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RE: Notice of (Gaming) Land Acquisition Application of Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Manzanita Reservation, California

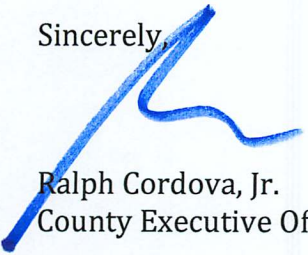
Dear Ms. Brandt,

Thank you for contacting Michael Rood last week and requesting input from the County of Imperial regarding the Manzanita Application and casino described above. Please be advised that the Imperial County Board of Supervisors, at its regularly scheduled meeting today, discussed the Notice of (Gaming) Land Acquisition Application of the Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Manzanita Reservation, California, you emailed me on December 15, 2011.

After a lengthy discussion of this matter, the Board voted 4 to 1 to conditionally support the Manzanita Band of Diegueno Mission Indians of the Manzanita Reservation (Manzanita Tribe) fee-to trust application. More specifically, the Board of Supervisors voted to support the application provided that measures are agreed to that will adequately mitigate all impacts to the County of Imperial and its taxpayers and residents, fiscal and otherwise, prior to transferring the land into trust. In addition, the Board of Supervisors provided direction to staff to meet with officials from the City of Calexico and the Manzanita Tribe to discuss and reach agreement on mitigation of said impacts.

Again, thank you for your cooperation. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 760/482-4290.

Sincerely,



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cc: Board of Supervisors
Michael Rood, County Counsel