

PALA Tribal Housing & Development Department

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NOTICE OF FINDING OF NO SIGNFICANT IMPACT AND NOTICE OF INTENT TO REQUEST RELEASE OF FUNDS

February 19, 2021

Pala Band of Mission Indians

PMB 50, 35008 Pala Temecula Road

Pala, CA 92059

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These notices shall satisfy two separate but related procedural requirements for activities to be undertaken by the Pala Band of Mission Indians.

REQUEST FOR RELEASE OF FUNDS

On or about March 9, 2021, the Pala Band of Mission Indians will submit a request to the HUD SWONAP (Phoenix, AZ) for the release of Indian Housing Block Grant funds under Title I of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act, as amended, to undertake a project known as Pala Housing Resource Center (Training Center) for the purpose of new construction of an approximately 6,300-s.f. building for training center, estimated funding consists of \$900,000 IHBG and \$350,000 from the Pala Tribe. The project is located on a 0.5 acre lot, 35010 Pala Temecula Road, on the Pala reservation.

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

The Pala Band of Mission Indians has determined that the project will have no significant impact on the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) is not required. Additional project information is contained in the Environmental Review Record (ERR). The ERR will be made available to the public for review either electronically or by U.S. mail. Please submit your request by U.S. mail to Annalee H. Trujillo, Executive Director, Pala Tribe, Housing Department, PMB 50, 35008 Pala Temecula Road, Pala, CA 92059 or by email to atrujillo@palatribe.com. The ERR can be accessed online at the following website www.palatribe.com.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Any individual, group, or agency may submit written comments on the ERR to the Pala Tribe Housing Department, at the mail or email listed above. All comments received by March 9, 2021

will be considered by the Pala Band of Mission Indians prior to authorizing submission of a request for release of funds. Comments should specify which Notice they are addressing.

ENVIRONMENTAL CERTIFICATION

The Pala Band of Mission Indians certifies to HUD that Robert H. Smith in his capacity as Chairman consents to accept the jurisdiction of the Federal Courts if an action is brought to enforce responsibilities in relation to the environmental review process and that these responsibilities have been satisfied. HUD's approval of the certification satisfies its responsibilities under NEPA and related laws and authorities and allows the Pala Tribe to use Program funds.

OBJECTIONS TO RELEASE OF FUNDS

HUD will accept objections to its release of fund and the Tribe's certification for a period of fifteen days following the anticipated submission date or its actual receipt of the request (whichever is later) only if they are on one of the following bases: (a) the certification was not executed by the Certifying Officer of the Pala Tribe; (b) the Tribe has omitted a step or failed to make a decision or finding required by HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 58; (c) the grant recipient or other participants in the development process have committed funds, incurred costs or undertaken activities not authorized by 24 CFR Part 58 before approval of a release of funds by HUD; or (d) another Federal agency acting pursuant to 40 CFR Part 1504 has submitted a written finding that the project is unsatisfactory from the standpoint of environmental quality. Objections must be prepared and submitted in accordance with the required procedures (24 CFR Part 58, Sec. 58.76) and shall be addressed to HUD Phoenix Field Office at deborah.s.broermann@hud.gov . Potential objectors should contact HUD Phoenix Field Office to verify the actual last day of the objection period.

Robert H. Smith, Chairman of Pala Tribe - Certifying Officer

2/12/2021