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January 7, 2011

FOIA Officer
Bureau of Indian Affairs
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA. 95825
By Fax: 978-6099

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request

Dear FOIA Officer:

Stand Up for California! is writing to request documents pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 et seq., and pursuant to the Department of the Interior FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. §2.11-2.20, regarding the trust land application of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indian Tribe fee to trust application for the land location south of the existing casino (south of Highway 50) in El Dorado, California. The purpose of this request is to obtain information regarding this trust land application.

We hereby request any and all documents concerning the following:

1. The fee to trust application.
2. A copy of the ROD decision accepting the land into trust.
3. Any legal opinions regarding taking the land into trust and/or whether the land is considered "contiguous" under 25 USC section 2719(a)(1).
4. The final determination regarding the application.
5. Any documents regarding whether the property could be used for gaming pursuant to IGRA.

This request includes, but is not limited to, telephone log entries, notations of conversations, meeting notes, letters, memoranda, electronic mail messages, facsimile cover sheets and transmitted documents, calendar entries, etc., and should cover the period from and including through the date of this letter. Please be sure to include notes from BIA staff reflecting meetings, telephone

conversations or other contacts with Tribal representatives.

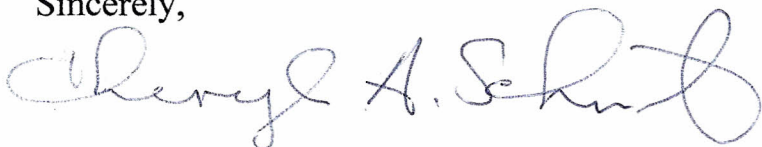
In the event any of the requested documents are not disclosable in their entirety, we request that you release any material that may be separated and released. For any documents or portions thereof that are determined to be exempt from disclosure, we request that you state with specificity the legal and factual grounds for withholding documents or portions of documents.

We are willing to pay all reasonable costs of up to \$100.00 incurred in responding to this request. We are also willing to make a trip to the local office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs in California and assist in photocopying the documents.

We would greatly appreciate a prompt response to this request, and look forward to your response within ten days after the receipt of this request, as required by 43 C.F.R. § 2.17.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Cheryl A. Schmit". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Cheryl" being the most prominent.

Cheryl Schmit – Director

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