

United States Department of the Interior

BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
Pacific Regional Office
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, California 95825

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Notice of On-Reservation Land Acquisition Application (Non-Gaming)

Pursuant to the Code of Federal Regulations, Title 25, INDIANS, Part 151.10, as amended, notice is given of the application filed by Floyd Ruiz, a member of the Morongo Band of Cahuilla Mission Indians of California to have real property accepted "in trust" for him by the United States of America. The determination whether to acquire this property "in trust" will be made in the exercise of discretionary authority which is vested in the Secretary of the Interior, or her authorized representative, U.S. Department of the Interior. To assist us in the exercise of that discretion, we invite your comments on the proposed acquisition. In order for the Secretary to assess the impact of the removal of the subject property from the tax rolls, and if applicable to your organization, we also request that you provide the following information:

- 1. The annual property taxes currently levied on the subject allocated to your organization.
- 2. Any special assessments, and amounts thereof, that are currently assessed against the property in support of your organization.
- 3. Any government services that are currently provided to the property by your organization; and
- 4. If subject to zoning, how the intended use is consistent, or inconsistent, with current zoning.

We are providing the following information regarding this application:

Applicant:

Floyd Ruiz, a married man, as his sole and separate property.

Legal Description

All that certain real property situated in the County of Riverside, State of California, described as follows:

Lots 62 and 63, inclusive, of Block 1, Desert Hills No. 1, in the County of Riverside, State of California, as shown by map on file in Book 23, Pages 26 and 27 of Maps, in the Office of the County Recorder of said County.

Excepting all gas, metals, minerals, petroleum, and other hydrocarbon substances lying below a depth of 500 feet without right to surface entry as reserved by deed recorded February 4, 1947, in

Book 808, Page 585, of Official Records of said County and modified by instrument recorded April 4, 1955, in Book 1718, Page 287, of Official Records of said County

APN: 519-121-001-6 and 519-121-002-7, approximately 1.03 acres.

See enclosed map.

Proposed Land Use/Site location

The subject parcel is currently vacant land and is located adjacent to the checkerboard boundaries of the Morongo Indian Reservation. The purpose for which the land will be used once placed into trust will be for Indian housing, land consolidation and protection of the land to insure the land integrated back into the Morongo Indian Reservation. Mr. Ruiz eventually plans to build a home on the property after the trust application process is complete.

Current Use/Taxes and Zoning:

The 2013 annual taxes levied on APN(s): 519-121-001 and 519-121-002 was \$247.90 and \$272.96 respectively.

Existing Easement/Encumbrances:

Refer to Schedule B-Exceptions from Coverage.

As indicated above, the purpose for seeking your comments regarding the proposed trust land acquisition is to obtain sufficient data that would enable an analysis of the potential impact on local/state government which may result from the removal of the subject property from the tax rolls and local jurisdiction.

This notice does not constitute, or replace, a notice that might be issued for the purpose of compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969.

Your written comments should be addressed to the Bureau of Indian Affairs at the address at the top of this notice. Any comments received within thirty days of your receipt of this notice will be considered and made a part of our record. You may be granted an extension of time to furnish comments, provided you submit a written justification requesting such an extension within thirty days of receipt of this letter. An extension of ten to thirty days may be granted. Copies of all comments will additionally be provided to the applicant. You will be notified of the decision to approve or deny the application.

If any party receiving this notice is aware of additional governmental entities that may be affected by the subject acquisition, please forward a copy of this notice to said party or timely provide our office with the name and address of said party.

A copy of the application, excluding any documentation exempted under the Freedom of Information Act, is available for review at the above address. A request to make an appointment to review the application, or questions regarding the application, may be directed to Joyce Coleman, Realty Specialist, at (916) 978-6000, extension 6059.

Sincerely,

Ciny Allutsakko
Regional Director

Enclosures

cc:

Distribution List

Assessor's Parcel Map

Schedule B

DISTRIBUTION LIST

cc: BY CERTIFIED MAIL - RETURN RECEIPTS REQUESTED TO:

California State Clearinghouse – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1852 Office of Planning and Research P.O. Box 3044 Sacramento, CA 95812-3044

Sara Drake, Deputy Attorney General – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1869 State of California
Department of Justice
P.O. Box 944255
Sacramento, CA 94244—2550

Joe Dhillon, Sr. Advisor for Tribal Negotiations – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1876 Deputy Legal Affairs Secretary Office of the Governor State Capitol Building, Ste. 1173 Sacramento, CA 95814

Office of the Honorable Dianne Feinstein – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1883 880 Front Street, Suite 3296 San Diego, CA 92101

Honorable Duncan Hunter – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1890 Member of Congress 1611 N. Magnolia Ave., Ste. 310 El Cajon, CA 92020

Riverside County Assessor – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1906 Office of the Assessor 4080 Lemon Street, 1st Floor Riverside, CA 92501

Riverside County Board of Supervisors – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1913 County Administrative Center 4080 Lemon Street, 14th Floor Riverside, CA 92501

County of Riverside – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1920 Planning Department 4080 Lemon Street, 9th Floor Riverside, CA 92501

County of Riverside – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1937 Treasurer & Tax Collector 4080 Lemon Street, 4th Floor Riverside, CA 92501

Riverside County Sheriff's Department – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1944 4095 Lemon Street
Riverside, CA 92501

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1951 Agua Caliente 600 East Tahquitz Canyon Way Palm Springs, CA 92262

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1968 Augustine Band of Mission Indians P.O. Box 846 Coachella, CA 92236

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1975 Cabazon Band of Mission Indians 84-245 Indio Springs Drive Indio, CA 92201

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1982 Cahuilla Band of Mission Indians 52701 Highway 371 Anza, CA 92539-1760

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 1999 Morongo Band of Mission Indians 12700 Pumarra Road Banning, CA 92220

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 2002 Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians P.O. Box 1477 Temecula, CA 92593

Chairperson – 7013 2630 0001 5558 2019 Ramona Band of Mission Indians P.O. Box 391670 Anza, CA 92539