

**ENERGIA SIERRA JUAREZ U.S. TRANSMISSION (ESJ) LINE
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS)**
Consultation Meeting with the Campo Band of Kumeyaay (Mission) Indians
MEETING SUMMARY
September 16, 2009

In May 2009, the Department of Energy (DOE) invited the Campo Band of Kumeyaay Mission Indians (Campo Band) and Chairperson Monique LaChappa to consult with the DOE regarding the proposed construction of either a double-circuit 230,000-volt (230-kV), or a single-circuit 500-kV, transmission line across the U.S.-Mexico border by Energia Sierra Juarez U.S. Transmission, LLC (ESJ, formerly known as Baja Wind U.S. Transmission, LLC). The proposed transmission line would connect wind turbines (ESJ Wind Project) to be located in the vicinity of La Rumorosa, Baja California, Mexico, to the existing Southwest Powerlink 500-kV transmission line.

In June 2009, Lisa N. Gover, Director, Campo Environmental Protection Agency, responded to DOE's invitation to consult, requesting a consultation meeting "to discuss cultural resources and historic preservation activities." (The letter from the Campo Band is available on the project Web site at <http://esjprojecteis.org>.)

On behalf of DOE, John A. Nadolski of ENTRIX, DOE's environmental contractor for the project, responded to the Campo Band's request for consultation in August 2009, which led to a meeting with Chairperson Monique LaChappa on September 16, 2009, at the Campo Indian Reservation.

The scheduled attendees for the September 16, 2009, meeting included Chairperson LaChappa, Dr. Jerry Pell, the DOE EIS Document Manager for the project, Timothy Murphy, ENTRIX EIS project manager, and Mr. Nadolski, the ENTRIX California Cultural Resources Program Manager. Mr. Nadolski was scheduled to attend the meeting in person and Dr. Pell and Mr. Murphy were scheduled to attend the meeting by teleconference. Mr. Nadolski did meet with Chairperson LaChappa, but unanticipated technical issues prevented the participation of Dr. Pell and Mr. Murphy in the meeting.

The discussion during the meeting between Chairperson LaChappa and Mr. Nadolski included the following:

- Mr. Nadolski presented an overview of the proposed ESJ project and provided Chairperson LaChappa with a copy of the publically available cultural resources report and project maps. He also discussed the cultural resources identification issues, the results of investigations, and the potential of the project to impact any cultural resources.
- Chairperson LaChappa asked questions regarding the scope of the cultural resources survey, the types of cultural resources identified in the project area, and whether we were aware of the presence of cultural resources in vicinity of the ESJ Wind Project in Mexico. Chairperson LaChappa stated that she and the Campo Band have personal knowledge of cultural resources in Mexico in vicinity of the ESJ Wind Project.

Mr. Nadolski responded to Chairperson LaChappa's questions by describing the survey, the cultural resources in the project area, and informing her that we are aware of the

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cultural resources in Mexico and that some information regarding those resources appears in the cultural resources report.

- Chairperson LaChappa requested that project activity and any excavations at sites be monitored by members of the Campo Band that have knowledge of the area and have been trained as cultural resources monitors. She also stated that the Campo Band could provide contractors and laborers to work on the project, and requested to be contacted regarding any opportunities to provide construction services for the project.

Mr. Nadolski responded that the request for monitoring would be addressed in the EIS, and that he would inform the appropriate ESJ personnel regarding the possibility of the Campo Band providing construction services for the project.

- Chairperson LaChappa discussed the Campo Band's proposed wind farm project and the use of the Southwest Powerlink to distribute power generated from the wind farm. She also stated that the Campo Band owned 105 acres of land near the current project and was willing to discuss the use and/or development of that land with ESJ.

Mr. Nadolski thanked Chairperson LaChappa for the information about their wind project, and stated that he would inform appropriate ESJ personnel regarding the land owned by the Campo Band near the ESJ project.

- Chairperson LaChappa expressed appreciation for the opportunity to discuss the project and was supportive of the project. She stated, however, that the Campo Band was concerned about construction of the ECO Substation.

Mr. Nadolski informed Chairperson LaChappa that the ECO Substation was not part of the ESJ project, but rather is an undertaking of San Diego Gas & Electric. She confirmed that she understood the situation.

- At the conclusion of the meeting, Chairperson LaChappa stated that she considered the consultation process to be completed with this meeting.

Mr. Nadolski thanked Chairperson LaChappa for her time and input, and her determination that consultation was concluded; he informed the Chairperson that the Campo Band would be kept informed about the ESJ project.

In summary, a consultation meeting regarding the ESJ transmission line project and the Campo Band was held on September 16, 2009, at the Band's offices. The scope of the project and the cultural resources associated with the project were discussed at the meeting. Chairperson LaChappa was supportive of the project and considered the meeting sufficient for closure of consultation.