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AUGUST 23, 2011

TO: YUBA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

FROM: KEVIN MALLEN, CDSA DIRECTOR 
RYAN McNALLY, PARKS AND LANDSCAPE COORDINATOR

SUBJ: ADOPT RESOLUTION WAIVING PARK FEES AND GRANTING EXCLUSIVE USE FOR THE TSI-AKIM MAIDU TRIBE'S 12th ANNUAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAYS AT SYCAMORE RANCH

RECOMMENDATION:

That the Board adopts the resolution to waive fees and allow the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe exclusive use of a portion of Sycamore Ranch for their 12th Annual Indigenous Peoples Days.

BACKGROUND:

On June 28th, 2011, the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe presented a request to the Board of Supervisors for the exclusive use of a portion of Sycamore Ranch, as well as a fee waiver for their Indigenous Peoples Days event on October 7th – 10th, 2011. The event was originally called the 13th Annual, however the Tribe has recalculated the numbering and is now calling the event the 12th Annual. In response, your Board showed support for the event and established an ad-hoc committee comprised of Supervisors Stocker and Nicoletti to explore the implications of such use and the terms of a fee waiver.

This event has become world renown, attracting participants from around the globe, and has outgrown its previous host location in Nevada County. Free to the public, the Indigenous Peoples Days will provide both educational and cultural enrichment opportunities to the citizens of Yuba County as well as surrounding areas, thus warranting the recommendation on behalf of the ad-hoc committee.

DISCUSSION:

The Indigenous Peoples Days event will be throughout much of Sycamore Ranch and will encompass exclusive use of the campgrounds and day use area as the festivities progress throughout the weekend. As an in lieu fee, the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe will provide Yuba County with a sampling of indigenous plants and/or crops which will remain onsite after the event to serve as an ongoing educational landscape display for the park.

Because this event has the likelihood of drawing a large crowd, the County will ensure that the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe complies with all regulations associated with an event of this magnitude including an approved traffic and parking plan. In addition, there is an assurance from the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe that all structures erected for the festival, including a bark house planned for display, will be removed from the site no later than October 15, 2011.

COMMITTEE ACTION:

This item was discussed by the ad-hoc committee and recommended to be discussed further by the full Board.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The exclusive use of the campgrounds by the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe will prevent the County from collecting camping revenue over the course of the event. Although October is generally not a busy month for camping, there will be lost revenue.

**BEFORE THE YUBA COUNTY
BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**IN RE: A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN)
IN LIEU FEE TO THE COUNTY OF YUBA)
FOR THE TSI-AKIM MAIDU TRIBE'S)
EXCLUSIVE USE OF A PORTION OF)
SYCAMORE RANCH PARK FOR THEIR)
ANNUAL INDIGENOUS PEOPLES DAYS)
AND FINDING THAT THE EVENT SHALL)
SERVE A PUBLIC PURPOSE BY)
PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL AND)
CULTURAL ENRICHMENT TO THE)
GENERAL PUBLIC THAT ATTEND)
THIS FREE EVENT)**

RESOLUTION NO. _____

WHEREAS, the County of Yuba owns Sycamore Ranch Park; and

WHEREAS, the Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe presented a request to the Board as an item of Public Interest at the June 28, 2011 Meeting of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors for the Tribe to have the exclusive use of a portion of Sycamore Ranch Park on October 7-10, 2011 for their 13th Annual Indigenous Peoples Days event and a park fee waiver; and

WHEREAS, the Yuba County Board of Supervisors indicated that they were in favor of such event and waiver and established an ad hoc committee of Board of Supervisors consisting of Supervisor Stocker and Nicoletti to come back with a recommendation to Board regarding the specific of such exclusive use, the terms and bases for a fee waiver and any associated conditions regarding same.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Yuba County Board of Supervisors after receiving and considering the recommendations of the ad hoc committee of the Board of Supervisors and after hearing and considering the comments of the public, finds

that the Annual Indigenous Peoples Days Event at Sycamore Ranch Park will serve a public purpose in that it will provide educational and cultural enrichment to and for general public of Yuba County free of charge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED AND ORDERED, that the Yuba County Board of Supervisors hereby order and authorize the following:

1. The Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe request for the exclusive use of a portion Sycamore Ranch Park on October 7- 10, 2011 for their 12th Annual Indigenous Peoples Days approved.
2. The Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe shall give to Yuba County as an in-lieu fee for the use of Sycamore Ranch a sampling of Indigenous/ plants/crops as which will serve as part of the landscaping for the 12th Annual Indigenous and thereafter as an educational and cultural display of the park.
3. The Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe is authorized to constructed a Bark House for the 12th Annual Indigenous event at Sycamore Ranch which shall be dismantled and completely removed within five (5) following the end of the event (by October 15, 2011).
4. The Tsi-Akim Maidu Tribe shall in addition to the foregoing comply with all of the regular and traditional conditions and requirements as set by the Community Development and Services Agency for such park use and event.

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PASSED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Yuba County Board of Supervisors, State of California, held on the ____ day of _____ 2011, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

Roger Abe, Chairman of Board of Supervisors

ATTEST: DONNA STOTTLEMEYER
CLERK OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

By: _____

APPROVED AS TO FORM
ANGIL P. MORRIS-JONES
COUNTY COUNSEL

By: 

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