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Brandon Phipps
Director of Community & Economic Development
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RE: Formal Acceptance of Invitation for Tribal Scoping Consultation Pursuant to AB 168
(Government Code §65913.4) 605-613 Bridgeway, Sausalito; APN 065-132-16

Dear Mr. Phipps:

This letter, on behalf of the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria (“Tribe”), constitutes formal acceptance of the City of Sebastopol’s invitation for tribal scoping consultation pursuant to AB 168 (effective September 25, 2020) Government Code §65913.4(b)(1)(A)(iii)(11) of potential project impacts to tribal cultural resources for the above referenced project site. The Tribe is a California Native American Tribe that is traditionally and culturally affiliated with the geographic area, as described in Section 21080.3.1 of the Public Resources Code. As required under Government Code §65913.4(b)(1)(A)(ii), agencies are required to contact the Native American Heritage Commission for assistance in identifying any California Native American Tribe, the Tribe assumes the City of Sausalito did so.

The Tribe requests the preliminary application as described in Government Code §65941.1. This information will assist the Tribe in understanding the project and project area as well as potential impacts to tribal cultural resources and cultural resources.

Additionally, the Tribe would like to receive any cultural resource assessments or other assessments that have been completed on all or part of the project’s potential “area of project effect” (APE), including, but not limited to:

- 1) The results of any record search(es) conducted at an archaeological information center of the California Historical Resources Information System (CHRIS);
- 2) The results of any archaeological inventory survey that was conducted of all or part of the potential APE;
- 3) The results of any Sacred Lands File searches conducted through the Native American Heritage Commission for all or part of the potential APE;
- 4) Any ethnographic studies conducted for any area including all or part of the potential APE; and
- 5) Any geotechnical reports regarding all or part of the potential APE.



We would like to remind your agency of the confidentiality requirements found in Government Code Section 6254(r), Government Code Section 6254.10, Public Resources Code Section 21082.3(c), and California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Section 15120(d). In addition, your agency is bound by any confidentiality requirements of the Tribe, if any. Government Code §65913.4(b)(1)(D)).

The Tribe expects scoping consultation with your agency to begin within 30 days of receipt of this letter. I will serve as the lead contact from the Tribe for all purposes for the 605-613 Bridgeway, Sausalito, APN 065-132-16 project. My contact information is below.

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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Buffy McQuillen'.

Buffy McQuillen, Tribal Heritage Preservation Officer

cc: Native American Heritage Commission