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Sent: Monday, November 30, 2009 12:55 PM
To: Bridget Nash
Cc: Tim Murphy; Heredia, Joan
Subject: RE: Energia Sierra Juarez

Thank you very much for the courtesy of your reply!

Best regards,

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To: Pell, Jerry
Subject: Energia Sierra Juarez

Good afternoon

It appears that the proposed project lies outside of the traditional land area of the Quechan, based on maps included in the draft archaeological report for the project. When originally informed of the project by BLM, it was my understanding that the project would cross from Mexico into Imperial County closer to El Centro; however, Figure 1 shows the project crossing from Mexico into San Diego County, just west of the Imperial County line. If this is the case the Tribe will defer all comments on this project to the Kumeyaay and will support the Tribe as needed.

Thank you again for your notification.

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From: Pell, Jerry [Jerry.Pell@hq.doe.gov]
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Subject: RE: Energia Sierra Juarez

Attachments: Archaeological & Historical Investigations Report; Draft, May 2009.pdf

Ms. Nash-Chrabascz,

First of all, apologies for this delayed response!

In response to your message, we remain interested in obtaining information from the Quechan Indian Tribe about historic properties in or near the project area, including those of traditional religious and cultural importance to the Tribe, and also in providing you with the opportunity to identify your concerns about such properties, including the identification of potential mitigation measures.

The current cultural resource report for the proposed project is available for review on the Tribal Consultation page of the project website, at http://www.esjprojects.org/docs/consultation/Tribal_consultation_packet_2009Sept.pdf. I am also attaching this report to this message as a convenience for you. In addition, please note that ESJ Project-related maps, other documents, and schedule updates are available for your review on the DOE Web site at http://www.oe.energy.gov/permits_pending.htm (see PP-334), and in greater detail on the ESJ Project Web site at <http://ESJProjectEIS.org>; I encourage you to consider subscribing to future e-mail updates (on the Web site home page).

Our contractor for the preparation of the environmental impact statement (EIS) is ENTRIX, Inc. Please feel free to contact my tribal affairs contact, Mr. John A. Nadolski, directly by mail at ENTRIX, Inc., 701 University Avenue, Suite 200, Sacramento, CA 95825; by phone at 916-923-1097; by fax at 916-923-6251; or by email at jnadolski@entrix.com. Of course, please feel free to contact me any time as noted below with regard to any specific concerns or questions the Quechan Tribe may have with regard to this proposed project.

Best regards,

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-----Original Message-----

From: Bridget Nash [<mailto:b.nash@quechantribe.com>]
Sent: Friday, November 20, 2009 11:21 AM
To: Pell, Jerry
Subject: Energia Sierra Juarez

Good morning –

I have not heard anything on this project in quite some time and am writing to follow-up. Where does the project stand and when will the Tribe receive more project specific information, including a biological and cultural report, so that we may begin discussing specific concerns?

Any information would be greatly appreciated.

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