

APPENDIX D:  
CULTURAL RESOURCES DATA

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## NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION

March 12, 2020

Ambur Cameron, Assistant City Planner  
City of Hollister

Via Email to: [ambur.cameron@hollister.ca.gov](mailto:ambur.cameron@hollister.ca.gov)

**Re: Native American Consultation, Pursuant to Senate Bill 18 (SB18), Government Codes §65352.3 and §65352.4, as well as Assembly Bill 52 (AB52), Public Resources Codes §21080.1, §21080.3.1 and §21080.3.2, City of Hollister 2040 General Plan Update Project, San Benito County**

Dear Ms. Cameron:

Attached is a consultation list of tribes with traditional lands or cultural places located within the boundaries of the above referenced counties or projects.

Government Codes §65352.3 and §65352.4 require local governments to consult with California Native American tribes identified by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for the purpose of avoiding, protecting, and/or mitigating impacts to cultural places when creating or amending General Plans, Specific Plans and Community Plans.

Public Resources Codes §21080.3.1 and §21080.3.2 requires public agencies to consult with California Native American tribes identified by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) for the purpose of avoiding, protecting, and/or mitigating impacts to tribal cultural resources as defined, for California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) projects.

The law does not preclude local governments and agencies from initiating consultation with the tribes that are culturally and traditionally affiliated within your jurisdiction. The NAHC believes that this is the best practice to ensure that tribes are consulted commensurate with the intent of the law.

Best practice for the AB52 process and in accordance with Public Resources Code §21080.3.1(d), is to do the following:

*Within 14 days of determining that an application for a project is complete or a decision by a public agency to undertake a project, the lead agency shall provide formal notification to the designated contact of, or a tribal representative of, traditionally and culturally affiliated California Native American tribes that have requested notice, which shall be accomplished by means of at least one written notification that includes a brief description of the proposed project and its location, the lead agency contact information, and a notification that the California Native American tribe has 30 days to request consultation pursuant to this section.*

The NAHC also recommends, but does not require that lead agencies include in their notification letters, information regarding any cultural resources assessment that has been completed on the area of potential affect (APE), such as:



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1. The results of any record search that may have been conducted at an Information Center of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS), including, but not limited to:
  - A listing of any and all known cultural resources have already been recorded on or adjacent to the APE, such as known archaeological sites;
  - Copies of any and all cultural resource records and study reports that may have been provided by the Information Center as part of the records search response;
  - Whether the records search indicates a low, moderate or high probability that unrecorded cultural resources are located in the APE; and
  - If a survey is recommended by the Information Center to determine whether previously unrecorded cultural resources are present.
2. The results of any archaeological inventory survey that was conducted, including:
  - Any report that may contain site forms, site significance, and suggested mitigation measures.  
  
All information regarding site locations, Native American human remains, and associated funerary objects should be in a separate confidential addendum, and not be made available for public disclosure in accordance with Government Code Section 6254.10.
3. The result of the Sacred Lands File (SFL) check conducted through the Native American Heritage Commission. The request form can be found at <http://nahc.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/Local-Government-Tribal-Consultation-List-Request-Form-Update.pdf>.
4. Any ethnographic studies conducted for any area including all or part of the potential APE; and
5. Any geotechnical reports regarding all or part of the potential APE.

Lead agencies should be aware that records maintained by the NAHC and CHRIS is not exhaustive, and a negative response to these searches does not preclude the existence of a tribal cultural resource. A tribe may be the only source of information regarding the existence of a tribal cultural resource.

This information will aid tribes in determining whether to request formal consultation. In the event, that they do, having the information beforehand well help to facilitate the consultation process.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from tribes, please notify the NAHC. With your assistance we can assure that our consultation list remains current.

If you have any questions, please contact me at my email address: [Sarah.Fonseca@nahc.ac.gov](mailto:Sarah.Fonseca@nahc.ac.gov).

Sincerely,



Sarah Fonseca  
*Cultural Resources Analyst*

Attachment

**Native American Heritage Commission  
Tribal Consultation List  
San Benito County  
5/12/2020**

***Amah Mutsun Tribal Band***

Valentin Lopez, Chairperson  
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Galt, CA, 95632  
Phone: (916) 743 - 5833  
vlopez@amahmutsun.org

Costanoan  
Northern Valley  
Yokut

***Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of  
Mission San Juan Bautista***

Irenne Zwierlein, Chairperson  
789 Canada Road  
Woodside, CA, 94062  
Phone: (650) 851 - 7489  
Fax: (650) 332-1526  
amahmutsuntribal@gmail.com

Costanoan

***Indian Canyon Mutsun Band of  
Costanoan***

Ann Marie Sayers, Chairperson  
P.O. Box 28  
Hollister, CA, 95024  
Phone: (831) 637 - 4238  
ams@indiancanyon.org

Costanoan

***Xolon-Salinan Tribe***

Karen White, Chairperson  
P. O. Box 7045  
Spreckels, CA, 93962  
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xolon.salinan.heritage@gmail.com

Salinan

This list is current only as of the date of this document and is based on the information available to the Commission on the date it was produced. 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 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is applicable only for consultation with Native American tribes under Government Code Sections 65352.3, 65352.4 et seq. and Public Resources Code Sections 21080.3.1 for the proposed City of Hollister 2040 General Plan Update Project, San Benito County.

May 13, 2020

Ms. Irenne Zwierlein  
Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of Mission San Juan Bautista, Chairperson  
789 Canada Road  
Woodside, CA, 94062

Dear Ms. Zwierlein,

The City of Hollister is updating its General Plan. We received your contact information from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) as the contact person for the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of Mission San Juan Bautista. State law requires the City to contact all tribes on the list provided by the NAHC. Please consider this letter as a request for tribal consultation for the purpose of protecting and/or mitigating potential cultural impacts. Per requirements of Government Code Section 65352.3 (Senate Bill 18), the City requests that you advise us at the earliest possible time of your interest in consulting on the subject project, but no later than 90 days from receipt of this notice. The General Plan Update might propose land use changes and changes to existing policies and requirements pertaining to cultural resources. The project is still in the initial phase, and no decisions about future changes have been made at this time.

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- Arts

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Per the requirements of Government Code §65352.3, the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band of Mission San Juan Bautista has 90 days to respond to this request for consultation upon receipt of this letter. Please contact me at your earliest convenience if you have comments or questions pertaining to the City of Hollister General Plan Update.

Sincerely,

Ambur Cameron  
Assistant City Planner  
Development Services Department  
City of Hollister  
375 Fifth Street  
Hollister, CA 95023  
(831) 636-4360 Ext. 1223

May 13, 2020

Mr. Valentin Lopez  
Amah Mutsun Tribal Band, Chairperson  
P.O. Box 5272  
Galt, CA, 95632

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Ms. Ann Marie Sayers  
Indian Canyon Mutsun Band of Costanoan, Chairperson  
P.O. Box 28  
Hollister, CA, 95024

Dear Ms. Sayers,

The City of Hollister is updating its General Plan. We received your contact information from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) as the contact person for the Indian Canyon Mutsun Band of Costanoan Tribe. State law requires the City to contact all tribes on the list provided by the NAHC. Please consider this letter as a request for tribal consultation for the purpose of protecting and/or mitigating potential cultural impacts. Per requirements of Government Code Section 65352.3 (Senate Bill 18), the City requests that you advise us at the earliest possible time of your interest in consulting on the subject project, but no later than 90 days from receipt of this notice. The General Plan Update might propose land use changes and changes to existing policies and requirements pertaining to cultural resources. The project is still in the initial phase, and no decisions about future changes have been made at this time.

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May 13, 2020

Ms. Karen White  
Xolon-Salinan Tribe, Chairperson  
P.O. Box 7045  
Spreckels, CA, 93962

Dear Ms. White,

The City of Hollister is updating its General Plan. We received your contact information from the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) as the contact person for the Xolon-Salinan Tribe. State law requires the City to contact all tribes on the list provided by the NAHC. Please consider this letter as a request for tribal consultation for the purpose of protecting and/or mitigating potential cultural impacts. Per requirements of Government Code Section 65352.3 (Senate Bill 18), the City requests that you advise us at the earliest possible time of your interest in consulting on the subject project, but no later than 90 days from receipt of this notice. The General Plan Update might propose land use changes and changes to existing policies and requirements pertaining to cultural resources. The project is still in the initial phase, and no decisions about future changes have been made at this time.

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