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August 8, 2014

Amy Dutschke, Regional Director
Bureau of Indian Affairs
Pacific Regional Office
2800 Cottage Way
Sacramento, CA 95825

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Re: Land into trust application, Tejon Indian Tribe

Dear Director Dutschke:

I am in receipt of your letter dated July 16, 2014, in which you notify me that the Tribe's land into trust application for parcel numbers 238-204-02, 237-204-04, and 238-204-14 is incomplete and providing thirty (30) days in which to submit the necessary material. This letter is in reply to yours.

1. Tribal resolution

On May 11, 2014, the Executive Committee of the Tejon Indian Tribe adopted Resolution No. T2014-30, which authorized the Chairman of the Tribe to submit to the Bureau of Indian Affairs a land into trust application for the three parcels identified above. This tribal resolution, along with a legal description of the parcels subject to the request, should have been included in the original application submitted to your office. The omission of these documents was inadvertent. They are included with this letter.

2. Factors identified in CFR 151.10, 151.11

The Tribe acknowledges that its original application does not contain an analysis of the 25 CFR Part 151 factors. As you know, those factors require detailed analysis of a number of technical and historical issues. The Tribe is now working on those issues and will supplement its original request once it completes this work.

3. Environmental analysis

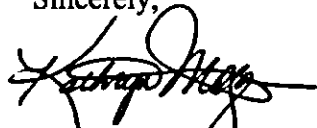
The Tribe also acknowledges that the requested trust acquisition is a major federal action for which an environmental impact statement must be prepared. The Tribe will soon be in a position to begin the environmental impact statement scoping discussion.

4. Request for additional time

The Tribe appreciates your desire to move this process along and is also anxious to move forward. However, because of the complexity of these matters, the Tribe requests an additional sixty (60) days, beyond the thirty (30) granted in your letter of July 16, in which to complete the land into trust application, to on or about October 17, 2014.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Kathryn Morgan', with a horizontal line extending from the end of the signature.

Kathryn Montes Morgan
Tejon Indian Tribe



TEJON INDIAN TRIBE RESOLUTION T2014-30

WHEREAS, the Tejon Indian Tribe is a federally recognized Indian tribe organized under the Tejon Indian Tribe Constitution; and

WHEREAS, the Tejon Indian Tribe Constitution authorizes the Tribe's Executive Committee to manage, purchase, or otherwise acquire lands or interests in land on behalf of the Tribe, Constitution, Sec. 3(a); and

WHEREAS, the Tejon Indian Tribe Constitution authorizes the Tribe's Executive Committee to promote and protect the general welfare of the Tribe, Constitution, Sec. 3(h); and

WHEREAS, the Tejon Indian Tribe currently has no land base held in trust by the United States, which absence is detrimental to the general welfare of the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is determined to re-establish a land base located within its former aboriginal territory and dedicated to the governance of the Tribe and the welfare of tribal members; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe's developer has an option to purchase certain lands located in unincorporated Kern County, California, well within the Tribe's former aboriginal territory, a legal description of which is attached hereto (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a member of the California Fee to Trust Consortium.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Chair of the Tejon Indian Tribe is authorized to apply to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Department of the Interior, to accept and hold the Property in trust for the benefit of the Tribe and to take the necessary steps, in consultation with the Tribe's staff and lawyers, to achieve trust status for the Property.

EXHIBIT A

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY

Real property in the unincorporated area of the County of Kern, State of California, described as follows:

PARCEL 1: (APN: 238-204-02)

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO MERIDIAN, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF.

PARCEL 2: (APN: 238-204-04)

THE NORTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO MERIDIAN, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF.

PARCEL 3: (APN: 238-204-07)

THE WEST HALF OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER AND THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF THE SOUTHEAST QUARTER OF SECTION 2, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO MERIDIAN, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES WITHIN OR UNDERLYING SAID LAND, OR THAT MAY BE PRODUCED AND SAVED THEREFROM, PROVIDING HOWEVER, GRANTOR, HIS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS SHALL NOT CONDUCT DRILLING OR OTHER OPERATIONS UPON THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND, BUT NOTHING HEREIN CONTAINED SHALL BE DEEMED TO PREVENT THE GRANTOR, HIS SUCCESSORS AND ASSIGNS, FROM EXTRACTING OR CAPTURING SAID MINERALS BY DRILLING ON ADJACENT OR NEIGHBORING LANDS AND/OR FROM CONDUCTING SUBSURFACE DRILLING OPERATIONS UNDER SAID LAND AT A DEPTH OF 100 FEET BELOW THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND, SO AS NOT TO DISTURB THE SURFACE OF SAID LAND OR ANY IMPROVEMENTS THEREON, AS RESERVED BY CHANSLOR-WESTERN OIL AND DEVELOPMENT COMPANY, A DELAWARE CORPORATION, SUCCESSOR IN INTEREST TO CHANSLOR-CANFIELD MIDWAY OIL COMPANY, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION, IN DEED RECORDED NOVEMBER 8, 1954, IN BOOK 2317, PAGE 102, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

PARCEL 4: (APN: 238-204-14)

ALL THAT PORTION OF SECTION 11, TOWNSHIP 11 NORTH, RANGE 20 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO MERIDIAN, IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREA OF THE COUNTY OF KERN, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ACCORDING TO THE OFFICIAL PLAT THEREOF DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 11, THENCE SOUTH 78° 07' 14" WEST 184.02 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING; THENCE SOUTH 89° 48' 55" WEST 40.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 0° 11' 05" WEST 40.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 89° 48' 55" EAST 40.00 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 0° 11' 05" EAST 40.00 FEET TO THE TRUE POINT OF BEGINNING.

EXCEPTING THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON SUBSTANCES WITHIN OR UNDERLYING SAID LAND AS RESERVED BY KERN COUNTY LAND COMPANY, IN DEED DATED OCTOBER 3, 1945, RECORDED IN BOOK 1283, PAGE 212, OF OFFICIAL RECORDS.

CERTIFICATION

It is hereby certified that the foregoing Resolution was adopted by an affirmative vote of ___ members for, ___ against, and ___ abstaining, presented for approval on this 11th day of May, 2014, pursuant to the authority contained within Constitution.

Dated this 11th day of May, 2014.



Tribal Chair

ATTEST:



Tribal Vice-Chair