From: Fossum, Larry (TRBL)

To: Richard J. MacHott, LEED Green Assoc.

Subject: Temescal Canyon Road Bridge Replacement & Road Realignment

**Date:** Monday, May 14, 2018 12:45:49 PM

#### Dear Richard:

A records check of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office's cultural registry revealed that this project is not located within the Tribe's Traditional Use Area. Therefore, we defer to other tribes in the area. This letter shall conclude our consultation efforts.

### Cordially,

Larry Fossum
On behalf of
Patricia Garcia-Plotkin
Director of Historic Preservation

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## PECHANGA CULTURAL RESOURCES

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# VIA E-Mail and USPS

Richard J. MacHott, Planning Manager Community Development Department City of Lake Elsinore 130 South Main Street Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

Re: Pechanga Tribe Comments on the Recirculated Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for Temescal Canyon Road Bridge Replacement and Road Realignment Project

Dear Mr. MacHott,

This comment letter is submitted by the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians (hereinafter, "the Tribe"), a federally recognized Indian tribe and sovereign government, in response to receipt of the March 2018 Draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration (IS/MND) for the above named project.

The Tribe is in agreement with the proposed mitigation measures for tribal cultural resources as presented in the drafted document for this Project and request that they be incorporated into the final MND and added as conditions of approval for the Project. Lake Elsinore is a culturally significant area and the Tribe appreciates the opportunity to preserve and protect our sensitive cultural resources and to monitor earthmoving activities in the area. The Tribe thanks the City for the draft of the proposed mitigation measures which address the potential impacts to cultural resources, and for the inclusion of the Tribe in those measures.

The Pechanga Tribe looks forward to continuing to work together with the City of Lake Elsinore in protecting the invaluable Pechanga cultural resources found in the City. Please contact me at 951-770-6313 if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

Ebru Ozdil

Cultural Analyst

cc: Pechanga Office of the General Counsel

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June 11, 2018

Richard J. MacHott, Planning Manager Community Development Department City of Lake Elsinore 130 South Main Street Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

Subject: Temescal Canyon Road Bridge Replacement and Road Realignment Project

Dear Mr. MacHott:

The Riverside County Transportation Commission (RCTC) has reviewed the Recirculated Initial Study for a Mitigated Negative Declaration (MND) for the above-referenced project and has the following comment.

The proposed Temescal Canyon Road Bridge Replacement and Road Realignment Project does not appear to have any significant implications for Interstate 15 (I-15). However, please note, RCTC is in the early planning stages to develop a project to add two express lanes in each direction on I-15 from Cajalco Road south to State Route 74. This future project would extend express lanes currently under construction as part of the ongoing I-15 Express Lanes Project (ELP) about 15 miles south on I-15 through the city of Lake Elsinore and unincorporated portions of Riverside County. This undertaking will likely involve bridge widening, retaining walls, sound walls, storm water runoff treatment services, tie-ins to existing travel lanes, an electronic toll collection system, signage, lighting, and other supporting features that would be determined once project studies are initiated. Please keep this in mind as future development along the I-15 corridor is considered.

RCTC appreciates the opportunity to review your project and looks forward to working with the City to improve mobility in the I-15 corridor. If you have any questions, please contact me at (951) 787-7141 or at mblomquist@rctc.org.

Sincerely,

Michael Blomquist
Toll Program Director

Michael Blomquist

**Riverside County Transportation Commission** 

cc: File



# GOVERNOR'S OFFICE of PLANNING AND RESEARCH



June 12, 2018

Richard McHott City of Lake Elsinore 130 S. Main Street Lake Elsinore, CA 92530

Subject: Temescal Canyon Bridge and Road Realignment Project

SCH#: 2018031021

Dear Richard McHott:

The State Clearinghouse submitted the above named Mitigated Negative Declaration to selected state agencies for review. The review period closed on June 11, 2018, and no state agencies submitted comments by that date. This letter acknowledges that you have complied with the State Clearinghouse review requirements for draft environmental documents, pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act.

Please call the State Clearinghouse at (916) 445-0613 if you have any questions regarding the environmental review process. If you have a question about the above-named project, please refer to the ten-digit State Clearinghouse number when contacting this office.

Sincerely,

Scott Morgan

Director, State Clearinghouse

## **Document Details Report** State Clearinghouse Data Base

SCH#

2018031021

Project Title

Temescal Canyon Bridge and Road Realignment Project

Lead Agency

Lake Elsinore, City of

Type

MND Mitigated Negative Declaration

Description

The existing bridge has been rated as functionally obsolete according to FHWA criteria, with a low sufficiency rating of 68.5. The bridge is considerably undersized and causes flood waters to backup and overtop the bridge deck and its roadway approaches, causing frequent road closures. Constructing a new bridge has been proposed to eliminate these issues and to provide adequate channel cross-section and freeboard to convey 100 year flood waters. The roadway is being realigned to provide adequate distance from the Lake St/I-15 interchange to where Temescal Canyon Rd intersects with Lake St. The project includes the realignment of Temescal Canyon Rd and a new bridge to be built over Temescal Creek. The roadway is being realigned to the project includes a new 98-ft wide, 375 ft long, 4 lane bridge stripped for 2 lanes.and a new 649-ft long roadway transition from the bridge to the existing 2-lane Temescal Canyon Rd. The portion of the roadway 696-ft long the will extend from 22 ft south of the bridge to Lake St approx 180 ft south of the current intersection with Lake St will be built by the developer of the Alberhill Villages SP. This portion of the roadway was approved by the city of Lake Elsinore as part of the Alberhill Villages SP EIR SCH No. 2012061046 in February 2017.

## **Lead Agency Contact**

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#### **Project Location**

County

Riverside

City Lake Elsinore

Region

Lat / Long

33° 43' 46.45" N / 117° 24' 0.0" W

Cross Streets

Temescal Canyon Rd, and Lake St

Parcel No.

varies

Township

5

Range 5

Section

15,16

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#### Proximity to:

Highways

I-15

**Airports** 

Railwavs

Waterways

Temescal Creek

Schools

Land Use

LU: Open pit clay mining

Z: SP

GP: Adopted SP, Major roadway

#### Project Issues

Air Quality; Archaeologic-Historic; Biological Resources; Drainage/Absorption; Flood Plain/Flooding; Geologic/Seismic; Noise; Soil Erosion/Compaction/Grading; Toxic/Hazardous; Traffic/Circulation; Vegetation; Water Quality; Wetland/Riparian; Wildlife; Cumulative Effects; Tribal Cultural Resources; Aesthetic/Visual

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## **Document Details Report** State Clearinghouse Data Base

### Reviewing Agencies

Resources Agency; Department of Conservation; Department of Fish and Wildlife, Region 6; Office of Historic Preservation; Department of Parks and Recreation; Department of Water Resources; California Highway Patrol; Caltrans, District 8; Caltrans, Division of Transportation Planning; Regional Water Quality Control Board, Region 8; Department of Toxic Substances Control; Native American Heritage Commission; State Lands Commission

**Date Received** 05/11/2018

Start of Review 05/11/2018

End of Review 06/11/2018

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