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For Immediate Release:

New Round of Tribal Mitigation Funding Begins Organizations impacted by Cache Creek Casino expansion may apply

The second cycle of funding for tribal mitigation assistance begins on April 27. Organizations and individuals who can demonstrate an expansion-related impact and who meet the criteria must submit applications by the May 28th deadline.

Casino impact mitigation assistance is part of the County's Agreement with the Rumsey Band of Wintun Indians, which operates the Cache Creek Casino, located on Highway 16 in Brooks.

The application process has changed since the first round of funding, which began in summer 2003 and concluded in January 2004. In the first cycle, all applicants used the same basic application form. In 2004/05, there are three different application categories, each with its own application form and criteria. The three categories are: individuals who require assistance; groups or organizations that require assistance; and community enhancement projects.

Also new this round is a Comment Form, by which any member of the public may submit comments to the County's Advisory Committee on Tribal Matters (ACTM) at any time.

The ACTM was formed by the Yolo County Board of Supervisors to review requests from the public for assistance with mitigation of impacts from expansion of the Casino. The nine-member committee includes one appointed member from each supervisorial district, plus two from Esparto and two from the Capay Valley. The Committee provides liaison between residents and the County, as it develops the evaluation process and prioritizes mitigation requests.

Application packets with evaluation criteria are available by calling Mimi Rose (530) 666-8150 or Ron Kiedrowski (530) 666-8061. Those who submitted an application in the 2003-04 funding cycle but did not receive funding must submit a new application using one of ACTM's new forms.

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