

APPENDICES

APPENDIX A: SUPPLEMENTAL

***COOPERATING AGENCY CORRESPONDENCE
SUPPLEMENTAL AGENCY***



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Ms. Laura S. Gill, City Manager
City of Elk Grove
8401 Laguna Palms Way
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Re: NEPA Cooperating Agency Designation – Wilton Rancheria Fee-to-Trust and Casino Project EIS

Dear City Manager Gill:

Thank you for your letter dated, May 13, 2016, wherein the City of Elk Grove (City) requests designation as a Cooperating Agency pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in the preparation of the Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Wilton Rancheria's fee-to-trust land acquisition for gaming. As the Lead Agency, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) grants Elk Grove's request and designates the City as a Cooperating Agency. The BIA acknowledges Alternative F identified in the Draft EIS analyzes a potential land acquisition site within the City. Therefore, the City would have current jurisdiction by law, special expertise and meet the criteria needed for the designation as a Cooperating Agency.

We look forward to working with you. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact John Rydzik, Chief, Division of Environmental, Cultural Resource Management, and Safety at (916) 978-6051.

Sincerely,

Regional Director

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May 13, 2016

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Sent via e-mail john.rydzik@bia.gov and U.S. Mail

RE: Deeming the City of Elk Grove a Cooperating Agency in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Tribal Project Environmental Document Wilton Rancheria Fee-To-Trust and Casino Project

Dear Mr. Rydzik:

As you know, Alternative F, identified in the Draft Environmental Impact Statement/Tribal Project Environmental Document Wilton Rancheria Fee-To-Trust and Casino Project (DEIS), is located within the City Limits of the City of Elk Grove (City). The City has special expertise with respect to environmental issues that should be addressed. Therefore, I request that the City be designated as a cooperating agency.

It is my understanding that the Wilton Rancheria would not object to this request. Please let me know at your earliest convenience if my request has been granted.

Respectfully,

Laura S. Gill, City Manager
City of Elk Grove