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Luke- here is an email comment from the Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians. It looks as though they cc'd Jennifer Sanka from your office.

Thanks, Vikki

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Ms. Mitchell;

The Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians is interested in participating and commenting on this project. We have received the NOP from the County as well as an archaeological scoping notice from Michael Brandman Associates. At this time, the Pechanga Tribe requests that an adequate archaeological study be performed for the project and we request that the Lead Agency commit to evaluating Project environmental impacts both to known sites and to any cultural sites which are discovered during surveys and all earthmoving activities, and to adopt appropriate mitigation for such sites, in consultation with the Pechanga Tribe.

Pursuant to CEQA, it is the Pechanga Tribe's request that the Lead Agency and all agencies and consultants involved commit to adequately consult with the Tribe in order to guarantee an adequate basis of knowledge for an appropriate evaluation of the effects, as well as generating adequate objectives, policies and potential mitigation measures; and to ensure it has meaningful participation in the environmental review process, which includes all archeological assessments and testing. As such, Pechanga is requesting the ability to consult on any additional archeological assessments and test programs, well in advance of their commencement in order to allow adequate time for the Tribe to evaluate these programs and provide comment on them. The Pechanga Tribe also requests that such programs and assessments take into account the Tribe's preferences and customs concerning treatment of archeological/cultural resources. Further, the Tribe requests that it be allowed to consult on the analysis and results of such assessments and test programs in a timely manner and with adequate information provided.

Please continue to include the Pechanga Tribe in all project related correspondence including environmental documents, archaeological reports site records and updates. Further, please respond to this communication so that we are aware of your Departments' receipt and acknowledgement of the Tribe's requests.