

Appendix N
**Tribal Cultural Resources
Documentation**





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November 18, 2021

Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation
Andrew Salas, Chairman
P.O. Box 393
Covina, CA 91723

Subject: AB 52 Project Notification and Request to Consult Letter for the Proposed Project Crossings;
Culver City, Los Angeles County, California

Dear Chairman Salas:

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SOURCE: Open Street Map, 2021

Project Crossings

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Gabrieleno/Tongva Nation
Sandonne Goad, Chairperson
106 1/2 Judge John Aiso St, #231
Los Angeles, CA, 90012

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Anthony Morales, Chairperson
P.O. Box 693
San Gabriel, CA, 91778

Subject: AB 52 Project Notification and Request to Consult Letter for the Proposed Project Crossings;
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Robert Dorame, Chairperson
P.O. Box 490
Bellflower, CA, 90707

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Gabrielino-Tongva Tribe
Charles Alvarez, Chairman
23454 Vanowen Street
West Hills, CA, 91307

Subject: AB 52 Project Notification and Request to Consult Letter for the Proposed Project Crossings;
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Santa Rosa Band of Cahuilla Indians
Lovina Redner, Chairwoman
P.O. Box 391820
Anza, CA, 92539

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Scott Cozart, Chairperson
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December 1, 2021

Project Name: Project Crossings - NOP of an EIR for National and Venice (City of Culver City and City of LA)

Dear Jeff Anderson,

Thank you for your letter dated November 18, 2021, regarding AB52 consultation. The above proposed project location is within our Ancestral Tribal Territory; therefore, our Tribal Government requests to schedule a consultation with you as the lead agency, to discuss the project and the surrounding location in further detail.

Please contact us at your earliest convenience. ***Please Note: AB 52, "consultation" shall have the same meaning as provided in SB 18 (Govt. Code Section 65352.4).***

Thank you for your time,

Andrew Salas, Chairman
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Fw: Project Crossings - NOP of an EIR for National and Venice (City of Culver City and City of LA)

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Anderson, Jeff

Thu 12/2/2021 10:08 AM

To: Gabrieleno Administration <admin@gabrielenoindians.org>



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Dear Sir/Madam,

Based upon the attached letter from Andrew Salas, the City of Culver City would like to schedule a consultation at your earliest convenience. The best way to contact me is via this email address.

Thank you for your interest.

Jeff Anderson

From: Gabrieleno Administration <admin@gabrielenoindians.org>
Sent: Wednesday, December 1, 2021 10:50 AM
To: Anderson, Jeff <Jeff.Anderson@culvercity.org>
Cc: ssalas@tcrmanagement.net <ssalas@tcrmanagement.net>
Subject: Project Crossings - NOP of an EIR for National and Venice (City of Culver City and City of LA)

Hello Jeff Anderson,

Thank you for your letter dated November 18,2021. Please see the attachment below.

Thank you

Sincerely,

Savannah Salas
Admin Specialist
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Kyle Garcia

From: Anderson, Jeff <Jeff.Anderson@culvercity.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 5:35 PM
To: Jacqueline De La Rocha; Mike Harden
Cc: Jay Ziff; Herbertson, Susan; Ramirez, Erika
Subject: Fw: 8825 National Blvd, Culver City - Close of Consultation
Attachments: 8825 National Blvd Culver City .pdf; Mitigation Response_8825 National Blvd Culver City .pdf

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Jacqueline and Mike,

Please see the response and request for modifying the mitigation measures, from Kizh Nation.

Please let me know if we need to discuss further.

Jeff

From: Gabrieleno Administration <admin@gabrielenoindians.org>
Sent: Wednesday, April 20, 2022 2:49 PM
To: Anderson, Jeff <Jeff.Anderson@culvercity.org>
Cc: Andy Salas <andysalas07@yahoo.com>
Subject: Re: 8825 National Blvd, Culver City - Close of Consultation

Hello Jeff

Please see the attachments below.

Thank you

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The region where Gabrieleño culture thrived for more than eight centuries encompassed most of Los Angeles County, more than half of Orange County and portions of Riverside and San Bernardino counties. It was the labor of the Gabrieleño who built the missions, ranchos and the pueblos of Los Angeles. They were trained in the trades, and they did the construction and maintenance, as well as the farming and managing of herds of livestock. “The Gabrieleño are the ones who did all this work, and they really are the foundation of the early economy of the Los Angeles area “. “That’s a contribution that Los Angeles has not recognized—the fact that in its early decades, without the Gabrieleño, the community simply would not have survived.”

On Thu, Apr 14, 2022 at 5:05 PM Anderson, Jeff <Jeff.Anderson@culvercity.org> wrote:

Greetings,

The City of Culver City has completed the consultation process for the project at 8825 National Blvd in Culver City. Mitigation measures have been prepared in response to the consultation and to address concerns of soil disturbance. Please see the attached Close of Consultation letter as well as the relevant mitigation measures. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

The project is still several months from a hearing date. The EIR is currently being prepared.

Thank you for your interest.

Jeff Anderson

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GABRIELENO BAND OF MISSION INDIANS - KIZH NATION
Historically known as The San Gabriel Band of Mission Indians recognized by
the State of California as the aboriginal tribe of the Los Angeles basin

Dear Jeff Anderson,

We spoke to our tribal counsel and Mr. Salas and with all due respect we disagree with the language proposed for the mitigations for they do not protect our Tribal Cultural resources. Please note that Tribal cultural resources are their own element and must be separate than archeological, Paleo, and Bio to fulfill CEQA's requirements under AB52. Tribes are their own experts regarding their Tribal cultural resources within their geographic and ancestral lands. Also understand that each tribe who consults on each project they claim their geographic and ancestral area must provide their own mitigation measures to protect their Tribal cultural resources they claim. Please see the attached mitigations below that pertain to our tribe only. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me.

Andrew Salas, Chairman
Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation

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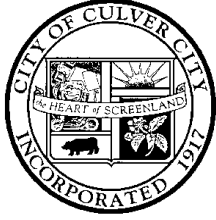
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**RE: Crossings Campus Project in the City of Culver City
8833 National Blvd. (Formerly 8825 National Blvd.)**

Dear Chairperson Andrew Salas:

The City of Culver City is in receipt of correspondence by Ms. Brandy Salas on April 20, 2022, which followed the close of AB 52 consultation on April 14, 2022. We respectfully acknowledge the comments in your letter, understanding there are differences in the Tribe's proposed mitigation measures and those to be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report (EIR). The City is moving forward with the Draft EIR and as you know, the Draft EIR will include mitigation measures to address potential impacts to tribal cultural resources. The City has considered all the materials provided during the AB 52 consultation period. The City has prepared the Draft EIR to include mitigation measures that are reasonable and feasible which will address potential impacts to tribal cultural resources. We feel the mitigation measures as proposed achieve this goal. For your information, attached are the final mitigation measures that will be included in the Draft EIR. The Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation will receive a Notice of Availability of the Draft EIR in the mail notifying you of the public review and comment period, public meeting, and reviewing locations.

We look forward to continuing to build upon our relationship with the Gabrieleno Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation.

Sincerely,

Jeff Anderson

Jeff Anderson
Contract Planner

8833 National Boulevard (formerly 8825 National Boulevard)

Tribal Cultural Resources

Draft EIR Mitigation Measures

TCR-MM-1: Prior to the issuance of a demolition permit for the Project, the Applicant shall retain a Native American Monitor from the Gabrieliño Band of Mission Indians – Kizh Nation (Kizh Nation or Tribe). The Native American Monitor shall be present during the following construction activities that have the potential for encountering tribal cultural resources: demolition, pavement removal, clearing/grubbing, drilling/augering, potholing, grading, trenching, excavation, tree removal or other ground disturbing activity associated with the Project, whether on the Project Site or in connection with Project off-site improvements (collectively “ground disturbing activities”). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Native American monitoring shall not be required for any moving of soils after they have been initially disturbed or displaced by Project-related construction. The Applicant shall prepare a monitoring agreement with the Kizh Nation that outlines the roles and responsibilities of the Native American Monitor and shall submit this agreement to the City of Culver City (City) prior to the issuance of demolition permit for the Project.

Prior to commencement ground disturbing activities, a Tribal Cultural Resources Sensitivity Training session shall be held for those construction personnel who will be directly involved in the ground disturbing activities. The training session shall be carried out by the Native American Monitor and shall focus on how to identify tribal cultural resources that may be encountered during ground disturbing activities and the procedures to be followed in such an event. If the Native American Monitor is not present at the Project Site on any given workday, the ground disturbing activities may continue if the workers involved in such activities attended the training session.

Full-time monitoring may be reduced to part-time inspections, or ceased entirely, if determined appropriate by the Native American Monitor in the event there appears to be little to no potential for impacting tribal cultural resources. Native American monitoring shall conclude no later than conclusion of ground disturbing activities.

TCR-MM-2: The Native American Monitor shall complete daily monitoring logs that provide descriptions of the relevant ground-disturbing activities, the type of construction activities performed, locations of ground-disturbing activities, soil types, cultural-related materials, and any other facts, conditions, materials, or discoveries of significance to the Tribe. Monitor logs shall identify and describe any discovered tribal cultural resources, including but not limited to, Native American cultural and historical artifacts, remains, places of significance, etc., as well as any discovered Native American (ancestral) human remains and burial goods. Copies of monitor logs shall be provided to the Applicant and the City upon written request to the Tribe. The Applicant shall not be deemed to be out of compliance with this measure if the Native American Monitor fails to complete or submit any such monitoring logs.

TCR-MM-3: In the event of a discovery of potential tribal cultural resources at the Project Site, the Qualified Archaeologist identified in Mitigation Measure CUL-MM-1 (after consultation with the Native American Monitor) shall have the authority temporarily divert, redirect, or halt ground-disturbance activities to allow identification, evaluation, and potential recovery of such potential resources. After consulting with the Native American Monitor and the Applicant, the Qualified Archaeologist shall establish an appropriate buffer area in accordance with industry standards, reasonable assumptions regarding the potential for additional discoveries in the vicinity, and safety considerations for those making an evaluation and potential recovery of the discovery. This buffer

area shall be established around the find where ground-disturbing activities shall not be allowed to continue. Work shall be allowed to continue outside of the buffer area.

Within three (3) business days of such discovery, a meeting shall take place between the Applicant, the Qualified Archaeologist, the Tribe, and the City (and potentially the City of Los Angeles if the discovery was located within their jurisdiction) to discuss the significance of the find and whether it qualifies as a tribal cultural resource pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21074(a). If, as a result of the meeting and after consultation with the Tribe, the Applicant, and the Qualified Archaeologist, the City (and potentially the City of Los Angeles), determines, based on substantial evidence, that the resource is in fact a tribal cultural resource, the Qualified Archaeologist shall develop a reasonable and feasible treatment plan, with input from the Tribe as necessary, and with the concurrence of the City's Planning Director. The treatment measures in the treatment plan shall be in compliance with any applicable federal, State, or local laws, rules or regulations. The treatment plan shall also include measures regarding the curation of the recovered resources.

If the Applicant does not accept a particular recommendation determined to be reasonable and feasible by the Qualified Archaeologist (including, but not limited to, the size of the buffer set forth above), the Applicant, or its successor, may request mediation by a mediator agreed to by the Applicant and the City. The mediator must have the requisite professional qualifications and experience to mediate such a dispute. The City shall make the determination as to whether the mediator is at least minimally qualified to mediate the dispute. After making a reasonable effort to mediate this particular dispute, the City may: (1) require the recommendation be implemented as originally proposed by the Archaeologist; (2) require the recommendation, as modified by the City, be implemented as it is at least as equally effective to mitigate a potentially significant impact; (3) require a substitute recommendation be implemented that is at least as equally effective to mitigate a potentially significant impact to a tribal cultural resource; or (4) not require the recommendation be implemented because it is not necessary to mitigate any significant impacts to tribal cultural resources. The Applicant shall pay all costs and fees associated with the mediator.

The Applicant may recommence ground disturbance activities inside of the specified radius of the discovery site only after it has complied with all of the recommendations developed and approved pursuant to the process set forth in the above paragraphs.

The recovered Native American resources may be placed in the custody of the Tribe, who may choose to use them for their educational purposes or they may be curated at a public, non-profit institution with a research interest in the materials. If neither the Tribe nor an institution accepts the resources, they may be donated to a local school or historical society in the area for educational purposes.

Notwithstanding the above paragraph, any information determined to be confidential in nature by the City Attorney's office, shall be excluded from submission to the SCCIC or the general public under the applicable provisions of the California Public Records Act, California Public Resources Code Section 6254(r).