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September 23, 1999

Mr. Noel Krahforst
525 Singley Hill Road
Loleta, CA 95551

Dear Mr. Krahforst:

My office received the information you sent regarding the Big River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria's being built on the land adjoining your property. I am sorry this has been such a frustrating experience for you. While I am not in a position of authority in your situation because it is under the control of the County of Humboldt, I have looked into your complaint.

The following information should ameliorate many of your concerns:

- The land purchase was not funded through HUD and so does not have housing constraints.
- The Rancheria will construct a barrier between your property and their parking lot to protect you from noise and car lights. They will meet with you to allow you to select any type of wall you want, man made or a living hedge.
- A new road will be constructed to county codes and paid for by the Rancheria.
- Entrance and exit of the parking lot will be only on the south side.
- Parking lot will have special down lighting so it won't be an interference
- The firm of Winzler and Kelly did an environmental study and provided solutions regarding sewage and water use. Your well should not be in jeopardy.
- In one instance, the Rancheria is removing an abandoned water treatment facility and returning the area to a wetland.



Mr. Noel Krahforst

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September 22, 1999

The recently signed gaming compact has high environmental requirements, and the Rancheria is obligated to abide by them. If you feel any of these requirements are being broken, please contact the Humboldt County Board of Supervisors as the compact names them responsible for enforcement.

I appreciate your contacting my office and hope you will let me know if I may be of assistance with a state-related issue in the future.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Virginia Strom-Martin". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, prominent "V" at the beginning.

Virginia Strom-Martin
Assemblymember, First District

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