

La Cuna de Aztlan Sacred Sites Protection Circle

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John Kalish
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Dear John,

It was indeed a pleasure having you and George together with our committee here on Tuesday March 2, 2010 for the onsite tour of the Sacred Sites. During the tour we visited Kokopilli, Cicimitl, the ancient trails and the rest of the Sacred Sites which are within the area of the proposed Blythe Solar Power project. I hope that you and George were able to absorb most of the information that we presented to you.

Like I explained to you, most of the mountain images that surround the Lower Colorado River Basin (Beginning in the north from Spirit Mountain, "Avi-Kawme," (Mojave) and Tlalocan (Nahuatl) north of Laughlin, NV, down to the south to the Gulf of California) relate to the Mexica Codices and what we call "La Cuna de Aztlán" (Cradle of Aztlán) which is centered around Blythe, California.

During our conversation, I explained to you that at first we were afraid to reveal the Sacred Sites to the general public because we were threatened by the off-roaders who were the principle destroyers of these sites. However, now we are at the brinks of having all the sites destroyed by these Solar Power Projects. For this reason, we are totally against the proposed Blythe, Palen and Gencsis Solar projects.

We would greatly appreciate if our La Cuna de Aztlan Sacred Sites Protection Circle organization could extend our current MOU with the BLM office in Yuma, Arizona in order to extend and fall under the jurisdiction of the Palm Springs, Ca office.

I was also glad to know that there might be some money from the Department of Interior to erect the fences in order to protect the Kokopilli/Cicimitl Sites which are now being revealed to the general public due to the current critical situation in which we are in. Please advise us of what procedures we must take in order to receive the funds or if we can establish a partnership with the BLM office to immediately build the fences.

And please let me know if you would like me to make a presentation at the BLM office because we do not want to spend another 10 years fighting a proposed Solar Power Projects like we did during Ward Valley Nuclear Toxic Dump campaign.

Enclose you will find the Mission Statement for La Cuna de Aztlán Sacred Sites Protection Circle.

Thank you again for your help and I hope to hear from you soon.

Sincerely,

Alfredo Acosta Figueroa