
APPENDIX M2: TRIBAL CONSULTATION LETTERS



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From: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 1:10 PM
To: Nicole Vermilion; Emma Haines
Subject: FW: Tribal Consultation Request for AB52 and SB18

From: THPO Consulting <ACBCI-THPO@aguacaliente.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 11:09 AM
To: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Subject: RE: Tribal Consultation Request for AB52 and SB18

Greetings,

A records check of the 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 the other tribes in the area. This letter shall conclude our consultation efforts.

Thank you,



Anthony Kline

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From: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, August 19, 2025 5:07 PM
To: THPO Consulting <ACBCI-THPO@aguacaliente.net>
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Thomas Grahn

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From: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 10:50 AM
To: Nicole Vermilion; Emma Haines
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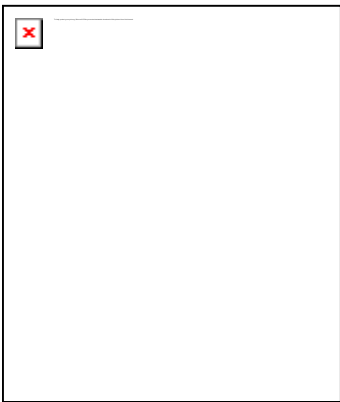
From: Gabrieleno Administration <admin@gabrielenoindians.org>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 10:38 AM
To: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Subject: Re: Tribal Consultation Request for AB52 and SB18

Hello Thomas

Thank you for your email. If this project is just a plan policy plan amendment we are okay with it. We ask that you please notify us in the future if any type of ground disturbances will be taking place.

Best regards,
Brandy Salas

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The region where Gabrieleño culture thrived for more than twelve thousand years encompassed most of Los Angeles County, more than half of Orange County and portions of Riverside and San Bernardino counties. It was the labor of the Gabrieleño who built the missions, ranchos and the pueblos of Los Angeles. They were trained in the trades, and they did the construction and maintenance, as well as the farming and managing herds of livestock. The Gabrieleño are the ones who did all this work, and they really are the foundation of the early economy of the Los Angeles area. That's a contribution that Los Angeles has not recognized--the fact that in its early decades, without the Gabrieleño, the community simply would not have survived.

On Tue, Aug 19, 2025 at 5:01 PM Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov> wrote:

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From: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Sent: Wednesday, September 10, 2025 9:00 AM
To: Nicole Vermilion; Emma Haines
Subject: FW: Response to AB52 & SB18: Ontario Plan Policy Plan Amendment and Eucalyptus Business Park Specific Plan, City of Ontario, San Bernardino County; [CIT-ONT-2025-9]

From: Raylene Borrego <Raylene.Borrego@sanmanuel-nsn.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, September 9, 2025 3:25 PM
To: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Subject: Response to AB52 & SB18: Ontario Plan Policy Plan Amendment and Eucalyptus Business Park Specific Plan, City of Ontario, San Bernardino County; [CIT-ONT-2025-9]

Hello Thomas,

Thank you for contacting the Yuhaaviatam of San Manuel Nation (YSMN, also known as the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians) regarding the above-referenced project. YSMN appreciates the opportunity to review the project documentation, which was received by the Cultural Resources Management Department on August 19th, 2025. The proposed project is located outside of Serrano ancestral territory and, as such, YSMN will not be requesting to receive consulting party status with the lead agency or to participate in the scoping, development, or review of documents created pursuant to legal and regulatory mandates.

Best Regards,
Raylene

Raylene Borrego

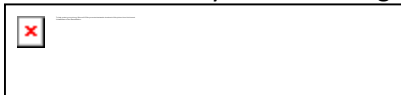
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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]:Tribal Consultation Request for AB52 and SB18

From: Jill McCormick <historicpreservation@quechantribe.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 20, 2025 9:58 AM
To: Thomas Grahn <TGrahn@ontarioca.gov>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]:Tribal Consultation Request for AB52 and SB18

Good morning,

This email is to inform you that the Historic Preservation Office of the Ft. Yuma Quechan Tribe does not wish to comment on this project. We defer to the local Tribes and support their determinations on this matter.

Jill

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