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RE: FEMA PDM-PJ-09-CA-2010-019, North Tahoe hazardous Fuel Reduction

Dear Donna M. Meyer

Thank you for your letter dated for December 13, 2012 seeking information regarding the proposed FEMA, North Tahoe Hazardous Fuel Reduction Project. Based on the information provided, the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians not aware of any known cultural resources on this site. However, SSR would like to have continued consultation through updates, as the project progresses this will foster a greater communication between the Tribe and your agency.

SSR would also like to request any and all completed record searches and or surveys that were done in or around the project area up to and including environmental, archaeological and cultural reports.

If during the progress of the project new information or human remains are found we would like to be able to go over our process with you that we currently have in place to protect such important and sacred artifacts (especially near rivers and streams).

Please contact the following individuals if such finds are made:

Andrew Godsey, Assistant Cultural Resource Director / NAI
Office: (530) 698-1403 agodsey@ssband.org

And copy all communications to:
Angela Rivera, Administrative Assistant anrivera@ssband.org Office: (530) 698-1557

The Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians would like to apologize to you for the delayed response, and also thank you for providing us with this notice and opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Daniel Fonseca
Cultural Resource Director
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO)
Most Likely Descendent (MLD)

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President
United Auburn Indian Community of the
Auburn Rancheria of California
10720 Indian Hill Road
Auburn, CA 95603

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