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Dear Tribal Members:

At the General Council meeting held on February 12th, 2011, our tribe made an important decision for our future. Our casino project is close to achieving a truly "make it or break it" milestone with receiving a positive "record of decision" for our trust land in Yuba County. A positive record of decision would give us the green light to proceed forward.

Along with good news comes a challenge. The challenge we had to overcome was facing the financial burden. The strength of our project has been shown by our attorneys, lobbyist and public relations consultants continuing to work with no compensation, with their fees coming to them when the project is a success.

The exception to that is our environmental firm. In working with environmental and regulatory issues there is a heavy financial burden in man hours and material expenditure. While our environmental firm, AES, has worked with us, they needed a large payment to complete the responses required for the record of decision submittal. Without that payment, the record of decision could not be filed, if it is not filed, then the project would grind to a halt after over 10 years of blood, sweat and tears invested in our tribe's future.

I presented the financial burden to the General Council and the need to ask for assistance to our economic development project by contributing our current Revenue Sharing disbursement. The General Council responded by contributing two Revenue Sharing disbursements to cover our economic development advances and make sure we have adequate funds for the project to move forward.

I want to thank and commend our people for making this sacrifice to achieve a greater future. I will keep you updated on new developments.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly or any member of our Tribal Council.

Sincerely,

Glenda Nelson,
Tribal Chairperson