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,

Patricia Garcia Plotkin  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
Director of Historic Preservation

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August 13, 2020

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Transmitted via email: ACBCI-THPO@aguacaliente.net
Re: Tiered Environmental Review of Single-Family Home Projects in 12 Counties
2017 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery

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Dear Mr. Helo,

On behalf of the United Auburn Indian Community, thank you for your letter requesting information on when to consult with Tribes for types of single-family housing unit projects. I reviewed the list of the types of projects and believe the only one that would require consultation would be for Site work to meet CA Wildland Urban Interface standards for homes in high risk areas. That is assuming that the “site work” may include tree and brush removal, or other ground disturbing activity in areas that are not for habitation but for fire safety. The Preservation Department would check our files to determine if there are any site of cultural or religious significance to the Tribe in the project area and provide recommendations on avoidance or minimization.

Please let me know if you have any questions and I’d be happy to answer them.

Best,
Anna Starkey

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To: Helo, Joseph@HCD
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My address is 365 N.Poli Ave.
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The address you have
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Be Well Be Safe, Julie Tumamait Stenslie.

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Sincerely,

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Dear Mr. Helo,

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Please let us know if you have any questions. Thank you.

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From the provided information the Band understands, that HCD will oversee financing grants to ensure that housing needs of very-low, low- and moderate-income households and vulnerable populations are addressed. Such projects include:

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equipment), and heavy trucks (large four-wheel drive trucks, dump trucks and tractor trailers), including activities such as trenching, bulldozing, excavating, scraping, and plowing.

If you have additional questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact our office at your convenience at (760) 297-2635.

Thank you for the opportunity to protect and preserve our cultural assets.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Madrigal
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Cultural Resources Manager
Mr. Helo,

Please see attached response letter to above mentioned project. If you have any questions or comments, please contact us.

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Cheryl

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Hi Joseph,

Thank you for contacting the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians (SMBMI) regarding the proposed efforts related to disaster recovery and the request for insights concerning potential consultation. For your knowledge, the only County on your list that overlaps with Serrano ancestral territory is Los Angeles, and even then it is only the Antelope Valley and a portion of the Angeles National Forest. Based on the list of activity types, it is likely SMBMI will not elect to consult on many projects related to disaster relief. However, a good rule of thumb that your agency could use is to reach out concerning any effort that will result in ground-disturbing activity, to exclude efforts that will be focused on rebuilding within a previously built-out footprint (i.e. rebuilding a burned down home, demolition/rebuild, etc.). All that being said, our office is highly responsive, and we will be more than happy to review anything you send our way.

Best,
Jessica Mauck
August 13, 2020

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Transmitted via email: jmauck@sanmanuel-nsn.gov

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In reviewing the above referenced project the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians (“Viejas”) would like to comment at this time.

The project area may contain many sacred sites to the Kumeyaay people. We request that these sacred sites be avoided with adequate buffer zones.

Additionally, Viejas is requesting, as appropriate, the following:

• All NEPA/CEQA/NAGPRA laws be followed
• Immediately contact Viejas on any changes or inadvertent discoveries.

Please call Ernest Pingleton at 619-659-2314 or email, epingleton@viejas-nsn.gov, for additional information. Thank you.

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