

# **APPENDIX M**

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*Cultural Resources Reports (Bound Under Separate Cover)  
and Native American Consultation*

**Native American Consultation Efforts  
Graton Rancheria Casino Project**

<b>Organization</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Letters</b>	<b>Calls</b>	<b>Results</b>
Native American Heritage Commission	Debbie Pitas-Treadway	5/28/03	NA	5/30/03 Received letter via fax. No cultural or sacred properties within or near project area.
Pomo	Grant Smith	6/27/03	NA	No comments received
Coast Miwok	Dawn Getchell	6/27/03	7/7/03	Has no comments about this project. Defers to Tim Campbell who has closer ties to the area.
Federated Coast Miwok	Tim Campbell	6/27/03	7/7/03 7/10/03	No comments have been received from Tim Campbell, Information was mailed and emailed. Telephone messages (2) not returned.
Federated Coast Miwok	Gene Buvelot	6/27/03	NA	No comments received, defers to Tim Campbell
Federated Coast Miwok	Kathleen Smith	No address	6/27/03	No answer, no machine
Ya Ka-Ania	Board of Directors	6/27/03	NA	No comments received

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May 28, 2003

Debbie Pilas-Treadway  
Native American Heritage Commission  
915 Capitol Mall  
Sacramento, CA 95814

VIA FACIMILE

Re: Graton Rancheria Casino Project, Highway 37 and Lakeville Highway, Sonoma County

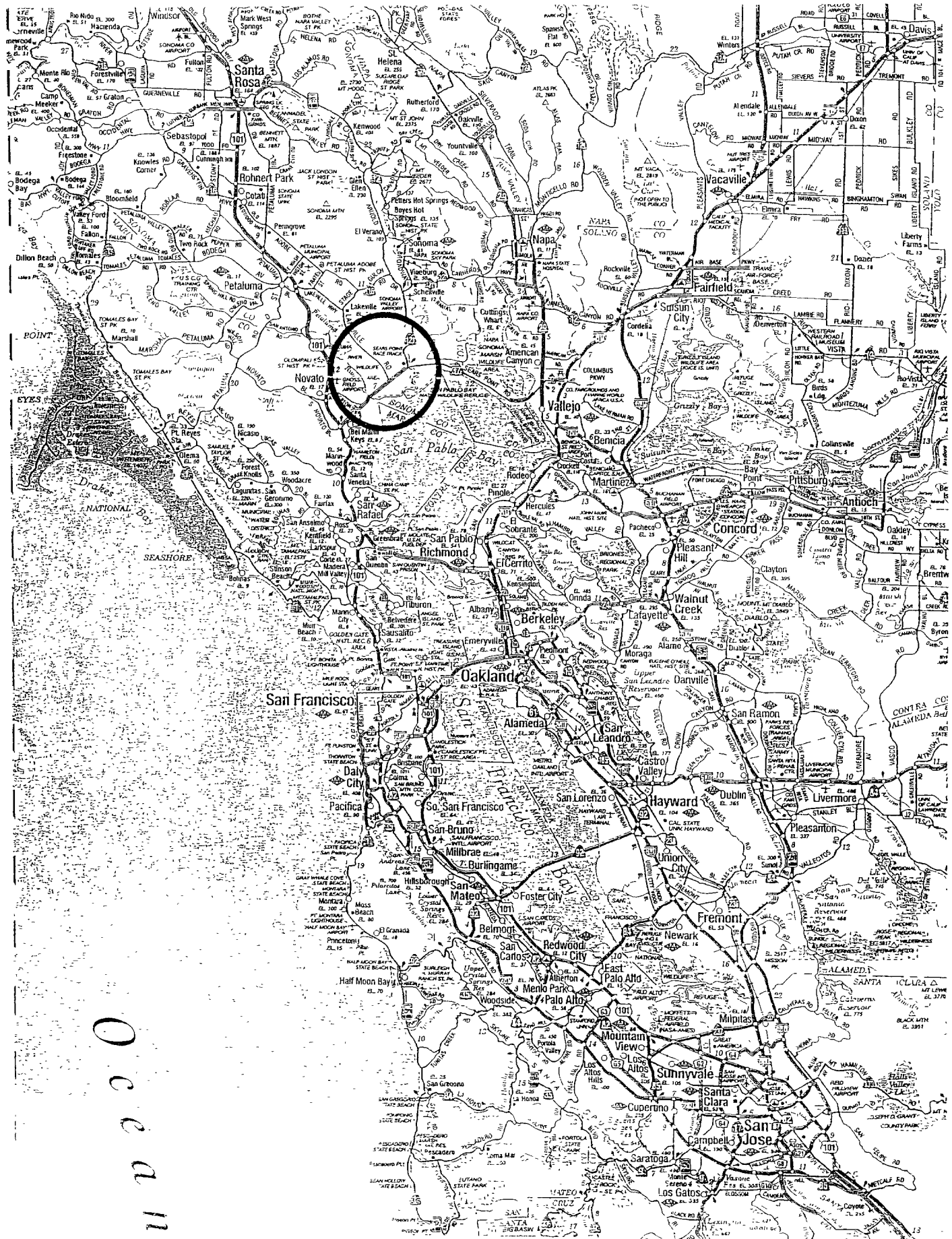
Dear Ms. Pilas-Treadway:

I write regarding a cultural resources study our firm is conducting for Graton Rancheria's proposed casino on Highway 37 and Lakeville Highway in Sonoma County. Enclosed is a map of the project area composed of portions of the Sears Point and Petaluma Point 7.5' USGS maps. We are seeking information from the Native American Heritage Commission regarding possible sacred lands and other cultural sites within the project area. We would also like to obtain a list of individuals whom it would be appropriate to contact regarding this project.

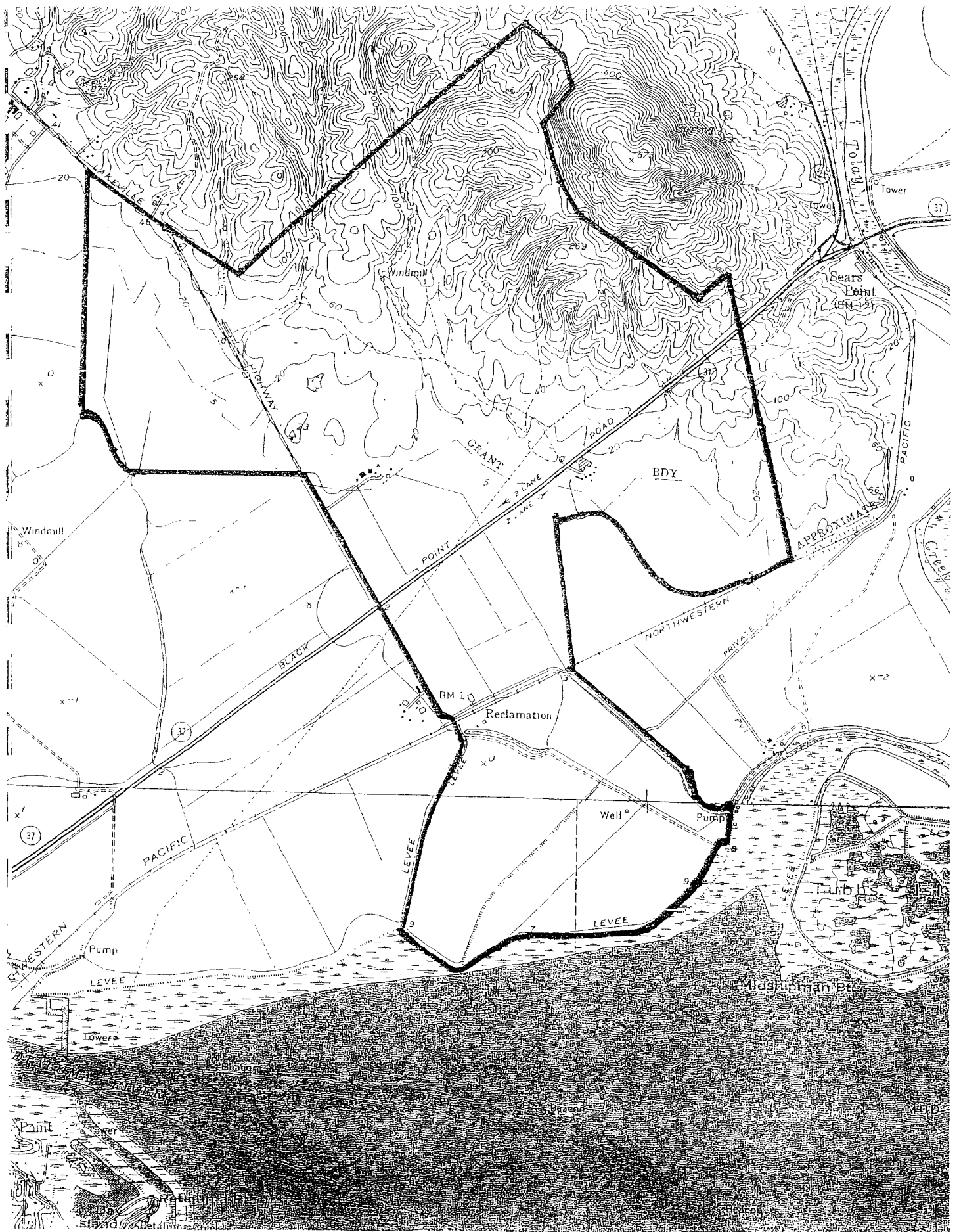
Please contact me at (707) 792-2797 if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Vicki R. Beard  
Senior Associate



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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Gray Davis, Governor

**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**

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May 30, 2003

Vicki Beard  
Tom Origer & Associates  
PO Box 1531  
Rohnert Park, CA 94927

Sent by Fax: 707-792-2798  
No of Pages: 2

RE: Proposed Graton Rancheria Casino Project, Sonoma County.

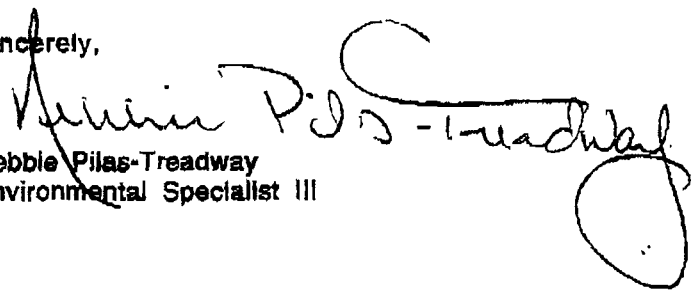
Dear Ms. Beard:

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If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from any these individuals or groups, please notify me. With your assistance we are able to assure that our lists contain current information. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (916) 653-4038.

Sincerely,

  
Debbie Pilas-Treadway  
Environmental Specialist III

**NATIVE AMERICAN CONTACTS**  
**Sonoma County**  
**May 30, 2003**

**The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria**

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 Novato , CA 94947  
 (415) 883-9215 Home  
 coastmiwok@aol.com - email

Coast Miwok

**Kathleen Smith**  
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 Walnut Creek , CA 94596  
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Pomo  
 Coast Miwok

**Grant Smith**  
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 Santa Rosa , CA 95401  
 (707) 528 -2584

Coast Miwok  
 Pomo

**Dawn S. Getchell**  
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 Jenner , CA 95450  
 (707) 865-2248

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**Ya-Ka-Arna**  
 6215 Eastside Road  
 Forestville , CA 95436  
 (707) 887-1541  
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**The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria**  
**Tim Campbell, Cultural Resources Officer**  
 320 Tesconi Circle, Suite G  
 Santa Rosa , CA 95401  
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 coastmiwok@aol.com - email

Coast Miwok

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**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 Resources Code and Section 6087.98 of the Public Resources Code.**

**This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regards to the cultural assessment for the proposed Graton Rancheria Casino project, Sonoma County**

Tom Origer & Associates  
Archaeology / Historical Research

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June 27, 2003

Grant Smith  
4309 Chico Avenue  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Dear Mr. Smith:

Our firm is conducting a cultural resources study for a proposed development project at the intersection of Highway 37 and Lakeville Highway in Sonoma County. As part of our study, we are requesting information from the Native American community regarding sacred lands or other cultural sites within the study area that might be impacted by project activities. Information received in response to this inquiry can be used to address cultural concerns before project activities proceed.

The project area includes both uplands and reclaimed marshlands at the north end of San Pablo Bay, near the mouths of the Petaluma River and Tolay Creek. Maps showing the general vicinity and project location are enclosed for your reference. We will call you the week of July 7th to make sure you have received this letter and to answer questions you might have about the project. Please contact us at (707) 792-2797 if you need additional information. Thank you for your help.

Sincerely,

Vicki Beard  
Senior Associate



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June 27, 2003

Dawn Getchell  
P.O. Box 53  
Jenner, CA 95450

Dear Ms. Getchell:

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Tim Campbell, Cultural Resources Officer  
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria  
320 Tesconi Circle, Suite G  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Dear Tim:

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Gene Buvelot  
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria  
1025 Susan Way  
Novato, CA 94947

Dear Mr. Buvelot:

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June 27, 2003

Ya-Ka-Ama Indian Educational Center  
Board of Directors  
6215 Eastside Road  
Forestville, CA 95436

Dear Board Members:

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Rohnert Park Casino Project**

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Native American Heritage Commission	Debbie Pilas-Treadway	9/4/2003	NA	The Commission has no record of Native American cultural resources within the project area.
Dry Creek Rancheria of Pomo Indians		9/9/2003	9/16/2003	Cultural Committee Chair has all the paper work and will respond if they have comments. No response has been received to date.
Lytton Band of Pomo Indians	Diane Seidner	9/9/2003	9/16/2003	Ms. Seidner has not received the letter; it is being reviewed by the tribal chair and tribal administrator. She expected to respond by the first of October. No response has been received to date.
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria	Tim Campbell	9/9/2003	NA	Our letter was hand delivered to Mr. Campbell on 9/9. He indicated at that time that he would send a letter in reply. No response has been received to date
Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria	Gene Buvelot	9/9/2003	NA	Mr. Buvelot has indicated in previous interaction that he refers inquiries to the Cultural Resources Officer (Tim Campbell).
Ya-K-a-Ama	Board of Directors	9/4/2003	NA	No comments received. In previous interactions with Ya-K-a-Ama they have indicated that no telephone contact is needed and that the Directors will respond in writing if they have concerns.

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September 4, 2003

Debbie Pilas-Treadway  
Native American Heritage Commission  
915 Capitol Mall  
Sacramento, CA 95814

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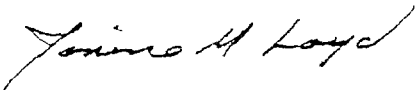
Re: Graton Rancheria Casino, Rohnert Park, Sonoma County, California

Dear Ms. Pilas-Treadway:

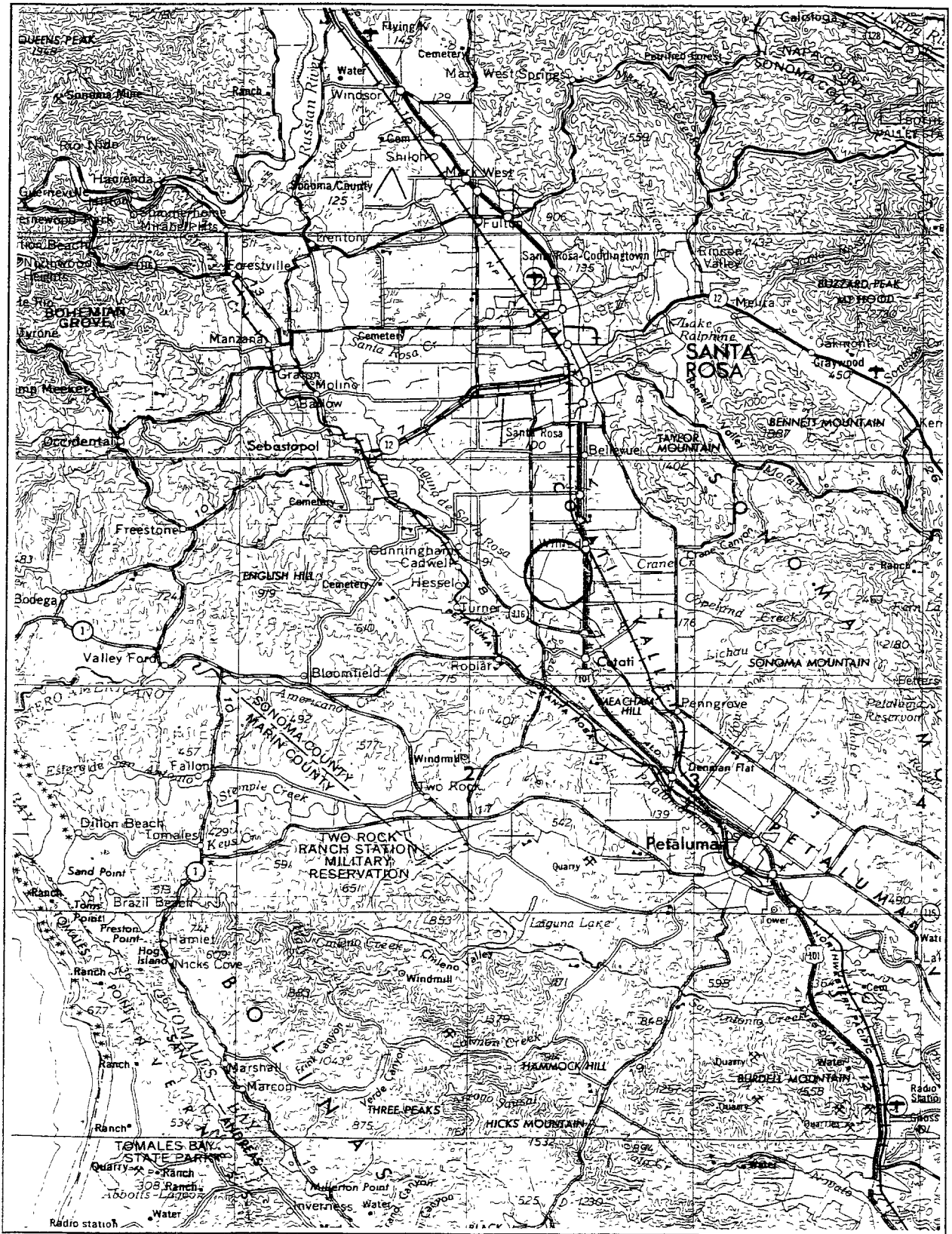
I write regarding a cultural resources study our firm is conducting for the proposed casino/resort in Rohnert Park, Sonoma County California to be built by the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria. We are seeking information from the Native American Heritage Commission regarding possible sacred lands and other cultural sites within the project area. We would also like to obtain a list of individuals whom it would be appropriate to contact regarding this project. I have enclosed a portion of the Cotati 7.5' USGS map showing the project location.

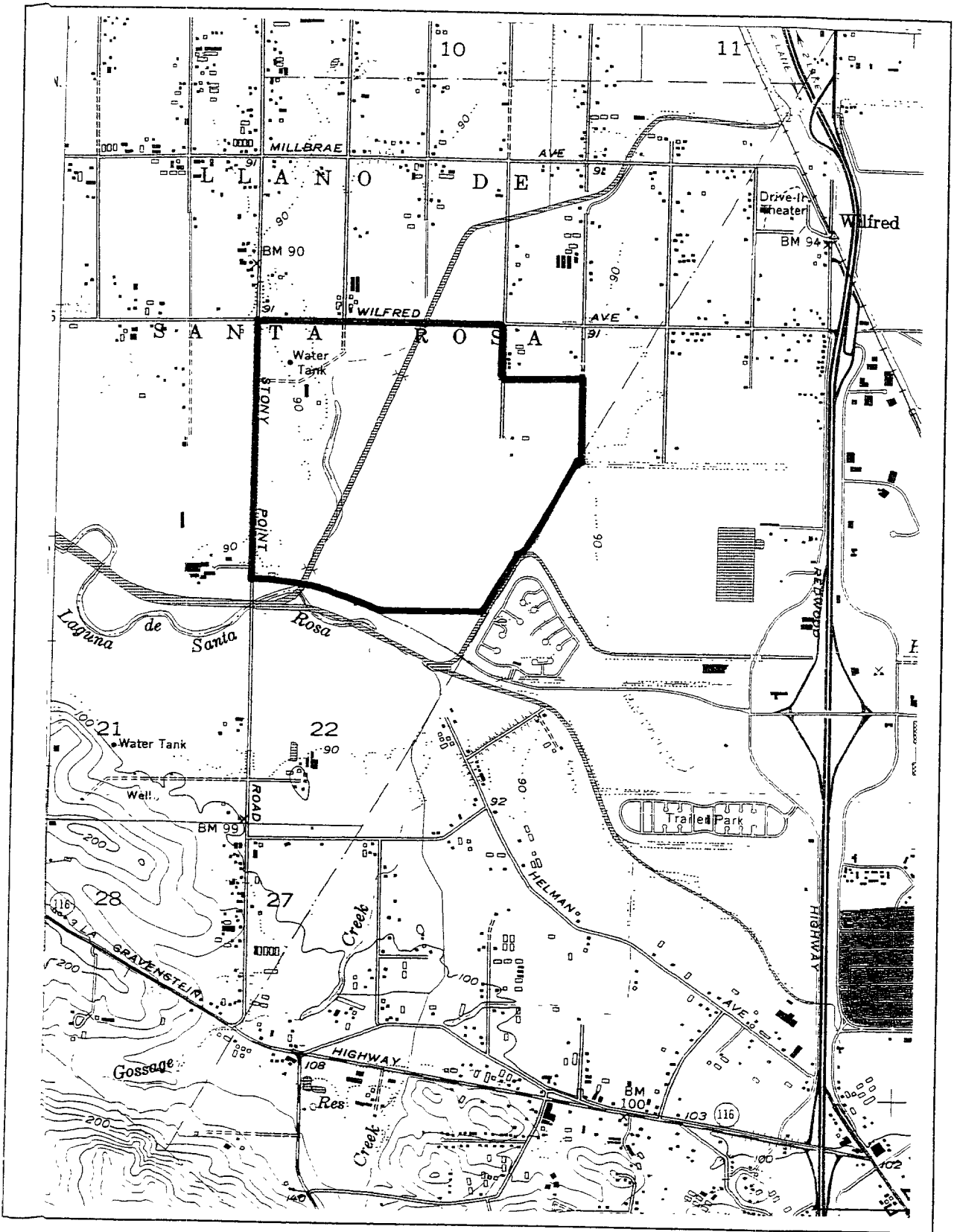
Please contact me at (707) 584-8200 if you have any questions or need additional information. Thank you for your help.

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September 9, 2003

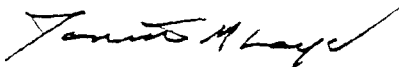
Dry Creek Rancheria  
Cultural Committee  
P.O. Box 607  
Geyserville, California 95441

Dear Committee Members:

Our firm is conducting a cultural resources study for a proposed development project at the intersection of Stony Point Road and Rohnert Park Expressway in Sonoma County. As part of our study, we are requesting information from the Native American community regarding sacred lands or other cultural sites within the study area that might be impacted by project activities. Information received in response to this inquiry can be used to address cultural concerns before project activities proceed.

The project area includes approximately 360 acres of relatively level land near the Laguna de Santa Rosa. Maps showing the general vicinity and project location are enclosed for your reference. We will call you the week of September 15<sup>th</sup> to make sure you have received this letter and to answer questions you might have about the project. Please contact us at (707) 584-8200 if you need additional information. Thank you for your help.

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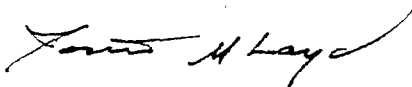
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Lytton Rancheria  
1250 Coddington Center, Suite 1  
Santa Rosa, California 95401

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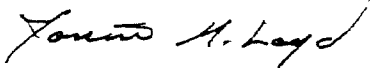
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STATE OF CALIFORNIAGRAY DAVIS, Governor**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**

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September 16, 2003

Janine Loyd  
Senior Associate  
Tom Origer 7 Associates  
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Sent by Fax: 707-584-8300  
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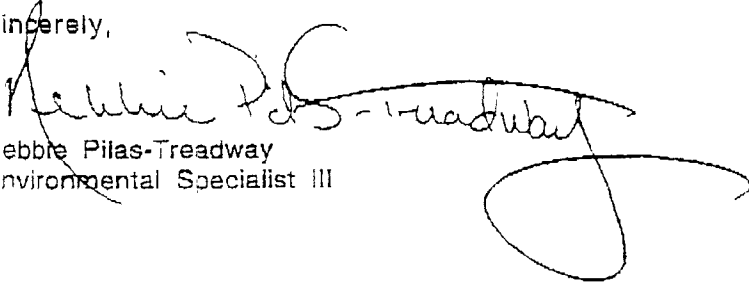
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September 15, 2003**

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