

APPENDIX D

**State Historic Preservation Office, Native American Heritage
Commission and Northwest Information Center Consultation**

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Coordination with the SHPO office is ongoing.

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Re: Proposed Hercules Intermodal Transit Center, Contra Costa County

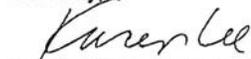
Dear Ms. Norwood:

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,

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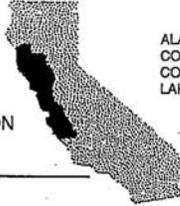
This list is current only as of the date of this document.

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 Hercules Intermodal Transit Center, Contra Costa County

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Re: Record search results for the proposed Hercules Intermodal Transit Center,
Hercules, Contra Costa, California.

Dear Ms. Morton:

Per your request received by our office on April 28, 2009, a records search was conducted for the above referenced project by reviewing pertinent Northwest Information Center (NWIC) base maps that reference cultural resources records and reports, historic-period maps, and literature for Contra Costa County. Please note that use of the term cultural resources includes both archaeological resources and historical buildings and/or structures.

Review of this information indicates that there has been one cultural resource study that covers approximately 10% of the Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area (Holman 1993: S-15312). This project area contains no recorded cultural resources. Local, state and federal inventories include one recorded historic district, the Hercules Powder Plant (4547-0003-9999) that may include areas within the proposed project area. This property has a status code of 7R, meaning it was identified in a reconnaissance level survey, but has not been evaluated. In addition to these inventories, the NWIC base maps show no recorded buildings/structures.

At the time of Euroamerican contact the Native Americans that lived in the area were speakers of the Karkin language, part of the Costanoan language family (Levy 1978:485). There are no Native American resources in or adjacent to the proposed project area referenced in the ethnographic literature.

Based on an evaluation of the environmental setting and features associated with known sites, Native American resources in this part of Contra Costa County have been found in areas marginal to the San Pablo Bay shore and inland near intermittent and perennial watercourses. The Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area is located in a valley inlet adjacent to San Pablo Bay shore, and is located adjacent to Refugio Creek. Given the similarity of one or more of these environmental factors, there is a moderate potential of identifying unrecorded Native American resources in the proposed Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area.

Review of historical literature and maps indicated the possibility of historic-period archaeological resources within the Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area. The 1916 USGS Mare Island 15' quadrangle map indicates one or two buildings within the proposed project area. With this in mind, there is a moderate potential of identifying unrecorded historic-period archaeological resources in the proposed Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area.

The 1959 USGS Mare Island 7.5-minute topographic quadrangle depicts one building or structure within the Hercules Intermodal Transit Center project area. These unrecorded buildings/structures meet the Office of Historic Preservation's minimum age standard that buildings, structures, and objects 45 years or older may be of historical value.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1) There is a moderate possibility of identifying Native American archaeological resources and a moderate possibility of identifying historic-period archaeological resources in the project area. We recommend a qualified archaeologist conduct further archival and field study to identify cultural resources. Field study may include, but is not limited to, pedestrian survey, hand auger sampling, shovel test units, or geoarchaeological analyses as well as other common methods used to identify the presence of archaeological resources. Please refer to the list of consultants who meet the Secretary of Interior's Standards at <http://www.chrisinfo.org>.

2) The area of potential effect may contain buildings or structures within the recorded Hercules Powder Plant Historic District (4547-0003-9999), therefore, it is recommended that the agency responsible for Section 106 compliance consult with the Office of Historic Preservation regarding potential impacts to these buildings/structures.

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3) Review for possible historic-period buildings or structures has included only those sources listed in the attached bibliography and should not be considered comprehensive.

4) If archaeological resources are encountered during construction, work should be temporarily halted in the vicinity of the discovered materials and workers should avoid altering the materials and their context until a qualified professional archaeologist has evaluated the situation and provided appropriate recommendations. Project personnel should not collect cultural resources. Native American resources include chert or obsidian flakes, projectile points, mortars, and pestles; and dark friable soil containing shell and bone dietary debris, heat-affected rock, or human burials. Historic-period

resources include stone or adobe foundations or walls; structures and remains with square nails; and refuse deposits or bottle dumps, often located in old wells or privies.

5) It is recommended that any identified cultural resources be recorded on DPR 523 historic resource recordation forms, available online from the Office of Historic Preservation's website: http://ohp.parks.ca.gov/default.asp?page_id=1069

Thank you for using our services. Please contact this office if you have any questions, (707) 664-0880.

Sincerely,



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