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**TRIBAL CONSULTATION LIST REQUEST
NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**



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Project Title: City of Fresno General Plan and Master Environmental Impact Report Update

Local Government: City of Fresno, Development & Resource Management Department

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Project Location:

County: Fresno

City/Community: Fresno

Local Action Type:

General Plan General Plan Element Specific Plan General Plan Amendment
 Specific Plan Amendment Pre-Planning Outreach Activity

Project Description:

The City of Fresno recently retained Dyett and Bhatia and MW Steele Group, Inc. to assist the City in updating its General Plan and Master Environmental Impact Report (MEIR) which will guide physical development in the City through the year 2035. Note that the City is currently 112 square miles in area with roughly 505,000 inhabitants while the Council of Fresno County Governments has forecasted a population of 961,366 by the year 2035 within the City's Sphere of Influence (SOI) (157 sq. miles, please refer to the attached map). The City is not proposing to expand the SOI, rather it is anticipated that the City's General Plan update will provide strategies and implementation measures to accommodate projected growth within our existing Sphere of Influence.

A major step in the process of undertaking an update to the General Plan and MEIR will be the completion of a map-based existing conditions report with respect to public facilities, infrastructure and services. The report will provide important baseline information and will help us identify planning issues to be addressed in the updated General Plan. Your participation will be valuable in the preparation of a relevant and effective General Plan.

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October 14, 2010

Mr. Darrell Unruh, Planning Manager

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No. of Pages: 3

Re: Tribal Consultation Per Government Code §§ 65352.3, 65352.4 and 65560 (SB 18/Sacred Lands File Search) for Project- City of Fresno GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT and Master Environmental Impact Report Update; located in the City of Fresno, Fresno County, California;

Dear Mr. Unruh:

Government Code §65352.3, .4 and .5 requires local governments to consult with California Native American tribes identified by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for the purpose of protecting, and/or mitigating impacts to cultural places that might be impacted by a General Plan or Specific or modifications thereof. Attached is a Native American Tribal Consultation list of tribes with traditional lands or cultural places located within the requested plan boundaries of the City of Fresno, the Area of Potential Effect (APE).

As a part of consultation, the NAHC recommends that local governments conduct record searches through the NAHC and California Historic Resources Information System (CHRIS) (Contact Eric Allison at (916) 653-7278 to find the nearest CHRIS Information Center) to determine if there are any recorded archaeological sites are located within the area(s) affected by the proposed action, in the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS) Inventory.

A NAHC Sacred Lands File search was conducted based on the project site information included in your request and **Native American cultural resources** were identified within the APE. Early contact with Native American tribes on the attached list will yield additional information about the cultural sites. Local governments should be aware that records searches do not preclude the existence of sacred sites or a cultural place. And a tribe or tribal members may be the only source of information regarding the existence of a sacred site or a cultural place.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (916) 653-6251.

Sincerely,



Dave Singleton
Program Analyst

Attachment: Native American Tribal Government Contacts

**Native American Tribal Consultation List
FRESNO COUNTY
October 14, 2010**

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Cold Springs Rancheria of Mono Indians
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This list is applicable only for consultation with Native American tribes under Government Code Section 65352.3.

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Choinumni

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July 16, 2014

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Dear Mr. Alvarez:

The City of Fresno has initiated the process of updating its General Plan. In order to provide Native American tribes with the opportunity to participate in local land use decisions at an early stage, in accordance with Senate Bill 18, we are seeking your comments on the proposed General Plan update.

The planning area includes Fresno, unincorporated Fresno County islands within the city limits, and adjacent agricultural land to the north, east, west, and south. The approximate boundaries are the San Joaquin River to the North, the City of Clovis to the Northeast, and in general, Locan Avenue to the east, American Avenue to the south and Garfield Avenue to the west. The Fresno Planning Area is shown on the enclosed map.

The General Plan sets a framework for decisions about the form of development, the location of new urban growth, and how to provide public services and facilities. It expresses community values and goals, gives a picture of the city in the future, and outlines steps to get there. State law requires that a general plan contain at least the seven following elements: Land Use, Transportation, Housing, Conservation, Open Space, Noise, and Safety. Fresno's general plan also covers economic development, sustainability, seismic safety, historic and cultural resource preservation, scenic highways, recreation and parks. Significant growth is projected to continue in Fresno in the coming years, and the General Plan will have an important influence on shaping it.

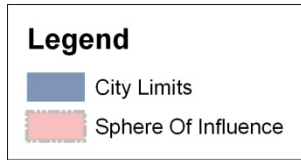
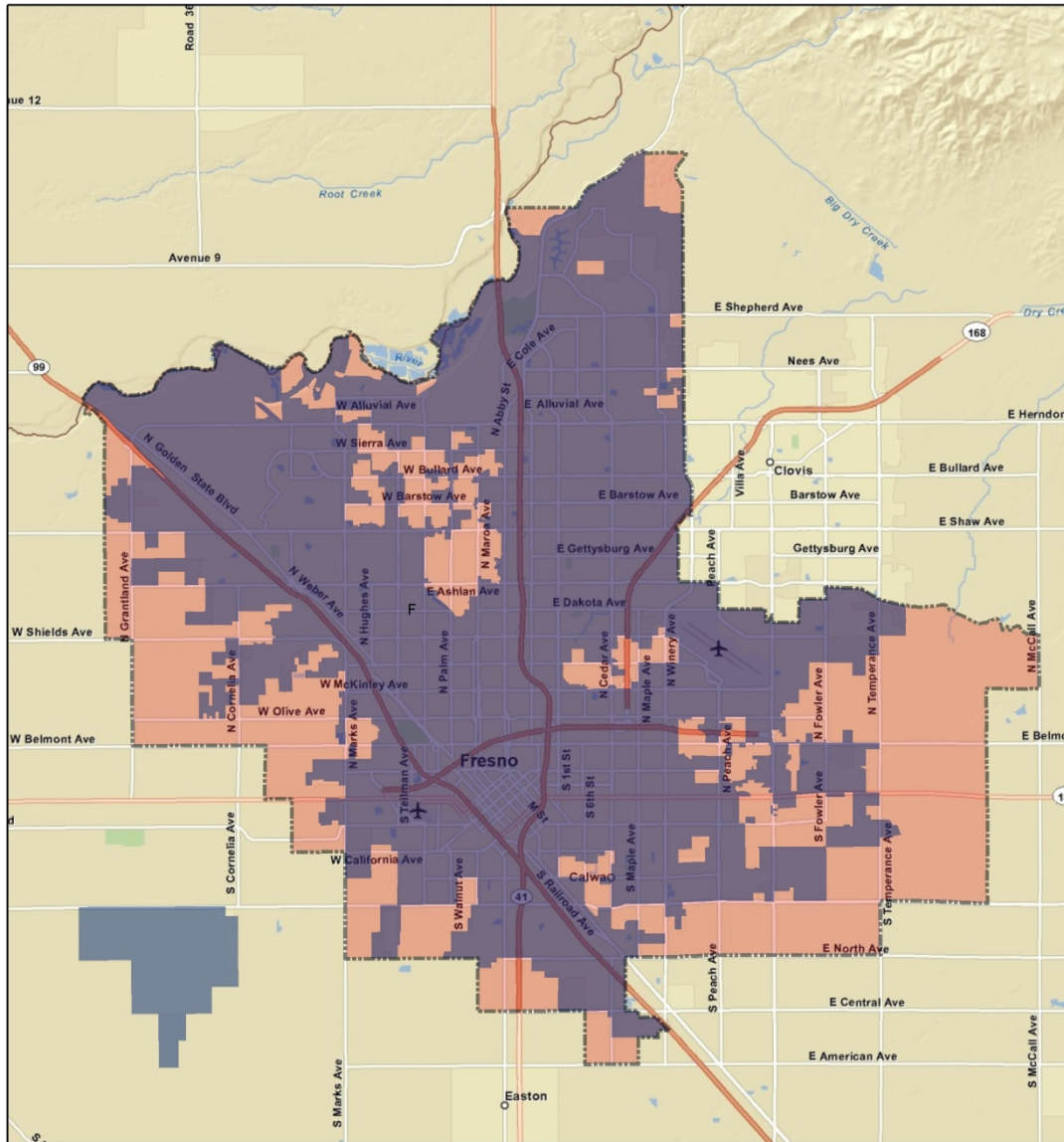
At our request, the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) has conducted a search of the Sacred Lands File for sites within the Planning Area. The Commission has notified us that Native American Cultural Resources sites were found within one-half mile of the Planning Area. NAHC also provided contact information for tribal representatives who may have knowledge about cultural resources in the area.

The City of Fresno is eager to understand tribal concerns regarding archaeological resources or traditional tribal cultural places in the Planning Area. If you have any concerns or information regarding archaeological resources or traditional tribal cultural places in the Planning Area, or if you would like to be involved in the planning process, please let us know. We would appreciate receiving your comments by April 26, 2011. Any responses received by that date will be included in the General Plan Draft EIR.

Thank you,

Michelle Zumwalt, Architect

City of Fresno Planning Area Boundary



Native American Consultations, General Plan and Downtown Plans

Tribal Group/NAHC	General Plan and MEIR Update	Responses for General Plan/MEIR	EIR/EIS Fulton Corr. and DNSP Specific Plan	Response Received	DEIR for Downtown Neighborhood Fulton Corridor and Downtown Development Code (federal) NOP	Responses received DEIR
Native American Heritage Commission	Letter sent October 11, 2010 by Darrell Unruh	Response with NA contacts sent on October 14, 2010 by Dave Singleton		Response with NA contacts sent to Dana Slawson 4.22.2011 by Dave Singleton		Response with NA Contacts sent to Wilma Quan April 6, 2012 by Dave Singleton
Big Sandy Rancheria, Mono (Liz Hutchins Kipp)	Consult Letter sent February 9, 2011, Michelle Zumwalt architect	Follow-up telephone call from Karana Hattersley-Drayton and MZ 1.12.12 left message	Consult. Letter sent by Dana Slawson 4.27.11	Call back from Sharon Cotter 1.17.12; no new inform.	X	
Cold Springs Rancheria, Robert Marquez	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Telephone call 1.12.2012; left message with admin.	Letter 4.27.11	Telephone call 1.12.2012; left message with admin.	X	
North Fork Mono Ron Goode	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	1.12.2012 left message	Letter 4.27.11	1.12.2012 left message		
Dumna Wo-Wah Keith Turner	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	1.12.2012 left message	Letter 4.27.11	1.12.2012 left message	X	
Sierra Nevada Native American Coalition Lawrence Bill	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ		Letter sent 4.27.11		X	

Table Mountain R. Pennell	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Follow-up call 12.22.11 from Karana and Michelle Resent GP pdf, no further response	Letter sent 4.27.11 (also to Lee Ann Walker Grant)	Letter from Bob Pennel June 16, 2011 decline participate at time, notify if discovery		
Kings River Choinumni John Davis	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Telephone Call 12.22.11 from Karana and Michelle	Letter sent 4.27.11	Call 12.22.12 from Karana and Michelle	X	
Dunlap Band Mono Mandy Marine	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Left telephone message 12.22.11	Letter sent 4.27.11	Left telephone message 12.22.12	X	
Dumna Wo- Wah Tribal CRM Jim Redmoon 4.12. Eric Smith John Ledger	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Phones disc. Redmoon has moved to Colorado	Letter sent 4.27.11	Phones disc. Redmoon has moved to Colorado	XX	
Chowchilla Tribe, Yokuts Jerry Brown	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Called 12.22.11 no answer, no message machine	Letter sent 4.27.11	Called 12.22.11 no answer, no message machine	X	
Traditional Choinumni David Alvarez	Letter sent 2.9.11 MZ	Called 12.22.11 Asked for additional copy of GP letter; very nice talk.	Letter sent 4.27.11	E-mail June 2, 2011 Project outside Historic land base	X	
Choinumni Tribe/Choinu mni Mono Lorrie Planas	N.A.		Letter sent 4.27.11		X	

Choinumni Tribe Yokuts Rosemary Smith	N.A.		Letter sent 4.27.11	Called 12.22. phone # not correct	X	
Santa Rosa Tachi Rancheria Lalo Franco	N.A.		Letter sent 4.27.11		X	
Santa Rosea Racheria Rueben Barrios	N.A.		Letter sent 4.27.11			

Summary of Tirbal consultations, General Plan, Downtown and Fulton Corridor Specific Plans:

October 11, 2010: Letter sent by Darrell Unruh, DARM to the Native American Heritage Commission requesting Sacred Lands File/Tribal consultation for the “City of Fresno General Plan and Master Environmental Impact Report Update.”

October 14, 2010: Response to Darrell Unruh from Dave Singleton (by Fax) NAHC with list of contacts.

February 9, 2011: Letters to 11 tribes regarding General Plan and MEIR as included in list of October 14, 2010; letters sent and signed by Michelle Zumwalt, Architect, City of Fresno.

April 22, 2011: Response to Dana Slawson, Greenwood and Associates from Dave Singleton, NAHC for Request for a Sacred Lands File Search and NA Contacts for the “Fulton Corridor and Downtown Neighborhoods Specific Plan CEQA Environmental Impact Report/federal NEPA Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/EIS) located in four USGS quadrangles...”

April 27, 2011: Letters from Dana Slawson, Greenwood and Associates, to 16 tribal contacts.

December 22, 2011 and January 12, 2012, Karana Hattersley-Drayton (Historic Preservation Project Manager) and Michelle Zumwalt (architect) made follow-up telephone calls to all tribal contacts for both the General Plan as well as the Downtown/Fulton Corridor Specific Plan EIS/EIR as a courtesy, due to the lack of responses to prior consultation letters. This followed a telephone call and e-mail(s) to Dave Singleton, Native American Heritage Commission.

April 6, 2012: Response to Wilma Quan from Dave Singleton, NAHC for “SCH#2012041009 CEQA Notice of Preparation (NOP); draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) for the “Downtown Neighborhoods Community Plan; Fulton Corridor Specific Plan, and Downtown Development Code”.... [E-mail to Wilma 1.9.13, were letters to tribal contacts sent?]