

APPENDIX 5.3A

Agency Consultation Letters

CONTRA COSTA GENERATING STATION CONSULTATION RECORD TO LOCAL HISTORICAL SOCIETIES		
<i>HISTORICAL SOCIETY / ORGANIZATION</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Comments Summary</i>
East Contra Costa Historical Society 3890 Sellers Avenue Brentwood, CA 94513 925-625-3553	Phone call, 4/25	Spoke with receptionist at the historical society. She requested a letter and map be sent to Kathy Leighton, their research specialist. Letter was sent registered mail as requested.
Contra Costa Historical Society 610 Main Street Martinex, CA 94553 925-229-1042 925-229-1772 (fax) info@cocohistory.com	Phone call, 4/25 Per message, sent email with letter and map on 4/25	No response.



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April 6, 2009

East Contra Costa Historical Society
PO Box 202
Brentwood, CA 94513
Attn: Kathy Leighton
925-625-3553

Subject: Contra Costa Generating Station Project

To Ms. Leighton,

CH2M HILL is assisting Radback Energy with the preparation of an Application for Certification (AFC) before the California Energy Commission (CEC) for a new power plant to be located in Contra Costa County, near the City of Oakley. The project will be located on the former DuPont facility and within the Oakley city limits. The Contra Costa Generating Station will be a combined-cycle power plant with approximately 500 MW of nominal net generating capacity. The power equipment will consist of two General Electric (GE) Frame 7FA natural gas-fired combustion turbines and one steam turbine. Please see the enclosed study area map (T2N R2E Section 21 and 22, *Jersey Island, California 7.5 Minute USGS quadrangle*).

I am interested in any information regarding historic structures near our project area as well as any questions or concerns the East Contra Costa Historical Society might have about the project. I have attached a map showing the area where the proposed plant and new power lines would be constructed.

Thank you very much for your time. If you have any questions, please call me at 714-435-6179.

Sincerely,

CH2M HILL

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Natalie J. Lawson, M.A., RPA
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Enclosures: Project Location Map



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April 24, 2009

Contra Costa Historical Society
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925-229-1772 (fax)
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Subject: Contra Costa Generating Station Project

To Whom it May Concern,

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CONTRA COSTA GENERATING STATION CONSULTATION LETTERS TO NATIVE AMERICAN CONTACTS PROVIDED BY NAHC		Date Letter Sent to NAHC: <u>April 7, 2009</u>					
RECIPIENT	DATE SENT	LETTER MAILED	FAXED	E-MAILED	COMMENTS RECEIVED (from letter)	FOLLOW UP PHONE CALL	COMMENTS SUMMARY (from Phone)
Catherine Erolinda Perez Bay Miwok PO Box 717 Linden, CA 95236	4-24-09	X				No phone number available	
The Ohlone Indian Tribe Andrew Galvan Bay Miwok PO Box 3152 Fremont, CA 94539 chochenyo@aol.com 510-882-0527 510-687-9393	4-24-09	X		X		5-5-09	Andy Galvan requested a new letter and map and lit search results. Sent, as requested, after confirming with NEIC that this was acceptable. Mr. Galvan also requested the opportunity to view the results of the report prior to completion of the document. This was added to the AFC section and technical memo. A summary of results was provided to Mr. Galvan via email. Mr. Galvan has also requested the presence of a Native American monitor whenever an archaeological monitor is on site.
Trina Marine Ruano Family Ramona Garibay, Representative Bay Miwok 16010 Halmar Lane Lathrop, CA 95330 soaproot@msn.com 209-629-8619	4-24-09	X		X		5-5-09	Left message. Ms. Garibay returned the call on May 7, 2009. She would like to be notified in the event of a find during project construction.



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June 15, 2009

Debie Pilas Treadway
Native American Heritage Commission
915 Capitol Mall, Room 364
Sacramento, CA 95814
gtomei_nahc@pacbell.net

Subject: Contra Costa Generating Station Project

Dear Ms. Treadway,

CH2M HILL is assisting Radback Energy with the preparation of an Application for Certification (AFC) before the California Energy Commission (CEC) for a new power plant to be located in Contra Costa County, near the City of Oakley. The project will be located on the former DuPont facility and within the Oakley city limits. The Contra Costa Generating Station will be a combined-cycle power plant with approximately 500 MW of nominal net generating capacity. The power equipment will consist of two General Electric (GE) Frame 7FA natural gas-fired combustion turbines and one steam turbine. Please see the enclosed study area map (T2N R2E Section 21 and 22, *Jersey Island, California 7.5 Minute USGS quadrangle*).

We would appreciate your checking the Sacred Lands Files to see if there are any culturally sensitive areas within the immediate project vicinity. We would also like to receive a list of Native American individuals or organizations interested in consulting on the project since we will attempt to contact local Indian groups to solicit their written input/concerns about the project.

Thanks again for your cooperation and assistance. We look forward to your earliest possible reply. If you have any questions, please call me at 714-435-6179.

Sincerely,

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STATE OF CALIFORNIAArnold Schwarzenegger, Governor**NATIVE AMERICAN HERITAGE COMMISSION**

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April 16, 2009

Natalie J. Lawson, M.A., RPA
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Sent by Fax: 714-424-2246

Number of Pages: 2

Re: Proposed Contra Costa Generating Station project, Contra Costa County.

Dear Ms. Lawson:

A record search of the sacred land file has failed to indicate the presence of Native American cultural resources in the immediate project area. The absence of specific site information in the sacred lands file does not indicate the absence of cultural resources in any project area. Other sources of cultural resources should also be contacted for information regarding known and recorded sites.

Enclosed is a list of Native Americans individuals/organizations who may have knowledge of cultural resources in the project area. The Commission makes no recommendation or preference of a single individual, or group over another. This list should provide a starting place in locating areas of potential adverse impact within the proposed project area. I suggest you contact all of those indicated, if they cannot supply information, they might recommend others with specific knowledge. By contacting all those listed, your organization will be better able to respond to claims of failure to consult with the appropriate tribe or group. If a response has not been received within two weeks of notification, the Commission requests that you follow-up with a telephone call to ensure that the project information has been received.

If you receive notification of change of addresses and phone numbers from any of these individuals or groups, please notify me. With your assistance we are able to assure that our lists contain current information. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (916) 653-4038.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Debbie Pilas-Treadway".

Debbie Pilas-Treadway
Environmental Specialist III

Native American Contacts
Contra Costa County
April 14, 2009

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This list is current only as of the date of this document.

Distribution of this list does not relieve any person of statutory responsibility as defined in Section 7050.5 of the Health and Safety Code, Section 5097.94 of the Public Resources Code and Section 5097.98 of the Public Resources Code.

This list is only applicable for contacting local Native Americans with regard to cultural resources for the proposed Contra Costa Generating Station project, Contra Costa County.



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April 22, 2009

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Subject: Contra Costa Generating Station Project

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CH2M HILL has conducted a cultural resources study for the proposed project and has researched the archaeological literature and records for the project. Results of the records search in April 2009 at the Northeast Information Center failed to identify prehistoric archaeological resources within the project site. A search of the Sacred Land files by the Native American Heritage Commission (NAHC) in April 2009 failed to indicate the presence of Native American sacred sites in the immediate Project vicinity.

If you know of any traditional cultural properties or values (e.g., burial sites, religious sites, or gathering sites) within the Project area shown on the enclosed map, or if you have any concerns regarding issues related to the overall Project, please contact me at (714) 435-6179 or by mail; you may also contact me at nlawson@ch2m.com. Your project comments and concerns are important to us. I look forward to hearing from you in the near future.

Respectfully yours,

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cc: File
Enclosure—Map of Project Area



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Lawson, Natalie/SCO

From: chochenyo [chochenyo@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, May 06, 2009 7:55 AM
To: Lawson, Natalie/SCO
Subject: RE: Proposed Power Plant in Contra Costa County

Hi there,

I would recommend that wherever there is an archaeological monitor on-site due to concerns that pre-contact materials could be encountered/discovered/disturbed than an Native American Indian Monitor should likewise be present.

Andrew Galvan

An Ohlone, Bay Miwok, Plains Miwok, Coast Miwok and Patwin "Mission Indian" descendant.
Curator, Old Mission Dolores, San Francisco
Principal Historian, Archaeor, Archaeological Consultants
President, Board of Directors, The Committee for the Restoration of Mission San Jose
Member, Board of Directors, The Junipero SERRA CAUSE for Canonization
Member, Board of Directors, The California Mission Studies Association
Founding Member, The California Missions Foundation
Staff Member, The Franciscan Pilgrimage Program

On May 6, 2009, at 6:38:17 AM, Natalie.Lawson@CH2M.com wrote:

Since we're the archaeologists, we've just recommended archaeological monitoring. For CEC licensed projects, its a standard recommendation. Also, since there is a prehistoric site in the vicinity and the proposed plant is near water and resources, there is a possibility of something below the disturbed plow zone in the vineyard. Its always possible that the CEC will require more study beyond the survey, but at this time, since we don't have anything on the surface of the plant site, we're just recommending monitoring.

If you want to recommend Native monitoring, just let me know and I will put your recommendation into the document-