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## **RE:** Cultural Resource Inventory for the Crenshaw Crossing Project in Los Angeles County, California

## Dear Ms. Strain:

At the request of Meridian Consultants, LLC, PaleoWest Archaeology conducted a cultural resource inventory for the Crenshaw Crossing Project in Los Angeles County, California. The cultural resource inventory was limited to a cultural resource literature review and records search of the California Historic Resource Information System (CHRIS) and a review of the Sacred Lands File (SLF) by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC). This memorandum summarizes the results of the cultural resource inventory efforts for the Project.

The literature review and records search was conducted by Roberta Thomas, Senior Archaeologist, on August 15, 2019 at the South Central Coastal Information Center (SCCIC) housed at California State University, Fullerton. The records search included the Project area as well as a quarter-mile radius. The purpose of the records search was to identify any known cultural resources within the immediate vicinity of the Project area. The records search also included a review of the Office of Historic Preservation Archaeological Determination of Eligibility and the Office of Historic Preservation Directory of Historic Properties Data File.

The records search indicated that 10 previous study has been conducted within a quarter-mile of the Project area since 1993 (Table 1). Two of these studies, LA-2838 and LA-3019) appear to have included a small portion of the Project area. Additionally, no prehistoric or historical archaeological resources were identified as a result of the records search. However, three previously recorded historic-period built-environment resources were identified within a quarter-mile radius of the Project (Table 2). These built resources include three commercial buildings (19-169865, -169866, -175396) located at 3651 Crenshaw Boulevard, 3683 Crenshaw Boulevard, and 3602 Crenshaw Boulevard, respectively. According to the Historic Resource Inventory, 3651 Crenshaw Blvd (19-169865) and 3683 Crenshaw Blvd (19-169866) are both individual properties that are recognized as eligible for listing by local government or designation. 3602 Crenshaw Blvd (19-175396) has been determined ineligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places by consensus through the Section 106 process; however, it does not appear the campus has been evaluated for listing on the California Register of Historical Resources (CRHR). None of these resources are located within the Project area. A cursory review of historic aerials indicates there may be buildings or structures on the property that were constructed more than 50 years. If that is the case, these built-environment resources may require documentation and/or evaluation.

Table 1
Previous Cultural Resource Studies within a Quarter-Mile of the Project Area

Report No.	Year	Author(s)	Title	
LA-02838	1993	Wlodarski, Robert J.	Results of a Phase 1 Archaeological Study for the Proposed East Central Interceptor Sewer [ECIS] Project, East-west Alignment, Los Angeles County, California	
LA-03019	1994	Wlodarski, Robert J.	Results of a Phase I Archaeological Study for the Proposed East Central Interceptor Sewer [ECIS] Project, East-west Alignment, Los Angeles County, California	
LA-04667	1999	Foster, John M. Historic Resource Evaluation Report Exposition Boulevard I way Regional Bikeway Project Los Angeles County, Califor		
LA-06423	2001	Christy, Juliet L.  Phase I Archaeological Study East Central Interceptor Sewer (ECIS Buckingham Road Sewer Project Los Angeles, California		
LA-10506	2004	Greenwood, Roberta S., Scott Savastio, and Peter Messick	Cultural Resources Monitoring: North Outfall Sewer - East Central Interceptor Sewer Project	
LA-10574	1999	Slawson, Dana	Bridge Evaluation Report: Exposition Boulevard Right-of-way Regional Bikeway Project, Los Angeles County, California	
LA-10575	1999	Slawson, Dana and John M. Foster Historic Property Survey Report - Exposition Boulevard Right way Regional Bikeway Project, Los Angeles County, California		
LA-10860	2007	Robinson, Mark	Exposition Corridor Light Rail Transit Project Construction Phase Cultural Resources Monitoring and Treatment Plan	
LA-10887	2001	Starzak, Richard, Alma Carlisle, Gail Miller, Catherine Barner, and Jessica Feldman	Historic Property Survey Report for the North Outfall Sewer-East Central Interceptor Sewer, City of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, California	
LA-11409	2000	Horne, Melinda C.	Construction Phase Cultural Resources Monitoring and Treatment Plan for the City of Los Angeles North Outfall - East Central Interceptor Sewer Project	

Table 2
Cultural Resources within a Quarter-Mile of the Project Area

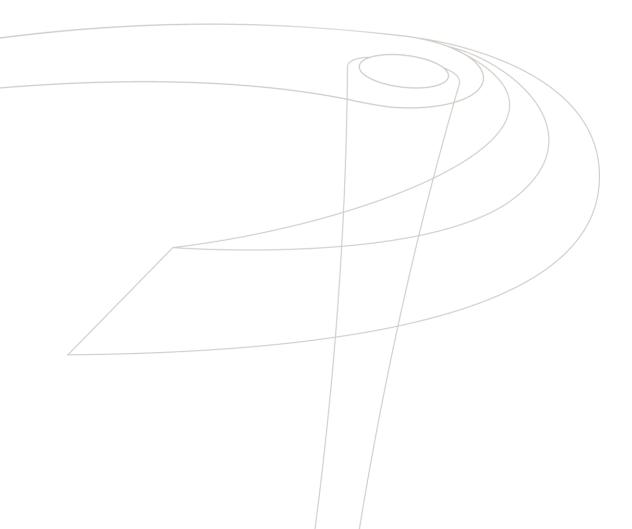
Primary No.	Age	Туре	Description
19-169865	Historical	Building	3651 Crenshaw Blvd; Riviera Sofa Beds
19-169866	Historical	Building	3683 Crenshaw Blvd; Family Savings and Loan Assn
19-175396	Historical	Building	3602 Crenshaw Blvd; commercial building

PaleoWest contacted the NAHC for a review of the SLF on August 13, 2019. The objective of the SLF search was to determine if the NAHC had any knowledge of Native American cultural resources (e.g., traditional use or gathering area, place of religious or sacred activity, etc.) within the immediate vicinity of the Project area. The NAHC responded on September 4, 2019, stating that the SLF was completed with positive results. As such, the NAHC recommends contacting the Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians for more information. Additionally, the NAHC recommended that four other Native American individuals and/or tribal groups be contacted to elicit information regarding cultural resource issues related to the proposed Project (see Exhibit A for a copy of the response letter received from the NAHC).

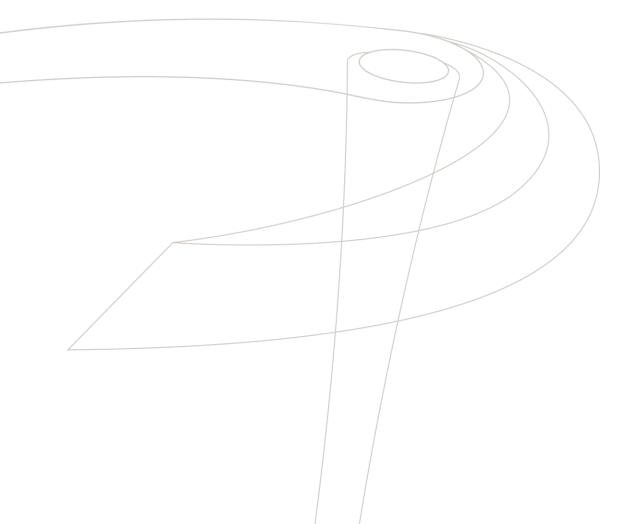
It has been a pleasure working with you on this Project. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at <a href="mailto:rthomas@paleowest.com">rthomas@paleowest.com</a>.

Sincerely,

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## EXHIBIT A



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RE: Crenshaw Crossings Records Search Project, Los Angeles County

Dear Ms. Thomas:

A record search of the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) Sacred Lands File (SLF) was completed for the information you have submitted for the above referenced project. The results were <u>positive</u>. Please contact the Gabrieleno/Tongva San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians on the attached list for more information. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Attached is a list of Native American tribes who may also have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated; if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call or email to ensure that the project information has been received.

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 lists contain current information. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at my email address: steven.quinn@nahc.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

Steven Quinn

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Attachment



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This list is current only as of the date of this document. 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 Resource Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources assessment for the proposed Crenshaw Crossings Records Search Project, Los Angeles County.