Appendix G
Tribal Consultation

Native American Heritage Commission
Native American Contact List
Orange County
9/11/2023

Tribe Name	Fed (F) Non-Fed (N)	Contact Person	Cultural Affiliation	Counties
Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation	N	Christina Swindall Martinez, Secretary	Gabrieleno	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Santa Barbara,Ventura
Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians - Kizh Nation	N	Andrew Salas, Chairperson	Gabrieleno	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Santa Barbara,Ventura
Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians	N	Anthony Morales, Chairperson	Gabrieleno	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Ventura
Gabrielino /Tongva Nation	N	Sandonne Goad, Chairperson	Gabrielino	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Ventura
Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council	N	Christina Conley, Cultural Resource Administrator	Gabrielino	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Santa Barbara,Ventura
Gabrielino Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council	N	Robert Dorame, Chairperson	Gabrielino	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Santa Barbara,Ventura
Gabrielino-Tongva Tribe	N	Charles Alvarez, Chairperson	Gabrielino	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Ventura
Gabrielino-Tongva Tribe	N	Sam Dunlap, Cultural Resource Director	Gabrielino	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,Ventura
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians	N	Sonia Johnston, Chairperson	Juaneno	Orange,Riverside,San Diego
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians Acjachemen Nation - Belardes	N	Joyce Perry, Cultural Resource Director	Juaneno	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians Acjachemen Nation 84A	N	Heidi Lucero, Chairperson, THPO	Juaneno	Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians	F	Norma Contreras, Chairperson	Luiseno	Orange,Riverside,San Diego
Pala Band of Mission Indians	F	Shasta Gaughen, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer	Cupeno Luiseno	Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego
Pala Band of Mission Indians	F	Alexis Wallick, Assistant THPO	Cupeno Luiseno	Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego

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Pauma Band of Luiseno Indians	F	Temet Aguilar, Chairperson	Luiseno	Orange,Riverside,San Diego
Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians	F	Lovina Redner, Tribal Chair	Cahuilla	Imperial,Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians	F	Jessica Valdez, Cultural Resource Specialist	Cahuilla Luiseno	Imperial,Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians	F	Joseph Ontiveros, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer	Cahuilla Luiseno	Imperial,Los Angeles,Orange,Riverside,San Bernardino,San Diego

This list is current only as of the date of this document. Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resource Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources assessment for the proposed Laguna Niguel General Plan

Record: PROJ-2023-004570
Report Type: List of Tribes
Counties:

CITY OF LAGUNA NIGUEL
30111 Crown Valley Parkway, Laguna Niguel, California 92677
Phone: (949) 362-4300 Fax: (949) 362-4352

CITY COUNCIL
Mayor Ray Gennawey
Mayor Pro Tem Gene Johns
Council Member Kelly Jennings
Council Member Stephanie Oddo
Council Member Stephanie Winstead

August 6, 2025

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[ADDRESS, STREET]
[CITY, CA, ZIP]

SUBJECT: **SB18 Consultation for the City of Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project, City of Laguna Niguel, Orange County, California**

[TITLE & LAST NAME]:

On November 21, 2023, the City of Laguna Niguel (City) provided notification via certified mail that the City was preparing an update to the Laguna Niguel General Plan (Project) and to initiate the consultation process under the provisions of Senate Bill 18 (SB 18) (Chapter 905, Statutes of 2004) which requires local governments to consult with tribes prior to making certain planning decisions and requires consultation and notice for a general and specific plan adoption or amendment in order to preserve, or mitigate impacts to, cultural places that may be affected.

The Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project is a comprehensive update of the City's existing General Plan elements as well as the addition of new relevant topics and compliance with legislative mandates, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

As of the date of this letter, the City of Laguna Niguel has not received a response requesting consultation. Therefore, this serves as formal notification that consultation under the provisions of SB 18 has been concluded.

If you have any questions or concerns with the Project, please contact John Morgan, Deputy Community Development Director, via email at jmorgan@cityoflagunaniguel.org, or by phone at 949-362-4332.

Thank you for your assistance.

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John Morgan, Deputy Community Development Director

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SUBJECT: **AB 52 Consultation Request for the Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project, City of Laguna Niguel, Orange County, California**

[TITLE & LAST NAME]:

The City of Laguna Niguel (City) is preparing an update to the Laguna Niguel General Plan. The Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project is a comprehensive update of the City's existing General Plan elements as well as the addition of new relevant topics and compliance with legislative mandates, including the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). The Planning Area for the General Plan Update is Laguna Niguel's incorporated City limits (see Attachment).

As the CEQA Lead Agency, the City of Laguna Niguel is contacting you under the provisions of CEQA (Public Resources Code section 21080.3.1 subdivisions (b), (d) and (e)), also known as AB 52. Please consider this letter as the formal notification of the proposed Project. The City is requesting to consult in order to identify tribal cultural resources that may be impacted by the proposed Project. The point of contact for the City is below.

City of Laguna Niguel Point of Contact Information	
Name/Title:	John Morgan, Deputy Community Development Director Community Development Department
Address:	30111 Crown Valley Parkway
City:	Laguna Niguel, CA 92677
Tel:	Tel: 949-362-4332
E-Mail:	jmorgan@cityoflagunaniguel.org

The NAHC performed a search of the Sacred Lands File and reported that Native American sacred sites and/or heritage resources are located within the Project Planning Area, or the immediate vicinity, and provided a list of Tribes that should be contacted for information.

Please consider this letter as the initiation of the AB 52 consultation process. Pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.3.1(d), your organization has 30 days upon receipt of this letter to submit a written request for AB 52 consultation on the Project to the City of Laguna Niguel.

If you would like to request consultation or have any questions about the Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project, please contact John Morgan at one of the above identified contact methods.

Thank you for your assistance.

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John Morgan, Deputy Community Development Director

Attachment: Planning Area Location

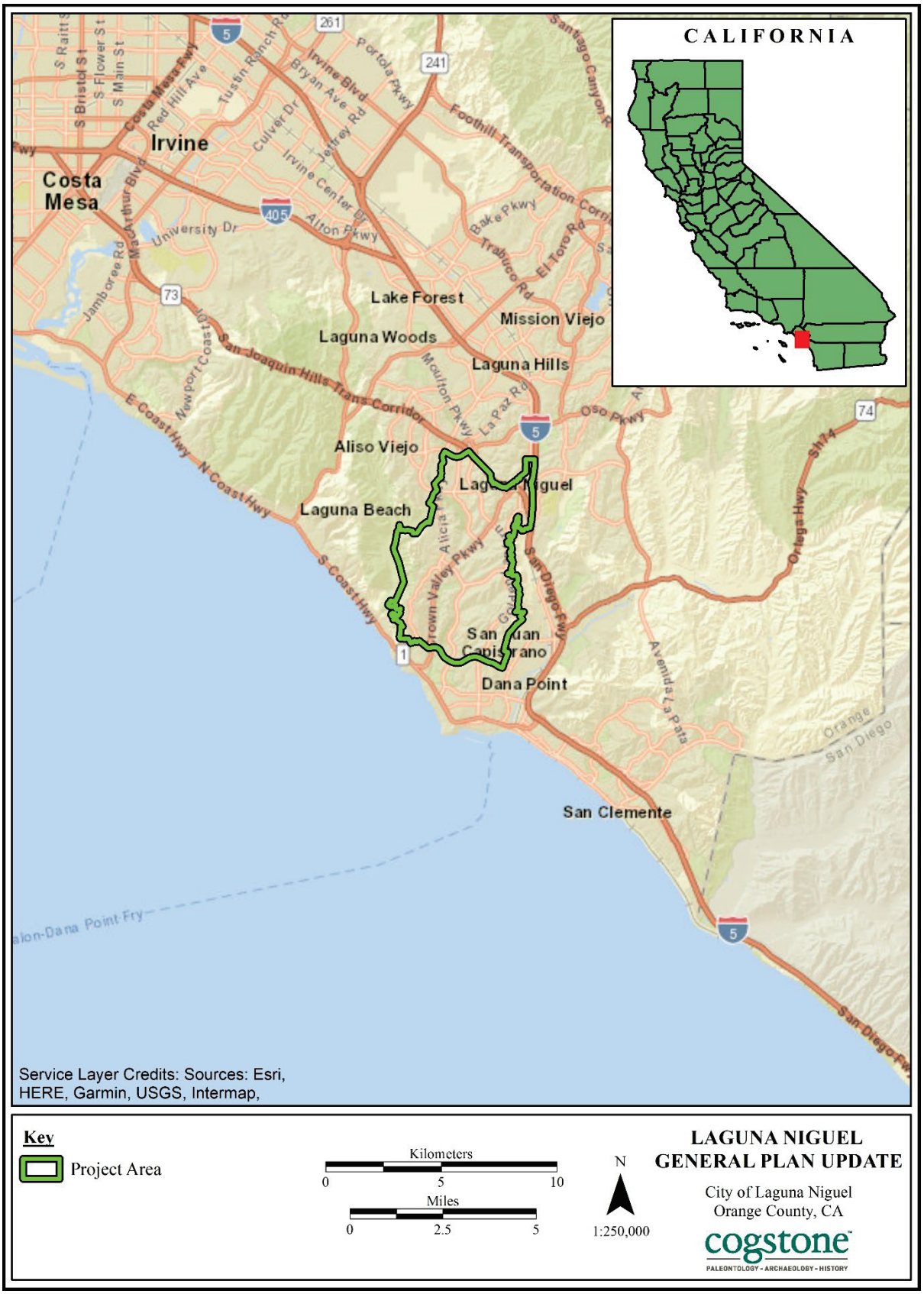

Figure 1. Project vicinity map

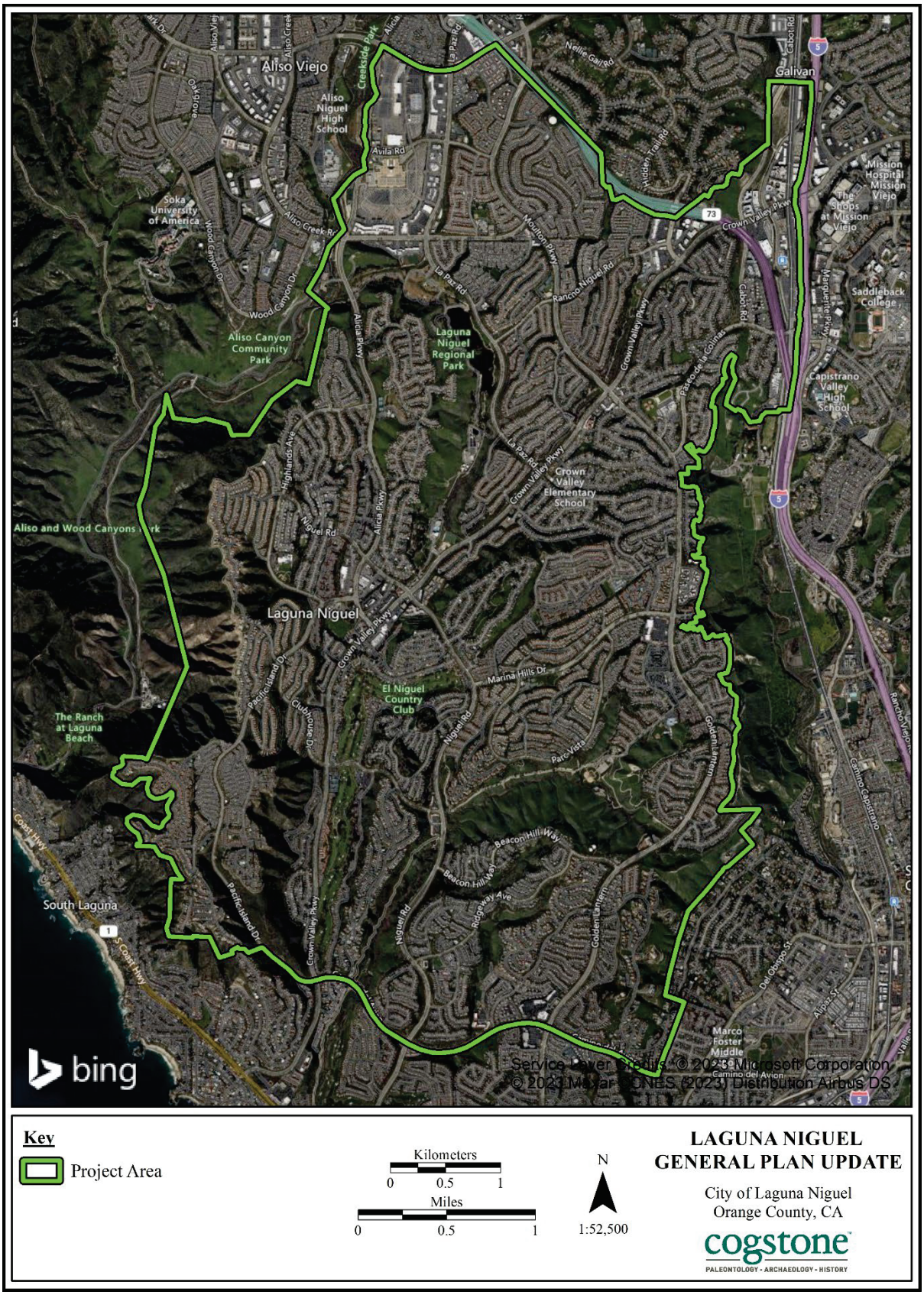

Figure 2. Project location map

THPO
Pala Band of Mission Indians

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PALA BAND OF MISSION INDIANS
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Phone 760-891-3510 | www.palatribe.com

August 12, 2025

John Morgan
Deputy community Development Director
City of Laguna Niguel
jmorgan@cityoflagunaniguel.org

Re: SB18 Consultation for the City of Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project, City of Laguna Niguel, Orange County, California

Dear John Morgan:

The Pala Band of Mission Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office has received your notification of the project referenced above. This letter constitutes our response on behalf of Robert Smith, Tribal Chairman.

We have consulted our maps and determined that the project as described is not within the boundaries of the recognized Pala Indian Reservation. The project is also beyond the boundaries of the territory that the tribe considers its Traditional Use Area (TUA). It is, however, situated in close proximity to the Reservation and information generated would likely be useful in better understanding regional culture and history. Therefore, we request as a courtesy to be kept in the information loop as the project progresses and would appreciate being maintained on the receiving list for project updates. Further, if the project boundaries are modified to extend beyond the currently proposed limits, we do request updated information and the opportunity to respond to your changes. We defer to the wishes of the Tribes who are in closer proximity to the project area.

We appreciate involvement with your initiative and look forward to working with you on future efforts. Pala is now offering tribal monitoring services. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the THPO office by e-mail at THPO@palatribe.com.

Sincerely,

Shasta C. Gaughen, PhD
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Pala Band of Mission Indians

ATTENTION: THE PALA TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE IS RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL REQUESTS FOR CONSULTATION. PLEASE ADDRESS CORRESPONDENCE TO SHASTA C. GAUGHEN AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS. IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO ALSO SEND NOTICES TO PALA TRIBAL CHAIRMAN ROBERT SMITH.

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August 13, 2025

John Morgan
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Re: AB- 52 Consultation for the City of Laguna Niguel General Plan Update Project, City of Laguna Niguel, Orange County, California

Dear John Morgan:

The Pala Band of Mission Indians Tribal Historic Preservation Office has received your notification of the project referenced above. This letter constitutes our response on behalf of Robert Smith, Tribal Chairman.

We have consulted our maps and determined that the project as described is not within the boundaries of the recognized Pala Indian Reservation. It is, however, within the boundaries of the territory that the tribe considers its Traditional Use Area (TUA) or it is situated in close proximity to the Reservation and information generated would likely be useful in better understanding regional culture and history. However, we decline AB-52 consultation at this time, but do not waive our right to request consultation under other applicable laws in the future.

We appreciate involvement with your initiative and look forward to working with you on future efforts. Pala is now offering tribal monitoring services. If you have questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact the THPO Office by e-mail at THPO@palatribe.com.

Sincerely,

Shasta C. Gaughen, PhD
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
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