



Northern Chumash Tribal Council

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Re: Phillips 66 Rail Spur

Dear Murry,

The Northern Chumash Tribal Council (NCTC) is a 501c3 non-profit, federally and state tax exempt, dedicated to the preservation of the Chumash Culture. NCTC corporate offices are located in San Luis Obispo California at 67 South Street. NCTC was formed under the guidelines of California Senate Bill 18 April 26, 2006 as a California State Recognized Tribal Government by the California Native American Heritage Commission, organized and dedicated to preservation of the California Native American Chumash Culture, and Sacred Sites. NCTC is dedicated to meaningful consulting with Federal, State, local governments, agencies, corporations, consulting with the development community, and supporting tribal community well-being.

NCTC has been in contact with Phillips 66 as part of the County's Tribal Consultation policies and practices, Arcadis U.S., Inc. the environmental consultants for Phillips have been working directly with NCTC to formulate a comprehensive plan to avoid all California Native American Chumash Cultural Resources. NCTC has had several meetings, site visits, extensive grounds coverage with archaeological consultant company Applied EarthWorks of San Luis Obispo and many conversations by email and phone. After evaluating data we have mapped out a plan that will avoid impacts to Chumash Cultural Resources.

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Roads that had previously passed through Chumash Sacred Sites are now being mapped and move, service roads will be moved, all staging areas will be placed away from all Chumash Sacred Sites, the areas of disturbance have been surveyed and documented, and we have found no cultural resources in the foot print of the rail spur. All field documentation is being performed by Applied EarthWorks.

The proposed public trail to the ocean, passes along areas near Chumash Sacred Sites, and endangered species, at this time where the trail is proposed NCTC cannot support its route to the ocean or its proposed expansion.

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We are continuing to work with Arcadis and documenting all the survey materials, and formulating management plans for the future care of our Chumash Cultural Resources. A complete and thorough report will be forthcoming describing the surface, subsurface findings and mitigation measures for Chumash Sacred Site preservation in the future.

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Fred Collins
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NCTC

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