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The Honorable Rosemary Morillo
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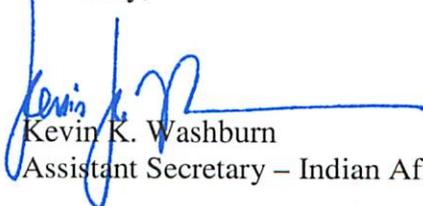
Dear Chairwoman Morillo:

I am pleased to transmit the enclosed Record of Decision (ROD) for the trust acquisition of the Horseshoe Grande Site in Riverside County, California, for the Soboba Band of Luiseño Indians, California (Tribe). In 2007, the Tribe submitted a fee-to-trust application requesting that the Department of the Interior (Department) acquire this land, contiguous to the Tribe's Reservation, in trust for gaming and other purposes. I hope this decision will help the Tribe generate economic development opportunities to better support tribal governmental functions and meet the needs of your citizens.

With the issuance of this ROD, the Department has determined that it will acquire the approximately 410.23-acre Horseshoe Grande Site in trust for the Tribe pursuant to Section 5 of the Indian Reorganization Act, 25 U.S.C. § 465. This decision is based on a thorough review and consideration of the Tribe's application and materials submitted therewith; the applicable statutes and regulations governing trust acquisitions and eligibility of land for gaming; the draft and final environmental impact statement; the administrative record; and comments received from the Federal agencies, state agencies, local governmental entities, and the public. Upon acquisition in trust, the Horseshoe Grande Site will be eligible for gaming pursuant to Section 2719 (a)(1) of the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act.

I thank you for your patience. If you have any questions about the ROD, please contact Mr. John Rydzik, Chief, Division of Environmental, Cultural Resources Management & Safety, Bureau of Indian Affairs, at (916) 978-6051.

Sincerely,


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Enclosure