultural assets.

Sincerely,

Vincent Whipple
Manager
Rincon Cultural Resources Department