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Jan. 27, 2010

Tom Hartman
FOIA Officer
Indian Gaming Management
FAX: 202-273-3153

Re: FOIA # 00448 – Guidiville Rancheria

Dear Mr. Hartman:

Stand Up For California previously made a request for information on the Guidiville Rancheria Indian Lands Determination, FOIA #00448. Paula Hart in a letter dated Jan. 19, 2010 granted our organization an additional 20 workdays to respond, advising that the request of records must be more specific. Thus my phone call to you and this faxed request today.

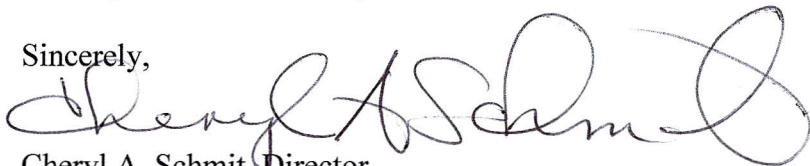
We hereby request any and all documents concerning an Indian Lands Determination for the Guidiville Band of Pomo Indians of Talmage, Mendocino County for restored lands at Point Molate, Richmond California. This request is made for documents domiciled at the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs or Indian Gaming Management or the Pacific Regional Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

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 Jan. 1, 2004 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. As previously stated, we are willing to pay all reasonable costs 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.

Should there be “no record”, we request a written reply stating that fact.
Thank you in advance for your assistance.

Sincerely,



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Attached: Jan. 19, 2010 letter from Paula Hart



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FOIA #00448

JAN 19 2010

Ms. Cheryl A. Schmit
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Dear Ms. Schmit:

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request of December 16, 2009 in which you request information on making Indian lands determinations under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act rather than records.

Because of the broad and general nature of the subject of your request, we are unable to identify which records are being sought. Under our regulations (43 C.F.R. § 2.8(a)(1)), the requester must describe the records in sufficient detail to enable an employee familiar with the subject area of the request to locate them with a reasonable amount of effort. Your request does not meet this requirement.

Please be more specific concerning the type of documents you are requesting within each program area or relative to each project. In addition, if such information is available, the request should include the date, title or name, author, recipient, and subject matter of the record. Moreover, the geographical location and time frame for which you are seeking records have not been defined. It is unclear whether your request covers only records in headquarters or in the Department of the Interior's field offices as well.

If we do not receive the needed clarification within 20 workdays of the date of this letter, we will assume that you no longer are interested in proceeding with this request, and we will close it. If you have any questions, I can be reached at (202) 219-4066.

Sincerely,

Acting Director, Office of Indian Gaming