

June 24, 2005

Philip DelRosa Alturas Rancheria of Pit River Indians PO Box 340 Alturas, CA 96101

Re: Proposed Alturas Casino in Yreka

Dear Chairperson DelRosa:

I am writing in reference to the Alturas Indian Rancheria's ("Tribe") proposed casine project in Yreka. Several months ago we wrote to you and separately to John Peebles inquiring about details of this project. From what we have learned so far, from sources outside of the Tribe, we are concerned that the Tribe may not have jurisdiction over the parcel on which gaming would occur and therefore could not lawfully conduct Indian gaming under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act (IGRA).

We again beseech you to provide us with a legal analysis as to how the Tribe can lawfully conduct gaming on this parcel. It appears that the Tribe is pressing forward quickly with this project. It would be unfortunate if the Tribe expended monies on this development only to have the NIGC issue a closure order because the Tribe did not have jurisdiction over the land.

We would appreciate hearing back from you with a legal analysis of the lands issue by July 25, 2005. If you have any questions, please call me.

Since rely,

Penn / J. Coleman

Acting General Counsel

cc: John Peebles, Esq.
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