

APPENDIX C

Agency Correspondence



LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM AUTHORITY

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PATRICK J. MALLON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

June 29, 2015

Mr. Wilfred Ferris
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
Eastern Shoshone Tribe
P. O. Box 538
Fort Washakie, Wyoming 82514

**NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION
(NTIA) TOWER CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (TCNS), NOTIFICATION ID
126606, LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM
(LA-RICS) LONG TERM EVOLUTION (LTE) PROJECT**

Dear Mr. Ferris:

Thank you for your recent response to TCNS notification number 126606, which identifies a site proposed for inclusion in the LA-RICS Long Term Evolution (LTE) project. As you're aware, the LA-RICS LTE project is funded by the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant from NTIA. We are requesting your review of this site and, as part of the enclosed review package, we have included:

- a site narrative and project description;
- an overview map;
- aerial and topographic maps;
- a street map;
- a table of the resources present at this project site; and
- fee remittance for tribal review in the form of a \$400 cashier's check.

We appreciate and thank you for your interest in the LTE project. Please feel free to contact Ms. Nancy Yang at (323) 267-2922 or by email at Nancy.Yang@LA-RICS.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

PATRICK J. MALLON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Enclosure

c: Andrew Spurgeon (NTIA)
Frank J. Monteferrante (NTIA)
Nancy Yang (LARICS)
James Hoyt (Jacobs)



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PATRICK J. MALLON
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July 1, 2015

Mr. Joseph Ontiveros
Director of Cultural Resources
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians
P.O. Box 487
San Jacinto, CA 92581

**NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION ADMINISTRATION (NTIA)
TOWER CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION SYSTEM (TCNS), NOTIFICATION ID 123033 AND
126606, LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM (LA-
RICS) LONG TERM EVOLUTION (LTE) PROJECT**

Dear Mr. Ontiveros:

Thank you for your recent responses to TCNS notification numbers 123033 and 126606, which identify supplemental sites proposed for inclusion in the LA-RICS Long Term Evolution (LTE) project. As you're aware, the LA-RICS LTE project is funded by the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grant from NTIA. We are requesting your review of two sites: LBECOC (TCNS No.123033) and PASDNP (TCNS No.126606). As part of the enclosed review package, we have included:

- an overview map;
- a site narrative and project description for each site;
- aerial and topographic maps for each site;
- a table of the resources present; and
- fee remittance for tribal review in the form of a \$400 cashier's check (\$200 for each site).

We appreciate and thank you for your interest in the LTE project. Please feel free to contact Ms. Nancy Yang at (323) 267-2922 or by email at Nancy.Yang@LA-RICS.org if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

PATRICK J. MALLON
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- c: Andrew Spurgeon (NTIA)
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There are 3 replies for Notification ID 126606:

Reply Information

Reply Posted:
June 2, 2015

From:
THPO Wilfred Ferris III,
Eastern Shoshone
Tribe

The Eastern Shoshone Tribe has established a new online procedure for FCC TCNS review/consultation. Online submissions can now be completed at <http://app.tribal106.com> Based on the location of the proposed project and the pole(s) that you will be constructing as part of the Section 106 process in our particular aboriginal homelands, we are REQUESTING TO BE CONSULTED on this proposed project. Please utilize the Tribal 106 NHPA consultation processing system website. Online submissions can be completed at <http://app.tribal106.com> The Eastern Shoshone Tribe through the Historic Preservation Department has established a fee of \$400.00 per consultation. We are only accepting checks at this time. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Mr. Wilfred Ferris, III THPO at wferris.eshoshone@gmail.com Sincerely, Wilfred J. Ferris, III, THPO Eastern Shoshone Tribe

Reply Posted:
May 20, 2015

From:
Director of Cultural
Resources Joseph
Ontiveros,
Soboba Band of
Luiseno Indians

May 20, 2015 The Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians appreciates your observance of Tribal Cultural Resources and their preservation in your project. Your request for tribal review has been received through the FCC website. The review will commence once an initial payment of \$200 has been received by the Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians for the cost of the said review. We request that an email notification be sent once the check has been mailed. The review will begin immediately following the payment being posted. During the review process we may request: - Copies of maps and photographs of the area - Copies of any archaeological and cultural resource documentation - Additional site surveys and site visits Once an evaluation has been completed through our department, a follow-up notification will be sent to you detailing specific requests and additional mitigation for the project if needed. Please include the TCNS number on the check, the project name, and the project address. Check may be made payable to: Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians P.O. Box 487 San Jacinto, CA 92581 For additional concerns, please contact me directly. Sincerely, Joseph Ontiveros Director of Cultural Resources Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians P.O. Box 487 San Jacinto, CA 92581 Phone (951) 654-5544 ext. 4137 Cell (951) 663-5279 jontiveros@soboba-nsn.gov

Reply Posted:
May 15, 2015

From:
Cultural Preservation
Consultant Freddie
Romero,
Santa Ynez Band of
Mission Indians

SYBCI Elders Council will not be commenting and will defer comment to local tribes.

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Hoyt, James

From: Frank Monteferrante <FMonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 12:43 PM
To: jontiveros@soboba-nsn.gov
Cc: hite_kathryn@bah.com; Hoyt, James; Ldods@counsel.lacounty.gov; Nancy Yang; tomlin_joseph@bah.com; Buchholz, Kurt [USA]; Andrew Spurgeon
Subject: LARICS TCNS Request for More Information - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

Mr. Joseph Ontiveros
Director of Cultural Resources
Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians

Dear Mr. Ontiveros,

On February 13, 2015 NTIA received an automated response from your office through the TCNS system requesting street maps and/or topographic maps with the proposed project sites noted so that your office can your review of the proposed project pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800. Please reference the TCNS Notification ID number 123033.

NTIA is invested in maintaining the government-to-government consultation relationship with Tribes. As the maps required by your office would be furnished to you by our grantee for the LA-RICS project, NTIA is notifying the grantee of your request so that our grantee can provide the requested materials directly. NTIA requests that all actual review requirements and review results be transmitted to NTIA via TCNS so that NTIA can maintain a complete administrative record and government-to-government consultation protocol. Please note that our grantee, while responsible for the review materials, is not authorized to consult directly with your office. However, unless you object, we have asked the grant recipient to contact you directly in order to expedite your request.

NTIA appreciates your interest in consulting on this proposed project modification and we have copied our grantee on this email. If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail at fmonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov<<mailto:fmonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov>>. Thank you.

Frank Monteferrante

Frank J. Monteferrante, Ph.D.
NEPA Compliance Specialist
National Telecommunications and Information Administration U.S. Department of Commerce Washington, DC 20230

Hoyt, James

From: Frank Monteferrante <FMonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 19, 2015 12:35 PM
To: freddyromero1959@yahoo.com
Cc: toberlin_joseph@bah.com; Buchholz, Kurt [USA]; Andrew Spurgeon;
hite_kathryn@bah.com; Hoyt, James; Nancy Yang; Ldods@counsel.lacounty.gov
Subject: LARICS TCNS Request for More Project Information - Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians

Mr. Freddie Romero
Cultural Preservation Consultant
Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians

Dear Mr. Romero,

On February 13, 2015 NTIA received an automated response from your office through the TCNS system requesting street maps and/or topographic maps with the proposed project sites noted so that your office can your review of the proposed project pursuant to 36 CFR Part 800. Please reference the TCNS Notification ID number 123033.

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NTIA appreciates your interest in consulting on this proposed project modification and we have copied our grantee on this email. If you have any questions, please contact me by e-mail at fmonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov<<mailto:fmonteferrante@ntia.doc.gov>>. Thank you.

Frank Monteferrante

Frank J. Monteferrante, Ph.D.
NEPA Compliance Specialist
National Telecommunications and Information Administration U.S. Department of Commerce Washington, DC 20230

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There are 1 replies for Notification ID 123033:

Reply Information

Reply Posted: defer to local tribes comment
February 19, 2015

From:
Cultural Preservation
Consultant Freddie
Romero,
Santa Ynez Band of
Mission Indians

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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
Washington, DC 20230



**NOTICE OF ORGANIZATION(S) WHICH WERE SENT PROPOSED
BROADBAND PROJECT NOTIFICATION INFORMATION**

LOS ANGELES REGIONAL INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS
SYSTEM (LA-RICS)
NANCY YANG
H.C. HOOVER BUILDING
1401 CONSTITUTION AVENUE, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20230

Date: 02/13/2015
Reference Number:

Dear Sir or Madam:

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) is using a modified version of the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS) as a means of expediting its Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP), part of President Obama's American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). This notice is to inform you that the following authorized parties were sent information about the application that you submitted to BTOP.

Those authorized parties who have received the information about your BTOP application include leaders of federally-recognized American Indian Tribes, including Alaska Native villages (collectively "Tribes"), or their designees, Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs), and State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs). For your convenience in identifying the referenced Tribes and in making further contacts, the City and State of the Seat of Government for each Tribe and NHO, as well as the designated contact person is included in the list below. NTIA notes that Tribes might attach religious and cultural significance to historic properties located in their ancestral homelands or other areas far removed from their current Seat of Government.

The information you provided was forwarded to the following Tribes and NHOs who have set their geographic preferences on TCNS.

1. Chairman - Shane Chapparosa - Los Coyotes Reservation - Warner Springs, CA - electronic mail and regular mail
Details: If the Applicant receives no response from the Los Coyotes Reservation within 30 days after notification through TCNS, the Los Coyotes Band of Indians has no interest in participating in pre-construction review for the proposed site. The Applicant, however, must immediately notify the Los Coyotes Band of Indians in the event archaeological properties or human remains are discovered during construction, consistent with Section IX of the Nationwide Programmatic Agreement and applicable law.

2. Cultural Preservation Consultant - Freddie Romero - Santa Ynez Band of Mission Indians - Santa Ynez, CA - electronic mail and regular mail

Details: The Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians REQUIRES the following for EVERY proposed site:

1. A street map with the proposed location marked with an 'x' or an arrow.
2. If there will be ground disturbance please let us know.

3. If an access road will be constructed, please let us know.
4. Drawings, site plans and any photographs.
5. The placement of communication huts and utility corridors.

If you have not already attached this information to your initial TCNS notification, please e-mail it ASAP to Freddie Romero at freddyromero1959@yahoo.com.

Thank you!
 Freddie Romero, Cultural Preservation Consultant
 Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians

3. Director of Cultural Resources - Joseph Ontiveros - Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians - San Jacinto, CA - electronic mail
 Details: For ALL proposed sites the Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians requires a \$200 tribal review processing fee. The review will commence immediately following the payment being posted.

During the review process the tribe will request the proposed project description, as well as a copy of any archaeological and cultural resources documentation for the project.

We may also request additional information such as:

- Copies of maps and photographs of the area
- Additional site surveys and site visits

Please include the TCNS number on the check, the project name, and the project address.

Check may be made payable to:
 Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians
 P.O. Box 487
 San Jacinto, CA 92581

For additional concerns, please contact me directly.

Joseph Ontiveros
 Director of Cultural Resources
 Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians
 951-663-5279 (cell)
jontiveros@soboba-nsn.gov

The information you provided was also forwarded to the additional Tribes and NHOs listed below. These Tribes and NHOs have NOT set their geographic preferences on TCNS Broadband, and therefore they are currently receiving tower notifications for the entire United States.

The information you provided was also forwarded to the following SHPOs in the state in which you propose to construct and neighboring states. The information was provided to these SHPOs as a courtesy for their information and planning.

4. Deputy SHPO - Carol Griffith - Arizona State Parks - Phoenix, AZ - electronic mail
5. Deputy SHPO - William Collins - Arizona State Parks - Phoenix, AZ - electronic mail

Please be advised that the NTIA cannot guarantee that the contact(s) listed above opened and reviewed an electronic or regular mail notification. NTIA will contact you shortly to identify the next steps required for completing review under Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, 16 U.S.C. § 470f and its implementing regulations (36 CFR Part 800).

The following information relating to the proposed project was forwarded to the person(s) listed above:

Notification Received: 02/04/2015

Notification ID: 123033

Project Number: 7835

Applicant: Los Angeles Regional Interoperable Communications System (LA-RICS)

Applicant Contact: Nancy Yang

Project Type(s): Multiple Project Components

Region(s) affected (State, County): CALIFORNIA, LOS ANGELES

Address or Geographical Location Description: Please reference TCNS # 98851 and #106581. This is a modified project description from LA-RICS for a revised portion of their proposed project; five new tower locations and two new collocations within Los Angeles County. Please refer to attached project description and map for more clarification.

If you have any questions or comments regarding the content of this notice, please contact NTIA at btoptcns@ntia.doc.gov or the following:

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Hoyt, James

From: Palmer, Bruce
Sent: Thursday, June 04, 2015 9:29 AM
To: Hoyt, James
Subject: FW: 4 new LTE Sites

Hello Jim:

I talked with Jessie Bennett (Carlsbad FWS office) over the phone regarding site VPC. His questions were centered on whether new ground was being disturbed and if a new antenna was being constructed. My response was that all construction activities were limited to existing disturbance, and that the proposed action was to add to antennae to the existing structure. He stated that he did not believe there are any ESA species conflicts and no consultation requirement. He did differ any decisions on condors to the Ventura office and Colleen Draguesku (FWS Carlsbad and Ventura). Colleen reviewed the site yesterday and differed to Jessie. Since there are no new proposed antenna, and the chaparral vegetation community is not desirable foraging habitat for condors, the no effect determination stands.

Thank you,
 Bruce

 Bruce K. Palmer
 Sr. Biologist
 Jacobs Engineering Group

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 Cell: 623.980-9178
bruce.palmer@jacobs.com

From: Palmer, Bruce
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 2:04 PM
To: 'Draguesku, Colleen'; Jesse Bennett
Subject: RE: 4 new LTE Sites

These four sites were determined to have no effect to listed species—no listed species were identified with a realistic potentials of occurring in the chaparral community. The access road is via the Vedugo Mountain Way, which shows up well in google earth.

As for the proposed action, cellular and microwave antennae would be attached to the existing 120-foot tall tower (constructed in 2014), some equipment cabinets would be added, and a utility pole replaced. All within the existing disturbance zone.

Thank you,
 Bruce

 Bruce K. Palmer
 Sr. Biologist
 Jacobs Engineering Group

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From: Draguesku, Colleen [mailto:colleen_draguesku@fws.gov]
Sent: Wednesday, June 03, 2015 1:37 PM
To: Palmer, Bruce; Jesse Bennett
Subject: Fwd: 4 new LTE Sites

Hi Jesse,

Please see Bruce's email below. This is for the original LTE project we've been working on for a few years (i.e., not the new LMR project).

Bruce, can you please confirm the effects determination you have made for these project sites (e.g., no affect, or may affect but not likely to adversely affect listed species)? All of these project sites are within the Carlsbad office's jurisdiction, but I'm happy to continue to help coordinate as needed. With respect to project site VPC, I expect that Jesse will need additional project information (e.g. access roads, what's being proposed, etc.).

Thanks,
Colleen

Colleen Draguesku
Fish and Wildlife Biologist
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
2493 Portola Road, Suite B
Ventura, California 93003
(805) 644-1766 x221
colleen_draguesku@fws.gov

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From: Palmer, Bruce <Bruce.Palmer@jacobs.com>
Date: Wed, Jun 3, 2015 at 10:33 AM
Subject: 4 new LTE Sites
To: Colleen Draquesku <colleen_draguesku@fws.gov>

Hello Colleen:

The attached KML file displays the 4 LTE sites that have recently been added to the program. I want to make sure FWS has an opportunity to see and comment on all project sites. Three sites LBECOC, LBFD012(N), and PASDPD are completely surrounded in urbanization. Site VPC is in a rural setting, near the top of Verdugo Peak (elevation about 3,100 feet) at an existing county communications facility and within dense chamise chaparral vegetation community. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns (if you do have concerns I would appreciate hearing about those as soon as possible to determine the most expedient course for resolution).

Sincerely,

Bruce

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Sr. Biologist

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