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March 25, 2014

The Honorable Tom McClintock  
U.S. House of Representatives  
8700 Auburn-Folsom Road  
Suite 100  
Granite Bay, CA 95746

Dear Congressman McClintock,

The County of El Dorado supports the efforts of the Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians ("Tribe") to secure the transfer of federal land, managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), to the Tribe for use as residential housing for Tribal members.

The Tribe has long sought additional property in order to provide much needed residential housing and community buildings for Tribal membership. The subject parcel (APN 319-030-13) is approximately 40 acres and is contiguous to the Tribe's Rancheria. They anticipate designing a residential community comprised of at least two-acre lots that will include some common community buildings or recreational facilities. It is the Tribe's intent to use this property for residential housing and to work with the surrounding neighbors in order to maintain the rural nature of the community.

The Board of Supervisors supports the Tribe's commitment to develop the parcel for use only as Tribal housing and community use that is consistent with the low density land use for the parcel and surrounding area. The County does request that the Tribe's commitment be memorialized in the house bill. This can be done by adding language to H.R. 2388, Section (c) to include that the use of the land shall be limited to large lot residential use with a maximum of one dwelling unit per two (2) acres, including common community buildings or recreational facilities limited to use only by Tribal members.

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The Board's request for language that limits the use of the parcel (APN 319-030-03) to a residential use, as described above, seeks to ensure that the roads used to access the parcel will remain limited to residential use and access, and not to provide any access for gaming activities allowed on neighboring parcels.

If there are any questions regarding the County's position, please contact Supervisor Ron Briggs at (530) 621-6513, as the Rancheria and surrounding community are within his district.

Sincerely,



Norma Santiago  
Chair, Board of Supervisors  
County of El Dorado

cc: The Honorable Dianne Feinstein, United States Senate