Native Perspective
“Outreach, Collaboration, and Consultation”

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Tubatulabal Tribal Allotments (4 of 10)

Needs for allotments (160 acres/each) – water, housing, utilities (electricity/phones), roads, and access to health and social services
Outreach – initial contact

**Federal** – U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs
California – Pacific Region Office
Three Area offices – Northern, Central, and Southern
Federally Recognized Tribes / Allotments

**State** – Native American Heritage Commission
(both federally and non-federally recognized Tribes)

**Tribal** – 108 Federally Recognized and 50+ Tribes seeking their federal recognition

**Tribal Organizations** - non-profits, associations
Before 1850 – CA Tribal Groups

1850 – CA Counties

California Indians Root Languages

- Penutian
- Hokan
- Uto-Aztecan
- Athapascan
- Yukian
- Algonquian

Map showing California counties and the distribution of language roots before 1850.
Historically, California Indians have not been included in development of California and Local Government “Blue Print” plans. This project will provide a change in the understanding and methods of working with Tribal Governments and addressing their Tribal Environmental Justice Transportation issues.
U.S. BIA Map
2009 – Indian Lands
Federal Recognized Tribes
Collaboration – with Tribes

• Hosting meetings – invites / meet greet
• NOT Replacement for CONSULTATION
• Involvement
• Advisory – non-formal
• Review of proposed policies or plans
Consultation

• Formal Government to Government
• Each Tribe has Tribal Council and process for “G to G” Consultation
• Non-federally Recognized Tribes – may also have a process for formal consultation
• Forming a Tribal Consultation process – involve Tribe, seek other State Agencies in developing this process
• Good State models for Tribal Consultation – Cal-Tran Native American Liaison Branch, Native American Heritage Commission, and Governor’s Office of Research and Planning – SB 18 (Burton, 2004)
Tribal Water Planning in California

California State Water Plan 2009

Tribal Water Summit – July 2009

Tribal Communication Committee

Tribal Communication Plan

Tribal, Local, Regional, and State Water Planning

Environmental Justice, Tribal Water Rights, Stewardship, Cultural Uses, and Sacred – new terms for CA Water plan

Non-Federally Recognized Tribal View

- NAGPRA (Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act) – **does not** include non-federally recognized Tribes


- State and Local governments are also providing our Tribe with SB18 required notification
Tribal Responsibility

- Identify Cultural Preservation person/committee
- Get educated on NAGRPA and SB18 (2004)
- Letters of Notification
  A) U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs – Pacific Region and Area Office – Identifying your Tribal Contact Information and “most lineal decent” Representative/Committee members
  B) California Native American Heritage Commission - “most lineal decent” Representative/Committee members
Tribal Responsibility

• Be Prepared to respond to NAGPRA and SB 18 related letters from local and state government.

• Tribal Form Letter – For NAGPRA – provide Tribal Territory description, Cultural Preservation and Tribal NAGPRA Coordinator contact information. For SB 18 - stating area is not of your traditional territory or stating area is of your traditional territory – would like to be involved.

• Keep spreadsheet or record of your response – all interaction with state and local government strengthens your stance for federal recognition.

• Develop “good” working relationship with state and local governments and with public institutions – this can be hard, if there is historic injustice or non-fair treatment by these governments or institutions – Note: good leaders can make a positive differences.
Tribal Chairwoman’s View

1. Work with Tribal Council in determining your Tribal NAGPRA process and reporting.
2. Determine where you “put to rest” any human remains or burial related artifacts and type of ceremony to provide.
3. Determine where you place any cultural artifacts (safe, secure and climate control).
4. Support your NAGPRA Tribal Representative – Travel Costs, Resources, and Political support.
5. Make sure NAGPRA Tribal Representative(s) know their responsibilities (responding to NAGPRA related issues, on-site monitoring, and reporting timely to Tribal Council).
6. Don’t spread your NAGPRA Tribal Representative(s) out too thin – avoid burn out.
7. Network with other neighboring federally recognized Tribes regarding NAGPRA issues and process.
Tribal Allotments – Public Domain Lands
“lands in trust with federal government”
(Dawes Act 1883)

Over 1,000 Allotments in California

Not mapped out

BIA limited resources

U.S. Indian Health Services basic support for septic tanks, water systems, and other environmental support
Entrance to Miranda Road Access
Chief Steban Miranda – awarded land from BIA in late 1800’s, Last Tubatulabal Tribal Chief

Miranda Allotment – 160 Acres

• 19 Tubatulabal families reside on Miranda Allotment

• Environmental needs: water system, land clean-up, fencing, cattle guards, waste management program, access to utilities and road maintenance service.

• Some assistance received from U.S. BIA – Housing and Roads, U.S. Indian Health Services, and local TANF (social service program).
Miranda Allotment

Southern Sierra / Tehachapi area, natural water springs, and high desert mountains
Environmental Challenges
“waste and land management”

BIA does not allow for permanent housing structures – there are 10 abandon trailer homes on Miranda allotment and about 25 abandon vehicles.
White Blanket Allotment – 160 Acres
Tubatulabal Tribal Families
• 4 Tubatulabal families reside on White Blanket Allotment

• Environmental needs: water system, clean-up, fencing, cattle guards, waste management program, access to utilities (no electricity at this time) and road maintenance service.

• Some assistance received from BIA – Housing and Roads, U.S. Indian Health Services, and local TANF (social service program).
White Blanket Allotment
160 Acres – S. Fork Kern River, Onyx, CA – HW 178
MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL ISSUES

U.S. BLM LAND

U.S. BIA LAND

CA Fish and Game And Audubon Land “native birds”

HW-178
White Blanket – need improve housing and waste management. There is no electricity or phone service on White Blanket. Political challenges in getting these utility services
Non-Federally Recognized Tribes by County – (Listing work-in-progress 10/2007)

Amador County
Sierra Native American Council

Butte County
197 Konkow Valley Band of Maidu
Butte Tribal Council

Calaveras County
240 Calaveras Band of Miwok Indians

Colusa County
185 Calusa-Seminole Nation

Del Norte County
085 Tolowa Nation
Melochundum Band of Tolowa Indians

El Dorado County
El Dorado Miwok Tribe
El Dorado Tract

Fresno County
090 North Fork Band of Mono Indians
092 Dunlap Band of Mono Indians (aka Mono Tribal Council of Dunlap
106 Wukchumni Council
209 Sierra Foothill Wuksachi Yokuts Tribe
222 Traditional Choinuymni Tribe
249 Dumna Wo-Wah Tribal Government
302 Northern Band of Mono-Yokuts
Dumma Tribal Government
Wukshumni Tribe
Glenn County
276 Choctaw Allen Tribe

Humboldt County
Alderpoint Indian Community
Eel River Nation of Sovereign Wailaki

Kern County
047 Kern Valley Indian Community
230 Tejon Indian Tribe
294 Chumash Council of Bakersfield
Kawaiisu Tribe aka Kern Valley Indian Council
Tubatulabals of Kern Valley
Tehachapi Indian Tribe
Salinan-Chumash Nation

Lake County
193 The Displaced Elem Lineage Emancipated members (aka Delema)

Lassen County
024 United Maidu Nation
159 Wadatkuta Band of the Northern Paiutes of the Honey Lake Valley
223 Honey Lake Maidu
Northern Maidu

Los Angeles County
140 Gabrielino/Tongva Nation
140A Gabrielino/Tongva Indians of California Tribal Council
158 Fernandeno/Tataviam Tribe
163 San Fernando Band of Mission Indians
165 Tinoqui-Chalola Council of Kitanemuk and Yowlumne Tejon Indians
176 Coastal Gabrieleno Diegueno Band of Mission Indians
Gabrielino Band of Mission Indians of California
Kitanemuk & Yowlumne Tejon Indians
Tehachapi Indian Tribe
Madera County
099  Chuckchansi Yokotch Tribe
249  Dumna Wo-Wah Tribal Government
Chuckchansi Tribe

Mariposa County
082  Southern Sierra Miwuk Nation (formerly American Indian Council of Mariposa County, aka Yosemite)
136  Chukchansi Yokotch Tribe of Mariposa California

Mendocino County
104  Yokayo Tribe Indians
299  SheBelNa Band of Mendocino Coast Pomo Indians
Noyo River Indian Community

Mono County
021  Mono Lake Indian Community
022  Washoe/Paiute of Antelope Valley
022A  Antelope Valley Paiute Tribe 295 Yosemite-Mono Lake Paiute Indian Community
Antelope Valley Paiute Tribe

Monterey County
110  Coastanoan Band of Carmel Mission Indians
116  Salinan Nation
131  Esselen/Coastanoan Tribe of Monterey County
132  Ohlone/Costanoan – Esselen Nation
139  Salinan Tribe of Monterey & San Luis Obispo Counties
143  Costanoan-Rumsen Carmel Tribe
242  Xolon Salinan Tribe
290  Eshom Valley Band of Michahai and Wuksachi
Costanoan Ohlone Indian Council
Wuksachi Tribe
Owl Clan
Salinan Nation Cultural Preservation Assoc.
Salinan-Chumash Nation
Nevada County
T’Si-akim Maidu
Yahmonee Maidu of Si Lom Kui’ya

Orange County
084a Juaneno Band of Mission Indians, Acjachemen Nation
Juaneno Band of Mission Indians (Interested Party)
084b Juaneno Band of Mission Indians

Placer County
Colfax/Todds Valley Consolidated Tribes

Plumas County
202 T’Si-akim Maidu
Plumas County Indians

Riverside County
201 Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians of California
Serrano Band of Indians

Sacramento County
285 Nashville-Eldorado Miwok Tribe
Wilton Rancheria

San Benito County
112 Indian Canyon Band of Coastanoan/Mutsun Indians
210 Costanoan Tribe of Santa Cruz and San Juan Bautista Missions
Salinan Tribe of Monterey, San Luis Obispo & San Benito Counties

San Bernardino County
175 Ani Yvwi Yuchi
Serrano Band of Indians

San Diego County
096 San Luis Rey Band of Mission Indians
272 The Chiricahua Tribe of California
275 Diegueno Band of San Diego Mission Indians
281 Callattakapa-Chocotaw Tribe
Kwaaymii Laguna Band of Mission Indians
San Joaquin County
109 Choinumni Council
229 North Valley Yokut Tribe

San Luis Obispo County
139 Salinan Tribe of Monterey & San Luis Obispo
294 Chumash Council of Bakersfield
Northern Chumash Tribal Council
Salinan-Chumash Nation
San Luis Obispo County Chumash Council

San Mateo County
120 Amah Mutsun Band of Ohlone/Costanoan Indians
Amah Mutsun Tribal Band

Santa Barbara County
080 Coastal Band of Chumash

Santa Clara County
111 Muwekma Ohlone Tribe
The Ohlone Indian Tribe

Santa Cruz County
147 Costaanoan Ohlone Rumsen-Mutsun Tribe
Amah Mutsun Tribal Band

Shasta County
097 Wintu Indians of Central Valley, California
098 Wintoon Indians
137 Wintu Tribe of Northern California
289 The Wintoon Tribe of Northern California
Winnemem Wintu Tribe
Nor-El-Muk Band of Wintu Indians
Sierra County
Strawberry Valley Rancheria
T’Si-akim Maidu

Siskiyou County
083  Shasta Nation

Sonoma County
Mishewal-Wappo Tribe of Alexander Valley

Tehama County
Tasmam Koyon

Trinity County
093  Nor-Rel-Muk Nation (formerly Hayfork Band; formerly Nor-El-Muk Band of Wintu Indians
128  Tsnungwe Council

Tulare County
283 Monachi Indian Tribe
Wuksachi Tribe

Tuolumne County
298  Toulumne Algerine Band of Yokut

Yuba County
Strawberry Valley Rancheria
Recommendations

• Don’t reinvent the wheel – network with DWR, Cal-Trans, Cal-EPA (Cynthia Gomez, Assist. Secretary – Environmental Justice, formerly from Cal-Trans)
• Get the Tribes on your maps – overlays
• Develop Tribal Brochure – how to work with Conservation
• Develop Tribal Liaison Position
• Promote Cabinet Level – CA Tribal Affairs Agency
• (policy, consultation, administration direction of working with all California Tribes.)