

**TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT**  
**BETWEEN**  
**THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA**  
**AND THE**  
**AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS**

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**TRIBAL-STATE COMPACT  
BETWEEN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND THE  
AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS**

This Tribal-State Compact Between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians (Compact) is entered into on a government-to-government basis by and between the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians (Tribe), a federally-recognized sovereign Indian tribe, and the State of California (State), a sovereign State of the United States, pursuant to the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (P.L. 100-497, codified at 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq. and 18 U.S.C. §§ 1166-1168) (IGRA), and any successor statute or amendments.

**PREAMBLE**

**WHEREAS**, in 1988, Congress enacted IGRA as the federal statute governing Indian tribal gaming in the United States and the purposes of IGRA are to provide a statutory basis for the operation of gaming by Indian tribes as a means of promoting tribal economic development, self-sufficiency, and strong tribal governments; to provide a statutory basis for the regulation of Indian gaming adequate to shield it from organized crime and other corrupting influences; to ensure that the Indian tribe is the primary beneficiary of the gaming operation; to ensure that gaming is conducted fairly and honestly by both the operator and players; and to declare that the establishment of an independent federal regulatory authority for gaming on Indian lands, federal standards for gaming on Indian lands, and a National Indian Gaming Commission are necessary to meet congressional concerns; and

**WHEREAS**, the system of regulation of Indian tribal gaming fashioned by Congress in IGRA rests on an allocation of regulatory jurisdiction among the three sovereigns involved: the federal government, the state in which a tribe has land, and the tribe itself. IGRA makes Class III Gaming Activities lawful on the lands of federally-recognized Indian tribes only if such activities are: (i) authorized by a tribal ordinance, (ii) located in a state that permits such gaming for any purpose by any person, organization or entity, and (iii) conducted in conformity with a gaming compact entered into between the Indian tribe and the state and approved by the Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior or procedures issued by the Secretary in lieu of a compact; and



**WHEREAS**, in 1999, the Tribe and the State entered into the “Tribal-State Compact between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians” (1999 Compact), which enabled the Tribe, through revenues generated by its Gaming Operation, to improve the governance, environment, education, health, safety, and general welfare of its citizens, and to promote a strong tribal government, self-sufficiency, and to provide essential government services to its citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, in 2006, based on then-existing economic indicators the Tribe and the State entered into an amendment to the 1999 Compact (2006 Amendment), which, among other things, significantly increased the Gaming Operation’s earning potential and revenue payments to the State; and

**WHEREAS**, since the time that the State and the Tribe entered into the 2006 Amendment, circumstances in the overall economy, the casino gaming market, and the law, such as the Ninth Circuit’s decision in *Rincon Band of Luiseno Mission Indians v. Schwarzenegger*, have changed dramatically; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State have a common interest in ensuring the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund which benefits non-gaming and limited gaming tribes is adequately funded; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State believe that providing credits and funding for local government infrastructure, diversification of the Tribe’s economic base, projects that benefit tribal members, other Indians and Indian tribes, services provided by local jurisdictions, and projects that have particular social or environmental value provide valuable benefits to the Tribe and its gaming facilities; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State agree that this Compact is designed to enhance the Tribe’s economic development and self-sufficiency and to protect the health, safety and general welfare interests of the Tribe and its citizens, as well as the surrounding communities, and the California public, and to promote and secure long-term stability, mutual respect, and mutual benefits; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State desire to enter into this Compact to ensure that the Tribe is the primary beneficiary of its Gaming Operation and can continue to fund essential tribal government services through gaming revenue; and

**WHEREAS**, the State and the Tribe recognize that the exclusive rights the Tribe enjoys under this Compact provide a unique opportunity for the Tribe to continue to engage in the Gaming Activities in an economic environment free of competition from the operation of slot machines and banked card games on non-Indian lands in California and that this unique economic environment is of great value to the Tribe; and

**WHEREAS**, in consideration of the exclusive rights enjoyed by the Tribe pursuant to article IV, section 19, subdivision (f) of the California Constitution to engage in the Gaming Activities and to operate Gaming Devices as specified in this Compact for twenty-five years with a substantial reduction in payments, and the other meaningful concessions offered by the State in good faith negotiations, and pursuant to IGRA, the Tribe restates its intent, *inter alia*, to provide to the State, on a sovereign-to-sovereign basis, and to local jurisdictions, fair cost reimbursement and mitigation measures for the direct impacts of its Gaming Operations from revenues generated from the Gaming Devices operated pursuant to this Compact on a payment schedule; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State share an interest in mitigating the significant off-reservation impacts of the Gaming Facility, affording meaningful consumer and employee protections in connection with the operations of the Gaming Facility, fairly regulating the Gaming Activities conducted at the Gaming Facility, and fostering a good-neighbor relationship between the Tribe, the State, and local jurisdictions; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe's unique "checker-board" reservation has limited the Tribe's ability to fully develop its Gaming Operations and the State recognizes that the Tribe and the surrounding local communities will benefit from economic development and accompanying job creation if the Tribe is able to develop Gaming Facilities on certain parcels of land that are contiguous to the Tribe's current reservation boundaries; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State share a joint sovereign interest in ensuring that Gaming Activities are free from criminal and other undesirable elements; and

**WHEREAS**, this Compact will afford the Tribe primary responsibility over the regulation of its Gaming Facility and will enhance the Tribe's economic development and self-sufficiency; and

**WHEREAS**, the State and the Tribe agree that all terms of this Compact are intended to be binding and enforceable.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, the Tribe and the State agree as set forth herein:

**SECTION 1.0. PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES.**

The terms of this Compact are designed and intended to:

- (a) Evidence the goodwill and cooperation of the Tribe and the State in fostering a mutually respectful government-to-government relationship that will serve the mutual interests of the parties.
- (b) Enhance and implement a means of regulating Class III Gaming to ensure its fair and honest operation in a way that protects the interests of the Tribe, the State, its citizens, and local communities in accordance with IGRA, and through that regulated Class III Gaming, enable the Tribe to develop self-sufficiency, promote tribal economic development, and generate jobs and revenues to support the Tribe’s government and its governmental services and programs.
- (c) Promote ethical practices in conjunction with Class III Gaming, through the licensing and control of persons and entities employed in, or providing goods and services to, the Gaming Operation, protect against the presence or participation of persons whose criminal backgrounds, reputations, character, or associations make them unsuitable for participation in gaming, thereby maintaining a high level of integrity in tribal government gaming, and protect the patrons and employees of the Gaming Operation and the local communities.
- (d) Achieve the objectives set forth in the preamble.

**SECTION 2.0. DEFINITIONS.**

**Sec. 2.1.** “Applicable Codes” means the California Building Code and the California Public Safety Code applicable to the County, as set forth in titles 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations, as those regulations may be amended during the term of this Compact, including, but not limited to, codes for building, electrical, energy, mechanical, plumbing, fire and safety.

**Sec. 2.2.** “Applicant” means an individual or entity that applies for a tribal gaming license or for a State Gaming Agency determination of suitability.

**Sec. 2.3.** “Association” means an association of California tribal and state gaming regulators, the membership of which comprises up to two (2) representatives from each tribal gaming agency of those tribes with whom the State has a gaming compact under IGRA, and up to two (2) delegates each from the state Department of Justice, Bureau of Gambling Control and the California Gambling Control Commission.

**Sec. 2.4.** “Class III Gaming” means the forms of Class III Gaming defined as such in 25 U.S.C. § 2703(8) and by regulations of the National Indian Gaming Commission.

**Sec. 2.5.** “Commission” means the California Gambling Control Commission, or any successor agency of the State.

**Sec. 2.6.** “Compact” means this Tribal-State Compact Between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians.

**Sec. 2.7.** “County” means the County of Riverside, California, a political subdivision of the State.

**Sec. 2.8.** “Financial Source” means any person or entity who, directly or indirectly, extends financing to the Gaming Facility or Gaming Operation.

**Sec. 2.9.** “Gaming Activity” or “Gaming Activities” means the Class III Gaming activities authorized under this Compact.

**Sec. 2.10.** “Gaming Device” means any slot machine within the meaning of article IV, section 19, subdivision (f) of the California Constitution. For purposes of calculating the number of Gaming Devices, each player station, terminal or device on which a game is played constitutes a separate Gaming Device, irrespective of whether it is part of an interconnected system to such terminals, stations or devices. “Gaming Device” includes, but is not limited to, video poker and other games that may contain an element of skill, but does not include electronic, computer, or other technological aids that qualify as class II gaming (as defined under IGRA).

**Sec. 2.11.** “Gaming Employee” means any natural person who (a) conducts, operates, maintains, repairs, accounts for, or assists in any Gaming Activities, or is in any way responsible for supervising such Gaming Activities or persons who conduct, operate, maintain, repair, account for, assist, or supervise any such Gaming Activities, (b) is in a category under federal or tribal gaming law requiring licensing, (c) is an employee of the Tribal Gaming Agency with access to confidential information, or (d) is a person whose employment duties require or authorize access to areas of the Gaming Facility in which any activities related to Gaming Activities are conducted but that are not open to the public.

**Sec. 2.12.** “Gaming Facility” or “Facility” means any building in which Gaming Activities or any Gaming Operations occur, or in which business records, receipts, or funds of the Gaming Operation are maintained (excluding offsite facilities primarily dedicated to storage of those records and financial institutions), and all rooms, buildings, and areas, including hotels, parking lots, and walkways, the principal purpose of which is to serve the Gaming Activities of the Gaming Operation and facilitate the provision of Gaming Activities rather than providing them with an incidental benefit.

**Sec. 2.13.** “Gaming Operation” means the business enterprise that offers and operates Gaming Activities, whether exclusively or otherwise.

**Sec. 2.14.** “Gaming Ordinance” means a tribal ordinance or resolution duly authorizing the conduct of Gaming Activities on the Tribe’s eligible Indian lands in California and approved under IGRA.

**Sec. 2.15.** “Gaming Resources” means any goods or services provided or used in connection with Gaming Activities, whether exclusively or otherwise, including, but not limited to, equipment, furniture, Gaming Devices and ancillary equipment, implements of Gaming Activities such as playing cards, furniture designed primarily for Gaming Activities, maintenance or security equipment and services, and Class III Gaming consulting services. “Gaming Resources” does not include professional accounting and legal services.

**Sec. 2.16.** “Gaming Resource Supplier” means any person or entity who, directly or indirectly, does, or is deemed likely to, manufacture, distribute, supply, vend, lease, purvey, or otherwise provide to the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility at least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in Gaming Resources in any twelve (12)-month period, or who, directly or indirectly, receives, or is deemed likely to receive, in connection with the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility, at

least twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) in any consecutive twelve (12)-month period, provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may exclude a purveyor of equipment or furniture that is not specifically designed for, and is distributed generally for use other than in connection with, Gaming Activities, if, but for the purveyance, the purveyor is not otherwise a Gaming Resource Supplier as described herein, the compensation received by the purveyor is not grossly disproportionate to the value of the goods or services provided, and the purveyor is not otherwise a person who exercises a significant influence over the Gaming Operation.

**Sec. 2.17.** “IGRA” means the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 (PL. 100-497, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1166-1168 and 25 U.S.C. § 2701 et seq.), and any amendments thereto, as interpreted by all regulations promulgated thereunder.

**Sec. 2.18.** “Interested Persons” means (a) all local, state, and federal agencies, which, if a Project were not taking place on Indian lands, would have responsibility for approving the Project or would exercise authority over the natural resources that may be affected by the Project, (b) the cities of Palm Springs, Cathedral City and Rancho Mirage, and (c) persons, groups, or agencies that request in writing a notice of preparation of a draft tribal environmental impact report described in section 11.0, or have commented on the Project in writing to the Tribe or the County.

**Sec. 2.19.** “Limited Gaming Tribe” is a federally-recognized tribe in California that has a Class III Gaming compact with the State but is operating fewer than a combined total of three hundred fifty (350) Gaming Devices in all of its gaming operations wherever located, or does not have a Class III Gaming compact but is engaged in Class II Gaming, whether within or without California, during the immediately preceding three hundred sixty-five (365) days.

**Sec. 2.20.** “Local Jurisdiction(s)” means Palm Springs, Cathedral City, Rancho Mirage, or any other incorporated municipality within Riverside County.

**Sec. 2.21.** “Management Contractor” means any Gaming Resource Supplier with whom the Tribe has contracted for the management of any Gaming Activity or Gaming Facility, including, but not limited to, any person who would be regarded as a management contractor under IGRA.

**Sec. 2.22.** “Net Win” means drop from Gaming Devices, plus the redemption value of expired tickets, less fills, less payouts, less that portion of the

Gaming Operation’s payments to a third-party wide-area progressive jackpot system provider that is contributed only to the progressive jackpot amount.

**Sec. 2.23.** “NIGC” means the National Indian Gaming Commission.

**Sec. 2.24.** “Non-Gaming Tribe” is a federally-recognized tribe in California, with or without a Class III Gaming compact with the State, that has not engaged in, or offered, class II gaming or Class III Gaming in any location whether within or without California, as of the date of distribution to such tribe from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, or during the immediately preceding three hundred sixty-five (365) days.

**Sec. 2.25.** “Project” means any activity occurring on the Tribe’s reservation after the effective date of this Compact, the principal purpose of which is to serve the Gaming Activities or Gaming Operation, rather than provide the Gaming Activities or Gaming Operation with an incidental benefit, and which may cause a Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment. “Project” does not include an activity that has been both described and the impacts of which have been previously addressed in a tribal environmental impact report described in section 11.0, or in an environmental impact report, statement, or assessment under the Tribe’s 1999 Compact or the Amendment to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, executed on August 8, 2006. For purposes of this definition, section 11.0, and Appendix B, “reservation” refers to the Tribe’s Indian lands within the meaning of IGRA or lands otherwise held in trust for the Tribe by the United States. This definition shall be understood to include, but not be limited to, the construction or planned expansion of a Gaming Facility, and any construction or planned expansion of a hotel or infrastructure, the principal purpose of which is to serve the Gaming Facility, as long as such construction or expansion may cause a Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment.

**Sec. 2.26.** “Revenue Sharing Trust Fund” means a fund created by the Legislature and administered by the State Gaming Agency that, as a limited trustee, is not a trustee subject to the duties and liabilities contained in the California Probate Code, similar state or federal statutes, rules or regulations, or under state or federal common law or equitable principles, and has with no duties, responsibilities or obligations hereunder except for the receipt, deposit, and distribution of monies paid by gaming tribes for the benefit of Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes.

**Sec. 2.27.** “Significant Effect(s) on the Off-Reservation Environment” is the same as “Significant Effect(s) on the Environment” and occur(s) if any of the following conditions exist:

- (a) A proposed Project has the potential to degrade the quality of the off-reservation environment, curtail the range of the environment, or achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term, environmental goals.
- (b) The possible effects of a Project on the off-reservation environment are individually limited but cumulatively considerable. As used herein, “cumulatively considerable” means that the incremental effects of an individual Project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, the effects of other current projects, and the effects of probable future projects.
- (c) The off-reservation environmental effects of a Project will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly.

For purposes of this definition, “reservation” refers to the Tribe’s Indian lands within the meaning of IGRA or lands otherwise held in trust for the Tribe by the United States.

**Sec. 2.28.** “State” means the State of California or an authorized official or agency thereof designated by this Compact or by the Governor.

**Sec. 2.29.** “State Designated Agency” means the entity or entities designated or to be designated by the Governor to exercise rights and fulfill responsibilities established by this Compact.

**Sec. 2.30.** “State Gaming Agency” means the entities authorized to investigate, approve, regulate and license gaming pursuant to the Gambling Control Act (chapter 5 (commencing with section 19800) of division 8 of the California Business and Professions Code), or any successor statutory scheme, and any entity or entities in which that authority may hereafter be vested.

**Sec. 2.31.** “Tribal Chair” or “Tribal Chairperson” means the person duly elected or selected under the Tribe’s constitution or governing documents to



perform the duties specified therein, including serving as the Tribe’s official representative.

**Sec. 2.32.** “Tribal Gaming Agency” means the person, agency, board, committee, commission, or council designated under tribal law, including, but not limited to, an intertribal gaming regulatory agency approved to fulfill those functions by the NIGC, primarily responsible for carrying out the Tribe’s regulatory responsibilities under IGRA and the Tribe’s Gaming Ordinance. No person employed in, or in connection with, the management, supervision, or conduct of any Gaming Activity may be a member or employee of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

**Sec. 2.33.** “Tribal Nation Grant Fund” is a fund created by the Legislature to make discretionary distribution of funds to Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes upon application of such tribes for purposes related to effective self-governance, self-determined community, and economic development.

**Sec. 2.34.** “Tribe” means the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, a federally recognized Indian tribe listed in the Federal Register or an authorized official or agency thereof.

### **SECTION 3.0. SCOPE OF CLASS III GAMING AUTHORIZED.**

#### **Sec. 3.1. Authorized Class III Gaming.**

- (a) The Tribe is hereby authorized and permitted to operate only the following Gaming Activities under the terms and conditions set forth in the Compact:
  - (1) Gaming Devices.
  - (2) Any banking or percentage card games.
  - (3) Any devices or games that are authorized under state law to the California State Lottery, provided that the Tribe will not offer such games through use of the Internet unless others in the state are permitted to do so under state and federal law.
  - (4) Off-track wagering on horse races pursuant to the requirements in the document attached hereto as Appendix D.

- (b) Nothing in this Compact shall in any way limit, restrict or regulate the Tribe's right to operate any game that is class II gaming under IGRA, or any class II gaming facility.
- (c) Nothing herein shall be construed to authorize or permit the operation of any Class III Gaming that the State lacks the power to authorize or permit under the California Constitution.
- (d) The Tribe shall not engage in Class III Gaming that is not expressly authorized in this section 3.0 of this Compact. If the State authorizes Class III Gaming activities not expressly authorized in this Compact, the parties shall, at the Tribe's request, enter into good-faith negotiations pursuant to IGRA to amend this section of this Compact for the sole purpose of adding the newly authorized Class III Gaming activity.

**SECTION 4.0. AUTHORIZED LOCATION OF GAMING FACILITY, NUMBER OF GAMING DEVICES, COST REIMBURSEMENT, AND MITIGATION.**

**Sec. 4.1. Authorized Number of Gaming Devices.**

The Tribe is entitled to operate up to a total of five thousand (5,000) Gaming Devices pursuant to the conditions set forth in section 3.1 and sections 4.2 through and including section 5.3.

**Sec. 4.2. Authorized Gaming Facility.**

The Tribe may establish and operate not more than six (6) Gaming Facilities, only two (2) of which may have more than five hundred (500) Gaming Devices, and engage in Class III Gaming only:

- (a) On eligible Indian lands held in trust for the Tribe, located within the boundaries of the Agua Caliente reservation as those boundaries exist as of the execution date of this Compact and on which Class III Gaming may lawfully be conducted under IGRA; or
- (b) On a parcel or parcels upon which Class III Gaming may lawfully be conducted under IGRA as Indian lands that (i) is contiguous to the

Tribe's reservation as it existed on October 17, 1988, (ii) is located within those contiguous sections in Riverside County as described in, and represented on the map at Appendix A hereto, and (iii) title to which is acquired by the United States in trust status for gaming for the benefit of the Tribe after the execution date of this Compact.

- (c) In light of the unique history and complex structure of the Tribe's Indian lands, in order to ensure that Class III Gaming pursuant to this Compact is conducted only on Indian lands that reflect the Tribe's and the State's agreement regarding land eligible for that purpose, the Tribe shall provide written notice to the State, along with documentation adequate to support the Tribe's determination that the Gaming Facility will be located on property that is or will be Indian lands eligible for Class III Gaming within the meaning of IGRA when all conditions of subdivision (a) or (b) are satisfied, as follows:
- (1) For a new Gaming Facility proposed to be located on a parcel or parcels that the Tribe asserts are Indian lands eligible for Class III Gaming under subdivision (a), the Tribe must give notice and the required documentation to the State at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to the commencement of a Project to construct the Gaming Facility.
  - (2) For a Gaming Facility proposed to be located on a parcel or parcels that the Tribe asserts will meet the requirements of subdivision (b), the Tribe must give notice and the required documentation to the State at least ninety (90) calendar days prior to submitting a request to the Secretary to acquire the parcel or parcels in trust for the Tribe for gaming.
  - (3) The parties shall meet within thirty (30) calendar days of the State's receipt of the Tribe's notice and documentation pursuant to subdivision (c)(1) or (2) to confirm that the parcel or parcels meet the requirements of either subdivision (a) or (b). If the State and the Tribe agree at the meeting that the Gaming Facility will be constructed on Indian lands that meet or will meet the requirements of either subdivision (a) or (b), as appropriate, then they shall memorialize that understanding in writing within thirty (30) calendar days of the meeting between the parties. If the State determines that the parcel or parcels

will not meet the requirements of subdivision (a) or (b), as appropriate, or that it has not received documentation adequate for purposes of making that determination, then it may institute the dispute resolution process set forth in section 13.0 to resolve whether the parcel or parcels meet the requirements of subdivision (a) or (b), as appropriate

- (4) If the State fails to respond to the Tribe's notice and documentation within thirty (30) days of receipt, refuses to meet, or fails within fifteen (15) days after the meeting to initiate the dispute resolution process, then the Tribe may institute the dispute resolution process set forth in section 13.0 to resolve whether the parcel or parcels meet the requirements of subdivision (a) or (b), as appropriate, and are or will be Indian lands eligible for Class III Gaming before a Gaming Facility may be constructed thereon.

#### **Sec. 4.3. Special Distribution Fund.**

The Tribe shall pay to the State on a pro rata basis the State's 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(C) costs incurred for purposes consistent with IGRA, including the performance of all its duties under this Compact, the administration and implementation of tribal-state Class III Gaming compacts, and funding for the Office of Problem Gambling, as determined by the monies appropriated in the annual Budget Act each fiscal year to carry out those purposes (Appropriation). The Appropriation and the maximum number of Gaming Devices operated by all federally recognized tribes in California pursuant to tribal-state Class III Gaming compacts determined to be in operation during the previous State fiscal year shall be reported annually by the State Gaming Agency to the Tribe on or before December 15. The term "operated" or "operation" as used in this Compact in relation to Gaming Devices describes each and every Gaming Device available to patrons (including slot tournament contestants) for play at any given time. The Tribe's pro rata share of the State's 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(C) regulatory costs in any given year this Compact is in effect shall be calculated by the following equation:

The maximum number of Gaming Devices operated in the Tribe's Gaming Facilities during the previous State fiscal year as determined by the State Gaming Agency, divided by the maximum number of Gaming Devices operated by all federally recognized tribes in California

pursuant to tribal-state Class III Gaming compacts during the previous State fiscal year, multiplied by the Appropriation, equals the Tribe's pro rata share.

- (a) Beginning the first full quarter after Class III Gaming commences under this Compact, the Tribe shall pay its pro rata share to the State Gaming Agency for deposit into the Indian Gaming Special Distribution Fund established by the Legislature (Special Distribution Fund). The payment shall be made in four (4) equal quarterly installments due on the thirtieth (30th) day following the end of each calendar quarter (i.e., by April 30 for the first quarter, July 30 for the second quarter, October 30 for the third quarter, and January 30 for the fourth quarter); provided, however, that in the event this Compact becomes effective during a calendar quarter, payment shall be prorated for the number of days remaining in that initial quarter, in addition to any remaining full quarters in the first calendar year of operation to obtain a full year of full quarterly payments of the Tribe's pro rata share specified above. A payment year will run from January through December. If any portion of the Tribe's quarterly pro rata share payment or payment pursuant to section 4.3, subdivision (b) or section 4.5, is overdue, the Tribe shall pay to the State for purposes of deposit into the appropriate fund, the amount overdue plus interest accrued thereon at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or the maximum rate permitted by state law for delinquent payments owed to the State, whichever is less. All quarterly payments shall be accompanied by the report specified in section 4.7.
- (b) If the Tribe objects to the State's determination of the Tribe's pro rata share, or to the amount of the Appropriation as including matters not consistent with IGRA, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of section 13.0. Any State determination of the Tribe's pro rata share challenged by the Tribe shall govern and shall be paid by the Tribe to the State when due, and the Tribe's payment is a condition precedent to invoking the section 13.0 dispute resolution provisions.
- (c) The Tribe's annual pro rata share payment amount shall be capped at an amount equal to a five percent (5%) increase from the Tribe's pro rata share calculated in the immediately

preceding year. The Tribe shall not be required to pay any amount of the Tribe's calculated pro rata share that exceeds its calculated pro rata share from the immediately preceding year by more than five percent (5%).

- (d) The foregoing payments have been negotiated between the parties as a fair and reasonable contribution, based upon the State's costs of regulating and mitigating certain impacts of tribal Class III Gaming Activities including problem gambling, as well as the Tribe's market conditions, its circumstances, and the rights afforded and consideration provided by this Compact.

#### **Sec. 4.3.1. Use of Special Distribution Funds.**

Revenue placed in the Special Distribution Fund shall be available for appropriation by the Legislature for the following purposes:

- (a) Grants, including any administrative costs, for programs designed to address and treat gambling addiction;
- (b) Grants, including any administrative costs and environmental review costs, for the support of State and local government agencies impacted by tribal government gaming;
- (c) Compensation for regulatory costs incurred by the State including, but not limited to, the Commission, the California Department of Justice, the Office of the Governor, the California Department of Public Health Programs, Office of Problem Gambling, the State Controller, the Department of Human Resources, the Financial Information System for California, and State Designated Agencies in connection with the implementation and administration of Class III Gaming compacts in California;
- (d) Compensation to state and local government for law enforcement, fire, public safety, and other emergency response services provided in response to or arising from any threat to the health, welfare and safety of Gaming Facility patrons, employees, tribal members or the public generally, attributable to, or as a consequence of, intra-tribal government disputes; and

- (e) Any other purposes specified by the Legislature that are consistent with IGRA, including funds necessary to ensure adequate funding to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.

#### **Sec. 4.4. Quarterly Revenue Contribution Report.**

At the time each quarterly payment is due, the Tribe shall submit to the State Gaming Agency a report, prepared and certified by an authorized representative of the Gaming Operation, which sets forth the following information:

- (a) The calculation of the average number of Gaming Devices in operation for each day during the given quarter.
- (b) The total amount of the quarterly revenue contribution paid to the State under sections 4.3 and 4.5.

#### **Sec. 4.5. Revenue Contribution.**

In exchange for substantial exclusivity and other meaningful concessions, the Tribe shall make an annual payment equal to:

- Six percent (6%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of three hundred and fifty (350) Gaming Devices but less than two thousand five hundred and one (2,501) Gaming Devices;
- Seven percent (7%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of two thousand five hundred (2,500) Gaming Devices but less than three thousand and one (3,001) Gaming Devices;
- Eight percent (8%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of three thousand (3,000) Gaming Devices but less than three thousand five hundred and one (3,501) Gaming Devices;
- Nine percent (9%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of three thousand five hundred (3,500) Gaming Devices but less than four thousand and one (4,001) Gaming Devices;

- Ten percent (10%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of four thousand (4,000) Gaming Devices but less than four thousand five hundred and one (4,501) Gaming Devices; and
- Eleven percent (11%) of the Net Win generated from the operation of all Gaming Devices in excess of four thousand five hundred (4,500) Gaming Devices but less than five thousand and one (5,001) Gaming Devices.

These payments, which shall be used exclusively for the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and the Tribal Nation Grant Fund, shall be made quarterly in accordance with section 5.2, subdivision (b). Sixty percent (60%) of the Tribe's revenue contributions made pursuant to this section may be allocated by the Tribe to the purposes specified in section 5.3 and shall be paid yearly as provided in section 5.3, subdivision (b)

**Sec. 4.6. Effective Date of Revenue Contribution Provisions.**

The provisions of this Compact establishing or superseding existing revenue sharing obligations of the Tribe, including sections 4.3, 4.5, 5.2, and 5.3, will take effect on the first day of the calendar month following the effective date of this Compact, to allow the State and the Tribe time to plan for the implementation of these provisions. Until that date, the revenue contributions set forth in the Amendment to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact between the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians, executed on August 8, 2006, will remain in effect.

**Sec. 4.7. Quarterly Payments and Quarterly Contribution Report.**

- (a) (1) The Tribe shall remit quarterly to the State Gaming Agency (i) the payments described in section 4.3, for deposit into the Special Distribution Fund, and (ii) the payments described in section 5.2, for deposit into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund.
- (2) If the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact commence during a calendar quarter, the first payment shall be due on the thirtieth (30th) day following the end of the first full calendar quarter of the Gaming Activities and shall cover the period



from the commencement of the Gaming Activities to the end of the first full calendar quarter.

- (3) All quarterly payments shall be accompanied by the certification specified in subdivision (b).
- (b) At the time each quarterly payment is due, regardless of whether any monies are owed, the Tribe shall submit to the State Gaming Agency a certification (Quarterly Contribution Report) that specifies the following:
- (1) calculation of the maximum number of Gaming Devices operated in the Gaming Facility for each day during the given quarter;
  - (2) the Net Win calculation reflecting the quarterly Net Win from the operation of all Gaming Devices in the Facility;
  - (3) the amount due pursuant to section 4.3;
  - (4) calculation of the amount due to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund pursuant to section 5.2; and
  - (5) the total amount of the quarterly payment paid to the State.

The Quarterly Contribution Report shall be prepared by the chief financial officer of the Gaming Operation.

- (c) (1) At any time after the fourth quarter of each year, but in no event later than April 30 of the following calendar year, the Tribe shall provide to the State Gaming Agency an audited annual certification of its Net Win calculation from the operation of Gaming Devices. The audit shall be conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, as applied to audits for the gaming industry, by an independent certified public accountant who is not employed by the Tribe, the Tribal Gaming Agency, the Management Contractor, or the Gaming Operation, is only otherwise retained by any of these entities to conduct regulatory audits or independent audits of the Gaming

Operation, and has no financial interest in any of these entities. The auditor used by the Tribe for this purpose shall be approved by the State Gaming Agency, or other State Designated Agency, but the State shall not unreasonably withhold its consent.

- (2) If the audit shows that the Tribe made an overpayment from its Net Win to the State Gaming Agency during the year covered by the audit, the Tribe's next quarterly payment may be reduced by the amount of the overage. If the audit shows that the Tribe made an underpayment to the State Gaming Agency during the year covered by the audit, the Tribe's next quarterly payment shall be increased by the amount of the underpayment.
  - (3) The State Gaming Agency shall be authorized to confer with the auditor at the conclusion of the audit process and to review all of the independent certified public accountant's work papers and documentation relating to the audit. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall be notified of and provided the opportunity to participate in and attend any such conference or document review.
- (d) The State Gaming Agency may audit the calculations in subdivision (b) and Net Win calculations specified in the audit provided pursuant to subdivision (c). The State Gaming Agency shall have access to all records deemed necessary by the State Gaming Agency to verify the calculations in subdivision (b) and Net Win calculations, including access to the Gaming Device accounting systems and server-based systems and software, and to the data contained therein on a read-only basis. If the State Gaming Agency determines that the Net Win is understated or the deductions overstated, it will promptly notify the Tribe and provide a copy of the audit. The Tribe within twenty (20) days will either accept the difference or provide a reconciliation satisfactory to the State Gaming Agency. If the Tribe accepts the difference or does not provide a reconciliation satisfactory to the State Gaming Agency, the Tribe must immediately pay the amount of the resulting deficiency, plus accrued interest thereon at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or the maximum rate permitted by state law for delinquent payments owed to the State, whichever is less. If the Tribe does not accept the difference but does not provide a

reconciliation satisfactory to the State Gaming Agency, the Tribe, once payment is made, may commence dispute resolution under section 13.0. The parties expressly acknowledge that the certifications provided for in subdivision (b) are subject to section 8.4, subdivision (h).

- (e) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in section 13.0, any failure of the Tribe to remit the payments referenced in subdivision (a), will entitle the State to immediately seek injunctive relief in federal or state court, at the State's election, to compel the payments, plus accrued interest thereon at the rate of one percent (1%) per month, or the maximum rate permitted by State law for delinquent payments owed to the State, whichever is less; and further, the Tribe expressly consents to be sued in either court and waives its right to assert sovereign immunity against the State in any such proceeding.
- (f) If any portion of the payments under subdivision (a) of this section is overdue after the State Gaming Agency has provided written notice to the Tribe of the overdue amount with an opportunity to cure of at least fifteen (15) business days, and if more than sixty (60) calendar days have passed from the due date, then the Tribe shall cease operating all of its Gaming Devices until full payment is made.

#### **Sec. 4.8. Exclusivity.**

The Tribe agrees to make the payments specified in sections 4.3 and 4.5. Although the parties recognize that Indian tribes in California have the exclusive right to operate Gaming Devices and banking or percentage card games, the parties have agreed that in the event the exclusive right of Indian tribes to operate Gaming Devices in California is abrogated by the enactment, amendment, or repeal of a state statute or constitutional provision, or the conclusive and dispositive judicial construction of a statute or the state Constitution by a California appellate court after the effective date of this Compact that Gaming Devices may lawfully be operated by another person, organization, or entity (other than an Indian tribe) within California, the Tribe shall have the right to exercise one (1) of the following options:

- (a) Terminate this Compact, in which case the Tribe will lose the right to operate Gaming Devices and other Class III Gaming authorized by this Compact; or

- (b) Continue under this Compact with an entitlement to end payments to the State other than to provide for: (i) compensation to the State for the costs of regulation, as set forth in section 4.3; (ii) reasonable payments to local governments impacted by tribal government gaming, the amount to be determined based upon any intergovernmental agreement entered into pursuant to section 11.7; (iii) grants for programs designed to address and treat gambling addiction; and (iv) such assessments as may be permissible at such time under federal law.

**SECTION 5.0. REVENUE SHARING WITH NON-GAMING AND LIMITED-GAMING TRIBES, AND FOR OTHER MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL PURPOSES.**

**Sec. 5.1. Allocation of Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or Tribal Nation Grant Fund Monies.**

- (a) The State Gaming Agency shall allocate and disburse the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund monies on a quarterly basis as specified by the Legislature. Each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe in the State shall receive the sum of one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) per year from the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund. In the event there are insufficient monies in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to pay one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) per year to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe, any available monies in that fund shall be distributed to eligible Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes in equal shares. Monies deposited into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund in excess of the amount necessary to distribute one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe shall remain in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund available for disbursement in future years, or deposited in the Tribal Nation Grant Fund but shall not be used for purposes other than the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund. In no event shall the State's general fund be obligated to make up any shortfall in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or to pay any unpaid claims connected therewith, and, notwithstanding any provision of law, including any existing provision of law implementing the State Gaming Agency's

obligations related to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund under any Class III Gaming compact, Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes are not third-party beneficiaries of this Compact and shall have no right to seek any judicial order compelling disbursement of any Revenue Sharing Trust Fund monies to them.

- (b) The fiscal operations of the Tribal Nation Grant Fund are administered by the State Gaming Agency, which acts as a limited trustee, not subject to the duties and liabilities contained in the California Probate Code, similar state or federal statutes, rules or regulations, or under state or federal common law or equitable principles, and with no duties or obligations hereunder except for the receipt, deposit, and distribution of monies paid by gaming tribes for the benefit of Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes, as those payments are directed by a State Designated Agency. The State Gaming Agency shall allocate and disburse the Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies as specified by a State Designated Agency to one (1) or more eligible Non-Gaming and Limited-Gaming Tribes upon a competitive application basis. The State Gaming Agency shall exercise no discretion or control over, nor bear any responsibility arising from, the recipient tribes' use or disbursement of Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies. The State Designated Agency shall perform any necessary audits to ensure that monies awarded to any tribe are being used in accordance with their disbursement in relation to the purpose of the Tribal Nation Grant Fund. In no event shall the State's general fund be obligated to pay any monies into the Tribal Nation Grant Fund or to pay any unpaid claims connected therewith, and, notwithstanding any provision of law, including any existing provision of law implementing the State's obligations related to the Tribal Nation Grant Fund or the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund under any Class III Gaming compact, Non-Gaming Tribes and Limited-Gaming Tribes are not third-party beneficiaries of this Compact and shall have no right to seek any judicial order compelling disbursement of any Tribal Nation Grant Fund monies to them.

**Sec. 5.2. Payments to the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund.**

- (a) As provided in section 4.5, the Tribe's revenue contribution shall be paid to the State Gaming Agency, for deposit into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund or the Tribal Nation Grant Fund.
- (b) The Tribe shall remit the payment(s) referenced in subdivision (a) to the State Gaming Agency in quarterly payments, which payments shall be due thirty (30) days following the end of each calendar quarter (i.e., by April 30 for the first quarter, July 30 for the second quarter, October 30 for the third quarter, and January 30 for the fourth quarter).
- (c) If any portion of the Tribe's payment(s) is overdue as required by subdivision (b), the Tribe shall pay to the State for purposes of deposit into the appropriate fund, the amount overdue plus interest accrued thereon at the rate of one percent (1%) per month or the maximum rate permitted by state law for delinquent payments owed to the State, whichever is less.
- (d) All payments made by the Tribe to the State Gaming Agency pursuant to section 4.5 shall be deposited into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and the Tribal Nation Grant Fund in a proportion to be determined by the Legislature, provided that if there are insufficient monies in the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund to pay one million one hundred thousand dollars (\$1,100,000) per year to each eligible Non-Gaming Tribe and Limited-Gaming Tribe, the State Gaming Agency shall deposit all payments into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund.

**Sec. 5.3. Mutually Beneficial Investments in the Local and Tribal Community.**

- (a) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary in this Compact, the State agrees to provide the Tribe with an annual credit for up to sixty percent (60%) of the payments otherwise due under section 4.5 for the following: (i) The costs of services provided by the Tribe, or payments made to the County, Local Jurisdictions, or non-profit and civic organizations operating facilities or providing services within the County for purposes of improved fire, law enforcement, public transit,

education, tourism, and other services and infrastructure improvements that serve off-reservation needs of County or Local Jurisdiction residents as well as those of the Tribe and not otherwise required by section 11.0; (ii) Payments made by the Tribe pursuant to agreements with the County or Local Jurisdictions for reimbursement for any loss of property tax revenues, sales tax revenues that would otherwise be due for retail sales at the Tribe's Gaming Facility, or transient occupancy tax at the Tribe's hotel if it were not located on Indian lands; (iii) Payments to support operating expenses and capital improvements for non-tribal governmental agencies or facilities operating within the County or Local Jurisdictions; (iv) Non-gaming related capital investments and economic development or other projects by the Tribe that provide mutual benefits to the Tribe and the State, the County or Local Jurisdictions because, for instance, they have particular cultural, social, or environmental value, or diversify the sources of revenue for the Tribe's general fund; (v) Investments by the Tribe in, and any funds paid to, the State, including excise taxes, in connection with, renewable energy projects that, in part, serve the Gaming Facility, to include facilities that incorporate charging stations for electric or other zero-emission vehicles that are available to patrons and employees of the Gaming Facility (vi) Payments (not including direct or indirect state or federal funding) to support capital improvements and operating expenses for facilities within California that provide health care services to tribal members, Indians, and non-Indians; (vii) Costs incurred by the Tribe to fund the construction and operation of a museum or to preserve cultural resources within the County; and (viii) Payments to Indians who are not members of the Tribe for educational, healthcare, general welfare, or vocational purposes, or to other federally-recognized tribes for governmental or general welfare purposes. For purposes of subdivision (a)(v), "renewable energy projects" means projects that utilize a technology other than a conventional power source, as defined in section 2805 of the Public Utilities Code, as may be amended, and instead uses as a power source biomass, geothermal, small hydroelectric, solar, or wind, as those power sources are defined in section 1391, subdivision (c), of title 20 of the California Code of Regulations, as may be amended from time to time; the power source must not utilize more than twenty-five percent (25%) fossil fuel; and "facilities" shall include, but not be limited to, parking areas, parking garages, and refueling stations. To address changes in technology, the

State and the Tribe may meet and agree that specified projects and facilities meet the intent of subdivision (a)(v).

- (b) On or before January 1 of each year, the Tribe shall provide to the State its annual budget, for items eligible for credits under section 5.3, subdivision (a). Upon receipt, the State shall have ninety (90) days within which to review the items proposed and object only if they do not meet the agreed upon purposes as set forth in this section. If the State does not object to the items proposed within ninety (90) days, the State cannot later seek to disallow those credits except as provided below. During the year, the Tribe shall take such credits during the first three (3) quarters in pro-rated amounts based on the annual budget, but during the fourth quarter shall take an adjusted amount based on actual amounts spent. At the end of each year, the Tribe shall submit to the State a budget reconciliation, reflecting the actual amounts expended versus budget numbers. The State shall have the right to review the credits taken and, if necessary, request additional information from the Tribe. The State may only reduce or disallow such credits if those claimed credits do not fall within one of the categories under subdivisions (a)(iii), (a)(iv), (a)(v), (a)(vi), and (a)(vii) of this section 5.3. Any disputes shall be subject to the dispute resolution provisions of section 13.0 of this Compact. All excess credits that cannot be applied in any one (1) year shall carry forward to all following years until completely exhausted. If in any year during the term of this Compact the Tribe is unable to take the full sixty percent (60%) credit and all carry-forward credits have been exhausted, the Tribe may request and the State shall agree to, a reopening of negotiations, limited to section 5.3, subdivision (a).
- (c) The State shall not reject a proposed credit due to a funding shortfall in any State-managed account or fund provided by this Compact.

## **SECTION 6.0. LICENSING.**

### **Sec. 6.1. Gaming Ordinance and Regulations.**

- (a) All Gaming Activities conducted under this Compact shall, at a minimum, comply (i) with a Gaming Ordinance duly adopted by the Tribe and approved in accordance with IGRA, (ii) with all applicable rules, regulations, procedures, specifications, and standards duly



adopted by the NIGC, the Tribal Gaming Agency, and the State Gaming Agency, and (iii) with the provisions of this Compact.

- (b) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall make available for inspection by the State Gaming Agency upon request a copy of the Gaming Ordinance, and all of its rules, regulations, procedures, specifications, ordinances or standards applicable to the Gaming Activities that are referenced and required by this Compact, excluding the Tribal Gaming Agency's internal policies and procedures. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall give notice to the State Gaming Agency of any change or amendment to the Gaming Ordinance, or the Tribal Gaming Agency's rules, regulations, procedures, specifications, ordinances, or standards applicable to the Gaming Activities and any activity that is the subject of this Compact, no later than thirty (30) days after the change or amendment.
- (c) The Tribe and the Tribal Gaming Agency shall make available an electronic or hard copy of the following documents to any member of the public upon request and in the manner requested: the Gaming Ordinance; the rules of each Class III Gaming game operated by the Tribe; the Tribe's constitution or other governing document(s) to the extent they impact the public in relation to the Gaming Activities or Gaming Operation; the tort ordinance specified in section 12.5, subdivision (b); the employment discrimination complaint ordinance specified in section 12.3, subdivision (f); the regulations promulgated by the Tribal Gaming Agency concerning patron disputes pursuant to section 10.0; and the NIGC minimum internal control standards and this Compact, including all appendices hereto, in the event they are not available on the NIGC's or the Commission's website.

### **Sec. 6.2. Tribal Ownership, Management, and Control of Gaming Operation.**

The Gaming Operation authorized under this Compact shall be owned solely by the Tribe.

### **Sec. 6.3. Prohibitions Regarding Minors.**

- (a) The Tribe shall prohibit persons under the age of eighteen (18) years from being present in any room or area in which Gaming Activities

are being conducted unless the person is en route to a non-gaming area of the Gaming Facility, or is employed at the Gaming Facility in a capacity other than as a Gaming Employee.

- (b) If the Tribe permits the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the Gaming Facility, the Tribe shall prohibit persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years from purchasing, consuming, or possessing alcoholic beverages. The Tribe shall also prohibit persons under the age of twenty-one (21) years from being present in any room or area in which alcoholic beverages may be consumed, except to the extent permitted by the State Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for other commercial establishments serving alcoholic beverages.

## **Sec. 6.4. Licensing Requirements and Procedures.**

### **Sec. 6.4.1. Summary of Licensing Principles.**

All persons in any way connected with the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility who are required to be licensed or to submit to a background investigation under IGRA, and any others required to be licensed under this Compact, including, without limitation, all Gaming Employees, Gaming Resource Suppliers, Financial Sources, and any other person having a significant influence over the Gaming Operation, must be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency and cannot have had any determination of suitability denied or revoked by the State Gaming Agency. The parties intend that the licensing process provided for in this Compact shall involve joint cooperation between the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency, as more particularly described herein.

### **Sec. 6.4.2. Gaming Facility.**

- (a) The Gaming Facilities authorized by this Compact shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency in conformity with the requirements of this Compact, the Tribe's Gaming Ordinance, IGRA, and any applicable regulations adopted by the NIGC. The license shall be reviewed and renewed every two (2) years thereafter. Verification that this requirement has been met shall be provided by the Tribe to the State by sending, either electronically or by hard copy, a copy of the initial license and each renewal license to the State Gaming Agency within twenty (20) days after issuance of the license or renewal. The Tribal Gaming Agency's certification that a Gaming

Facility is being operated in conformity with these requirements shall be posted in a conspicuous and public place in the Gaming Facility at all times.

- (b) To assure the protection of the health and safety of all Gaming Facility patrons, guests, and employees, the Tribe shall adopt, or has already adopted, and shall maintain throughout the term of this Compact, an ordinance that requires any Gaming Facility construction to meet or exceed the construction standards set forth in the Applicable Codes. The Gaming Facility and construction, expansion, improvement, modification, or renovation will also comply with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, P.L. 101-336, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 12101 et seq. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the Tribe need not comply with any standard that specifically applies in name or in fact only to tribal facilities. Without limiting the rights of the State under this section, reference to Applicable Codes is not intended to confer jurisdiction upon the State or its political subdivisions. For purposes of this section, the terms “building official” and “code enforcement agency” as used in titles 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations mean the Tribal Gaming Agency or such other tribal government agency or official as may be designated by the Tribe’s law.
- (c) To assure compliance with the Applicable Codes, in all cases where those codes would otherwise require a permit, the Tribe shall employ for any Gaming Facility construction qualified plan checkers or review firms. To be qualified as a plan checker or review firm for purposes of this Compact, plan checkers or review firms must be either California licensed architects or engineers with relevant experience, or California licensed architects or engineers on the list, if any, of approved plan checkers or review firms provided by the city or County in which the Gaming Facility is located. The Tribe shall also employ qualified project inspectors. To be qualified as a project inspector for purposes of this Compact, project inspectors must possess the same qualifications and certifications as project inspectors utilized by the County in which the Gaming Facility is located. The plan checkers, review firms, and project inspectors shall hereinafter be referred to as “Inspector(s).” The Tribe shall require the Inspectors to maintain contemporaneous records of all inspections and report in writing any failure to comply with the Applicable Codes to the Tribal

Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency and, if the failure is not remedied within thirty (30) days after giving notice of the lack of compliance, give notice to the State Gaming Agency. The Tribe agrees to correct any Gaming Facility condition noted in the inspections that does not meet the Applicable Codes (hereinafter “deficiency”).

- (d) The Tribe shall cause the design and construction calculations, and plans and specifications that form the basis for the construction (the “Design and Building Plans”) to be available to the State Gaming Agency for inspection and copying by the State Gaming Agency upon its request.
- (e) In the event that material changes to a structural detail of the Design and Building Plans will result from contract change orders or any other changes in the Design and Building Plans, such changes shall be reviewed and field-verified by the Inspectors for compliance with the Applicable Codes.
- (f) The Tribe shall maintain during construction all contract change orders for inspection and copying by the State Gaming Agency upon its request.
- (g) The Tribe shall maintain the Design and Building Plans depicting the as-built Gaming Facility, which shall be available to the State Gaming Agency for inspection and copying by the State Gaming Agency upon its request, for the term of this Compact.
- (h) Upon final certification by the Inspectors that the Gaming Facility meets the Applicable Codes, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall forward the Inspectors’ certification to the State Gaming Agency within ten (10) days of issuance. If the State Gaming Agency objects to that certification, the Tribe shall make a good-faith effort to address the State’s concerns, but if the State Gaming Agency does not withdraw its objection, the matter will be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of section 13.0.
- (i) Any failure to remedy within a reasonable period of time any material and timely raised deficiency shall be deemed a violation of this Compact, and furthermore, any deficiency that poses a serious or

significant risk to the health or safety of any occupant shall be grounds for the State Gaming Agency to prohibit occupancy of the affected portion of the Gaming Facility pursuant to a court order until the deficiency is corrected. The Tribe shall not allow occupancy of any portion of the Gaming Facility that is constructed or maintained in a manner that endangers the health or safety of the occupants.

- (j) The Tribe shall also take all necessary steps to reasonably ensure the ongoing availability of sufficient and qualified fire suppression services to the Gaming Facility, and to reasonably ensure that the Gaming Facility satisfies all substantive safety and construction requirements of titles 19 and 24 of the California Code of Regulations applicable to similar facilities in the County as set forth below:
  - (1) Not less than thirty (30) days before the commencement of the Gaming Activities, and not less than biennially thereafter, and upon at least ten (10) days' notice to the State Gaming Agency, the Gaming Facility shall be inspected, at the Tribe's expense, by an independent expert for purposes of certifying that the Gaming Facility meets a reasonable standard of fire safety and life safety.
  - (2) The State Gaming Agency shall be entitled to designate and have a qualified representative or representatives, which may include local fire suppression entities, present during the inspection. During such inspection, the State's representative(s) shall specify to the independent expert any condition that the representative(s) reasonably believes would preclude certification of the Gaming Facility as meeting a reasonable standard of fire safety and life safety.
  - (3) The independent expert shall issue to the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency a report on the inspection within fifteen (15) days after its completion, or within thirty (30) days after commencement of the inspection, whichever first occurs, identifying any deficiency in fire safety or life safety at the Gaming Facility or in the ability of the Tribe to meet reasonably expected fire suppression needs of the Gaming Facility.

- (4) Within twenty-one (21) days after the issuance of the report, the independent expert shall also require and approve a specific plan for correcting deficiencies, whether in fire safety or life safety, at the Gaming Facility or in the Tribe's ability to meet the reasonably expected fire suppression needs of the Gaming Facility, including those identified by the State Gaming Agency's representatives. A copy of the report shall be delivered to the State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency.
  - (5) Immediately upon correction of all deficiencies identified in the report, the independent expert shall certify in writing to the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency that all deficiencies have been corrected.
  - (6) Any failure to correct all deficiencies identified in the report within a reasonable period of time shall be a violation of this Compact, and any failure to promptly correct those deficiencies that pose a serious or significant risk to the health or safety of any occupants shall be a violation of this Compact and grounds for the State Gaming Agency to prohibit occupancy of the affected portion of the Gaming Facility pursuant to court order until the deficiency is corrected.
  - (7) Consistent with its obligation to ensure the safety of those within the Gaming Facility, the Tribe shall promptly notify the State Gaming Agency of circumstances that pose a serious and significant risk to the health or safety of occupants and take prompt action to correct such circumstances. Any failure to remedy within a reasonable period of time any serious and significant risk to public safety shall be deemed a violation of this Compact, and furthermore, any circumstance that poses a serious or significant risk to the health or safety of any occupant shall be grounds for the State Gaming Agency to prohibit occupancy of the affected portion of the Gaming Facility pursuant to a court order until the deficiency is corrected.
- (k) Notwithstanding anything in section 6.4 or elsewhere in this Compact, any construction of any Project that has taken place or has commenced prior to the effective date of this Compact shall be subject

to the facility license rules in section 6.4.2 of the 2006 Amendment, provided that the Project was previously approved under section 6.4.2 of that compact.

**Sec. 6.4.3. Gaming Employees.**

- (a) Every Gaming Employee shall obtain, and thereafter maintain current, a valid tribal gaming license, and except as provided in subdivision (b), shall obtain, and thereafter maintain current, a State Gaming Agency determination of suitability, which license and determination shall be subject to biennial renewal; provided that in accordance with section 6.4.9, those persons may be employed on a temporary or conditional basis pending completion of the licensing process and the State Gaming Agency determination of suitability.
- (b) A Gaming Employee who is required to obtain and maintain current a valid tribal gaming license under subdivision (a) is not required to obtain or maintain a State Gaming Agency determination of suitability if any of the following applies:
  - (1) The employee is subject to the licensing requirement of subdivision (a) solely because he or she is a person who conducts, operates, maintains, repairs, or assists in Gaming Activities, provided that this exception shall not apply if he or she supervises Gaming Activities or persons who conduct, operate, maintain, repair, assist, account for or supervise any such Gaming Activity, *and* is empowered to make discretionary decisions affecting the conduct of the Gaming Activities.
  - (2) The employee is subject to the licensing requirement of subdivision (a) solely because he or she is a person whose employment duties require or authorize access to areas of the Gaming Facility that are not open to the public, provided that this exception shall not apply if he or she supervises Gaming Activities or persons who conduct, operate, maintain, repair, assist, account for or supervise any such Gaming Activity, *and* is empowered to make discretionary decisions affecting the conduct of the Gaming Activities.

- (3) The State Gaming Agency, in consultation with the Tribal Gaming Agency, exempts the Gaming Employee from the requirement to obtain or maintain current a State Gaming Agency determination of suitability.
- (c) Notwithstanding subdivision (b), where the State Gaming Agency determines it is reasonably necessary, the State Gaming Agency is authorized to review the tribal license application, and all materials and information received by the Tribal Gaming Agency in connection therewith, for any person whom the Tribal Gaming Agency has licensed, or proposes to license, as a Gaming Employee. If the State Gaming Agency determines that the person would be unsuitable for issuance of a license or permit for a similar level of employment in a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State, it shall notify the Tribal Gaming Agency of its determination and the reasons supporting its determination. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall thereafter conduct a hearing, in accordance with section 6.5.5, to reconsider issuance of the tribal gaming license and shall immediately notify the State Gaming Agency of its determination after the hearing, which shall be final unless made the subject of dispute resolution pursuant to section 13.0 within thirty (30) days of such notification.
  - (d) The Tribe shall not employ, or continue to employ, any person whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability or for a renewal of such a determination has been denied, or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal.
  - (e) (1) Notwithstanding subdivision (d), the Tribe may retain in its employ a person whose application for a determination of suitability, or for a renewal of such a determination, has been denied by the State Gaming Agency, if: (i) the person holds a valid and current license issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency that must be renewed at least biennially; (ii) the denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency is based solely on activities, conduct, or associations that antedate the filing of the person's initial application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability; (iii) the person is not an employee or agent of any other gaming operation; and (iv) the person has been in the continuous employ of the Tribe for at least three (3) years prior to the effective date of the 1999 Compact.



- (2) Notwithstanding subdivision (d), the Tribe may employ or retain in its employ a person whose application for a determination of suitability, or for a renewal of such a determination, has been denied by the State Gaming Agency, if the person is an enrolled member of the Tribe pursuant to the requirements of the Tribe's Constitution and laws, and if (A) the enrolled member holds a valid and current license issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency that must be renewed at least biennially; (B) the denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency is based solely on activities, conduct, or associations that occurred more than ten (10) years before the filing of the enrolled member's initial application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability; and (C) the enrolled member is not an employee or agent of any other gaming operation.
- (f) At any time after five (5) years following the effective date of this Compact, either party to this Compact may request renegotiation of the scope of coverage of subdivision (b) or (c).
- (g) This section shall not apply to members of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

#### **Sec. 6.4.4. Gaming Resource Suppliers.**

- (a) Every Gaming Resource Supplier shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to the sale, lease, or distribution, or further sale, lease, or distribution, of any Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility. Unless the Tribal Gaming Agency licenses the Gaming Resource Supplier pursuant to subdivision (d), or the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency agree in writing that a suitability determination is not required, the Gaming Resource Supplier shall also apply to, and the Tribe shall require it to apply to, the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability at least thirty (30) days prior to the sale, lease, or distribution, or further sale, lease, or distribution, of any Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, except that for Gaming Devices the period specified under section 7.1, subdivision (a)(1), shall govern. The period during which a determination of suitability as a Gaming

Resource Supplier is valid expires on the earlier of (i) the date two (2) years following the date on which the determination is issued, unless a different expiration date is specified by the State Gaming Agency, or (ii) the date of its revocation by the State Gaming Agency. If the State Gaming Agency denies or revokes a determination of suitability, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately deny or revoke the license and shall not reissue any license to that Gaming Resource Supplier unless and until the State Gaming Agency makes a determination that the Gaming Resource Supplier is suitable. The license and determination of suitability shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years for continuing compliance. For purposes of section 6.5.2, such a review shall be deemed to constitute an application for renewal. In connection with such a review, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require the Gaming Resource Supplier to update all information provided in the previous application.

- (b) Any agreement between the Tribe and a Gaming Resource Supplier shall include a provision for its termination without further liability on the part of the Tribe, except for the bona fide payment of all outstanding sums (exclusive of interest) owed as of, or payment for services or materials received up to, the date of termination, upon revocation or non-renewal of the Gaming Resource Supplier's license by the Tribal Gaming Agency based on a determination of unsuitability by the State Gaming Agency. Except as set forth above, the Tribe shall not enter into, or continue to make payments to a Gaming Resource Supplier pursuant to, any contract or agreement for the provision of Gaming Resources with any person or entity whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or revoked or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal.
- (c) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), the Tribal Gaming Agency may license a Management Contractor for a period of no more than seven (7) years, but the Management Contractor must still apply for renewal of a determination of suitability by the State Gaming Agency at least every two (2) years, and where the State Gaming Agency denies or revokes a determination of suitability, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately deny or revoke the license and shall not reissue any license to that Management Contractor unless and until the State Gaming Agency makes a determination that the Management

Contractor is suitable. Except where the State Gaming Agency has denied or revoked its determination of suitability, nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to bar the Tribal Gaming Agency from issuing additional new licenses to the same Management Contractor following the expiration of a seven (7)-year license.

- (d) The Tribal Gaming Agency may elect to license a person or entity as a Gaming Resource Supplier without requiring it to apply to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability under subdivision (a) if the Gaming Resource Supplier has already been issued a determination of suitability that is then valid. In that case, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately notify the State Gaming Agency of its licensure of the person or entity as a Gaming Resource Supplier, and shall identify in its notification the State Gaming Agency determination of suitability on which the Tribal Gaming Agency has relied in proceeding under this subdivision (d). Subject to the Tribal Gaming Agency's compliance with the requirements of this subdivision, a Gaming Resource Supplier licensed under this subdivision may, during and only during the period in which the determination of suitability remains valid, engage in the sale, lease, or distribution of Gaming Resources to or in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, without applying to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability. The issuance of a license under this subdivision is in all cases subject to any later determination by the State Gaming Agency that the Gaming Resource Supplier is not suitable or to a tribal gaming license suspension or revocation pursuant to section 6.5.1, and does not extend the time during which the determination of suitability relied on by the Tribal Gaming Agency is valid. A license issued under this subdivision expires upon the revocation or expiration of the determination of suitability relied on by the Tribal Gaming Agency. Nothing in this subdivision affects the obligations of the Tribal Gaming Agency, or of the Gaming Resource Supplier, under section 6.5.2 and section 6.5.6 of this Compact.
- (e) Except where subdivision (d) applies, within twenty-one (21) days of the issuance of a license to a Gaming Resource Supplier, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit to the State Gaming Agency a copy of the license. All tribal license application materials and information received by it from the Applicant must be made available to the State

Gaming Agency upon request, which is not otherwise prohibited or restricted from disclosure under applicable federal law or regulation.

**Sec. 6.4.5. Financial Sources.**

- (a) Every Financial Source shall be licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to extending any financing in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility. Except as provided in subdivision (e)(4) or section 6.5.6, subdivision (h), every Financial Source shall also apply to, and the Tribe shall require it to apply to, the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability pursuant to the following timetable: (i) at least ninety (90) days prior to extending any financing in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, provided that any Financial Source that applies for such a determination within ten (10) days of the effective date of this Compact is not in violation of this section; and (ii) in the event of a purchase or acceptance of an assignment or participation interest in any financing in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, at least five (5) days prior to the Financial Source's purchase or acceptance of the assignment or participation interest. Where the State Gaming Agency denies the determination of suitability, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately deny or revoke the license. In each instance where licensure or an application for a determination of suitability is required as set forth above, the license and determination of suitability shall be reviewed at least every two (2) years for continuing compliance. For purposes of section 6.5.2, such a review shall be deemed to constitute an application for renewal. In connection with such a review, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require the Financial Source to update all information provided in the previous application.
  
- (b) Any agreement between the Tribe and a Financial Source shall include a provision for its termination without further liability on the part of the Tribe, except for the payment of all bona fide obligations which remain unpaid as of the date of termination, upon revocation or non-renewal of the Financial Source's license by the Tribal Gaming Agency based on a determination of unsuitability by the State Gaming Agency. Except as provided above, the Tribe shall not enter into, or continue to make payments to a Financial Source pursuant to, any contract or agreement for the provision of financing with any person

whose application to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability has been denied or revoked or whose determination of suitability has expired without renewal.

- (c) A Gaming Resource Supplier who provides financing exclusively in connection with the provision, sale, or lease of Gaming Resources obtained from that Gaming Resource Supplier may be licensed solely in accordance with the licensing procedures applicable, if at all, to Gaming Resource Suppliers, and need not be separately licensed as a Financial Source under this section.
- (d) Within twenty-one (21) days of the issuance of a license to a Financial Source, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit to the State Gaming Agency a copy of the license and a copy of all tribal license application materials and information received by it from the Applicant which is not otherwise prohibited or restricted from disclosure under applicable federal law or regulation.
- (e) (1) The Tribal Gaming Agency may, at its discretion, exclude from the licensing requirements of this section the following Financial Sources under the circumstances stated:
  - (A) Any federally-regulated or state-regulated bank, savings and loan association, or other federally- or state-regulated lender and any fund or other investment vehicle which is administered or managed by any such entity.
  - (B) Any entity described in the Commission's Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulation CGCC-2, subdivision (f) (as in effect on the date the parties execute this Compact), when that entity is a Financial Source solely by reason of being (i) a purchaser or a holder of debt securities or other forms of indebtedness issued directly or indirectly by the Tribe for a Gaming Facility or for the Gaming Operation or (ii) the owner of a participation interest in any amount of indebtedness for which a Financial Source described in subdivision (e)(1)(A), or any fund or other investment vehicle which is administered or managed by any such Financial Source, is the creditor.

- (C) Any investor who, alone or together with any person(s) controlling, controlled by or under common control with such investor, holds less than ten percent (10%) of all outstanding debt securities issued directly or indirectly by the Tribe for a Gaming Facility or for the Gaming Operation.
  - (D) Any agency of the federal, state or local government providing financing, together with any person purchasing any debt securities or other forms of indebtedness of the agency to provide such financing.
- (2) Except as provided in subdivision (e)(4), the Tribal Gaming Agency's exclusion of any Financial Source from the licensing requirements of this section does not relieve the Financial Source from the requirement of applying to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability pursuant to subdivision (a).
- (3) In any case where the Tribal Gaming Agency elects to exclude a Financial Source from the licensing requirements of this section, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall give immediate notice thereof to the State Gaming Agency, shall give reasonable advance notice of any extension of financing by the Financial Source in connection with the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility, and upon request of the State Gaming Agency, shall provide it with all documentation supporting the Tribal Gaming Agency's exclusion of the Financial Source from the licensing requirements of this section.
- (4) (A) Where the Tribal Gaming Agency elects to exclude a Financial Source from the licensing requirements of this section, that Financial Source need not apply to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability if:
- (i) It is a Financial Source specified in subdivision (e)(1)(A), or
  - (ii) It is a Financial Source specified in paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (f) of the Commission's

Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulation CGCC-2, which falls within the description of subdivision (e)(1)(B), and the Commission has by resolution found that the interest of the State does not require an application for a determination of suitability to be made by such Financial Source prior to the extension of financing covered by subdivision (e)(1)(B).

- (B) Notwithstanding subdivision (e)(4)(A), the State Gaming Agency continues to have the right to find the Financial Source unsuitable, and if the State Gaming Agency finds that an investigation of any Financial Source is warranted, the Financial Source shall be required to submit an application for a determination of suitability to the State Gaming Agency and shall pay the costs and charges incurred in the investigation and processing of the application, in accordance with the provisions set forth in California Business and Professions Code sections 19867 and 19951.
- (5) In the event that any Financial Source excluded from the licensing requirements of this section is found unsuitable by the State Gaming Agency, the Tribe must not enter into, or continue to make payments (except for payment of all bona fide obligations which remain unpaid as of the date of the finding of unsuitability) to the Financial Source pursuant to, any contract or agreement for the provision of financing.
- (6) The following are not Financial Sources for purposes of this section.
  - (A) An entity identified by the Commission's Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulation CGCC-2, subdivision (h) (as in effect on the date the parties execute this Compact).
  - (B) A person or entity whose sole connection with a provision or extension of financing to the Tribe is to provide loan brokerage or debt servicing for a Financial Source at no cost to the Tribe or the Gaming Operation,

provided that no portion of any financing provided is an extension of credit to the Tribe or the Gaming Operation by that person or entity.

- (C) A person or entity that the State Gaming Agency has determined does not require licensure pursuant to any process the State Gaming Agency deems necessary due to the nature of financing services provided, the existence of current and effective federal or state agency oversight or licensure, attenuated interests of the person or entity as passive investors without the ability to exert significant influence over the Gaming Operation, or other grounds which the State Gaming Agency determines appropriate, subject to its responsibilities under state law that alleviate the need for licensure.
- (f) In recognition of changing financial circumstances, this section shall be subject to good faith renegotiation by both parties in or after five (5) years from the effective date of this Compact upon the request of either party; provided such renegotiation shall not retroactively affect transactions that have already taken place where the Financial Source has been excluded or exempted from licensing requirements.

#### **Sec. 6.4.6. Processing Tribal Gaming License Applications.**

- (a) Each Applicant for a tribal gaming license shall submit the completed application along with the required information and an application fee, if required, to the Tribal Gaming Agency in accordance with the rules and regulations of that agency.
- (b) At a minimum, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall require submission and consideration of all information required under IGRA, including part 556.4 of title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations, for licensing primary management officials and key employees.
- (c) For Applicants that are business entities, these licensing provisions shall apply to the entity as well as: (i) each of its officers, limited liability members and directors; (ii) each of its principal management employees, including any chief executive officer, chief financial officer, chief operating officer, and general manager; (iii) each of its



owners or partners, if an unincorporated business; (iv) each of its shareholders who owns more than ten percent (10%) of the shares of the corporation, if a corporation, or who has a direct controlling interest in the Applicant; and (v) each person or entity (other than a Financial Source that the Tribal Gaming Agency has determined does not require a license under section 6.4.5) that, alone or in combination with others, has provided financing in connection with any Gaming Operation or Class III Gaming authorized under this Compact, if that person or entity provided more than ten percent (10%) of either the start-up capital or the operating capital, or of a combination thereof, over a twelve (12)-month period. For purposes of this subdivision, where there is any commonality of the characteristics identified in this section 6.4.6, subdivisions (c)(i) through (c)(v), inclusive, between any two (2) or more entities, those entities may be deemed to be a single entity. For purposes of this subdivision, a direct controlling interest in the Applicant referred to in subdivision (c)(iv) excludes any passive investor or anyone who has an indirect or only a financial interest and does not have the ability to control, manage, or direct the management decisions of the Applicant.

- (d) Nothing herein precludes the Tribe or Tribal Gaming Agency from requiring more stringent licensing requirements.

**Sec. 6.4.7. Suitability Standard Regarding Gaming Licenses.**

- (a) In reviewing an application for a tribal gaming license, and in addition to any standards set forth in the Tribe's Gaming Ordinance, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall consider whether issuance of the license is inimical to public health, safety, or welfare, and whether issuance of the license will undermine public trust that the Tribe's Gaming Operation is free from criminal and dishonest elements and would be conducted honestly.
- (b) A license may not be issued unless, based on all information and documents submitted, the Tribal Gaming Agency is satisfied that the Applicant, and in the case of an entity, each individual identified in section 6.4.6, meets all the following requirements:
  - (1) The person is of good character, honesty, and integrity.

- (2) The person's prior activities, criminal record (if any), reputation, habits, and associations do not pose a threat to the public interest or to the effective regulation and control of gaming, or create or enhance the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices, methods, or activities in the conduct of gaming, or in the carrying on of business and financial arrangements incidental thereto.
- (3) The person is in all other respects qualified to be licensed as provided, and meets the criteria established in this Compact, IGRA, NIGC regulations, the Tribe's Gaming Ordinance, and any other criteria adopted by the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Tribe; provided, however, an Applicant shall not be found to be unsuitable solely on the ground that the Applicant was an employee of a tribal gaming operation in California that was conducted prior to May 16, 2000.

**Sec. 6.4.8. Background Investigations of Applicants.**

- (a) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall conduct or cause to be conducted all necessary background investigations reasonably required to determine that the Applicant is qualified for a gaming license under the standards set forth in section 6.4.7, and to fulfill all applicable requirements for licensing under IGRA, NIGC regulations, the Tribe's Gaming Ordinance, and this Compact. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall not issue a gaming license, other than a temporary license pursuant to section 6.4.9, until a determination is made that those qualifications have been met.
- (b) In lieu of completing its own background investigation, and to the extent that doing so does not conflict with or violate IGRA or the Tribe's Gaming Ordinance, the Tribal Gaming Agency may contract with the State Gaming Agency for the conduct of background investigations, may rely on a State determination of suitability previously issued under a Class III Gaming compact involving another tribe and the State, or may rely on a State Gaming Agency license previously issued to the Applicant, to fulfill some or all of the Tribal Gaming Agency's background investigation obligations.

- (c) If the Tribal Gaming Agency contracts with the State Gaming Agency for the conduct of background investigations, then an Applicant for a tribal gaming license shall be required to provide releases to the State Gaming Agency to make available to the Tribal Gaming Agency background information regarding the Applicant. The State Gaming Agency shall cooperate in furnishing to the Tribal Gaming Agency that information, unless doing so would violate state or federal law, would violate any agreement the State Gaming Agency has with a source of the information other than the Applicant, or would impair or impede a criminal investigation, or unless the Tribal Gaming Agency cannot provide sufficient safeguards to assure the State Gaming Agency that the information will remain confidential.
- (d) In lieu of obtaining summary criminal history information from the NIGC, the Tribal Gaming Agency may, pursuant to the provisions in subdivisions (d) through (i), obtain such information from the California Department of Justice. If the Tribe adopts an ordinance confirming that article 6 (commencing with section 11140) of chapter 1 of title 1 of part 4 of the California Penal Code is applicable to members, investigators, and staff of the Tribal Gaming Agency, and those members, investigators, and staff thereafter comply with that ordinance, then, for purposes of carrying out its obligations under this section, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall be eligible to be considered an entity entitled to request and receive state summary criminal history information, within the meaning of subdivision (b)(13) of section 11105 of the California Penal Code.
- (e) The information received shall be used by the requesting agency solely for the purpose for which it was requested and shall not be reproduced for secondary dissemination to any other employment or licensing agency. The unauthorized access and misuse of criminal offender record information may affect an individual's civil rights. Additionally, any person intentionally disclosing information obtained from personal or confidential records maintained by a state agency or from records within a system of records maintained by a government agency may be subject to prosecution.
- (f) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall submit to the California Department of Justice fingerprint images and related information required by the California Department of Justice of all Gaming Employees, as defined

by section 2.11, for the purposes of obtaining information as to the existence and content of a record of state or federal convictions and state or federal arrests and also information as to the existence and content of a record of state or federal arrests for which the Department of Justice establishes that the person is free on bail or on his or her own recognizance pending trial or appeal.

- (g) When received, the California Department of Justice shall forward to the Federal Bureau of Investigation requests for federal summary criminal history information received pursuant to this section. The California Department of Justice shall review the information returned from the Federal Bureau of Investigation and compile and disseminate a response to the Tribal Gaming Agency.
- (h) The California Department of Justice shall provide a state or federal level response to the Tribal Gaming Agency pursuant to Penal Code section 11105, subdivision (p)(1).
- (i) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall request from the California Department of Justice subsequent notification service, as provided pursuant to section 11105.2 of the Penal Code, for persons described in subdivision (f) above.

#### **Sec. 6.4.9. Temporary Licensing of Gaming Employees.**

- (a) If the Applicant has completed a license application in a manner satisfactory to the Tribal Gaming Agency, and that agency has conducted a preliminary background investigation, and the investigation or other information held by that agency does not indicate that the Applicant has a criminal history or other information in his or her background that would either automatically disqualify the Applicant from obtaining a tribal gaming license or cause a reasonable person to investigate further before issuing a license, or that the Applicant is otherwise unsuitable for licensing, the Tribal Gaming Agency may issue a temporary tribal gaming license and may impose such specific conditions thereon pending completion of the Applicant's background investigation, as the Tribal Gaming Agency in its sole discretion shall determine.

- (b) Special fees may be required by the Tribal Gaming Agency to issue or maintain a temporary tribal gaming license.
- (c) A temporary tribal gaming license shall remain in effect until suspended or revoked, or a final determination is made on the application, or for a period of up to one (1) year, whichever comes first.
- (d) At any time after issuance of a temporary tribal gaming license, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall or may, as the case may be, suspend or revoke it in accordance with the provisions of sections 6.5.1 or 6.5.5, and the State Gaming Agency may request suspension or revocation before making a determination of unsuitability.
- (e) Nothing herein shall be construed to relieve the Tribe of any obligation under part 558 of title 25 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

#### **Sec. 6.5.0. Tribal Gaming License Issuance.**

Upon completion of the necessary background investigation, the Tribal Gaming Agency may issue a tribal gaming license on a conditional or unconditional basis. Nothing herein shall create a property or other right of an Applicant in an opportunity to be licensed, or in a tribal gaming license itself, both of which shall be considered to be privileges granted to the Applicant in the sole discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

#### **Sec. 6.5.1. Denial, Suspension, or Revocation of Licenses.**

- (a) Any Applicant's application for a tribal gaming license may be denied, and any license issued may be revoked, if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines that the application is incomplete or deficient, or if the Applicant is determined to be unsuitable or otherwise unqualified for a tribal gaming license.
- (b) Pending consideration of revocation, the Tribal Gaming Agency may suspend a tribal gaming license in accordance with section 6.5.5.
- (c) All rights to notice and hearing shall be governed by tribal law and comport with federal procedural due process by, at a minimum,

providing the employee with notice reasonably calculated to apprise the employee of the pendency of the determination, access to the materials upon which the charge is based, and an opportunity to be heard. The Applicant shall be notified in writing of the hearing and given notice of any intent to suspend or revoke the tribal gaming license.

- (d) Notwithstanding anything to the contrary herein, upon receipt of notice that the State Gaming Agency has determined that a person would be unsuitable for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to the jurisdiction of the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deny that person a tribal gaming license and promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from the State Gaming Agency notification, revoke any tribal gaming license that has theretofore been issued to that person; provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, reissue a tribal gaming license to the person following entry of a final judgment reversing the determination of the State Gaming Agency in a proceeding in state court between the Applicant and the State Gaming Agency conducted pursuant to section 1085 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

**Sec. 6.5.2. Renewal of Licenses; Extensions; Further Investigation.**

- (a) Except as provided in section 6.4.4, subdivision (c), the term of a tribal gaming license shall not exceed two (2) years, and application for renewal of a license must be made prior to its expiration. Applicants for renewal of a license shall provide updated material, as requested, on the appropriate renewal forms, but, at the discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency, may not be required to resubmit historical data previously submitted or which is otherwise available to the Tribal Gaming Agency. At the discretion of the Tribal Gaming Agency, an additional background investigation may be required at any time if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines the need for further information concerning the Applicant's continuing suitability or eligibility for a license.
- (b) Prior to renewing a license, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deliver to the State Gaming Agency copies of all information and documents received in connection with the application for renewal of the tribal gaming license, which is not otherwise prohibited or restricted from

disclosure under applicable federal law or regulation, for purposes of the State Gaming Agency's consideration of renewal of its determination of suitability.

- (c) At the discretion of the State Gaming Agency, an additional background investigation may be required if the State Gaming Agency determines the need for further information concerning the Applicant's continuing suitability for a license.

### **Sec. 6.5.3. Identification Cards.**

- (a) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall require that all persons who are required to be licensed wear, in plain view at chest height at all times while in the Gaming Facility, identification badges issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency. The Tribal Gaming Agency may allow temporary exceptions to this provision for the purposes of authorizing investigators who are actively investigating a matter within the Gaming Facility to monitor Gaming Activities.
- (b) Identification badges must display information, including, but not limited to, a photograph and the person's name, which is adequate to enable members of the public and agents of the Tribal Gaming Agency to readily identify the person and determine the validity and date of expiration of his or her license.
- (c) Upon request, the Tribe shall provide the State Gaming Agency with the name, badge identification number (if any), and job title of all Gaming Employees.

### **Sec. 6.5.4. Fees for Tribal Gaming License.**

The fees for all tribal gaming licenses shall be set by the Tribal Gaming Agency.

### **Sec. 6.5.5. Suspension of Tribal Gaming License.**

The Tribal Gaming Agency shall summarily suspend the tribal gaming license of any employee if the Tribal Gaming Agency determines that the continued licensing of the person could constitute a threat to the public health or safety or may summarily suspend the license of any employee if the Tribal Gaming

Agency determines that the continued licensing of the person may violate the Tribal Gaming Agency's licensing or other standards. Any right to notice or hearing in regard thereto shall be governed by tribal law and comport with federal procedural due process.

**Sec. 6.5.6. State Determination of Suitability Process.**

- (a) With respect to Gaming Employees, upon receipt of an Applicant's completed license application and a determination to issue either a temporary or regular license, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit within twenty-one (21) days to the State Gaming Agency for a determination of suitability for licensure under the California Gambling Control Act a notice of intent to license the Applicant, together with all of the following:
  - (1) A copy of all tribal license application materials and information received by the Tribal Gaming Agency from the Applicant which is not otherwise prohibited or restricted from disclosure under applicable federal law or regulation.
  - (2) A complete set of fingerprint impressions, rolled by a certified fingerprint roller, transmitted electronically.
  - (3) A current photograph.
  - (4) Except to the extent waived by the State Gaming Agency, such releases of information, waivers, and other completed and executed forms as have been obtained by the Tribal Gaming Agency.
- (b) Upon receipt of a written request from a Gaming Resource Supplier or a Financial Source for a determination of suitability, the State Gaming Agency shall transmit an application package to the Applicant to be completed and returned to the State Gaming Agency for purposes of allowing it to make a determination of suitability for licensure.
- (c) Investigation and disposition of applications for a determination of suitability shall be governed entirely by State law, and the State Gaming Agency shall determine whether the Applicant would be found suitable for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to the



State Gaming Agency's jurisdiction. Additional information may be required by the State Gaming Agency to assist it in its background investigation, to the extent permitted under State law for licensure in a gambling establishment subject to the State Gaming Agency's jurisdiction.

- (d) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall require a licensee to apply for renewal of a determination of suitability by the State Gaming Agency at such time as the licensee applies for renewal of a tribal gaming license.
- (e) Upon receipt of completed license or license renewal application information from the Tribal Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency may conduct a background investigation pursuant to state law to determine whether the Applicant is suitable to be licensed for association with Class III Gaming operations. While the Tribal Gaming Agency shall ordinarily be the primary source of application information, the State Gaming Agency is authorized to directly seek application information from the Applicant. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide to the State Gaming Agency reports of the background investigations conducted by the Tribal Gaming Agency and the NIGC and related applications, if any, for Gaming Employees, Gaming Resource Suppliers, and Financial Sources. If further investigation is required to supplement the investigation conducted by the Tribal Gaming Agency, the Applicant will be required to pay the application fee charged by the State Gaming Agency pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 19951, subdivision (a), but any deposit requested by the State Gaming Agency pursuant to section 19867 of that Code shall take into account reports of the background investigation already conducted by the Tribal Gaming Agency and the NIGC, if any. Failure to provide information reasonably required by the State Gaming Agency to complete its investigation under State law or failure to pay the application fee or deposit can constitute grounds for denial of the application by the State Gaming Agency. The State Gaming Agency and Tribal Gaming Agency shall cooperate in sharing as much background information as possible, both to maximize investigative efficiency and thoroughness, and to minimize investigative costs.

- (f) Upon completion of the necessary background investigation or other verification of suitability, the State Gaming Agency shall issue a notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency certifying that the State has determined that the Applicant is suitable, or that the Applicant is unsuitable, for licensure in a Gaming Operation and, if unsuitable, stating the reasons therefore. Issuance of a determination of suitability does not preclude the State Gaming Agency from a subsequent determination based on newly discovered information that a person or entity is unsuitable for the purpose for which the person or entity is licensed. Upon receipt of notice that the State Gaming Agency has determined that a person or entity is or would be unsuitable for licensure, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall deny that person or entity a license and promptly, and in no event more than thirty (30) days from the issuance of the State Gaming Agency notification, revoke any tribal gaming license that has theretofore been issued to that person or entity; provided that the Tribal Gaming Agency may, in its discretion, reissue a tribal gaming license to the person or entity following entry of a final judgment reversing the determination of the State Gaming Agency in a proceeding in state court between the Applicant and the State Gaming Agency conducted pursuant to section 1085 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.
- (g) Prior to denying an application for a determination of suitability, or to issuing notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency that a person or entity previously determined to be suitable had been determined unsuitable for licensure, the State Gaming Agency shall notify the Tribal Gaming Agency and afford the Tribe an opportunity to be heard. If the State Gaming Agency denies an application for a determination of suitability, or issues notice that a person or entity previously determined suitable has been determined unsuitable for licensure, the State Gaming Agency shall provide that person or entity with written notice of all appeal rights available under state law.
- (h) The Commission, or its successor, shall maintain a roster of Gaming Resource Suppliers and Financial Sources that it has determined to be suitable pursuant to the provisions of this section, or through separate procedures to be adopted by the Commission. Upon application to the Tribal Gaming Agency for a tribal gaming license, a Gaming Resource Supplier or Financial Source that appears on the Commission's suitability roster may be licensed by the Tribal Gaming

Agency in the same manner as a Gaming Resource Supplier under subdivision (d) of section 6.4.4, subject to any later determination by the State Gaming Agency that the Gaming Resource Supplier or Financial Source is not suitable or to a tribal gaming license suspension or revocation pursuant to section 6.5.1; provided that nothing in this subdivision exempts the Gaming Resource Supplier or Financial Source from applying for a renewal of a State determination of suitability.

### **Sec. 6.6. Submission of New Application.**

Nothing in section 6.0 shall be construed to preclude an Applicant who has been determined to be unsuitable for licensure by the State Gaming Agency, or the Tribe on behalf of such Applicant, from submitting a new application for a determination of suitability by the State Gaming Agency in accordance with section 6.0, provided that the new application cannot be filed sooner than one (1) year from when the State Gaming Agency's finding of unsuitability has become final under state law.

## **SECTION 7.0. APPROVAL AND TESTING OF GAMING DEVICES.**

### **Sec. 7.1. Gaming Device Approval.**

- (a) No Gaming Device may be offered for play unless all the following occurs:
  - (1) The manufacturer or distributor which sells, leases, or distributes such Gaming Device (i) has applied for a determination of suitability by the State Gaming Agency at least fifteen (15) days before it is offered for play, (ii) has not been found to be unsuitable by the State Gaming Agency, and (iii) has been licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency;
  - (2) The software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device has been tested, approved, and certified by an independent gaming test laboratory or state governmental gaming test laboratory (the "Gaming Test Laboratory") as operating in accordance with the standards of Gaming Laboratories International, Inc. known as GLI-11, GLI-12, GLI-13, GLI-21, and GLI-26, or the technical standards

approved by the State of Nevada, or such other technical standards as the State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency shall agree upon, which agreement shall not be unreasonably withheld;

- (3) A copy of the certification by the Gaming Test Laboratory, specified in subdivision (a)(2), is provided to the State Gaming Agency by electronic transmission or by mail, unless the State Gaming Agency waives receipt of copies of the certification;
  - (4) The software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device is tested by the Tribal Gaming Agency to ensure each game authorized for play on the Gaming Device has the correct electronic signature prior to insertion into the Gaming Device;
  - (5) The hardware and associated equipment for each type of Gaming Device has been tested by the Gaming Test Laboratory prior to operation by the public to ensure operation in accordance with the applicable Gaming Test Laboratory standards; and
  - (6) The hardware and associated equipment for the Gaming Device has been tested by the Tribal Gaming Agency to ensure operation in accordance with the manufacturer's specifications.
- (b) Where either the Tribe or the State Gaming Agency requests new standards for testing, approval, and certification of the software for the game authorized for play on the Gaming Device pursuant to subdivision (a)(2), and the State Gaming Agency and the Tribe fail to agree to new standards within one hundred twenty (120) days of the request, the technical standards shall be those approved by the State of Nevada.

### **Sec. 7.2. Gaming Test Laboratory Selection.**

- (a) The Gaming Test Laboratory shall be an independent or state governmental gaming test laboratory recognized in the gaming industry which (i) is competent and qualified to conduct scientific tests and evaluations of Gaming Devices, and (ii) is licensed or approved by any of the following states: Arizona, California,

Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Missouri, Nevada, New Jersey, or Wisconsin. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall submit to the State Gaming Agency documentation that demonstrates the Gaming Test Laboratory satisfies (i) and (ii) herein at least thirty (30) days before the commencement of Gaming Activities pursuant to this Compact, or if such use follows the commencement of Gaming Activities, within fifteen (15) days prior to reliance thereon. If, at any time, the Gaming Test Laboratory license and/or approval required by (ii) herein is suspended or revoked by any of those states or the Gaming Test Laboratory is found unsuitable by the State Gaming Agency, then the State Gaming Agency may reject the use of such Gaming Test Laboratory, and upon such rejection, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall ensure that such Gaming Test Laboratory discontinues its responsibilities under this section.

- (b) The Tribe and the State Gaming Agency shall inform the Gaming Test Laboratory in writing that irrespective of the source of payment of its fees, the Gaming Test Laboratory's duty of loyalty runs equally to the State and the Tribe.

### **Sec. 7.3. Maintenance of Records of Testing Compliance.**

The Tribal Gaming Agency shall prepare and maintain records of its compliance with section 7.1 and shall make those records available for inspection by the State Gaming Agency upon request.

### **Sec. 7.4. State Gaming Agency Inspections.**

- (a) The State Gaming Agency, utilizing such consultants, if any, it deems appropriate, may inspect the Gaming Devices in operation at the Gaming Facility on a random basis not to exceed four (4) times annually to confirm that they operate and play properly pursuant to the manufacturer's technical standards. The inspections may, at the discretion of the State Gaming Agency, be conducted onsite or remotely and include all Gaming Device software, hardware, associated equipment, software maintenance records, and components critical to the operation of the Gaming Device. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall cooperate with the State Gaming Agency's reasonable efforts to obtain information that facilitates the conduct of remote but effective inspections that minimize disruption to Gaming Activities.

The random inspections conducted pursuant to this subdivision shall occur during normal business hours outside of weekends and holidays and shall not remove from play more than five percent (5%) of the Gaming Devices then in operation at the Gaming Facility, provided that the five percent (5%) limitation on removal of Gaming Devices shall not apply where a Gaming Device, including but not limited to a progressive controller, makes limiting removal from play to no more than five percent (5%) infeasible or impossible. Whenever practicable, the State Gaming Agency shall not require removal from play any Gaming Device that the State Gaming Agency determines may be fully and adequately tested while still in play.

- (b) The State Gaming Agency shall provide notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency of such inspection at or prior to the commencement of the random inspection, and the Tribal Gaming Agency may accompany the State Gaming Agency inspector(s).
- (c) The State Gaming Agency, utilizing such consultants, if any, it deems appropriate, may conduct additional inspections at additional times upon reasonable belief of any irregularity and after informing the Tribal Gaming Agency of the basis for such belief.

#### **Sec. 7.5. Technical Standards.**

The Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide to the State Gaming Agency copies of its regulations for technical standards applicable to the Tribe's Gaming Devices within thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Compact if not previously provided and at least thirty (30) days before the effective date of any revisions to the regulations.

#### **Sec. 7.6. Transportation of Gaming Devices.**

- (a) Subject to the provisions of subdivision (b), the Tribal Gaming Agency shall not permit any Gaming Device to be transported to or from the Tribe's Indian lands except in accordance with procedures established by agreement between the State Gaming Agency and the Tribal Gaming Agency and upon at least ten (10) days' notice to the Sheriff's Department for the County.

- (b) Transportation of a Gaming Device from a Gaming Facility within California is permissible only if:
  - (1) The final destination of the Gaming Device is a gaming facility of any tribe in California that has a compact with the State which makes lawful the receipt of such Gaming Device;
  - (2) The final destination of the Gaming Device is any other state in which possession of the Gaming Device is made lawful by state law or by tribal-state compact;
  - (3) The final destination of the Gaming Device is another country, or any state or province of another country, wherein possession of the Gaming Device is lawful; or
  - (4) The final destination is a location within California for testing, repair, maintenance, or storage by a person or entity that has been licensed by the Tribal Gaming Agency and has been found suitable for licensure by the State Gaming Agency.
- (c) Any Gaming Device transported from or to the Tribe's Indian lands in violation of this section 7.6, or in violation of any permit issued pursuant thereto, is subject to summary seizure by California peace officers in accordance with California law.

## **SECTION 8.0. INSPECTIONS.**

### **Sec. 8.1. Investigation and Sanctions.**

- (a) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall investigate any reported violation of this Compact and shall require the Gaming Operation to correct the violation upon such terms and conditions as the Tribal Gaming Agency determines are necessary.
- (b) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall be empowered by the Gaming Ordinance to impose fines or other sanctions within the jurisdiction of the Tribe against gaming licensees who interfere with or violate the Tribe's gaming regulatory requirements and obligations under IGRA, NIGC gaming regulations, the Gaming Ordinance, or this Compact as long as the fines or sanctions comport with federal due process.

- (c) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall report violations of this Compact that pose a substantial threat to gaming integrity, public health and safety, or the environment, or continued violations that, if isolated might not require reporting, but cumulatively pose a threat to gaming integrity, public health and safety or the environment, and any failures to comply with the Tribal Gaming Agency's orders to the Commission and the Bureau of Gambling Control in the California Department of Justice within ten (10) days of discovery.

### **Sec. 8.2. Assistance by State Gaming Agency.**

The Tribe may request the assistance of the State Gaming Agency whenever it reasonably appears that such assistance may be necessary to carry out the purposes described in section 8.1, or otherwise to protect public health, safety, or welfare.

### **Sec. 8.3. Access to Premises by State Gaming Agency; Notification; Inspections.**

- (a) Notwithstanding that the Tribe and its Tribal Gaming Agency have the primary responsibility to administer and enforce the regulatory requirements of this Compact, the State Gaming Agency, including but not limited to any consultants retained by it, shall have the right to inspect the Tribe's Gaming Facility, and all Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility records relating to Class III Gaming as is reasonably necessary to ensure Compact compliance, including such records located in off-site facilities dedicated to their storage subject to the conditions in subdivisions (b), (c), and (d).
- (b) Except as provided in section 7.4, the State Gaming Agency may inspect public areas of the Gaming Facility at any time without prior notice during normal Gaming Facility business hours.
- (c) Inspection of areas of the Gaming Facility not normally accessible to the public may be made at any time the Gaming Facility is open to the public, immediately after the State Gaming Agency's authorized inspector notifies the Tribal Gaming Agency of his or her presence on the premises, presents proper identification, and requests access to the non-public areas of the Gaming Facility. The Tribal Gaming Agency



shall require a member of the Tribal Gaming Agency to accompany the State Gaming Agency inspector at all times that the State Gaming Agency inspector is in a non-public area of the Gaming Facility. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall require such member to be available at all times for those purposes and shall ensure that the member has the ability to gain immediate access to all non-public areas of the Gaming Facility.

- (d) Nothing in this Compact shall be construed to limit the State Gaming Agency to one (1) inspector during inspections.

**Sec. 8.4. Inspection, Copying and Confidentiality of Documents.**

- (a) Inspection and copying of Gaming Operation papers, books, and records may occur at any time, immediately after the State Gaming Agency gives notice to the Tribal Gaming Agency, during the hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday, and at any other time that a Tribal Gaming Agency employee, a Gaming Facility employee, or a Gaming Operation employee is available onsite with physical access to offices, including off-site facilities, where the papers, books, and records are kept. The Tribe shall cooperate with, and cannot refuse, the inspection and copying, provided that the State Gaming Agency inspectors cannot require copies of papers, books, or records in such volume that it unreasonably interferes with the normal functioning of the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility.
- (b) In lieu of onsite inspection and copying of Gaming Operation papers, books, and records by its inspectors, the State Gaming Agency may request in writing that the Tribal Gaming Agency provide copies of such papers, books, and records as the State Gaming Agency deems necessary to ensure compliance with the terms of this Compact. The State Gaming Agency's written request shall describe those papers, books, and records requested to be copied with sufficient specificity to reasonably identify the requested documents. Within ten (10) days after it receives the request, or such other time as the State Gaming Agency may agree in writing, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide one (1) copy of the requested papers, books, and records to the requesting State Gaming Agency. An electronic version of the requested papers, books, and records may be submitted to the State Gaming Agency in lieu of a paper copy so long as the software

required to access the electronic version is reasonably available to the State Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency does not object.

- (c) Notwithstanding any other provision of California law, any confidential information and records, as defined in subdivision (d), that the State Gaming Agency obtains or copies pursuant to this Compact shall be, and remain, the property solely of the Tribe; provided that such confidential information and records and copies may be retained by the State Gaming Agency as is reasonably necessary to assure the Tribe's compliance with this Compact or to complete any investigation of suspected criminal activity; and provided further that the State Gaming Agency may provide such confidential information and records and copies to federal law enforcement and other state agencies or consultants that the State deems reasonably necessary in order to assure the Tribe's compliance with this Compact, in order to renegotiate any provision thereof, or in order to conduct or complete any investigation of suspected criminal activity in connection with the Gaming Activities or the operation of the Gaming Facility or the Gaming Operation.
- (d) For purposes of this section 8.4, "confidential information and records" means any and all information and documents received from the Tribe pursuant to the Compact, except for information and documents that are part of the public domain.
- (e) The State Gaming Agency and all other state agencies and consultants to which it provides information and records obtained pursuant to subdivisions (a) or (b) of this section, which are confidential pursuant to subdivision (d), will exercise care in the preservation of the confidentiality of such information and records and will apply the highest standards of confidentiality provided under California state law to preserve such information and records from disclosure until such time as the information or record is no longer confidential or release is authorized by the Tribe, by mutual agreement of the Tribe and the State, or pursuant to the arbitration procedures under section 13.2. The State Gaming Agency and all other state agencies and consultants may disclose confidential information or records as necessary to fully adjudicate or resolve a dispute arising pursuant to the Compact, in which case the State Gaming Agency and all other state agencies and consultants agree to preserve confidentiality to the

greatest extent feasible and available. Before the State Gaming Agency provides confidential information and records to a consultant as authorized under subdivision (c), it shall enter into a confidentiality agreement with that consultant that meets the standards of this subdivision.

- (f) The Tribe may avail itself of any and all remedies under State law for the improper disclosure of confidential information and records. In the case of any disclosure of confidential information and records compelled by judicial process, the State Gaming Agency will endeavor to give the Tribe prompt notice of the order compelling disclosure and a reasonable opportunity to interpose an objection thereto with the court.
- (g) The Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency shall confer regarding protocols for the release to law enforcement agencies of information obtained during the course of background investigations.
- (h) Confidential information and records received by the State Gaming Agency from the Tribe in compliance with this Compact, or information compiled by the State Gaming Agency from those confidential records, shall be exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Act.
- (i) Notwithstanding any other provision of this Compact, the State Gaming Agency shall not be denied access to papers, books, records, equipment, or places where such access is reasonably necessary to ensure compliance with this Compact or to conduct or complete an investigation of suspected criminal activity in connection with the Gaming Activities or the operation of the Gaming Facility or the Gaming Operation.

#### **Sec. 8.5. NIGC Audit Reports.**

The Tribe shall provide to the State Gaming Agency, within twenty (20) days of their submission to the NIGC, copies of the audited financial statements of Class III Gaming and management letter(s), if any, provided to the NIGC. All submissions to the State Gaming Agency made pursuant to this section 8.5 shall be subject to the confidentiality protections and assurances set forth in section 8.4, subdivision (h) of this Compact.

### **Sec. 8.6. Cooperation with Tribal Gaming Agency.**

The State Gaming Agency shall meet periodically with the Tribal Gaming Agency and cooperate in all matters relating to the enforcement of the provisions of this Compact and its Appendices.

### **Sec. 8.7. Compact Compliance Review.**

The State Gaming Agency is authorized, but not required, to conduct an annual comprehensive Compact compliance review of the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility, and Gaming Activities to ensure compliance with all provisions of this Compact, any appendices hereto, including, without limitation, minimum internal control standards, and with all laws, ordinances, codes, rules, regulations, policies, internal controls, standards, and procedures that are required to be adopted, implemented, or complied with pursuant to this Compact. The State Gaming Agency shall cooperate with the Tribe to avoid disruption of the Gaming Operation's business as a result of the compliance review. Upon the discovery of an irregularity that the State Gaming Agency reasonably determines may be a threat to gaming integrity or public safety, and after consultation with the Tribal Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency may conduct additional periodic reviews of any part of the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility, and Gaming Activities and other activities subject to this Compact in order to ensure compliance with all provisions of this Compact and its appendices. Nothing in this section shall be construed to supersede any other audits, inspections, investigations, and monitoring authorized by this Compact.

### **Sec. 8.8. Waiver of Materials.**

The State Gaming Agency shall retain the discretion to waive, in whole or in part, receipt of materials otherwise required by this Compact to be provided to the State Gaming Agency by the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Tribe.

## **SECTION 9.0. RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR THE OPERATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE GAMING OPERATION AND FACILITY.**

### **Sec. 9.1. Adoption of Regulations for Operation and Management; Minimum Standards.**

It is the responsibility of the Tribal Gaming Agency to conduct on-site gaming regulation and control in order to enforce the terms of this Compact, of IGRA, of NIGC gaming regulations, of State Gaming Agency regulations, and of the Gaming Ordinance, to protect the integrity of the Gaming Activities and the Gaming Operation for honesty and fairness, and to maintain the confidence of patrons that tribal governmental gaming in California meets the highest standards of fairness and internal controls. To meet those responsibilities, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall be vested with the authority to promulgate, and shall promulgate, rules and regulations governing, at a minimum, the following subjects pursuant to the standards and conditions set forth therein:

- (a) The enforcement of all relevant laws and rules with respect to the Gaming Activities, Gaming Operation and Gaming Facility, and the conduct of investigations and hearings with respect thereto, and to any other subject within its jurisdiction.
- (b) The physical safety of Gaming Facility patrons and employees, and any other person while in the Gaming Facility. Except as provided in section 12.2, nothing herein shall be construed, however, to make applicable to the Tribe any State laws, regulations, or standards governing the use of tobacco.
- (c) The physical safeguarding of assets transported to, within, and from the Gaming Facility.
- (d) The prevention of illegal activity within the Gaming Facility or with regard to the Gaming Operation or Gaming Activities, including, but not limited to, the maintenance of employee procedures and a surveillance system as provided in subdivision (e).
- (e) Maintenance of a closed-circuit television surveillance system consistent with industry standards for gaming facilities of the type and scale operated by the Tribe, which system shall be approved by, and may not be modified without the approval of, the Tribal Gaming

Agency. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall have current copies of the Gaming Facility floor plan and closed-circuit television system at all times.

- (f) The recording of any and all occurrences within the Gaming Facility that deviate from normal operating policies and procedures (hereinafter “incidents”). The regulations shall provide that the Tribal Gaming Agency shall immediately transmit copies of incident reports that it reasonably believes concern a significant or continued threat to public safety or gaming integrity to the State Gaming Agency. The procedure for recording incidents pursuant to the regulations shall also do all of the following:
- (1) Specify that security personnel record all incidents, regardless of an employee’s determination that the incident may be immaterial (all incidents shall be identified in writing).
  - (2) Require the assignment of a sequential number to each report.
  - (3) Provide for permanent reporting in indelible ink in a bound notebook from which pages cannot be removed and in which entries are made on each side of each page and/or in electronic form, provided the information is recorded in a manner so that, once the information is entered, it cannot be deleted or altered and is available to the State Gaming Agency pursuant to sections 8.3 and 8.4.
  - (4) Require that each report include, at a minimum, all of the following:
    - (A) The record number.
    - (B) The date.
    - (C) The time.
    - (D) The location of the incident.
    - (E) A detailed description of the incident.

- (F) The persons involved in the incident.
  - (G) The security department employee assigned to the incident.
- (g) The establishment of employee procedures designed to permit detection of any irregularities, theft, cheating, fraud, or the like, consistent with industry practice.
- (h) Maintenance of a list of persons permanently excluded from the Gaming Facility who, because of their past behavior, criminal history, or association with persons or organizations, pose a threat to the integrity of the Gaming Activities of the Tribe or to the integrity of regulated gambling within the State. The Tribal Gaming Agency shall transmit a copy of the list to the State Gaming Agency quarterly and shall make a copy of the current list available to the State Gaming Agency upon request. Notwithstanding anything in this Compact to the contrary, the State Gaming Agency is authorized to make the copies of the list available to other tribal gaming agencies, to licensees of the Commission, the California Horse Racing Board, and other law enforcement agencies.
- (i) The conduct of an audit, at the Tribe's expense, of the annual financial statements of the Gaming Operation.
- (j) Submission to, and prior approval by, the Tribal Gaming Agency of the rules and regulations of each Gaming Activity to be operated by the Tribe, and of any changes in those rules and regulations. No Gaming Activity may be played that has not received Tribal Gaming Agency approval.
- (k) The obligation of the Gaming Facility and the Gaming Operation to maintain a copy of the rules, regulations, and procedures for each game as played, including, but not limited to, the method of play and the odds and method of determining amounts paid to winners.
- (l) Specifications and standards to ensure that information regarding the method of play, odds, and payoff determinations is visibly displayed or available to patrons in written form in the Gaming Facility and to

ensure that betting limits applicable to any gaming station is displayed at that gaming station.

- (m) Maintenance of a cashier's cage in accordance with industry standards for such facilities.
- (n) Specification of minimum staff and supervisory requirements for each Gaming Activity to be conducted.
- (o) Technical standards and specifications in conformity with the requirements of this Compact for the operation of Gaming Devices and other games authorized herein to be conducted by the Tribe.

**Sec. 9.1.1. Minimum Internal Control Standards (MICS).**

- (a) The Tribe shall conduct its Gaming Activities pursuant to an internal control system that implements minimum internal control standards for Class III Gaming that are no less stringent than those contained in the Minimum Internal Control Standards of the NIGC (25 C.F.R. § 542), as they existed on October 10, 2008, and as they may be amended or replaced from time to time, without regard to the NIGC's authority to promulgate, enforce, or audit the standards. These standards are posted on the State Gaming Agency website(s) and are referred to herein as the "Compact MICS." This requirement is met through compliance with the provisions set forth in this section and in section 9.1 or in the alternative by compliance with the state-wide uniform regulation CGCC-8, as it may be amended from time to time.
- (b) Before commencement of Gaming Operations, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall, in accordance with the Gaming Ordinance, establish written internal control standards for the Gaming Facility that shall:
  - (i) provide a level of control that equals or exceeds the minimum internal control standards set forth in the Compact MICS, as they exist currently and as it may be revised;
  - (ii) contain standards for currency transaction reporting that comply with title 31 Code of Federal Regulations part 103, as it exists currently and as it may be amended;
  - (iii) satisfy the requirements of section 9.1;
  - (iv) be consistent with this Compact; and
  - (v) require the Gaming Operation to comply with the internal control standards.



- (c) The Gaming Operation shall operate the Gaming Facility pursuant to a written internal control system. The internal control system shall comply with and implement the internal control standards established by the Tribal Gaming Agency pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section 9.1.1. The internal control system, and any proposed changes to the system, must be approved by the Tribal Gaming Agency prior to implementation. The internal control system shall be designed to reasonably assure that: (i) assets are safeguarded and accountability over assets is maintained; (ii) liabilities are properly recorded and contingent liabilities are properly disclosed; (iii) financial records including records relating to revenues, expenses, assets, liabilities, and equity/fund balances are accurate and reliable; (iv) transactions are performed in accordance with the Tribal Gaming Agency's general or specific authorization; (v) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with the Tribal Gaming Agency's approved procedures; (vi) recorded accountability for assets is compared with actual assets at frequent intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any discrepancies; and (vii) functions, duties and responsibilities are appropriately segregated and performed in accordance with sound practices by qualified personnel.
- (d) The Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide a copy of its written internal control standards and any changes to those control standards to the State Gaming Agency within thirty (30) days of approval by the Tribal Gaming Agency. The State Gaming Agency will review and submit to the Tribal Gaming Agency written comments or objections, if any, to the internal control standards and any changes to the standards, within thirty (30) days of receiving them, or by another date agreed upon by the Tribal Gaming Agency and the State Gaming Agency. The State Gaming Agency's review shall be for the purpose of determining whether the internal control standards and any changes to the standards provide a level of control which equals or exceeds the level of control required by the minimum internal control standards set forth in the Compact MICS, as they exist currently and as it may be revised, and are consistent with this Compact.
- (e) The minimum internal control standards set forth in the Compact MICS shall apply to all Gaming Activities, Gaming Facilities and the Gaming Operation. Should the terms in the Compact MICS be

inconsistent with this Compact, the terms in this Compact shall prevail.

- (f) The Tribal Gaming Agency or the State Gaming Agency may, at any time, request negotiations to amend the Compact MICS to continue efficient regulation, foster statewide uniformity of regulation of Class III Gaming operations, and address future circumstances, including, without limitation, technological advancements and changes in industry standards. Such revisions to the Compact MICS shall not be considered to be an amendment to this Compact. Any disputes regarding the contents of future amendments to the Compact MICS shall be resolved in the manner set forth in section 13.0 of this Compact.
  
- (g) The Tribe shall cause, at its own expense and not less than annually at the Tribe's fiscal year end, an independent auditor to be engaged to perform "Agreed-Upon Procedures" to verify that the Gaming Operation is in compliance with the internal control standards at the Gaming Facility. For purposes of this section, an independent auditor shall be a certified public accountant who is licensed in the State of California to practice as an independent certified public accountant or who holds a California practice privilege, as provided in the California Accountancy Act, California Business and Professions Code, section 5000 et seq., who is not employed by the Tribe, the Tribal Gaming Agency, the Management Contractor, or the Gaming Operation, has no financial interest in any of these entities, and is only otherwise retained by any of these entities to conduct regulatory audits, independent audits of the Gaming Operation, or audits under this section. The independent auditor shall perform the Agreed-Upon Procedures in accordance with part 542.3, subdivision (f), of the Compact MICS, as it may be revised. The independent auditor shall issue a report of its findings to the Tribal Gaming Agency within one hundred twenty (120) days after the Gaming Operation's fiscal year end. Promptly upon receipt of the Agreed-Upon Procedures report, and in no event later than fifteen (15) days after receipt of the report, the Tribal Gaming Agency shall provide a complete copy of the Agreed-Upon Procedures report to the State Gaming Agency, along with a copy of any supporting reports or documents the independent auditor has prepared, and any replies the Tribe has prepared in response to the independent certified public accountant's report.

## **Sec. 9.2. Program to Mitigate Problem Gambling.**

The Tribe will continue to maintain the following safeguards against problem gambling:

- (a) Train Gaming Facility supervisors and gaming floor employees on responsible gaming, and to identify and manage problem gambling.
- (b) Display at all public entrances, automated teller machines, and exits of the Gaming Facility signage bearing a toll-free helpline number where patrons may obtain assistance for gambling problems.
- (c) Maintain a self-exclusion program whereby a self-identified problem gambler may request the halt of promotional mailings, the revocation of privileges for casino services, denial of or restraint on the issuance of credit and check cashing services, and exclusion from the Gaming Facility.
- (d) Establish an involuntary exclusion program that allows a Gaming Operation to halt promotional mailings, deny or restrain the issuance of credit and check cashing services, and deny access to the Gaming Facility to persons who have exhibited signs of problem gambling.
- (e) Make diligent efforts to prevent underage individuals from loitering in the area of the Gaming Facility where gaming activities take place.
- (f) Reasonably assure that advertising and marketing of Gaming Activities at the Gaming Facility contain both a responsible gaming message and on printed advertisements, include a toll-free helpline telephone number for problem gamblers, where practical.

Nothing herein is intended to grant any third party the right to sue based on a perceived violation of these standards.

## **Sec. 9.3. Enforcement of Regulations.**

The Tribal Gaming Agency shall ensure the enforcement of the rules, regulations, and specifications promulgated under this Compact, including under section 9.1.

#### **Sec. 9.4. State Civil and Criminal Jurisdiction.**

Nothing in this Compact impairs the civil or criminal jurisdiction of the State, local law enforcement agencies and state courts under Public Law 280 (18 U.S.C. § 1162; 28 U.S.C. § 1360) or IGRA. Except as provided below, all State and local law enforcement agencies and state courts shall exercise jurisdiction to enforce the State's criminal laws on the Tribe's Indian lands, including the Gaming Facility and all related structures, in the same manner and to the same extent, and subject to the same restraints and limitations, imposed by the laws of the State and the United States, as is exercised by State and local law enforcement agencies and state courts elsewhere in the State. The Tribe hereby consents to such criminal jurisdiction. However, no Gaming Activity conducted by the Tribe pursuant to this Compact may be deemed to be a civil or criminal violation of any law of the State. Except for such Gaming Activity conducted pursuant to this Compact, criminal jurisdiction to enforce State gambling laws on the Tribe's Indian lands, and to adjudicate alleged violations thereof, is hereby transferred to the State pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 1166(d).

#### **Sec. 9.5. Tribal Gaming Agency Members.**

- (a) The Tribe shall take all reasonable steps to ensure that members of the Tribal Gaming Agency are free from corruption, undue influence, compromise, and conflicting interests in the conduct of their duties under this Compact; shall adopt a conflict-of-interest code to that end and shall ensure its enforcement; and shall ensure the prompt removal of any member of the Tribal Gaming Agency who is found to have acted in a corrupt or compromised manner or to have a conflict of interest.
- (b) The Tribe shall conduct a background investigation on each prospective member of the Tribal Gaming Agency, who shall meet the background requirements of a management contractor under IGRA; provided that if such member is elected through a tribal election process, that member may not participate in any Tribal Gaming Agency matters under this Compact unless a background investigation has been concluded and the member has been found to be suitable. If requested by the Tribe or the Tribal Gaming Agency, the State Gaming Agency may assist in the conduct of such a background

investigation and may assist in the investigation of any possible corruption or compromise of a member of the Tribal Gaming Agency.

- (c) In the event that the Tribe requests the assistance of the State Gaming Agency pursuant to subdivision (b) of this section and the State Gaming Agency determines that a member of the Tribal Gaming Agency is unsuitable, the State Gaming Agency shall serve upon the Tribe a written notice of its finding of unsuitability and request the removal of the member. Upon receipt of notice that the State Gaming Agency has determined the member to be unsuitable, the Tribe shall either immediately remove that member from the Tribal Gaming Agency or demand an expedited arbitration pursuant to section 13.2.
- (d) If the Tribe demands an expedited arbitration of the State Gaming Agency's determination of unsuitability, the arbitrator shall make a *de novo* determination as to whether the State Gaming Agency's determination of unsuitability is justified using the following bases for such determination.
  - (1) To be found suitable, the member must be all of the following:
    - (A) A person of good character, honesty, and integrity.
    - (B) A person whose prior activities, criminal record, if any, reputation, habits, and associations do not pose a threat to the public interest of the State, or to the effective regulation and control of controlled gambling, or create or enhance the dangers of unsuitable, unfair, or illegal practices, methods, and activities in the conduct of controlled gambling or in the carrying on of the business and financial arrangements incidental thereto.
    - (C) A person that is in all other respects qualified to be licensed as provided in section 6.4.7 of this Compact.
  - (2) A member is deemed unsuitable if any of the following apply:
    - (A) The person, any partner, or any officer, director, or shareholder of any corporation in which the person has a controlling interest, has any financial interest in any

business or organization that is engaged in any form of gambling prohibited by section 330 of the California Penal Code, whether within or without the State of California, unless such gambling is lawful within the jurisdiction in which it is being conducted.

- (B) The person fails to clearly establish eligibility and qualification in accordance with section 6.4.7 of this Compact.
- (C) The person fails to provide information, documentation, and assurances required by sections 6.4.7, 6.4.8, subdivision (c), or 6.5.6 of this Compact or requested by the Tribal Gaming Agency, or fails to reveal any fact material to qualification, or supplies information that is untrue or misleading as to a material fact pertaining to the qualification criteria.
- (D) The person has been convicted of a felony in any state or federal court, including a conviction by a federal court or by a court in another state for a crime that would constitute a felony if committed in California.
- (E) The person has been convicted of any misdemeanor involving dishonesty or moral turpitude within the ten (10)-year period immediately preceding the beginning of his or her service on the Tribal Gaming Agency, unless the applicant has been granted relief pursuant to section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.45 of the California Penal Code; provided, however, that the granting of relief pursuant to section 1203.4, 1203.4a, or 1203.45 of the California Penal Code shall not constitute a limitation on the discretion of the arbitrator to determine the person's compliance with the requirements of sections 6.4.7 and 9.5, subdivision (d)(1), of this Compact.
- (F) The person has been associated with criminal profiteering activity or organized crime, as defined by section 186.2 of the California Penal Code.

- (G) The person has exhibited contumacious defiance of any legislative investigatory body, or other official investigatory body of any state or of the United States, when that body is engaged in the investigation of crimes relating to gambling, official corruption related to gambling activities, or criminal profiteering activity or organized crime, as defined by section 186.2 of the California Penal Code.
- (H) The person is less than twenty-one (21) years of age.

In all cases, in coming to a decision, the arbitrator must give due consideration for the proper protection of the health, safety and welfare of the residents of the State, and must take into account whether membership on the Tribal Gaming Agency would undermine public trust that the Gaming Operation is free from criminal and dishonest elements and would be conducted honestly.

**Sec. 9.6. Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulations.**

- (a) Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulations CGCC-1, CGCC-2, CGCC-7, and CGCC-8 (as in effect on the date the parties execute this Compact), adopted by the State Gaming Agency and approved by the Association, shall apply to the Gaming Operation until amended or repealed, without further action by the State Gaming Agency, the Tribe, the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Association.
- (b) Any subsequent Uniform Tribal Gaming Regulations adopted by the State Gaming Agency and approved by the Association shall apply to the Gaming Operation until amended or repealed.
- (c) No State Gaming Agency regulation adopted pursuant to this section 9.6 shall be effective with respect to the Tribe's Gaming Operation unless it has first been approved by the Association and the Tribe has had an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed regulation.
- (d) Every State Gaming Agency regulation adopted pursuant to this section 9.6 that is intended to apply to the Tribe (other than a regulation proposed or previously approved by the Association) shall be submitted to the Association for consideration prior to submission

of the regulation to the Tribe for comment as provided in subdivision (c). A regulation adopted pursuant to this section 9.6 that is disapproved by the Association shall not be submitted to the Tribe for comment unless it is re-adopted by the State Gaming Agency as a proposed regulation, in its original or amended form, with a detailed, written response to the Association's objections.

- (e) Except as provided in subdivision (d), no regulation of the State Gaming Agency adopted pursuant to this section 9.6 shall be adopted as a final regulation in respect to the Tribe's Gaming Operation before the expiration of thirty (30) days after submission of the proposed regulation to the Tribe for comment as a proposed regulation, and after consideration of the Tribe's comments, if any.
- (f) In exigent circumstances (e.g., imminent threat to public health and safety), the State Gaming Agency may adopt a regulation that becomes effective immediately. Any such regulation shall be accompanied by a detailed, written description of the exigent circumstances, and shall be submitted immediately to the Association for consideration. If the regulation is disapproved by the Association, it shall cease to be effective, but may be re-adopted by the State Gaming Agency as a proposed regulation, in its original or amended form, with a detailed, written response to the Association's objections, and thereafter submitted to the Tribe for comment as provided in subdivision (e).
- (g) The Tribe may object to a State Gaming Agency regulation adopted pursuant to this section 9.6 on the ground that it is unnecessary, unduly burdensome, or unfairly discriminatory, and may seek repeal or amendment of the regulation through the dispute resolution process of section 13.0.

#### **SECTION 10.0. PATRON DISPUTES.**

The Tribal Gaming Agency shall promulgate regulations governing patron disputes over the play or operation of any game, including any refusal to pay a patron any alleged winnings from any Gaming Activities, which regulations must meet the following minimum standards:



- (a) A patron must make an oral or written complaint to personnel of the Gaming Operation over the play or operation of any Class III game within three (3) days of the play or operation at issue (Initial Complaint).
- (1) If the patron's Initial Complaint is not resolved to the patron's satisfaction by the Gaming Operation's management, the patron shall be given written notice by the Gaming Operation that the patron has the right to request in writing resolution of their complaint by the Tribal Gaming Agency. The patron must make their request to the Tribal Gaming Agency within fifteen (15) days of receiving the Gaming Operation's written notification. If the patron is dissatisfied with the Tribal Gaming Agency's resolution of their complaint, the patron may seek resolution in either the Tribe's tribal court system, once established, or through binding arbitration of the dispute before a retired judge pursuant to the terms and provisions in subdivision (c).
  - (2) The written notice provided by the Gaming Operation must contain notice of all procedural provisions in subdivision (a)(1). If the patron is not provided with written notice by the Gaming Operation within thirty (30) days of the patron's submission of the Initial Complaint, then the patron may seek resolution of the complaint by the Tribal Gaming Agency up to one hundred eighty (180) days after submission of the Initial Complaint. If the patron is dissatisfied with the Tribal Gaming Agency's resolution, the patron may seek resolution in either the Tribe's tribal court system, once established, or through binding arbitration of the dispute before a retired judge pursuant to the terms and provisions in subdivision (c).
  - (3) An explanation of the dispute resolution process shall be posted or otherwise made available in each Gaming Facility.
- (b) Upon receipt of the patron's written request for a resolution of the patron's complaint pursuant to subdivision (a), the Tribal Gaming Agency shall conduct an appropriate investigation, shall provide to the patron a copy of its regulations concerning patron complaints, and shall render a decision in accordance with industry practice. The

decision shall be issued within sixty (60) days of the patron's request, shall be in writing, shall be based on the facts surrounding the dispute, and shall set forth the reasons for the decision.

- (c) If the patron is dissatisfied with the decision of the Tribal Gaming Agency issued pursuant to subdivision (b), or no decision is issued within the sixty (60)-day period, the patron may request that the dispute be settled either in the Tribe's tribal court system, once established, or by binding arbitration before a JAMS arbitrator, in accordance with the Streamlined Arbitration Rules and Procedures of JAMS (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent) (hereafter "JAMS Streamlined Arbitration"). The decision to choose either the tribal court system, once established, or JAMS Streamlined Arbitration shall be at the patron's sole discretion. Resolution of the patron dispute before the tribal court system, once established, shall be at no cost to the patron (excluding patron's attorney's fees). The cost and expenses of the JAMS Streamlined Arbitration shall be initially borne equally by the Tribe and the patron (for purposes of this section, the "parties") and both parties shall pay their share of the arbitration costs at the time of election of the arbitration option, but the arbitrator shall award to the prevailing party its costs and expenses (but not attorney's fees).
- (d) Upon a patron's request pursuant to subdivision (c), the Tribe and its Gaming Operation shall consent to tribal court adjudication or JAMS Streamlined Arbitration of the matter, and agree to abide by the decision of the tribal court or JAMS arbitrator; provided, however, that if any alleged winnings are found to be a result of a mechanical, electronic or electromechanical failure and not due to the intentional acts or gross negligence of the Tribe or its agents, the tribal court or JAMS arbitrator shall deny the patron's claim for the winnings but shall deem the patron the prevailing party pursuant to subdivision (c) and shall award reimbursement of the amount wagered by the patron which was lost as a result of any said failure.
- (e) Any party dissatisfied with the award of the tribal court or JAMS arbitrator issued pursuant to subdivision (c), may at the party's election invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (and if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent); provided that the party making such election shall bear all costs and expenses of

JAMS and the JAMS arbitrators associated with the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure, regardless of the outcome.

- (f) To effectuate its consent to the tribal court system, once established, or JAMS Streamlined Arbitration and JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure in this section 10.0, the Tribe shall, in the exercise of its sovereignty, waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection with the tribal court jurisdiction and JAMS arbitrator's jurisdiction and in any action to (i) enforce the Tribe's or the patron's obligation to arbitrate, (ii) confirm, correct, modify, or vacate the tribal court award or the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or (iii) enforce or execute a judgment based upon the award.

## **SECTION 11.0. OFF-RESERVATION ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECONOMIC IMPACTS.**

### **Sec. 11.1. Tribal Environmental Impact Report.**

- (a) Before the commencement of any Project as defined in section 2.25, the Tribe shall prepare a tribal environmental impact report (TEIR), analyzing the potentially significant off-reservation environmental impacts of the Project pursuant to the process set forth in this section 11.0; provided, however, that information or data that is relevant to the TEIR and is a matter of public record or is generally available to the public need not be repeated in its entirety in the TEIR, but may be specifically cited as the source for conclusions stated therein; and provided further that such information or data shall be briefly described, that its relationship to the TEIR shall be indicated, and that the source thereof shall be reasonably available for inspection at a public place or public building. The TEIR shall provide detailed information about the Significant Effect(s) on the Off-Reservation Environment that the Project is likely to have, including each of the matters set forth in Appendix B, shall list ways in which the Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment might be minimized, and shall include a detailed statement setting forth all of the following:
  - (1) A description of the physical environmental conditions in the vicinity of the Project (the environmental setting and existing

baseline conditions), as they exist at the time the notice of preparation is issued;

- (2) All Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment of the proposed Project;
  - (3) In a separate section:
    - (A) Any Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment that cannot be avoided if the Project is implemented;
    - (B) Any Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment that would be irreversible if the Project is implemented;
  - (4) Mitigation measures proposed to minimize Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment, including, but not limited to, measures to reduce the wasteful, inefficient, and unnecessary consumption of energy;
  - (5) Alternatives to the Project; provided that the Tribe need not address alternatives that would cause it to forgo its right to engage in the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact on its Indian lands;
  - (6) Whether any proposed mitigation would be feasible;
  - (7) Any growth-inducing impacts of the Project; and
  - (8) Whether the proposed mitigation would be effective to substantially reduce the potential Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment.
- (b) In addition to the information required pursuant to subdivision (a), the TEIR shall also contain a statement indicating the reasons for determining that various effects of the Project on the off-reservation environment are not significant and consequently have not been discussed in detail in the TEIR. In the TEIR, the direct and indirect Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment, including

each of the items on Appendix B, shall be clearly identified and described, giving due consideration to both the short-term and long-term effects. The discussion of mitigation measures shall describe feasible measures that could minimize significant adverse effects, and shall distinguish between the measures that are proposed by the Tribe and other measures proposed by others. Where several measures are available to mitigate an effect, each should be discussed and the basis for selecting a particular measure should be identified. Formulation of mitigation measures should not be deferred until some future time. The TEIR shall also describe a range of reasonable alternatives to the Project or to the location of the Project, which would feasibly attain most of the basic objectives of the Project and which would avoid or substantially lessen any of the Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment, and evaluate the comparative merits of the alternatives; provided that the Tribe need not address alternatives that would cause it to forgo its right to engage in the Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact on its Indian lands. The TEIR must include sufficient information about each alternative to allow meaningful evaluation, analysis, and comparison. The TEIR shall also contain an index or table of contents and a summary, which shall identify each Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment with proposed measures and alternatives that would reduce or avoid that effect, and issues to be resolved, including the choice among alternatives and whether and how to mitigate the Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment. Previously approved land use documents, including, but not limited to, general plans, specific plans, and local coastal plans, may be used in the cumulative impact analysis.

- (c) Subject to the foregoing, the Tribe may determine, in the exercise of its sovereign authority and pursuant to its duly enacted “Ordinance No. 28, Tribal Environmental Policy Act,” as may be amended, that a particular activity may not cause a Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment. The Tribe shall notify the State of any determination taken pursuant to its Ordinance No. 28, Tribal Environmental Policy Act that a particular activity is not a Project within the meaning of this Compact. If the State objects to the Tribe’s determination, the matter shall be resolved in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions of section 13.0.

### **Sec. 11.2. Notice of Preparation of Draft TEIR.**

- (a) Upon commencing the preparation of the draft TEIR, the Tribe shall issue a Notice of Preparation to the State Clearinghouse in the State Office of Planning and Research (State Clearinghouse) and to the County for distribution to the public. The Tribe shall also post the Notice of Preparation on its website. The Notice of Preparation shall provide all Interested Persons, as defined in section 2.18, with information describing the Project and its potential Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment sufficient to enable Interested Persons to make a meaningful response or comment. At a minimum, the Notice of Preparation shall include all of the following information:
  - (1) A description of the Project;
  - (2) The location of the Project shown on a detailed map, preferably topographical, and on a regional map; and
  - (3) The probable off-reservation environmental effects of the Project.
- (b) The Notice of Preparation shall also inform Interested Persons of the preparation of the draft TEIR and shall inform them of the opportunity to provide comments to the Tribe within thirty (30) days of the date of the receipt of the Notice of Preparation by the State Clearinghouse and the County. The Notice of Preparation shall also request Interested Persons to identify in their comments the off-reservation environmental issues and reasonable mitigation measures that the Tribe will need to have explored in the draft TEIR.

### **Sec. 11.3. Notice of Completion of Draft TEIR.**

- (a) Within no less than thirty (30) days following the receipt of the Notice of Preparation by the State Clearinghouse and the County, the Tribe shall file a copy of the draft TEIR and a Notice of Completion with the State Clearinghouse, the State Gaming Agency, the County, and the California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General. The Tribe shall also post the Notice of Completion and a copy of the

draft TEIR on its website. The Notice of Completion shall include all of the following information:

- (1) A brief description of the Project;
  - (2) The proposed location of the Project;
  - (3) An address where copies of the draft TEIR are available; and
  - (4) Notice of a period of forty-five (45) days during which the Tribe will receive comments on the draft TEIR.
- (b) The Tribe will submit ten (10) copies each of the draft TEIR and the Notice of Completion to the County, which will be asked to post public notice of the draft TEIR at the office of the County Board of Supervisors and to furnish the public notice to the public libraries serving the County. The County shall also be asked to serve in a timely manner the Notice of Completion to all Interested Persons, which Interested Persons shall be identified by the Tribe for the County, to the extent it can identify them. In addition, the Tribe will provide public notice by at least one (1) of the procedures specified below:
- (1) Publication at least one (1) time by the Tribe in a newspaper of general circulation in the area affected by the Project. If more than one (1) area is affected, the notice shall be published in the newspaper of largest circulation from among the newspapers of general circulation in those areas; or
  - (2) Direct mailing by the Tribe to the owners and occupants of property adjacent to, but outside, the Indian lands on which the Project is to be located. Owners of such property shall be identified as shown on the latest equalization assessment roll.

#### **Sec. 11.4. Issuance of Final TEIR.**

The Tribe shall prepare, certify and make available to the County, the State Clearinghouse, the State Gaming Agency, and the California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General, at least fifty-five (55) days before the

completion of negotiations pursuant to section 11.7 a Final TEIR, which shall consist of:

- (a) The draft TEIR or a revision of the draft;
- (b) Comments and recommendations received on the draft TEIR either verbatim or in summary;
- (c) A list of persons, organizations, and public agencies commenting on the draft TEIR;
- (d) The responses, which shall include good faith, reasoned analyses, of the Tribe to significant environmental points raised in the review and consultation process; and
- (e) Any other information added by the Tribe.

**Sec. 11.5. Cost Reimbursement to County.**

The Tribe shall reimburse the County for copying and mailing costs resulting from making the Notice of Preparation, Notice of Completion, and draft TEIR available to the public under this section 11.0.

**Sec. 11.6. Failure to Prepare Adequate TEIR.**

The Tribe’s failure to prepare an adequate TEIR when required shall be deemed a breach of this Compact and furthermore may be grounds for issuance of an injunction or other appropriate equitable relief in an action brought by the State.

**Sec. 11.7. Intergovernmental Agreement.**

- (a) Before the commencement of a Project, and no later than the issuance of the Final TEIR to the County, the Tribe shall offer to commence negotiations with the County and any impacted city where the Project is located, as applicable, and upon the County or city’s acceptance of the Tribe’s offers, shall negotiate with the County or city and shall enter into enforceable written agreements (hereinafter “intergovernmental agreements”) with the County or city with respect to the matters set forth below:



- (1) The timely mitigation of any Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment (which effects may include, but are not limited to, aesthetics, agricultural resources, air quality, biological resources, cultural resources, geology and soils, hazards and hazardous materials, water resources, land use, mineral resources, traffic, noise, utilities and service systems, and cumulative effects), where such effect is attributable, in whole or in part, to the Project unless the parties agree that the particular mitigation is infeasible, taking into account economic, environmental, social, technological, or other considerations.
  - (2) Compensation for law enforcement, fire protection, emergency medical services and any other public services to be provided to the Tribe for the purposes of the Gaming Operation, including the Gaming Facility, as a consequence of the Project.
  - (3) Reasonable compensation for programs designed to address and treat gambling addiction.
  - (4) Mitigation of any effect on public safety attributable to the Project, including any compensation to the County and/or city as a consequence thereof.
- (b) The Tribe shall not commence a Project until the intergovernmental agreements specified in subdivisions (a) and (c) are executed by the parties or are effectuated pursuant to section 11.8.
- (c) If the Final TEIR identifies traffic impacts to the state highway system or facilities that are directly attributable in whole or in part to the Project, then before the commencement of the Project, the Tribe shall negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with the California Department of Transportation that provides for timely mitigation of all traffic impacts on the state highway system and facilities directly attributable to the Project, and payment of the Tribe's fair share of cumulative traffic impacts. Alternatively, the California Department of Transportation may agree in writing that the Tribe may negotiate and conclude, prior to commencement of the Project, an intergovernmental agreement with the County that mitigates the traffic impacts to the state highway system or facilities.

- (d) Nothing in this section 11.7 requires the Tribe to enter into any other intergovernmental agreements with a local governmental entity other than as set forth in subdivisions (a) and (c).

**Sec. 11.8. Arbitration.**

To foster good government-to-government relationships and to assure that the Tribe is not unreasonably prevented from commencing a Project and benefiting therefrom, if an intergovernmental agreement with the County, or the California Department of Transportation if required by section 11.7, subdivision (c), is not entered within seventy-five (75) days of the submission of the Final TEIR, or such further time as the Tribe and the County, or the Tribe and the California Department of Transportation if required by section 11.7, subdivision (c) (for purposes of this section the “parties”) may agree in writing, any party may demand binding arbitration before a JAMS arbitrator pursuant to JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration with respect to any remaining disputes arising from, connected with, or related to the negotiation:

- (a) The arbitration shall be conducted as follows: Each party shall exchange with each other within five (5) days of the demand for arbitration its last, best written offer made during the negotiation pursuant to section 11.7. The arbitrator shall schedule a hearing to be heard within thirty (30) days of his or her appointment unless the parties agree to a longer period. The arbitrator shall be limited to awarding only one (1) of the offers submitted, without modification, based upon that proposal which best provides feasible mitigation of Significant Effects on the Off-Reservation Environment and on public safety and most reasonably compensates for public services pursuant to section 11.7, without unduly interfering with the principal objectives of the Project or imposing environmental mitigation measures which are different in nature or scale from the type of measures that have been required to mitigate impacts of a similar scale of other projects in the surrounding area, to the extent there are such other projects. The arbitrator shall take into consideration whether the Final TEIR provides the data and information necessary to enable the County, or the California Department of Transportation if required by section 11.7, subdivision (c), to determine both whether the Project may result in a Significant Effect on the Off-Reservation Environment and whether the proposed measures in mitigation are

sufficient to mitigate any such effect. If the respondent does not participate in the arbitration, the arbitrator shall nonetheless conduct the arbitration and issue an award, and the claimant shall submit such evidence as the arbitrator may require therefore. Review of the resulting arbitration award is waived.

- (b) To effectuate this section 11.8, and in the exercise of its sovereignty, the Tribe agrees to expressly waive, and to waive its right to assert, sovereign immunity in connection with the arbitrator's jurisdiction and in any action to (i) enforce the other party's obligation to arbitrate, (ii) enforce or confirm any arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or (iii) enforce or execute a judgment based upon the award.
- (c) The arbitral award will become part of the intergovernmental agreements with the County required under section 11.7.
- (d) An arbitral award entered pursuant to this section 11.8 as the result of arbitration between the Tribe and the California Department of Transportation, when an intergovernmental agreement is required by section 11.7, subdivision (c), will become the intergovernmental agreement with the California Department of Transportation.

## **SECTION 12.0. PUBLIC AND WORKPLACE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND LIABILITY.**

### **Sec. 12.1. General Requirements.**

The Tribe shall not conduct Class III Gaming in a manner that endangers the public health, safety, or welfare, provided, however, that nothing herein shall be construed to make applicable to the Tribe any State laws or regulations governing the use of tobacco.

### **Sec. 12.2. Tobacco Smoke.**

Notwithstanding section 12.1, the Tribe agrees to provide a non-smoking area in the Gaming Facility and, consistent with the Tribe's commitment to the well-being of its employees and patrons, to incorporate ventilation, filtration, purification or other technologies throughout the Gaming Facility, where reasonably feasible after consideration of engineering, economic and scientific

factors, and further agrees not to offer or sell tobacco products, including but not limited to smokeless tobacco products or e-cigarettes, to anyone younger than the minimum age specified in state law to lawfully purchase tobacco products.

### **Sec. 12.3. Health and Safety Standards.**

To protect the health and safety of patrons and employees of the Gaming Facility, the Tribe shall, for the Gaming Facility:

- (a) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than State public health standards for food and beverage handling. The Gaming Operation will allow, during normal hours of operation, inspection of food and beverage services in the Gaming Facility by State or County health inspectors, whichever inspector would have jurisdiction but for the Gaming Facility being on Indian lands, to assess compliance with these standards, unless inspections are routinely made by an agency of the United States government to ensure compliance with equivalent standards of the United States Public Health Service. Any report subsequent to an inspection or visit by the State, County, or federal health inspectors shall be transmitted within seventy-two (72) hours to the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency and the Gaming Operation. This includes any document that includes a citation or finding. Nothing herein shall be construed as submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those State or County health inspectors, but any violations of the standards may be the subject of dispute resolution pursuant to section 13.0.
  
- (b) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than federal water quality and safe drinking water standards applicable in California. The Tribe will allow, during normal hours of operation, inspection and testing of water quality at the Gaming Facility by State or County health inspectors, whichever inspector would have jurisdiction but for the Gaming Facility being on Indian lands, to assess compliance with these standards, unless inspections and testing are routinely made by an agency of the United States pursuant to federal law to ensure compliance with federal water quality and safe drinking water standards. Any report or other writings by the State, County, or federal health inspectors shall be transmitted within seventy-two (72) hours to the State Gaming Agency, the Tribal Gaming Agency, and the Gaming Operation. Nothing herein shall be construed as

submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those State, or County health inspectors, but any violations of the standards may be the subject of dispute resolution pursuant to section 13.0.

- (c) Comply with the building and safety standards set forth in section 6.4.2.
- (d) Adopt and comply with standards no less stringent than federal workplace and occupational health and safety standards. The Tribe will allow inspection of Gaming Facility workplaces by State inspectors, during normal hours of operation, to assess compliance with these standards, unless inspections are regularly made by an agency of the United States government to ensure compliance with federal workplace and occupational health and safety standards and the Tribe has provided a copy of the federal agency's report to the State Gaming Agency within ten (10) days of the federal inspection. Nothing herein shall be construed as a submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of those state inspectors, but any alleged violations of the standards shall be treated as alleged violations of this Compact.
- (e) Adopt and comply with tribal codes to the extent consistent with the provisions of this Compact and other applicable federal law regarding public health and safety.
- (f) Adopt and comply with tribal law and implementing tribal policy consistent with federal laws and state laws forbidding harassment, including sexual harassment, in the workplace, forbidding employers from discrimination in connection with the employment of persons to work or working for the Gaming Operation or in the Gaming Facility on the basis of race, color, religion, ancestry, national origin, gender, marital status, medical condition, sexual orientation, age, or disability, and forbidding employers from retaliation against persons who oppose discrimination or participate in employment discrimination proceedings (hereinafter "harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination"); provided that nothing herein shall preclude the Tribe from giving a preference in employment to members of federally recognized Indian tribes pursuant to a duly adopted tribal ordinance.
- (l) The Tribe shall obtain and maintain an employment practices liability insurance policy consistent with industry standards for

non-tribal casinos and underwritten by an insurer with an A.M. Best rating of A or higher which provides coverage of at least three million dollars (\$3,000,000) per occurrence for unlawful harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination arising out of the claimant's employment in, in connection with, or relating to the operation of, the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility or Gaming Activities. To effectuate the insurance coverage, the Tribe, in the exercise of its sovereignty, shall expressly waive, and waive its right to assert, sovereign immunity and any and all defenses based thereon up to three million dollars (\$3,000,000), in accordance with the tribal law and implementing tribal policy referenced in subdivision (f)(2) below, in connection with any claim for harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination arising out of the claimant's employment in, in connection with, or relating to the operation of, the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility or Gaming Activities; provided, however, that nothing herein requires the Tribe to agree to liability for punitive damages or to waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection therewith. The employment practices liability insurance policy shall acknowledge in writing that the Tribe has expressly waived, and waived its right to assert, sovereign immunity and any and all defenses based thereon for the purpose of arbitration of those claims for harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination up to the limits of such policy and for the purpose of enforcement of any ensuing arbitral award or judgment and shall include an endorsement providing that the insurer shall not invoke tribal sovereign immunity up to the limits of such policy; however, such endorsement or acknowledgement shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe's sovereign immunity for any portion of the claim that exceeds three million dollars (\$3,000,000). Nothing in this provision shall be interpreted to supersede any requirement in the Tribe's harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination law that a claimant must exhaust administrative remedies as a prerequisite to arbitration.

- (2) The standards shall be subject to enforcement pursuant to a tribal harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination law which shall be adopted by the Tribe prior to the effective

date of this Compact and which shall continuously provide at least the following:

- (A) That tribal law and implementing tribal policy provisions which are no less stringent than California law shall govern all claims of harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination arising out of the claimant's employment in, in connection with, or relating to the operation of, the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility or Gaming Activities; provided that California law governing punitive damages shall not be a part of the tribal law and implementing tribal policy. Nothing in this provision shall be construed as a submission of the Tribe to the jurisdiction of the California Department of Fair Employment and Housing or the California Fair Employment and Housing Commission, or any successor agencies thereto.
- (B) That a claimant shall have one hundred eighty (180) days from the date that an alleged discriminatory act occurred to file a written notice with the Tribe that he or she has suffered prohibited harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination.
- (C) That, in the exercise of its sovereignty, the Tribe expressly waives, and also waives its right to assert, sovereign immunity solely with respect to the binding arbitration of claims for harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination, but only up to three million dollars (\$3,000,000) referenced in subdivision (f)(1) above; provided, however, such waiver shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe's sovereign immunity for any portion of the claim that exceeds three million dollars (\$3,000,000).
- (D) The tribal law or implementing tribal policy shall allow for the claim to be resolved either in the Tribe's tribal court system, once a tribal court system is established, or by a three (3)-member tribal claims commission consisting of one tribal government representative and at

least one (1) non-tribal member. No member of the commission may be employed by the Gaming Facility or Gaming Operation. Resolution of the dispute before the tribal court system or tribal claims commission shall be at no cost to the claimant (excluding claimant's attorney's fees).

(E) Discovery in the tribal court or tribal claims commission proceedings shall be governed by procedures comparable to section 1283.05 of the California Code of Civil Procedure.

(F) Any party dissatisfied with the award of the tribal court or tribal claims commission may at the party's election appeal the matter to a tribal court of appeal, if one is established, or invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (and if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent). To effectuate its consent to the foregoing arbitration procedure, the Tribe shall, in the exercise of its sovereignty, expressly waive, and also waive its right to assert, sovereign immunity in connection with the arbitrator's jurisdiction and in any state or federal court action to (i) enforce the parties' obligation to arbitrate, (ii) confirm, correct, or vacate the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration in accordance with section 1285 et seq. of the California Code of Civil Procedure, or (iii) enforce or execute a judgment based upon the arbitral award. The Tribe agrees not to assert, and will waive, any defense alleging improper venue or forum non conveniens as to any state court located within the County or any federal court located in the Central District of California, Eastern Division, in any such action brought with respect to the arbitration award.

(3) The tribal harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination law and implementing tribal policy required under subdivision (f)(2) may require, as a prerequisite to binding arbitration under subdivision (f)(2)(D), that the claimant exhaust the Tribe's administrative remedies, if any exist, in the form of a tribal harassment, retaliation, or



employment discrimination complaint resolution process (hereinafter “employment discrimination complaint resolution process”), for resolving the claim in accordance with the following standards:

- (A) Upon notice that the claimant alleges that he or she has suffered prohibited harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination, the Tribe or its designee shall provide notice by personal service or certified mail, return receipt requested, that the claimant is required to proceed with the Tribe’s employment discrimination complaint resolution process in the event that the claimant wishes to pursue his or her claim.
- (B) The claimant must bring his or her claim within one hundred eighty (180) days of receipt of the written notice (“limitation period”) of the Tribe’s employment discrimination complaint resolution process as long as the notice thereof is served personally on the claimant or by certified mail with an executed return receipt by the claimant or proof of attempted personal service in the event service is refused or avoided and the one hundred eighty (180)-day limitation period is prominently displayed on the front page of the notice.
- (C) The arbitration may be stayed until the completion of the Tribe’s employment discrimination complaint resolution process or one hundred eighty (180) days from the date the claim was filed, whichever first occurs, unless the parties mutually agree upon a longer period.
- (D) The decision of the Tribe’s employment discrimination complaint resolution process shall be in writing, shall be based on the facts surrounding the dispute, shall be a reasoned decision, and shall be rendered within one hundred eighty (180) days from the date the claim was filed, unless the parties mutually agree upon a longer period.

- (4) Within fourteen (14) days following notification that a claimant claims that he or she has suffered harassment, retaliation, or employment discrimination, the Tribe shall provide notice by personal service or certified mail, return receipt requested, that the claimant is required within the specified limitation period to first exhaust the Tribe's employment discrimination complaint resolution process, if any exists, and if dissatisfied with the resolution, is entitled to arbitrate his or her claim before a retired judge in a binding arbitration proceeding, the Tribe and the claimant shall equally bear the initial cost of arbitration (except each party bears its own attorney's fees).
- (5) In the event the Tribe fails to adopt the ordinance specified in subdivision (f)(2), such failure shall constitute a breach of this Compact.
- (6) The Tribe shall provide written notice of the employment discrimination complaint law and implementing tribal policy and the procedures for bringing a complaint in its employee handbook. The Tribe also shall post and keep posted in prominent and accessible places in the Gaming Facility where notices to employees and applicants for employment are customarily posted, a notice setting forth the pertinent provisions of the employment discrimination complaint ordinance and information pertinent to the filing of a complaint.
- (g) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than State laws prohibiting a gambling enterprise from cashing any check drawn against a federal, state, county, or city fund, including but not limited to, Social Security, unemployment insurance, disability payments, or public assistance payments.
- (h) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than State laws, if any, prohibiting a gambling or other gaming enterprise from providing, allowing, contracting to provide, or arranging to provide alcoholic beverages, or food or lodging, for no charge or at reduced prices at a gambling establishment or lodging facility as an incentive or enticement.

- (i) Adopt and comply with standards that are no less stringent than State laws, if any, prohibiting extensions of credit.
- (j) Comply with provisions of the Bank Secrecy Act, P.L. 91-508, October 26, 1970, 31 U.S.C. §§ 5311-5314, as amended, and all reporting requirements of the Internal Revenue Service, insofar as such provisions and reporting requirements are applicable to gambling establishments.
- (k) Comply with standards no less stringent than the minimum wage, maximum hour, child labor, overtime, and working condition standards set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq., the United States Department of Labor regulations implementing the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 C.F.R. § 500 et seq., the State's minimum wage law established pursuant to California Labor Code section 1182.12, and the State Department of Industrial Relations regulations implementing the State's minimum wage law, Cal. Code Regs. tit. 8, § 11000 et seq. Notwithstanding the foregoing, only the federal minimum wages laws set forth in the Fair Labor Standards Act, 29 U.S.C. § 201 et seq., and its implementing regulations, shall apply to tipped employees. Nothing herein shall make applicable state law concerning overtime.

#### **Sec. 12.4. Tribal Gaming Facility Standards Ordinance.**

The Tribe shall adopt in the form of an ordinance the standards described in subdivisions (a) through (k) of section 12.3 to which the Gaming Operation is held, and shall transmit the ordinance to the State Gaming Agency, upon request, not later than thirty (30) days after the effective date of this Compact. In the absence of a promulgated tribal standard in respect to a matter identified in those subdivisions, or the express adoption of an applicable federal and/or state statute or regulation, as the case may be, in respect of any such matter, the otherwise applicable federal and/or state statute or regulation shall be deemed to have been adopted by the Tribe as the applicable standard.

#### **Sec. 12.5. Insurance Coverage and Claims.**

- (a) The Tribe shall obtain and maintain commercial general liability insurance consistent with industry standards for non-tribal casinos in the United States underwritten by an insurer with an A.M. Best rating

of A or higher which provides coverage of no less than ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) per occurrence for bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Facility or Gaming Activities (Policy). To effectuate the insurance coverage, the Tribe shall expressly waive, and waive its right to assert, sovereign immunity up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000), in accordance with the tribal ordinance referenced in subdivision (b) below, in connection with any claim for bodily injury, personal injury, or property damage, arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility, or the Gaming Activities, including, but not limited to, injuries resulting from patronizing the Gaming Facility or providing goods or services to the Gaming Facility; provided, however, that nothing herein requires the Tribe to agree to liability for punitive damages or to waive its right to assert sovereign immunity in connection therewith. The Policy shall acknowledge in writing that the Tribe has expressly waived, and waived its right to assert, sovereign immunity for the purpose of arbitration of those claims up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) and for the purpose of enforcement of any ensuing award or judgment and shall include an endorsement providing that the insurer shall not invoke tribal sovereign immunity up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000); however, such endorsement or acknowledgement shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe's sovereign immunity for any portion of the claim that exceeds ten million dollars (\$10,000,000).

- (b) The Tribe shall adopt, and at all times hereinafter shall maintain in continuous force, an ordinance that provides for all of the following:
  - (1) The ordinance shall provide that California tort law shall govern all claims of bodily injury, personal injury, or property damage arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility, or the Gaming Activities, including but not limited to injuries resulting from patronizing the Gaming Facility or providing goods or services to the Gaming Facility, provided that California law governing punitive damages need not be a part of the ordinance. Further, the Tribe may include in the ordinance required by this subdivision a requirement that a person with claims for money damages against the Tribe file

those claims within the time periods applicable for the filing of claims for money damages against public entities under California Government Code section 810, et seq.

- (2) The ordinance shall also expressly provide for waiver of the Tribe's sovereign immunity and its right to assert sovereign immunity with respect to the arbitration or resolution of such claims in the Tribe's tribal court system, once established, but only up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000); provided, however, such waiver shall not be deemed to waive or otherwise limit the Tribe's sovereign immunity for any portion of the claim that exceeds ten million dollars (\$10,000,000).
- (3) The ordinance shall allow for the dispute to be settled either in the Tribe's tribal court system, once established, or by binding arbitration before a JAMS arbitrator, in accordance with JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration. The decision to choose either the tribal court system, once established, or JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration shall be at the claimant's sole discretion. Resolution of the dispute before the tribal court system, once established, shall be at no cost to the claimant (excluding claimant's attorney's fees). The cost and expenses of the JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration shall be initially borne equally by the parties and the parties shall pay their share of the arbitration costs at the time of claimant's election of the arbitration option, but the arbitrator may award costs to the prevailing party (but not attorney's fees) not to exceed those allowable in a suit in California Superior Court.
- (4) The Tribe shall consent to tribal court adjudication or binding JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration before a JAMS arbitrator up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000), that discovery in the arbitration proceedings shall be governed by section 1283.05 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, that the Tribe and the claimant shall initially bear the cost of JAMS and the JAMS arbitrator equally, to be paid at the time of election of arbitration but that the JAMS arbitrator may award costs to the prevailing party (but not attorney's fees) not to exceed those allowable in a suit in California Superior Court, and that any party dissatisfied with the award of the arbitrator may at the

party's election invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent), provided that the party making such election must bear all costs and expenses of JAMS and the JAMS arbitrators associated with the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure, regardless of the outcome.

- (5) To effectuate its consent to the tribal court system, once established, or JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration, and JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure in the ordinance, the Tribe shall, in the exercise of its sovereignty, expressly waive, and also waive its right to assert, sovereign immunity in connection with the jurisdiction of the tribal court and the arbitrator's jurisdiction and in any action to (i) enforce the parties' obligation to arbitrate, (ii) confirm, correct, modify, or vacate the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration, or (iii) enforce or execute a judgment based upon the award.
  - (6) The ordinance may also require that the claimant first exhaust the Tribe's administrative remedies for resolving the claim (hereinafter the "Tribal Dispute Process") in accordance with the following standards: The claimant must bring his or her claim within one hundred eighty (180) days of receipt of written notice of the Tribal Dispute Process as long as notice thereof is served personally on the claimant or by certified mail with an executed return receipt by the claimant and the one hundred eighty (180)-day limitation period is prominently displayed on the front page of the notice. The ordinance may provide that any other dispute resolution process shall be stayed until the completion of the Tribal Dispute Process or one hundred eighty (180) days from the date the claim is filed in the Tribal Dispute Process, whichever first occurs, unless the parties mutually agree to a longer period.
- (c) Upon notice that a claimant claims to have suffered an injury or damage covered by this section, the Tribe shall provide notice by personal service or certified mail, return receipt requested, that the claimant is required within the limitation period provided by subdivision (b)(6) to first exhaust the Tribal Dispute Process, if any,

and if dissatisfied with the resolution, entitled to arbitrate his or her claim *de novo* before a retired judge.

- (d) In the event the Tribe fails to adopt the ordinance specified in subdivision (b), the tort law of the State of California, including applicable statutes of limitations, shall apply to all claims of bodily injury, personal injury, and property damage arising out of, connected with, or relating to the operation of the Gaming Operation, Gaming Facility, or the Gaming Activities, including but not limited to injuries resulting from patronizing the Gaming Facility or providing goods or services to the Gaming Facility; and the Tribe shall be deemed to have expressly waived, and to have waived its right to assert, sovereign immunity up to ten million dollars (\$10,000,000) in connection with the arbitration of any such claims, any court proceedings based on such arbitration, including the arbitral award resulting therefrom, and any ensuing judgments.
- (e) The Tribe shall not invoke on behalf of any employee or agent, the Tribe's sovereign immunity in connection with any claim for, or any judgment based on any claim for, intentional injury to persons or property committed by the employee or authorized agent, without regard to the Tribe's liability insurance limits. Nothing in this subdivision prevents the Tribe from invoking sovereign immunity on its own behalf or authorizes a claim against the Tribe or a tribally owned entity.

**Sec. 12.6. Participation in State Programs Related to Employment.**

- (a) The Tribe agrees that it will participate in the State's workers' compensation program with respect to employees employed at the Gaming Operation and the Gaming Facility. The workers' compensation program includes, but is not limited to, state laws relating to the securing of payment of compensation through one (1) or more insurers duly authorized to write workers' compensation insurance in this state or through self-insurance as permitted under the State's workers' compensation laws. All disputes arising from the workers' compensation laws shall be heard by the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board pursuant to the California Labor Code. The Tribe hereby consents to the jurisdiction of the Workers' Compensation Appeals Board and the courts of the State of California

for purposes of enforcement. The parties agree that independent contractors doing business with the Tribe are bound by all state workers' compensation laws and obligations.

- (b) In lieu of permitting the Gaming Operation and Gaming Facility to participate in the State's workers' compensation system, the Tribe may create and maintain a system that provides redress for employee work-related injuries through requiring insurance or self-insurance, which system must include a scope of coverage, provision of up to ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) in medical treatment for an alleged injury until the date that liability for the claim is accepted or rejected, employee choice of physician (either after thirty (30) days from the date of the injury is reported or if a medical provider network has been established, within the medical provider network), quality and timely medical treatment provided comparable to the state's medical treatment utilization schedule, availability of an independent medical examination to resolve disagreements on appropriate treatment (by an Independent Medical Reviewer on the state's approved list, a Qualified Medical Evaluator on the state's approved list, or an Agreed Medical Examiner upon mutual agreement of the employer and employee), the right to notice, hearings before an independent tribunal, a means of enforcement against the employer, and benefits (including, but not limited to, disability, rehabilitation and return to work) comparable to those mandated for comparable employees under state law. Not later than the effective date of this Compact, or sixty (60) days prior to the commencement of Gaming Activities under this Compact, the Tribe will advise the State of its election to participate in the State's workers' compensation system or, alternatively, will forward to the State all relevant ordinances that have been adopted and all other documents establishing the system and demonstrating that the system is fully operational and compliant with the comparability standard set forth above. The parties agree that independent contractors doing business with the Tribe must comply with all state workers' compensation laws and obligations.
- (c) The Tribe agrees that it will participate in the State's program for providing unemployment compensation benefits and unemployment compensation disability benefits with respect to employees employed at the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility, which participation shall include compliance with the provisions of the California



Unemployment Insurance Code, and the Tribe consents to the jurisdiction of the State agencies charged with the enforcement of that Code and of the courts of the State of California for purposes of enforcement.

- (d) As a matter of comity, the Tribe shall, with respect to persons, including nonresidents of California, employed at the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility, withhold all amounts due to the State as provided in the California Unemployment Insurance Code and, except for individuals who are enrolled tribal members pursuant to the Tribe's Constitution and laws who are living on the Tribe's reservation, the California Revenue and Taxation Code and the regulations thereunder, as may be amended from time to time, and shall forward such amounts to the State. The Tribe shall file with the Franchise Tax Board a copy of any information return filed with the Secretary of the Treasury, as provided in the California Revenue and Taxation Code and the regulations thereunder, except those pertaining to tribal members living on the Tribe's reservation. For purposes of this subdivision, "reservation" refers to the Tribe's Indian lands within the meaning of IGRA or lands otherwise held in trust for the Tribe by the United States, and "tribal members" refers to the enrolled members of the Tribe.
  
- (e) As a matter of comity, the Tribe shall, with respect to the earnings of any person employed at the Gaming Operation or Gaming Facility, comply with all earnings withholding orders for support of a child, or spouse or former spouse, and all other orders by which the earnings of an employee are required to be withheld by an employer pursuant to chapter 5 (commencing with section 706.010) of division 1 of title 9 of part 2 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, and with all earnings assignment orders for support made pursuant to chapter 8 (commencing with section 5200) of part 5 of division 9 of the California Family Code or section 3088 of the California Probate Code.

### **Sec. 12.7. Emergency Services Accessibility.**

The Tribe shall make reasonable provisions for adequate emergency fire, medical, and related relief and disaster services for patrons and employees of the Gaming Facility.

**Sec. 12.8. Alcoholic Beverage Service.**

Purchase, sale, and service of alcoholic beverages by or to patrons shall be subject to state alcoholic beverage laws.

**Sec. 12.9. Possession of Firearms.**

The possession of firearms by any person in the Gaming Facility is prohibited at all times, except for federal, state, or local law enforcement personnel, or tribal law enforcement or security personnel authorized by tribal law and federal or state law to possess firearms at the Gaming Facility.

**Sec. 12.10. Labor Relations.**

The Gaming Activities authorized by this Compact may only commence after the Tribe has adopted an ordinance identical to the Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance attached hereto as Appendix C, and the Gaming Activities may only continue as long as the Tribe maintains the ordinance. The Tribe shall provide written notice to the State that it has adopted the ordinance, along with a copy of the ordinance, before the effective date of this Compact.

**SECTION 13.0. DISPUTE RESOLUTION PROVISIONS.**

**Sec. 13.1. Voluntary Resolution; Court Resolution.**

In recognition of the government-to-government relationship of the Tribe and the State, the parties shall make their best efforts to resolve disputes that arise under this Compact by good faith negotiations whenever possible. Therefore, except for the right of either party to seek injunctive relief against the other when circumstances are deemed to require immediate relief, the Tribe and the State shall seek to resolve disputes by first meeting and conferring in good faith in order to foster a spirit of cooperation and efficiency in the administration and monitoring of the performance and compliance of the terms, provisions, and conditions of this Compact, as follows:

- (a) Either party shall give the other, as soon as possible after the event giving rise to the concern, a written notice setting forth the facts giving rise to the dispute and with specificity, the issues to be resolved.

- (b) The other party shall respond in writing to the facts and issues set forth in the notice within fifteen (15) days of receipt of the notice, unless both parties agree in writing to an extension of time.
- (c) The parties shall meet and confer in good faith by telephone or in person in an attempt to resolve the dispute through negotiation within thirty (30) days after receipt of the notice set forth in subdivision (a), unless both parties agree in writing to an extension of time.
- (d) If the dispute is not resolved to the satisfaction of the parties after the first meeting, either party may seek to have the dispute resolved by an arbitrator in accordance with this section, but neither party shall be required to agree to submit to arbitration.
- (e) Disputes that are not otherwise resolved by arbitration or other mutually agreed means may be resolved in the United States District Court in the judicial district and division where the Tribe's Gaming Facility is located, or if those federal courts lack jurisdiction, in any state court of competent jurisdiction in or over the County. The disputes to be submitted to court action include, but are not limited to, claims of breach of this Compact, provided that the remedies expressly provided in section 13.4, subdivision (a)(ii) are the sole and exclusive remedies available to either party for issues arising out of this Compact, and supersede any remedies otherwise available, whether at law, tort, contract, or in equity and, notwithstanding any other provision of law or this Compact, neither the State nor the Tribe shall be liable for damages or attorney fees in any action based in whole or in part on the fact that the parties have either entered into this Compact, or have obligations under this Compact. The parties are entitled to all rights of appeal permitted by law in the court system in which the action is brought.
- (f) In no event may the Tribe be precluded from pursuing any arbitration or judicial remedy against the State on the ground that the Tribe has failed to exhaust its State administrative remedies, and in no event may the State be precluded from pursuing any arbitration or judicial remedy against the Tribe on the ground that the State has failed to exhaust any tribal administrative remedies.

### **Sec. 13.2. Arbitration Rules Between the Tribe and the State.**

Arbitration between the Tribe and the State shall be conducted before a JAMS arbitrator in accordance with JAMS Comprehensive Arbitration. Discovery in the arbitration proceedings shall be governed by section 1283.05 of the California Code of Civil Procedure, provided that no discovery authorized by that section may be conducted without leave of the arbitrator. The parties shall equally bear the cost of JAMS and the JAMS arbitrator. Either party dissatisfied with the award of the arbitrator may at the party's election invoke the JAMS Optional Arbitration Appeal Procedure (or if those rules no longer exist, the closest equivalent). In any JAMS arbitration under this section 13.2, the parties will bear their own attorney's fees. The arbitration shall take place within seventy-five (75) miles of the Gaming Facility, or as otherwise mutually agreed by the parties and the parties agree that either party may file a state or federal court action to (i) enforce the parties' obligation to arbitrate, (ii) confirm, correct, or vacate the arbitral award rendered in the arbitration in accordance with section 1285 et seq. of the California Code of Civil Procedure, or (iii) enforce or execute a judgment based upon the award. In any such action brought with respect to the arbitration award, the parties agree that venue is proper in any state court located within the County or in any federal court located in the Central District of California, Eastern Division.

### **Sec. 13.3. No Waiver or Preclusion of Other Means of Dispute Resolution.**

This section 13.0 may not be construed to waive, limit, or restrict any remedy to address issues not arising out of this Compact that is otherwise available to either party, nor may this section 13.0 be construed to preclude, limit, or restrict the ability of the parties to pursue, by mutual agreement, any other method of Compact dispute resolution, including, but not limited to, mediation.

### **Sec. 13.4. Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity.**

- (a) For the purpose of actions or arbitrations based on disputes between the State and the Tribe that arise under this Compact and the enforcement of any judgment or award resulting therefrom, the State and the Tribe expressly waive their right to assert their sovereign immunity from suit and enforcement of any ensuing judgment or arbitral award and consent to the arbitrator's jurisdiction and further consent to be sued in federal or state court, as the case may be,

provided that (i) the dispute is limited solely to issues arising under this Compact, (ii) neither the Tribe nor the State makes any claim for restitution or monetary damages, except that payment of any money expressly required by the terms of this Compact may be sought, and solely injunctive relief, specific performance (including enforcement of a provision of this Compact expressly requiring the payment of money to one or another of the parties), and declaratory relief (limited to a determination of the respective obligations of the parties under the Compact) may be sought, and (iii) nothing herein shall be construed to constitute a waiver of the sovereign immunity of either the Tribe or the State with respect to any third party that is made a party or intervenes as a party to the action.

- (b) In the event that intervention, joinder, or other participation by any additional party in any action between the State and the Tribe would result in the waiver of the Tribe's or the State's sovereign immunity as to that additional party, the waivers of either the Tribe or the State provided herein may be revoked, except where joinder is required to preserve the court's jurisdiction, in which case the State and the Tribe may not revoke their waivers of sovereign immunity as to each other.
- (c) The waivers and consents to jurisdiction expressly provided for under this section 13.0 and elsewhere in the Compact shall extend to all arbitrations and civil actions expressly authorized by this Compact, including actions to compel arbitration, any arbitration proceeding herein, any action to confirm, modify, or vacate any arbitral award or to enforce any judgment, and any appellate proceeding emanating from any such proceedings, whether in state or federal court.
- (d) Except as stated herein or elsewhere in this Compact, no other waivers or consents to be sued, either express or implied, are granted by either party, whether in state statute or otherwise, including but not limited to Government Code section 98005.

## **SECTION 14.0. EFFECTIVE DATE AND TERM OF COMPACT.**

### **Sec. 14.1. Effective Date.**

This Compact shall not be effective unless and until all of the following have occurred:

- (a) The Compact is ratified in accordance with State law; and
- (b) Notice of approval or constructive approval is published in the Federal Register as provided in 25 U.S.C. § 2710(d)(3)(B).

**Sec. 14.2. Term of Compact; Termination.**

- (a) Once effective, this Compact shall be in full force and effect for twenty-five (25) years following the effective date.
- (b) Either party may bring an action in federal court, after providing a thirty (30)-day written notice of an opportunity to cure any alleged breach of this Compact, for a declaration that the other party has materially breached this Compact or that a material part of this Compact has been invalidated. If the federal court rules that a party has materially breached this Compact, then the party found to have committed the breach shall have thirty (30) days after a final decision has been issued by the court after any appeals to cure the material breach. If the material breach is not cured within thirty (30) days, then in addition to a declaration of material breach and the equitable remedies explicitly identified in section 13.0, the non-breaching party may seek, in the same federal court action, termination of the Compact as a further judicially imposed remedy. The court may order termination based on a finding (i) that the respondent party has breached its Compact obligations, (ii) that, taking into consideration the facts and circumstances, the breach was not in good faith, and (iii) that the respondent party failed to cure the material breach within the time allowed. In the event a federal court determines that it lacks jurisdiction to impose termination, the matter may be brought in the Superior Court for Riverside County, and any finding that termination is warranted shall be effective thirty (30) days after issuance of the termination order by the federal district court or superior court, as the case may be. The parties expressly waive, and also waive their right to assert, sovereign immunity from suit for purposes of an action under this subdivision, subject to the waiver qualifications stated in section 13.4.

- (c) If this Compact does not take effect by September 1, 2017, it shall be deemed null and void unless the Tribe and the State agree in writing to extend the date.

## **SECTION 15.0. AMENDMENTS; RENEGOTIATIONS.**

### **Sec. 15.1. Amendment by Agreement.**

The terms and conditions of this Compact may be amended at any time by the mutual and written agreement of both parties during the term of this Compact set forth in section 14.2, provided that each party voluntarily consents to such negotiations, including the scope of such negotiations, in writing. Any amendments to this Compact shall be deemed to supersede, supplant and extinguish all previous understandings and agreements on the subject.

### **Sec. 15.2. Negotiations for a New Compact.**

No sooner than eighteen (18) months before the termination date of this Compact set forth in section 14.2, either party may request the other party to enter into negotiations to extend the term of this Compact or to enter into a new Class III Gaming compact. If the parties have not agreed to extend the term of this Compact or have not entered into a new compact by the termination date in section 14.2, this Compact shall automatically be extended for one (1) calendar year.

### **Sec. 15.3. Requests to Amend or to Negotiate a New Compact.**

All requests to amend this Compact or to negotiate to extend the term of this Compact or to negotiate for a new Class III Gaming compact shall be in writing, addressed to the Tribal Chair or the Governor, as the case may be, and shall include the activities or circumstances to be negotiated, together with a statement of the basis supporting the request. If the request meets both the requirements of this section and section 15.1 for an amendment to this Compact, or the requirements of this section and section 15.2 for a new Class III Gaming compact, and all parties agree in writing to negotiate, the parties shall confer promptly and determine within forty-five (45) days of the request a schedule for commencing negotiations, and both parties shall negotiate in good faith. The Tribal Chair and the Governor of the State are hereby authorized to designate the person or agency responsible for conducting the negotiations, and shall execute any documents necessary to do so.

**SECTION 16.0. NOTICES.**

Unless otherwise indicated by this Compact, all notices required or authorized to be served shall be served by first-class mail or facsimile transmission to the following addresses, or to such other address as either party may designate by providing twenty (20) days written notice to the other:

Governor  
Governor’s Office  
State Capitol  
Sacramento, CA 95814

Tribal Chairman  
Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians  
5401 Dinah Shore Drive  
Palm Springs, CA 92264

**SECTION 17.0. CHANGES TO IGRA.**

This Compact is intended to meet the requirements of IGRA as it reads on the effective date of this Compact, and, when reference is made to IGRA or to an implementing regulation thereof, the referenced provision is deemed to have been incorporated into this Compact as if set out in full. Subsequent changes to IGRA that diminish the rights of the State or the Tribe may not be applied retroactively to alter the terms of this Compact, except to the extent that federal law validly mandates retroactive application without the State’s or the Tribe’s respective consent.

**SECTION 18.0. MISCELLANEOUS.**

**Sec. 18.1. Third-Party Beneficiaries.**

Notwithstanding any provision of law, this Compact is not intended to, and shall not be construed to, create any right on the part of a third party to bring an action to enforce any of its terms.

**Sec. 18.2. Complete Agreement.**

This Compact, together with all appendices, sets forth the full and complete agreement of the parties and shall replace and supersede any prior compacts, amended compacts, agreements or understandings with respect to the subject matter hereof.



### **Sec. 18.3. Construction.**

Neither the presence in another tribal-state Class III Gaming compact of language that is not included in this Compact, nor the absence in another tribal-state Class III Gaming compact of language that is present in this Compact shall be a factor in construing the terms of this Compact. In the event of a dispute between the parties as to the language of this Compact or the construction or meaning of any term hereof, this Compact will be deemed to have been drafted by the parties in equal parts so that no presumptions or inferences concerning its terms or interpretation may be construed against any party to this Compact.

### **Sec. 18.4. Successor Provisions.**

Wherever this Compact makes reference to a specific statutory provision, regulation, or set of rules, it also applies to the provision, regulation, or rules, as they may be amended from time to time, and any successor provision, regulation or set of rules.

### **Sec. 18.5. Ordinances and Regulations.**

Whenever the Tribe adopts or amends any ordinance or regulations required to be adopted and/or maintained under this Compact, in addition to any other Compact obligations to provide a copy to others, the Tribe shall upon request provide a copy of such adopted or amended ordinance or regulations to the State Gaming Agency within thirty (30) days of the effective date of such ordinance or regulations.

### **Sec. 18.6. Calculation of Time.**

In computing any period of time prescribed by this Compact, the day of the event from which the designated period of time begins to run shall not be included. The last day of the period so computed shall be included, unless it is a Saturday, a Sunday, or a legal holiday under the Tribe's laws, State law, or federal law. Unless otherwise specifically provided herein, the term "days" shall be construed as calendar days.

### **Sec. 18.7. Force Majeure.**

In the event of a force majeure event, including but not limited to: an act of God; accident; fire; flood; earthquake; or other natural disaster; strike or other

labor dispute; riot or civil commotion; act of public enemy; enactment of any rule; order or act of a government or governmental instrumentality; effects of an extended restriction of energy use; and other causes of a similar nature beyond the Tribe's control that causes the Tribe's Gaming Operation or Facility to be inoperable or operate at significantly less capacity; the parties agree to meet and confer for the purpose of discussing the event and the appropriate actions given the circumstances.

### **Sec. 18.8. Representations.**

- (a) The Tribe expressly represents that as of the date of the undersigned's execution of this Compact the undersigned has the authority to execute this Compact on behalf of the Tribe, including any waiver of sovereign immunity and the right to assert sovereign immunity therein, and will provide written proof of such authority and of the ratification of this Compact by the tribal governing body to the Governor no later than thirty (30) days after the execution of this Compact by the undersigned.
- (b) The Tribe further represents that it is (i) recognized as eligible by the Secretary of the Interior for special programs and services provided by the United States to Indians because of their status as Indians, and (ii) recognized by the Secretary of the Interior as possessing powers of self-government.
- (c) In entering into this Compact, the State expressly relies upon the foregoing representations by the Tribe, and the State's entry into the Compact is expressly made contingent upon the truth of those representations as of the date of the Tribe's execution of this Compact through the undersigned. If the Tribe fails to timely provide written proof of the undersigned's aforesaid authority to execute this Compact or written proof of ratification by the Tribe's governing body, the Governor shall have the right to declare this Compact null and void.

- (d) This Compact shall not be presented to the California State Legislature for a ratification vote until the Tribe has provided the written proof required in subdivision (a) to the Governor.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned sign this Compact on behalf of the State of California and the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians.

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS



By Edmund G. Brown Jr.  
Governor of the State of California



By Jeff L. Grubbe  
Chairman of the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians

Executed this 4 day of August,  
2016, at Sacramento, California

Executed this 2nd day of August,  
2016, at Valm Springs,  
California

ATTEST:



Alex Padilla  
Secretary of State, State of California

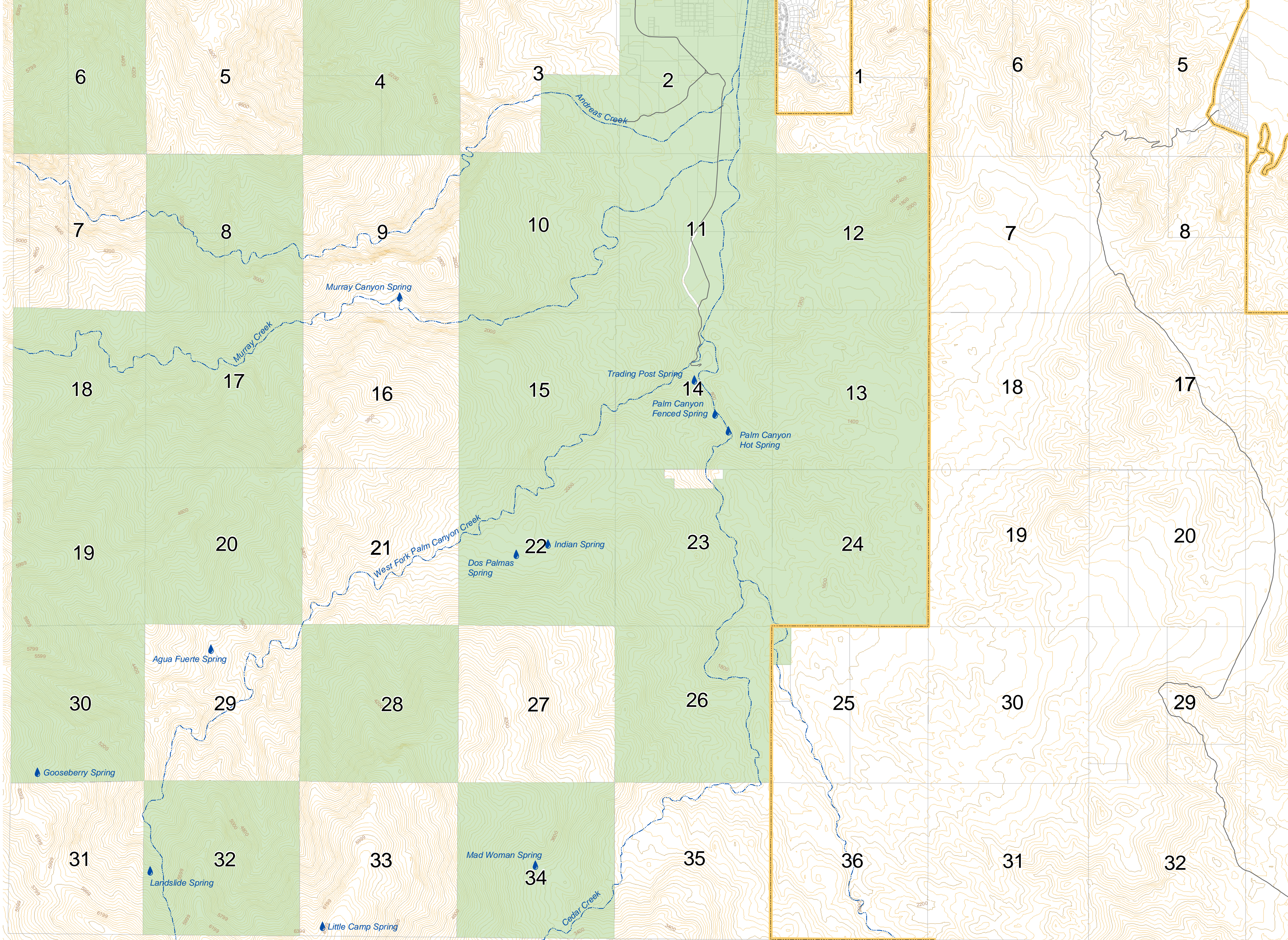
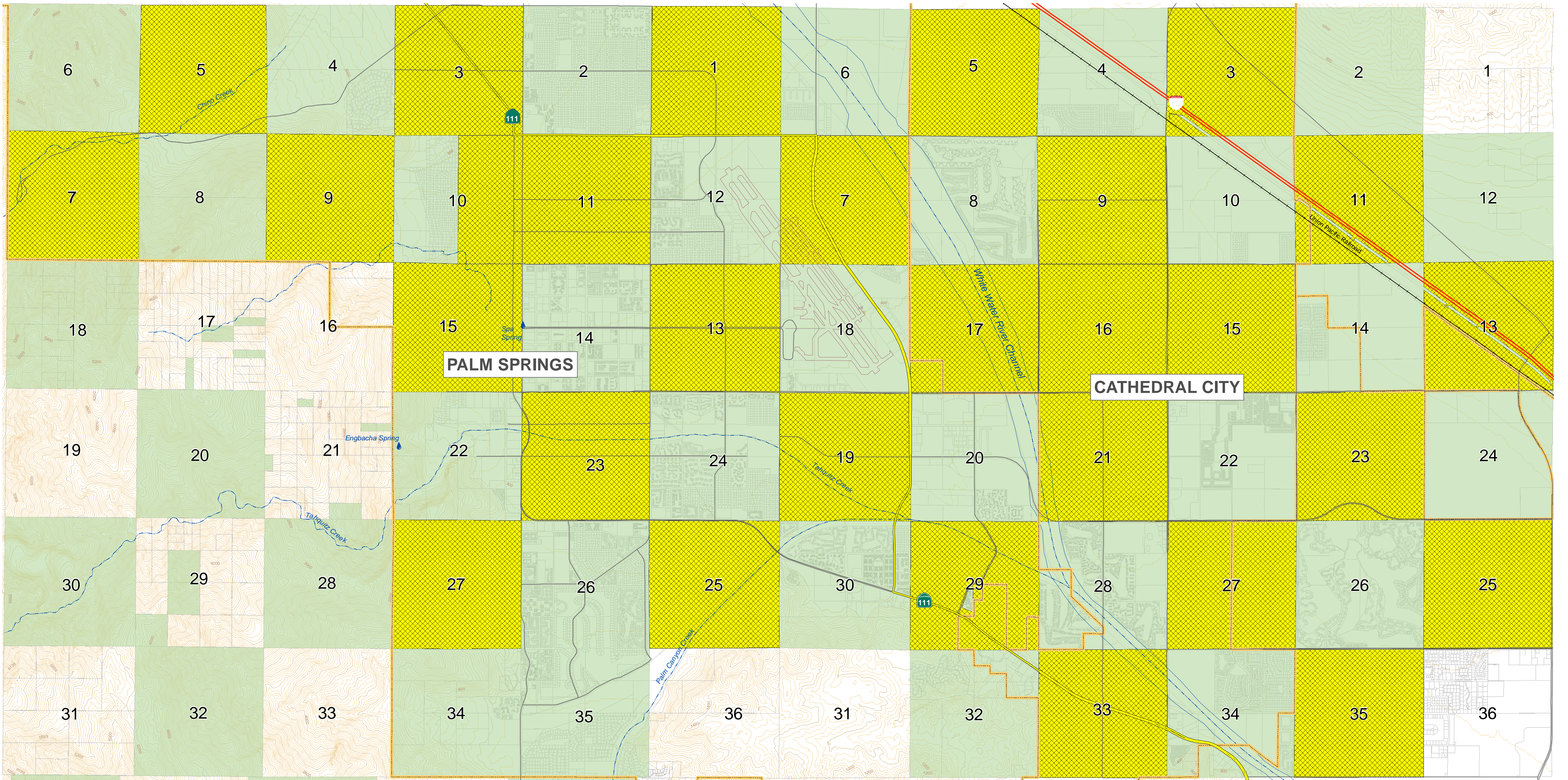



## APPENDICES

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## APPENDIX A





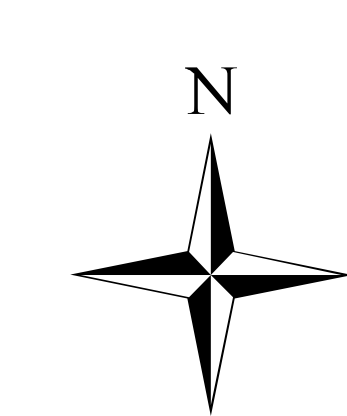


**AGUA CALIENTE INDIAN RESERVATION**  
RIVERSIDE COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

**APPENDIX A**  
CONTIGUOUS SECTIONS SUBJECT  
TO REQUIREMENTS OF  
COMPACT SECTION 4.2(b)

**Legend**

- Reservation
- Contiguous Sections
- Interstate 10
- State Highways
- Railroads
- Intermittent Streams
- Elevation Contours
- City or County Boundary
- 14** Township Sections



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## APPENDIX B

### Off-Reservation Environmental Impact Analysis Checklist

#### I. Aesthetics

	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
<b>Would the project:</b>				
a) Have a substantial adverse effect on a scenic vista?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Substantially damage off-reservation scenic resources, including, but not limited to, trees, rock outcroppings, and historic buildings within a state scenic highway?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Create a new source of substantial light or glare, which would adversely affect day or nighttime views of historic buildings or views in the area?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### II. Agricultural and Forest Resources

	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
<b>Would the project:</b>				
a) Involve changes in the existing environment, which, due to their location or nature, could result in conversion of off-reservation farmland to non-agricultural use?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### III. Air Quality

	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
<b>Would the project:</b>				
a) Conflict with or obstruct implementation of the applicable air quality plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Violate any air quality standard or contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Result in a cumulatively considerable net increase of any criteria pollutant for which the project region is non-attainment under an applicable federal or state ambient air quality standard (including releasing emissions, which exceed quantitative thresholds for ozone precursors)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
d) Expose off-reservation sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people off-reservation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

#### **IV. Biological Resources**

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Have a substantial adverse impact, either directly or through habitat modifications, on any species in local or regional plans, policies, or regulations, or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Have a substantial adverse effect on any off-reservation riparian habitat or other sensitive natural community identified in local or regional plans, policies, and regulations or by the California Department of Fish and Game or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Have a substantial adverse effect on federally protected off-reservation wetlands as defined by Section 404 of the Clean Water Act?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Interfere substantially with the movement of any native resident or migratory fish or wildlife species or with established native resident or migratory wildlife corridors, or impede the use of native wildlife nursery sites?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Conflict with the provisions of an adopted Habitat Conservation Plan, Natural Community Conservation Plan, or other approved local, regional, or state habitat conservation plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>



## V. Cultural Resources

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Cause a substantial adverse change in the significance of an off-reservation historical or archeological resource?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Directly or indirectly destroy a unique off-reservation paleontological resource or site or unique off-reservation geologic feature?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Disturb any off-reservation human remains, including those interred outside of formal cemeteries?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## VI. Geology and Soils

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Expose off-reservation people or structures to potential substantial adverse effects, including the risk of loss, injury, or death involving:				
i) Rupture of a known earthquake fault, as delineated on the most recent Alquist-Priolo Earthquake Fault Zoning Map issued by the State Geologist for the area or based on other substantial evidence of a known fault? Refer to Division of Mines and Geology Special Publication 42.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
ii) Strong seismic ground shaking?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
iii) Seismic-related ground failure, including liquefaction?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
iv) Landslides?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Result in substantial off-reservation soil erosion or the loss of topsoil?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## VII. Hazards and Hazardous Materials

Would the project:	Potentially Significant Impact	Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation	Less than Significant Impact	No Impact
a) Create a significant hazard to the off-reservation public or the off-reservation environment through the routine transport, use, or disposal of hazardous materials?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

b) Create a significant hazard to the off-reservation public or the off-reservation environment through reasonably foreseeable upset and accident conditions involving the release of hazardous materials into the environment?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Emit hazardous emissions or handle hazardous or acutely hazardous materials, substances, or waste within one-quarter mile of an existing or proposed off-reservation school?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Expose off-reservation people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving wildland fires.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### VIII. Water Resources

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Violate any water quality standards or waste discharge requirements?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Substantially deplete off-reservation groundwater supplies or interfere substantially with groundwater recharge such that there should be a net deficit in aquifer volume or a lowering of the local groundwater table level (e.g., the production rate of pre-existing nearby wells would drop to a level which would not support existing land uses or planned uses for which permits have been granted)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, in a manner which would result in substantial erosion or siltation off-site?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Substantially alter the existing drainage pattern of the site or area, including through the alteration of the course of a stream or river, or substantially increase the rate or amount of surface runoff in a manner which would result in flooding off-site?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
e) Create or contribute runoff water which would exceed the capacity of existing or planned storm water drainage systems or provide substantial additional sources of polluted runoff off-reservation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
f) Place within a 100-year flood hazard area structures, which would impede or redirect off-reservation flood flows?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
g) Expose off-reservation people or structures to a significant risk of loss, injury or death involving flooding, including flooding as a result of the failure of a levee or dam?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## IX. Land Use

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Conflict with any off-reservation land use plan, policy, or regulation of an agency adopted for the purpose of avoiding or mitigating an environmental effect?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Conflict with any applicable habitat conservation plan or natural communities conservation plan covering off-reservation lands?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## X. Mineral Resources

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Result in the loss of availability of a known off-reservation mineral resource classified MRZ-2 by the State Geologist that would be of value to the region and the residents of the state?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Result in the loss of availability of an off-reservation locally important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan, or other land use plan?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XI. Noise

<b>Would the project result in:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Exposure of off-reservation persons to noise levels in excess of standards established in the local general plan or noise ordinance, or applicable standards of other agencies?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Exposure of off-reservation persons to excessive groundborne vibration or groundborne noise levels?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) A substantial permanent increase in ambient noise levels in the off-reservation vicinity of the project?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) A substantial temporary or periodic increase in ambient noise levels in the off-reservation vicinity of the project?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XII. Population and Housing

Would the project:	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Induce substantial off-reservation population growth?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Displace substantial numbers of existing housing, necessitating the construction of replacement housing elsewhere off-reservation?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XIII. Public Services

Would the project:	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Result in substantial adverse physical impacts associated with the provision of new or physically altered off-reservation governmental facilities, the construction of which could cause significant environmental impacts, in order to maintain acceptable service ratios, response times, or other performance objectives for any of the off-reservation public services:				
Fire protection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Police protection?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Schools?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Parks?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other public facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XIV. Recreation

Would the project:	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Increase the use of existing off-reservation neighborhood and regional parks or other recreational facilities such that substantial physical deterioration of the facility would occur or be accelerated?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XV. Transportation / Traffic

Would the project:	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Cause an increase in off-reservation traffic, which is substantial in relation to the existing traffic load and capacity of the street system (i.e., result in a substantial increase in either the number of vehicle trips, the volume-to-capacity ratio on roads, or congestion at intersections)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Exceed, either individually or cumulatively, a level of service standard established by the county congestion management agency for designated off-reservation roads or highways?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Substantially increase hazards to an off-reservation design feature (e.g., sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g., farm equipment)?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Result in inadequate emergency access for off-reservation responders?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XVI. Utilities and Service Systems

Would the project:	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Exceed off-reservation wastewater treatment requirements of the applicable Regional Water Quality Control Board?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
b) Require or result in the construction of new water or wastewater treatment facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant off-reservation environmental effects?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
c) Require or result in the construction of new storm water drainage facilities or expansion of existing facilities, the construction of which could cause significant off-reservation environmental effects?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
d) Result in a determination by an off-reservation wastewater treatment provider (if applicable), which serves or may serve the project that it has inadequate capacity to serve the project's projected demand in addition to the provider's existing commitments?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## XVII. Cumulative Effects

<b>Would the project:</b>	<i>Potentially Significant Impact</i>	<i>Less Than Significant With Mitigation Incorporation</i>	<i>Less than Significant Impact</i>	<i>No Impact</i>
a) Have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable off-reservation? "Cumulatively considerable" means that the incremental effects of a project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past, current, or probable future projects.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **Appendix C**

### **Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance**

#### **Section 1: Threshold of Applicability**

- (a) If the Tribe employs 250 or more persons in a tribal casino and related facility, it shall adopt this Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance (TLRO or Ordinance). For purposes of this Ordinance, a “tribal casino” is one in which class III gaming is conducted pursuant to the tribal-state compact. A “related facility” is one for which the only significant purpose is to facilitate patronage of the class III gaming operations.
  
- (b) Upon the request of a labor union or organization which exists for the purpose, in whole or in part, of dealing with employers concerning grievances, labor disputes, wages, rates of pay, hours of employment, or conditions of work, the Tribal Gaming Commission shall certify the number of employees in a tribal casino or other related facility as defined in subsection (a) of this Section 1. Either party may dispute the certification of the Tribal Gaming Commission to the Tribal Labor Panel, which is defined in Section 13 herein.

#### **Section 2: Definition of Eligible Employees**

- (a) The provisions of this ordinance shall apply to any person (hereinafter “Eligible Employee”) who is employed within a tribal casino in which class III gaming is conducted pursuant to a tribal-state compact or other related facility, the only significant purpose of which is to facilitate patronage of the class III gaming operations, except for any of the following:
  - (1) any employee who is a supervisor, defined as any individual having authority, in the interest of the Tribe and/or employer, to hire, transfer, suspend, lay off, recall, promote, discharge, assign, reward, or discipline other employees, or responsibility to direct them or to adjust their grievances, or effectively to recommend such action, if in connection with the foregoing the exercise of such authority is not of a merely routine or clerical nature, but requires the use of independent judgment;

- (2) any employee of the Tribal Gaming Commission;
  - (3) any employee of the security or surveillance department, other than those who are responsible for the technical repair and maintenance of equipment;
  - (4) any cash operations employee who is a “cage” employee or money counter; or
  - (5) any dealer.
- (b) On [month] 1 of each year, the Tribal Gaming Commission shall certify the number of Eligible Employees employed by the Tribe to the administrator of the Tribal Labor Panel.

### **Section 3: Non-Interference with Regulatory or Security Activities**

Operation of this Ordinance shall not interfere in any way with the duty of the Tribal Gaming Commission to regulate the gaming operation in accordance with the Tribe’s National Indian Gaming Commission- approved gaming ordinance. Furthermore, the exercise of rights hereunder shall in no way interfere with the tribal casino’s surveillance/security systems, or any other internal controls system designed to protect the integrity of the Tribe’s gaming operations. The Tribal Gaming Commission is specifically excluded from the definition of Eligible Employees.

### **Section 4: Eligible Employees Free to Engage in or Refrain From Concerted Activity**

Eligible Employees shall have the right to self-organization, to form, to join, or assist employee organizations, to bargain collectively through representatives of their own choosing, to engage in other concerted activities for the purpose of collective bargaining or other mutual aid or protection, and shall also have the right to refrain from any or all such activities.

### **Section 5: Unfair Labor Practices for the Tribe**

It shall be an unfair labor practice for the Tribe and/or employer or their agents:



- (a) to interfere with, restrain or coerce Eligible Employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed herein;
- (b) to dominate or interfere with the formation or administration of any labor organization or contribute financial or other support to it, but this does not restrict the Tribe and/or employer and a certified union from agreeing to union security or dues check off;
- (c) to discharge or otherwise discriminate against an Eligible Employee because s/he has filed charges or given testimony under this Ordinance; or
- (d) after certification of the labor organization pursuant to Section 10, to refuse to bargain collectively with the representatives of Eligible Employees.

## **Section 6: Unfair Labor Practices for the Union**

It shall be an unfair labor practice for a labor organization or its agents:

- (a) to interfere, restrain or coerce Eligible Employees in the exercise of the rights guaranteed herein;
- (b) to engage in, or to induce or encourage any individual employed by any person engaged in commerce or in an industry affecting commerce to engage in, a strike or a primary or secondary boycott or a refusal in the course of his employment to use, manufacture, process, transport or otherwise handle or work on any goods, articles, materials, or commodities or to perform any services; or to threaten, coerce, or restrain any person engaged in commerce or in an industry affecting commerce or other terms and conditions of employment. This section does not apply to Section 11;
- (c) to force or require the Tribe and/or employer to recognize or bargain with a particular labor organization as the representative of Eligible Employees if another labor organization has been certified as the representative of such Eligible Employees under the provisions of this TLRO;

- (d) to refuse to bargain collectively with the Tribe and/or employer, provided it is the representative of Eligible Employees subject to the provisions herein; or
- (e) to attempt to influence the outcome of a tribal governmental election, provided, however, that this section does not apply to tribal members.

## **Section 7: Tribe and Union Right to Free Speech**

- (a) The Tribe's and union's expression of any view, argument or opinion or the dissemination thereof, whether in written, printed, graphic or visual form, shall not constitute or be evidence of interference with, restraint, or coercion if such expression contains no threat of reprisal or force or promise of benefit.
- (b) The Tribe agrees that if a union first offers in writing that it and its local affiliates will comply with (b)(1) and (b)(2), the Tribe shall comply with the provisions of (c) and (d).
  - (1) For a period of three hundred sixty-five (365) days following delivery of a Notice of Intent to Organize (NOIO) to the Tribe:
    - (A) not engage in strikes, picketing, boycotts, attack websites, or other economic activity at or in relation to the tribal casino or related facility; and refrain from engaging in strike-related picketing on Indian lands as defined in 25 U.S.C. § 2703(4);
    - (B) not disparage the Tribe for purposes of organizing Eligible Employees;
    - (C) not attempt to influence the outcome of a tribal government election; and
    - (D) during the three hundred sixty-five (365) days after the Tribe received the NOIO, the Union must collect dated and signed authorization cards pursuant to Section 10 herein and complete the secret ballot election also in Section 10 herein. Failure to complete the secret ballot election within the three hundred sixty five (365) days

after the Tribe received the NOIO shall mean that the union shall not be permitted to deliver another NOIO for a period of two years (730 days).

- (2) Resolve all issues, including collective bargaining impasses, through the binding dispute resolution mechanisms set forth in Section 13 herein.
- (c) Upon receipt of a NOIO, the Tribe shall:
- (1) within two (2) days provide to the union an election eligibility list containing the full first and last names of the Eligible Employees within the sought-after bargaining unit and the Eligible Employees' last known addresses and telephone numbers and email addresses;
  - (2) for period of three hundred sixty-five (365) days thereafter, Tribe will not do any action nor make any statement that directly or indirectly states or implies any opposition by the Tribe to the selection by such employees of a collective bargaining agent, or preference for or opposition to any particular union as a bargaining agent. This includes refraining from making derisive comments about unions; publishing or posting pamphlets, fliers, letters, posters or any other communication which could reasonably be interpreted as criticizing the union or advising Eligible Employees to vote "no" against the union. However, the Tribe shall be free at all times to fully inform Eligible Employees about the terms and conditions of employment it provides to employees and the advantages of working for the Tribe; and
  - (3) resolve all issues, including collective bargaining impasses, through the binding dispute resolution mechanisms set forth in Section 13 herein.
- (d) The union's offer in subsection (b) of this Section 7 shall be deemed an offer to accept the entirety of this Ordinance as a bilateral contract between the Tribe and the union, and the Tribe agrees to accept such offer. By entering into such bilateral contract, the union and Tribe mutually waive any right to file any form of action or proceeding with

the National Labor Relations Board for the three hundred sixty-five (365)-day period following the NOIO.

- (e) The Tribe shall mandate that any entity responsible for all or part of the operation of the casino and related facility shall assume the obligations of the Tribe under this Ordinance. If at the time of the management contract, the Tribe recognizes a labor organization as the representative of its employees, certified pursuant to this Ordinance, the labor organization will provide the contractor, upon request, the election officer's certification which constitutes evidence that the labor organization has been determined to be the majority representative of the Tribe's Eligible Employees.

### **Section 8: Access to Eligible Employees**

- (a) Access shall be granted to the union for the purposes of organizing Eligible Employees, provided that such organizing activity shall not interfere with patronage of the casino or related facility or with the normal work routine of the Eligible Employees and shall be done on non-work time in non-work areas that are designated as employee break rooms or locker rooms that are not open to the public. The Tribe may require the union and or union organizers to be subject to the same licensing rules applied to individuals or entities with similar levels of access to the casino or related facility, provided that such licensing shall not be unreasonable, discriminatory, or designed to impede access.
- (b) The Tribe, in its discretion, may also designate additional voluntary access to the Union in such areas as employee parking lots and non-casino facilities located on tribal lands.
- (c) In determining whether organizing activities potentially interfere with normal tribal work routines, the union's activities shall not be permitted if the Tribal Labor Panel determines that they compromise the operation of the casino:
  - (1) security and surveillance systems throughout the casino, and reservation;
  - (2) access limitations designed to ensure security;

- (3) internal controls designed to ensure security; or
  - (4) other systems designed to protect the integrity of the Tribe's gaming operations, tribal property and/or safety of casino personnel, patrons, employees or tribal members, residents, guests or invitees.
- (d) The Tribe agrees to facilitate the dissemination of information from the union to Eligible Employees at the tribal casino by allowing posters, leaflets and other written materials to be posted in non-public employee break areas where the Tribe already posts announcements pertaining to Eligible Employees. Actual posting of such posters, notices, and other materials shall be by employees desiring to post such materials.

## **Section 9: Indian Preference Explicitly Permitted**

Nothing herein shall preclude the Tribe from giving Indian preference in employment, promotion, seniority, lay-offs or retention to members of any federally recognized Indian tribe or shall in any way affect the Tribe's right to follow tribal law, ordinances, personnel policies or the Tribe's customs or traditions regarding Indian preference in employment, promotion, seniority, lay-offs or retention. Moreover, in the event of a conflict between tribal law, tribal ordinance or the Tribe's customs and traditions regarding Indian preference and this Ordinance, the tribal law, tribal ordinance, or the Tribe's customs and traditions shall govern.

## **Section 10: Secret Ballot Elections**

- (a) The election officer shall be chosen within three (3) business days of notification by the labor organization to the Tribe of its intention to present authorization cards, and the same election officer shall preside thereafter for all proceedings under the request for recognition; provided, however, that if the election officer resigns, dies, or is incapacitated for any other reason from performing the functions of this office, a substitute election officer shall be selected in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions herein. Dated and signed authorized cards from thirty percent (30%) or more of the Eligible Employees within the bargaining unit verified by the elections officer

will result in a secret ballot election. The election officer shall make a determination as to whether the required thirty percent (30%) showing has been made within one (1) working day after the submission of authorization cards. If the election officer determines the required thirty percent (30%) showing of interest has been made, the election officer shall issue a notice of election. The election shall be concluded within thirty (30) calendar days of the issuance of the notice of election.

- (b) Upon the showing of interest to the election officer pursuant to subsection (a), within two (2) working days the Tribe shall provide to the union an election eligibility list containing the full first and last names of the Eligible Employees within the sought after bargaining unit and the Eligible Employees' last known addresses and telephone numbers and email addresses . Nothing herein shall preclude a Tribe from voluntarily providing an election eligibility list at an earlier point of a union organizing campaign with or without an election. The election shall be conducted by the election officer by secret ballot pursuant to procedures set forth in a consent election agreement in substantially the same form as Attachment 1. In the event either that a party refuses to enter into the consent election agreement or that the parties do not agree on the terms, the election officer shall issue an order that conforms to the terms of the form consent election agreement and shall have authority to decide any terms upon which the parties have not agreed, after giving the parties the opportunity to present their views in writing or in a telephonic conference call. The election officer shall be a member of the Tribal Labor Panel chosen in the same manner as a single arbitrator pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions herein at Section 13(b)(2). All questions concerning representation of the Tribe and/or Eligible Employees by a labor organization shall be resolved by the election officer.
- (c) The election officer shall certify the labor organization as the exclusive collective bargaining representative of a unit of employees if the labor organization has received the support of a majority of the Eligible Employees in a secret ballot election that the election officer determines to have been conducted fairly. The numerical threshold for certification is fifty percent (50%) of the Eligible Employees plus one. If the election officer determines that the election was conducted unfairly due to misconduct by the Tribe and/or employer or union, the

election officer may order a re-run election. If the election officer determines that there was the commission of serious Unfair Labor Practices by the Tribe, or in the event the union made the offer provided for in Section 7(b) that the Tribe violated its obligations under Section 7(c), that interferes with the election process and precludes the holding of a fair election, and the labor organization is able to demonstrate that it had the support of a majority of the employees in the unit at any time before or during the course of the Tribe's misconduct, the election officer shall certify the labor organization as the exclusive bargaining representative.

- (d) The Tribe or the union may appeal within five (5) days any decision rendered after the date of the election by the election officer to a three (3) member panel of the Tribal Labor Panel mutually chosen by both parties, provided that the Tribal Labor Panel must issue a decision within thirty (30) days after receiving the appeal.
- (e) A union which loses an election and has exhausted all dispute remedies related to the election may not invoke any provisions of this ordinance at that particular casino or related facility until one (1) year after the election was lost.

## **Section 11: Collective Bargaining Impasse**

- (a) Upon recognition, the Tribe and the union will negotiate in good faith for a collective bargaining agreement covering bargaining unit employees represented by the union.
- (b) Except where the union has made the written offer set forth in Section 7(b), if collective bargaining negotiations result in impasse, the union shall have the right to strike. Strike-related picketing shall not be conducted on Indian lands as defined in 25 U.S.C. § 2703(4).
- (c) Where the union makes the offer set forth in Section 7(b), if collective bargaining negotiations result in impasse, the matter shall be resolved as set forth in Section 13(c).

## **Section 12: Decertification of Bargaining Agent**

- (a) The filing of a petition signed by thirty percent (30%) or more of the Eligible Employees in a bargaining unit seeking the decertification of a certified union, will result in a secret ballot election. The election officer shall make a determination as to whether the required thirty percent (30%) showing has been made within one (1) working day after the submission of authorization cards. If the election officer determines the required thirty percent (30%) showing of interest has been made, the election officer shall issue a notice of election. The election shall be concluded within thirty (30) calendar days of the issuance of the notice of election.
- (b) The election shall be conducted by an election officer by secret ballot pursuant to procedures set forth in a consent election agreement in substantially the same form as Attachment 1. The election officer shall be a member of the Tribal Labor Panel chosen in the same manner as a single arbitrator pursuant to the dispute resolution provisions herein at Section 13(b)(2). All questions concerning the decertification of the union shall be resolved by an election officer. The election officer shall be chosen upon notification to the Tribe and the union of the intent of the Eligible Employees to present a decertification petition, and the same election officer shall preside thereafter for all proceedings under the request for decertification; provided however that if the election officer resigns, dies or is incapacitated for any other reason from performing the functions of this office, a substitute election officer shall be selected in accordance with the dispute resolution provisions herein.
- (c) The election officer shall order the labor organization decertified as the exclusive collective bargaining representative if a majority of the Eligible Employees support decertification of the labor organization in a secret ballot election that the election officer determines to have been conducted fairly. The numerical threshold for decertification is fifty percent (50%) of the Eligible Employees plus one (1). If the election officer determines that the election was conducted unfairly due to misconduct by the Tribe and/or employer or the union the election officer may order a re-run election or dismiss the decertification petition.



- (d) A decertification proceeding may not begin until one (1) year after the certification of a labor union if there is no collective bargaining agreement. Where there is a collective bargaining agreement, a decertification petition may only be filed no more than ninety (90) days and no less than sixty (60) days prior to the expiration of a collective bargaining agreement. A decertification petition may be filed any time after the expiration of a collective bargaining agreement.
- (e) The Tribe or the union may appeal within five (5) days any decision rendered after the date of the election by the election officer to a three (3) member panel of the Tribal Labor Panel chosen in accordance with Section 13(c), provided that the Tribal Labor Panel must issue a decision within thirty (30) days after receiving the appeal.

### **Section 13: Binding Dispute Resolution Mechanism**

- (a) All issues shall be resolved exclusively through the binding dispute resolution mechanisms herein.
- (b) The method of binding dispute resolution shall be a resolution by the Tribal Labor Panel, consisting of ten (10) arbitrators appointed by mutual selection of the parties which panel shall serve all tribes that have adopted this ordinance. The Tribal Labor Panel shall have authority to hire staff and take other actions necessary to conduct elections, determine units, determine scope of negotiations, hold hearings, subpoena witnesses, take testimony, and conduct all other activities needed to fulfill its obligations under this Ordinance.
  - (1) Each member of the Tribal Labor Panel shall have relevant experience in federal labor law and/or federal Indian law with preference given to those with experience in both. Names of individuals may be provided by such sources as, but not limited to, Indian Dispute Services, Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, and the American Academy of Arbitrators.
  - (2) Unless either party objects, one (1) arbitrator from the Tribal Labor Panel will render a binding decision on the dispute under the Ordinance. If either party objects, the dispute will be decided by a three (3)-member panel, unless arbitrator

scheduling conflicts prevent the arbitration from occurring within thirty (30) days of selection of the arbitrators, in which case a single arbitrator shall render a decision. If one (1) arbitrator will be rendering a decision, five (5) Tribal Labor Panel names shall be submitted to the parties and each party may strike no more than two (2) names. If the dispute will be decided by a three (3)-member panel, seven (7) Tribal Labor Panel names will be submitted and each party can strike no more than two (2) names. A coin toss shall determine which party may strike the first name. The arbitrator will generally follow the American Arbitration Association's procedural rules relating to labor dispute resolution. The arbitrator must render a written, binding decision that complies in all respects with the provisions of this Ordinance within thirty (30) days after a hearing.

- (c) (1) Upon certification of a union in accordance with Section 10 of this Ordinance, the Tribe and union shall negotiate for a period of ninety (90) days after certification. If, at the conclusion of the ninety (90)-day period, no collective bargaining agreement is reached and either the union and/or the Tribe believes negotiations are at an impasse, at the request of either party, the matter shall be submitted to mediation with the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service. The costs of mediation and conciliation shall be borne equally by the parties.
- (2) Upon appointment, the mediator shall immediately schedule meetings at a time and location reasonably accessible to the parties. Mediation shall proceed for a period of thirty (30) days. Upon expiration of the thirty (30)-day period, if the parties do not resolve the issues to their mutual satisfaction, the mediator shall certify that the mediation process has been exhausted. Upon mutual agreement of the parties, the mediator may extend the mediation period.
- (3) Within twenty-one (21) days after the conclusion of mediation, the mediator shall file a report that resolves all of the issues between the parties and establishes the final terms of a collective bargaining agreement, including all issues subject to mediation and all issues resolved by the parties prior to the

certification of the exhaustion of the mediation process. With respect to any issues in dispute between the parties, the report shall include the basis for the mediator's determination. The mediator's determination shall be supported by the record.

- (d) In resolving the issues in dispute, the mediator may consider those factors commonly considered in similar proceedings.
- (e) Either party may seek a motion to compel arbitration or a motion to confirm or vacate an arbitration award, under this Section 13, in the appropriate state superior court, unless a bilateral contract has been created in accordance with Section 7, in which case either party may proceed in federal court. The Tribe agrees to a limited waiver of its sovereign immunity for the sole purpose of compelling arbitration or confirming or vacating an arbitration award issued pursuant to the Ordinance in the appropriate state superior court or in federal court. The parties are free to put at issue whether or not the arbitration award exceeds the authority of the Tribal Labor Panel.

Attachment 1

CONSENT ELECTION AGREEMENT PROCEDURES

Pursuant to the Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance adopted pursuant to section 12.10 of the compact, the undersigned parties hereby agree as follows:

1. Jurisdiction. Tribe is a federally recognized Indian tribal government subject to the Ordinance; and each employee organization named on the ballot is an employee organization within the meaning of the Ordinance; and the employees described in the voting unit are Eligible Employees within the meaning of the Ordinance.

2. Election. An election by secret ballot shall be held under the supervision of the elections officer among the Eligible Employees as defined in Section 2 of the Ordinance of the Tribe named above, and in the manner described below, to determine which employee organization, if any, shall be certified to represent such employees pursuant to the Ordinance.

3. Voter Eligibility. Unless otherwise indicated below, the eligible voters shall be all Eligible Employees who were employed on the eligibility cutoff date indicated below, and who are still employed on the date they cast their ballots in the election, i.e., the date the voted ballot is received by the elections officer. Eligible Employees who are ill, on vacation, on leave of absence or sabbatical, temporarily laid off, and employees who are in the military service of the United States shall be eligible to vote.

4. Voter Lists. The Tribe shall electronically file with the elections officer a list of eligible voters within two (2) business days after receipt of a Notice of Election.

5. Notice of Election. The elections officer shall serve Notices of Election on the Tribe and on each party to the election. The Notice shall contain a sample ballot, a description of the voting unit and information regarding the balloting process. Upon receipt, the Tribe shall post such Notice of Election conspicuously on all employee bulletin boards in each facility of the employer in which members of the voting unit are employed. Once a Notice of Election is posted, where the union has made the written offer set forth in Section 7(b) of the Tribal Labor Relations Ordinance, the Tribe shall continue to refrain from

publishing or posting pamphlets, fliers, letters, posters or any other communication which should be interpreted as criticism of the union or advises employees to vote “no” against the union. The Tribe shall be free at all times to fully inform employees about the terms and conditions of employment it provides to employees and the advantages of working for the Tribe.

6. Challenges. The elections officer or an authorized agent of any party to the election may challenge, for good cause, the eligibility of a voter. Any challenges shall be made prior to the tally of the ballots.

7. Tally of Ballots. At the time and place indicated below, ballots shall be co-mingled and tabulated by the elections officer. Each party shall be allowed to station an authorized agent at the ballot count to verify the tally of ballots. At the conclusion of the counting, the elections officer shall serve a Tally of Ballots on each party.

8. Objections and Post-election Procedures. Objections to the conduct of the election may be filed with the elections officer within five (5) calendar days following the service of the Tally of Ballots. Service and proof of service is required.

9. Runoff Election. In the event a runoff election is necessary, it shall be conducted at the direction of the elections officer.

10. Wording on Ballot. The choices on the ballot shall appear in the wording and order enumerated below.

FIRST: [\*\*\*]

SECOND: [\*\*\*]

THIRD: [\*\*\*]

11. Cutoff Date for Voter Eligibility: [\*\*\*]

12. Description of the Balloting Process. A secret ballot election will take place within thirty (30) days after delivery of the voter list referenced in paragraph 4. The employer will determine the location or locations of the polling places for the election. There must be at least one (1) neutral location (such as a high school, senior center, or similar facility) which is not within the gaming facility and employees must also be afforded the option of voting by mail through procedures established by the elections officer. Such procedures must include provisions that

provide meaningful protection for each employee's ability to make an informed and voluntary individual choice on the issue of whether to accept or reject a union. Such procedures must also ensure that neither employer nor union representatives shall observe employees personally marking, signing, and placing their ballot in the envelope. Only voters, designated observers and the election officer or supporting staff can be present in the polling area. Neither employer nor union representatives may campaign in or near the polling area. If the election officer or supporting staff questions an employee's eligibility to vote in the election, the ballot will be placed in a sealed envelope until eligibility is determined. The box will be opened under the supervision of the election officer when voting is finished. Ballots submitted by mail must be received by the elections officer no later than the day of the election in order to be counted in the official tally of ballots.

13. Voter List Format and Filing Deadline: Not later than two (2) business days after receipt of the Notice of Election, the Tribe shall file with the elections officer, at [\*\*address\*\*], an alphabetical list of all eligible voters including their job titles, work locations and home addresses.

Copies of the list shall be served concurrently on the designated representative for the [\*\*\*]; proof of service must be concurrently filed with elections officer.

In addition, the Tribe shall submit to the elections officer on or before [\*\*\*], by electronic mail, a copy of the voter list in an Excel spreadsheet format, with columns labeled as follows: First Name, Last Name, Street Address, City, State, and Zip Code. Work locations and job titles need not be included in the electronic file. The file shall be sent to [\*\*\*].

14. Notices of Election: Shall be posted by the Tribe no later than [\*\*\*].

15. Date, Time and Location of Counting of Ballots: Beginning at [\*\*time\*\*] on [\*\*date\*\*], at the [\*\*address\*\*].

16. Each signatory to this Agreement hereby declares under penalty of perjury that s/he is a duly authorized agent empowered to enter into this Consent Election Agreement.

(Name of Party)
By
(Title) (Date)

(Name of Party)
By
(Title) (Date)

(Name of Party)
By
(Title) (Date)

(Name of Party)
By
(Title) (Date)

Date approved: \_\_\_\_\_

**[\*\*Author\*\*]**  
Elections Officer

## APPENDIX D

### Off-Track Wagering

**WHEREAS**, the State of California permits and regulates pari-mutuel wagering on horse racing at authorized satellite wagering facilities (also known as simulcast wagering facilities) at various locations within the State, under the terms of California Business and Professions Code section 19400 et seq. (Horse Racing Law); and

**WHEREAS**, the California Horse Racing Board (Board) is the agency established under California state law to administer and enforce all laws, rules, and regulations affecting horse racing and pari-mutuel wagering within the state and has enacted regulations that appear at title 4, California Code of Regulations, article 24 (Board Rules and Regulations); and

**WHEREAS**, operation of a satellite wagering facility is a Class III Gaming Activity under IGRA; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe has duly enacted its Gaming Ordinance, which permits such gaming activities if conducted in conformity with an applicable tribal-state compact; and

**WHEREAS**, section 3.1, subdivision (a)(4), of the Compact authorizes and permits the Tribe to offer wagering on horse races at a satellite wagering facility pursuant to the requirements of this Appendix; and

**WHEREAS**, the Tribe and the State each recognize the sovereign authority and interests of the other in regulating gaming activities within their respective areas of jurisdiction and in ensuring that satellite wagering is conducted fairly, honestly, professionally and in a manner that promotes both the goals of the Tribe and the California horse racing industry;

**NOW, THEREFORE**, in consideration of the mutual promises set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:

**Sec. 1.0**     **Definitions**. Except where the context otherwise requires, the terms employed in this Appendix shall have the same meanings ascribed to them in the California Horse Racing Law, the Board Rules and Regulations, and in the Compact, as they may be modified or amended from time to time during the term



of the Compact. Whenever reference to the Compact is made in this Appendix, that reference shall be understood to also include any Class III Gaming compact between the Tribe and the State to amend or replace the Compact that may hereafter be entered into and that is in effect. A satellite wagering machine is a device used solely to conduct satellite wagering as authorized by this Appendix, and such a machine shall not be treated as a Gaming Device as defined in the Compact, including for the purpose of calculating the number of Gaming Devices operated by the Tribe under the Compact.

**Sec. 2.0 Purpose.** The purpose of this Appendix is to establish and declare the terms upon which satellite wagering facilities may be established and operated by the Tribe in its Gaming Facilities as a means of developing self-sufficiency and generating additional revenues necessary to provide tribal services and programs, while providing the State and the Tribe with an effective means of regulating such activities in accordance with IGRA.

**Sec. 3.0 Authorization to Operate Satellite Wagering Facility.** The Tribe is authorized to establish and operate satellite wagering facilities (Satellite Facility or Satellite Facilities) upon the Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians Reservation within no more than two (2) of its Authorized Gaming Facilities as defined at section 4.2 of the Compact, provided that the Tribe completes and submits to the Board an Application for Authorization to Operate a Simulcast Wagering Facility (Form CHRB-25, or such form as may be revised) for each Satellite Facility and the Satellite Facilities are operated in conformity with IGRA, the Compact, and this Appendix, which incorporates by reference the provisions of California Horse Racing Law and the Board Rules and Regulations specific to the conduct of satellite wagering.

- (A) Satellite Facilities. For purposes of this Appendix, a site within no more than two (2) of the Tribe's Gaming Facilities, which shall be clearly demarcated, shall be approved as the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities, provided that upon inspection by the Board, the Board finds that the Satellite Facilities are suitable for satellite wagering activities. References to the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities in this Appendix shall refer only to the portion of the Gaming Facilities that are demarcated as the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities and shall not refer to any other portion of the Gaming Facilities.
- (B) Continuing Obligation to Maintain Satellite Facility. The Tribe agrees to maintain its Satellite Facilities in a manner that complies with all

applicable satellite wagering facility requirements made applicable by this Appendix at all times; provided, however, that the Tribe retains sole discretion to cease operation of the Satellite Facility or Satellite Facilities.

- (C) Except as provided in this Appendix, no prohibition upon, or regulation of, the establishment or operation of the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities will be imposed upon the Tribe by the State.

**Sec. 4.0 Agreements With Satellite Operating Organizations.**

- (A) In order to permit the conduct of intrastate satellite wagering and out-of-state satellite wagering at the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities, the Tribe is hereby authorized to enter into agreements with any satellite operating organization that is established pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19608.2, subdivision (a), and which organization provides the audiovisual signal of, and operates satellite wagering on, racing events authorized to be received in the southern zone. No such satellite operating organization shall refuse to enter into such an agreement with the Tribe on the ground that the Tribe is not an entity eligible to be authorized to operate a satellite wagering facility under state law, or that the proposed agreement with the Tribe is otherwise inconsistent with any other provision of state law, or with the Board Rules and Regulations, as long as the proposed agreement between the Tribe and the satellite operating organization complies with federal law and with the terms of this Appendix. A copy of any such agreement entered into by the Tribe shall be provided to the Board at the location of the Board's headquarters within thirty (30) days after its execution. Except as herein provided, nothing in this Appendix is intended to alter in any way the rights of the satellite operating organization under state law.
- (B) Upon the written request of the Tribe made not sooner than one (1) year after commencement of operations at the Agua Caliente Satellite Facility, the provisions of section 4.0, subdivision (A), limiting the satellite operating organizations with which the Tribe may enter into agreements, shall be subject to amendment in accordance with the procedures of sections 15.1 and 15.3 of the Compact, and the State shall consent to the request to negotiate an amendment to section 4.0, subdivision (A) of this Appendix.

**Sec. 5.0     Distribution of Handle.**

- (A) Generally. The amounts deducted from pari-mutuel wagers at the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities, and the distribution of such amounts, shall be the same as those provided for under the California Horse Racing Law and the Board Rules and Regulations for satellite wagering facilities, other than fairs, in the southern zone.
  
- (B) Additional Provisions for Purposes of Business and Professions Code Section 19605.71.
  - (1) The Tribe and the satellite operating organization may agree between them and may specify by incorporating into the agreement described in section 4.0, above, how the percentages of the handle specified in Business and Professions Code section 19605.71, subdivision (c), and designated for promotion of the program at the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities, shall be distributed and expended; and
  
  - (2) The Tribe shall be deemed to be the equivalent of the county entitled to the 0.33% of the handle distributed to the local government within which the Satellite Facilities are located, as specified in Business and Professions Code section 19605.71, subdivision (d), and the Tribe shall receive that distribution instead of Riverside County.

**Sec. 6.0     Right of Entry.** The Tribe hereby grants the Board a right of entry onto the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation solely for purposes of inspecting its Satellite Facilities and monitoring compliance with this Appendix. Such inspection or other site visits shall be conducted by the Board in accordance with the same schedules, policies, and procedures that the Board customarily applies to satellite wagering facilities licensed under state law. Except when entering, leaving, or remaining in the Satellite Facilities during normal operating hours, Board members or personnel shall notify the Agua Caliente Tribal Gaming Agency, as defined in the Compact. Board inspections of the non-public areas of the Satellite Facilities and inspections, copying, and maintenance of papers, books and records, which shall remain the property of the Tribe, shall be conducted in accordance with the Compact. Nothing in this Appendix shall preclude the State Gaming Agency, as defined in the Compact, from entry into the Satellite Facilities to carry out all activities, rights, and duties authorized by the Compact.

**Sec. 7.0 Concurrent Tribal Authority.** Nothing contained herein shall operate to preclude the Tribe from exercising such additional and concurrent regulatory authority as it may otherwise possess over the Gaming Activities authorized under this Appendix; provided, however, that any regulatory authority exercised by the Tribe over the Gaming Activities authorized in this Appendix shall be no less stringent than that which the Board would exercise over non-tribal satellite wagering facilities approved under state law. This Appendix shall not affect the regulation of other Gaming Activities authorized in the Compact.

**Sec. 8.0 Consent Under Interstate Horse Racing Act.** To the extent that acceptance of interstate off-track wagers is authorized by California state law and the California Horse Racing Board, the execution of the Compact by the State shall constitute consent to acceptance of interstate off-track wagers by the satellite operating organization at the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities, as required under 15 U.S.C. § 3004(a)(3). Either the State, or the Board or its successor, if requested, shall acknowledge in writing the consent given in the Compact and herein.

**Sec. 9.0 Satellite Facility Licenses Generally.** Subject to compliance with the terms of this Appendix, the Tribe shall not be required to obtain or possess a license from the Board in order to establish and operate a satellite wagering facility within its Gaming Facilities, and shall not be required to obtain any other license under state law in connection with its operation of a satellite wagering facility, except as may be required under the Compact.

**Sec. 10.0 Licensing of Employees.**

- (A) Administrator and managerial personnel who exercise control over other persons licensed by the Board or the operation of satellite wagering, or whose duties routinely require access to restricted areas of the Satellite Facilities, and clerical and other employees employed in a restricted area of the Satellite Facilities, shall hold a valid license issued by the Board, if the person is required to be licensed pursuant to section 1481 of the Board Rules and Regulations; provided that this requirement shall not apply to tribal public safety officers and security personnel of the Gaming Facility who regularly patrol the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities in the course of performing their normal, assigned duties, but who are not assigned to remain therein continuously; and provided further that for the purposes of this

Appendix, the restricted area of the Satellite Facilities shall mean those areas within the Satellite Facilities where admission can be obtained only upon presentation of authorized credentials or proper license, including those areas designated as the pari-mutuel department.

- (B) As required by a tribal ordinances, regulations, or rules, certain persons employed at the Satellite Facilities on the Agua Caliente Indian Reservation shall:
  - (1) hold a valid license issued by the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Tribe, if the Tribe requires licenses for such occupation or activity; or
  - (2) be approved by the Tribal Gaming Agency or the Tribe for such employment.

**Sec. 11.0 Security Control Over Satellite Facilities.** The Tribe shall maintain such security controls over its Satellite Facilities and premises, including the presence of licensed security personnel, as the Board's Chief Investigator shall direct; and shall remove, deny access to, eject, or exclude persons whose presence within the Satellite Facilities is inimical to the interests of the State as provided by sections 1980 and 1989 of the Board Rules and Regulations, or to the interests of the Tribe in operating honest, legitimate Satellite Facilities. Persons prohibited from wagering or excluded from the Satellite Facilities pursuant to sections 1980 through 1989 of the Rules and Regulations shall have the right to a hearing thereon pursuant to the Board Rules and Regulations, and the Tribe shall abide by the Board's decision following such hearing; however, nothing in this section shall affect the Tribe's power to exclude or remove persons from the Agua Caliente Reservation, Gaming Facility, or Satellite Facilities pursuant to the Tribe's laws, regulations, rules, or policies.

**Sec. 12.0 Civil Regulation.**

- (A) Generally. Except as modified by this Appendix, and except to the extent that they are in conflict with federal law, all provisions of the California Constitution and all provisions of California Horse Racing Law that specifically and directly pertain to the conduct of satellite wagering, and all rules, regulations, policies, and regulatory and enforcement practices of the Board or its successor, which are now in

existence or which may hereafter be enacted, adopted or from time to time amended, and which apply generally to satellite wagering facilities within the State, are hereby incorporated into this Appendix and shall be applicable to the Satellite Facilities authorized by this Appendix to the same extent and in the same manner as they apply to satellite wagering facilities in operation within the State generally.

- (B) Non-Discrimination in Enforcement. In exercising the regulatory enforcement authority granted herein, such authority and the application of the Board Rules and Regulations and procedures shall not be exercised by the Board in a manner which discriminates against the Tribe or is more stringent than that applied to regularly-approved satellite wagering facilities in operation within the State generally.

**Sec. 13.0 Suitability Standard Regarding Licensing**. It is the Tribe's and the State's intent that the licensing of persons, entities, and financial sources directly providing services or materials to the Agua Caliente Satellite Facilities shall involve joint cooperation between the Tribal Gaming Agency and the Board. Except as modified by this Appendix, the Tribe agrees to comply with all licensing requirements, procedures, and standards relevant to satellite wagering facilities that are set forth in the California Horse Racing Law and the Board's Rules and Regulations.

**Sec. 14.0 Governing Law**. This Appendix shall be governed by and construed in accordance with IGRA and the laws of the State of California to the extent those laws are not inconsistent with IGRA; provided, however, that provisions of state laws and regulations that specifically and directly pertain to the conduct of satellite wagering that are expressly incorporated into this Appendix shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California.