

## **Notice of Availability Chumash Hotel Expansion Project Environmental Evaluation**

The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians (Tribe) proposes to expand and renovate the existing Chumash Casino Resort on reservation lands in Santa Barbara County, California. The proposed project includes the following components: addition of up to 215 hotel guest rooms; addition of 584 parking spaces; expansion of the casino area to ease overcrowding; and renovation of the existing casino and hotel to address overcrowding and circulation issues. An Environmental Evaluation (EE) has been prepared consistent with the Tribe's Off-Reservation Impacts Environmental Policy Ordinance for gaming facility development and the Tribal State Gaming Compact, Section 10.8. This EE assesses the potential for off-reservation environmental impacts to occur as a result of the Hotel Expansion Project.

As part of the Tribe's environmental review process, the EE is available for review by members of the public, regulatory agencies, and other interested parties at [www.chumashEE.com](http://www.chumashEE.com). Copies of the EE are also available for public review at the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians Tribal Office located at 100 Via Juana Lane, Santa Ynez, CA 93460; the Solvang Public Library located at 1745 Mission Drive, Solvang, CA 93463; and the Santa Ynez Branch of the Santa Barbara Public Library located at 3598 Sagunto, Santa Ynez, CA 93460.

Upon a request from Santa Barbara County, the Business Committee will meet with Santa Barbara County to discuss the mitigation of significant adverse off-reservation environmental impacts provided such a request is made within 30 days after receipt of this Notice. Please contact Mr. Sam Cohen at (805) 688-7997 with any questions or requests for such a meeting. Comments on the EE will be accepted during the following time period:

**PUBLIC REVIEW PERIOD: July 15, 2014 through August 14, 2014**

Please mail comments regarding the proposed project to the following mailing address:

**Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians  
Attn: Vincent Armenta, Tribal Chairman  
P.O. Box 517  
Santa Ynez, CA 93460**

**PUBLIC MEETING:** A public meeting will be held to receive comments on the project as follows:

- Meeting Date and Time: July 31, 2014 at 6:00 P.M.
- Meeting Location: Samala Showroom at the Chumash Casino Resort, 3400 East Hwy 246, Santa Ynez, CA 93460

All comments made during the public review period will be considered by the Chumash Business Committee in determining how to proceed with the proposed project.