

July 27, 2017

Andrew Salas, Chairman
Gabrieleño Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation
PO Box 393
Covina, CA 91723

Subject: West Parcel Solar Project: Initiation of Consultation Pursuant to Public Resource Code Section 21080.3.1 and 21080.3.2 (Assembly Bill [AB] 52)

Dear Mr. Salas:

I have received your request to consult on the Mt. San Antonio College's (Mt. SAC) proposed West Parcel Solar Project, which is subject to compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Mt. San Antonio Community College District (District) is the lead CEQA agency for the proposed project and is responsible for consulting with California Native American Tribes pursuant to Public Resources Codes Section 2108.3.1 and 21080.3.2 (AB 52). The proposed project involves a 27.65-acre parcel of undeveloped land located west of Grand Avenue, south of the main campus. The project proposes to grade on 17.25 acres to create a 9.9-acre pad for a 2.2 MW ground mounted solar panel system. Earth import for the project from the stadium area of the campus is estimated as 139,000 cubic yards. The West Parcel Solar Project will provide up to 4.6 million kwh of electricity annually for the campus during its first year of operation.

As the District's point of contact for the purpose of AB 52 consultation for the West Parcel Solar Project, I would like to propose a formal meeting with you at the District's Facilities Planning and Management Department office to discuss the project. The purpose of this meeting would be to begin consultation with you and discuss Tribal concerns regarding the proposed project and potential impacts to tribal cultural resources. Early identification of the Tribe's concerns will allow the District to consider ways to avoid and minimize potential impacts to tribal cultural resources as project planning and alternatives are developed and refined. If you prefer, consultation may also be conducted by email, letter, or telephone.

I understand that you may have concerns regarding the confidentiality of information on areas or resources of religious, traditional and cultural importance to the Tribe. During the consultation meeting, I would be happy to discuss these concerns and develop procedures to ensure the confidentiality of such information is maintained.

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Please be advised the consultation does not limit the ability of you or the Tribe to informally submit information to the District regarding the significance of tribal cultural resources, the significance of the project's impact on tribal cultural resources, or any appropriate measures to mitigate the potential impacts. If you wish to informally submit information, written comments may be sent to me at the address below. General comments may also be sent to me at the address below.

Please contact me at your earliest convenience in order to arrange a date and time for a consultation meeting. I can be reached at 1100 North Grand Avenue, Walnut, CA 91789, (909) 274-5175, or bmitchell@mtsac.edu.

Sincerely,



Rebecca Mitchell
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