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RE: THUNDER VALLEY CASINO FORCE MAIN - PN 8575

Dear Ms. Signorelli:

The following is our response to the questions in your email of December 28, 2009:

- The relationship between UAIC and Placer County (e.g., per the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU), UAIC must obtain approval for any off-site work).

I understand Rob Sandman of the Placer County Counsel's office has already provided you with a copy of the MOU. The MOU provides the County with a limited amount of jurisdiction with respect to certain activities relating to land use, law enforcement and other activities that might be undertaken by the UAIC on their trust lands. The UAIC are bound by normal County procedures and policies when they undertake work outside their trust lands, like other persons or entities. Therefore, the UAIC were required to obtain County permits for the proposed construction of a sanitary sewer force main from the casino site to the City of Lincoln Wastewater Treatment Plant.

- Background on the review process for project approval.

Discussions between the City of Lincoln and the UAIC led to the possibility that the casino sewage might be treated by the City at their Fiddymont Road Wastewater Treatment Plant. Any such treatment would require a sanitary sewer force main to be constructed to transport the sewage from the casino site to the City's treatment plant. Since almost all of that sewer main would be constructed on lands lying within the unincorporated area of the County, the UAIC is required to obtain permits from the County for its construction. Issuance of such permits is based on the review and approval by the County of Improvement Plans and associated documents, if any, describing the work. That review assures construction is designed to comply with applicable County standards and that associated fees and deposits are paid.

- The date that the preliminary design for the project was initially submitted to Placer County for review.

The improvement plans for the sewer construction were submitted to the County for the first review on May 23, 2008.

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- The date that Placer County last provided comments to UAIC on the project design and the nature of the comments (e.g., major or minor edits necessary, estimated time for UAIC to address comments).

After four reviews of the plans by the County, they were last returned to the UAIC's engineer, Hydrosience Engineers, Sacramento, CA, for minor revisions and signature on October 14, 2008.

- Timeline for final approval of project design if UAIC sufficiently responds to comments and any other pre-conditions (e.g., agreement between UAIC and the City of Lincoln).

The remaining items for approval by the County are minimal in nature. The time needed to obtain final approval would depend on how long it would take the UAIC and their engineering consultant to make the minor revisions to the plans, obtain the necessary signatures (by the UAIC, the City of Lincoln, and other departments and agencies) and submit the originals to the County for final signature. The County has no role in establishing the time for that work, but rather waits for the applicant or their engineer to complete those tasks. That final signature by our staff would constitute the County's permission to begin the work.

- Estimated time to complete construction for the project after final design approval.

The time to construct any improvements is a contract matter between the applicant/owner, in this case the UAIC, and the contractor hired to perform the work. After approval of the plans, the County's general role is to observe the construction for compliance with the approved plans. The County has no role in directing the work or in establishing the time for construction.

We trust this fully answers your questions, if we may provide further information please contact me at 530-745-7527.

Sincerely;



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Director
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Cc: Dan Dottai
County Counsel