

May 18, 2011

Board of Supervisors County of El Dorado 330 Fair Lane Placerville, CA 95667

Honorable Members of the Board of Supervisors:

Attached, please find the California Prison Industry Authority's (CALPIA) proposal (Attachment A) and draft sketches (Attachment B) to replace the 36 grave markers, and establish an informational monument at the Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery on Shadow Fax Lane within El Dorado County.

This proposal is nearly identical to the proposal developed by Eagle Scout Joshua Michael, which he submitted in 2009. I have attached a copy of Joshua's proposal for your information (see Attachment C). The primary difference is that the labor for this proposal would be accomplished by inmate participants in CALPIA's Career Technical Education (CTE) program, which prepares inmates for release by instructing them in real-world construction skills. The program is a joint partnership between CALPIA, the Carpenter's Union Local 46 and the Laborer's Union Local 185. Participants in the program have a recidivism rate of less than 15%, compared to the general recidivism rate of the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, where the recidivism rate is above 50%.

Funding for the materials will not be provided at taxpayer's expense. Instead the CALPIA is seeking both personal and corporate donations to fund this project. We tentatively estimate that the materials for this project will be at least \$23,000, with each grave marker costing about \$500 and the remainder of the funds for the informational monument. I have committed \$500 personally for the purchase of the first grave marker, and as of this morning, have received commitments for 4 additional. We have also re-engaged ATT to determine of they will recommit the \$20,000 they previously donated to this project when developed by Eagle Scout Joshua Michael.

Per your staff's suggestion, we have contacted Dr. Ralph White via phone and Mr. Michael Harris via phone and email several times. We are scheduled to meet with Dr. White on Friday, May 20, 2011 to discuss our proposal.

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We are prepared to present this proposal at the May 24th meeting of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors. If approved, we estimate completion within 45 days of full funding being obtained.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact me at (916) 358-2699 or Eric Reslock, Chief, External Affairs at (916) 358-1802.

Sincerely.

CHARLES L. PATTILLO

General Manager

cc: Mr. Mike Applegarth, Interim Air Pollution Control Officer, El Dorado County

ATTACHMENT A

Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery Negro Hill Grave Marker Replacement Proposal

BACKGROUND

The Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery (MIRC) is located on Shadow Fax Lane off of Green Valley Road, adjacent to Folsom Lake in El Dorado County. The MIRC is the property of, and is operated and maintained by El Dorado County. El Dorado County took ownership of this property from the U.S. Government in 1960.

The MIRC is comprised of graves from at least 8 different former cemeteries. Most graves were relocated to the MIRC in 1954 in anticipation of the flooding of their former locations due to the construction of Folsom Dam and the creation of Folsom Lake.

The remains of 36 of the Folsom Region's earliest residents of a settlement known as Negro Hill were relocated to the MIRC from the cemetery location previously known as the Negro Hill Cemetery. The 36 graves are marked with 36 individual grave markers, which include inaccurate as well as inappropriate language identifying the previous burial location of the remains. The existing grave markers were installed by a contractor employed by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers in 1954 prior to El Dorado County assuming ownership of the MIRC.

PROJECT BACKGROUND

In 2009, El Dorado Hills resident and Eagle Scout candidate Joshua Michael proposed to replace the existing headstones with the appropriate name of the Negro Hill Cemetery. He raised sufficient funds to complete the project, and his project received approval from El Dorado County. However, the project was not completed. A copy of the Eagle Scout Proposal is appended to this proposal as Attachment C.

The California Prison Industry Authority (CALPIA) proposes to implement the proposal developed by now Eagle Scout Joshua Michael. The CALPIA proposal also offers two versions of an informational monument regarding the Negro Hill Cemetery to be constructed within the MIRC.

The project labor would utilize inmates enrolled in the CALPIA's Carpentry and Labor Pre-apprenticeship Programs located at Folsom State Prison. In addition to new construction, this pre-apprenticeship program performs deferred maintenance, construction projects for the California Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (CDCR), the Department of Parks and Recreation, and the California State Exposition and Fair.

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Inmates that complete this CALPIA training program have a recidivism rate of less than 15%, compared to the over 50% recidivism rate of the CDCR prison general population, which saves taxpayers millions each year.

The materials for the project would not be obtained at taxpayer expense, and would instead be raised through efforts of the California Prison Industry staff and our public and business partners.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION:

Part 1

The CALPIA proposes to remove and replace the 36 grave markers of the 36 graves moved from Negro Hill Cemetery to the MIRC in El Dorado County.

The new grave markers would be constructed of gray granite material secured in a cement foundation. A sketch and measurement of the grave markers is described in Attachment B, Page 1 of this proposal. Per approval of the El Dorado County Board of Supervisors (BOS), the headstones would be inscribed in font to be determined by the BOS and would read:

PIONEER GRAVE

MOVED, FROM
NEGRO HILL CEMETERY
BY
U.S. GOVERNMENT – 1954

Part 2

The CALPIA proposes to construct an informational monument to include information referencing the 36 graves moved from Negro Hill Cemetery. The design of the monument <u>would not</u> include one of the existing grave markers. The monument would be constructed of gray granite material secured in a cement foundation. The informational monument would be inscribed with language and font to be determined by the BOS in the future. A sketch and measurement of this proposed informational monument is described in Attachment B, page 2.

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Part 2 (cont'd)

or

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IMPLEMENTATION

All project labor will be completed by inmates enrolled in the CALPIA Carpentry and Labor Pre-Apprenticeship program at Folsom State Prison. The project will be supervised by CALPIA staff, along with a correctional officer from Folsom State Prison.

All remnant materials from deconstruction of the current grave markers will be disposed of by CALPIA, except for the current headstones, which will be crated for shipment by CALPIA and then removed from the MIRC by the County of El Dorado, or their designee.

TIMELINE

The project will take 5 days to complete after CALPIA receives the completed granite markers from the engraving contractor. Estimates from current vendors for this engraving state that the engraving will take 30 – 40 days, however, all efforts will be made to complete engraving sooner.

COST ESTIMATE

36 Headstones@\$500	\$ 18,000
Informational Monument	5,000
Total	\$ 23,000

Donations will fund the project materials. Funds will be solicited and collected by the California Prison Industry Authority staff on behalf of and payable to the El Dorado County Pioneer Cemeteries Commission.

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Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery Marker Relocation Project

MARKERS - 13"x11"X8" Gray Granite, 36 ea.

PIONEER GRAVE

MOVED FROM

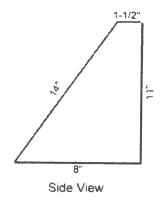
NEGRO HILL CEMETERY

BY

U.S. GOVERNMENT - 1954

13"

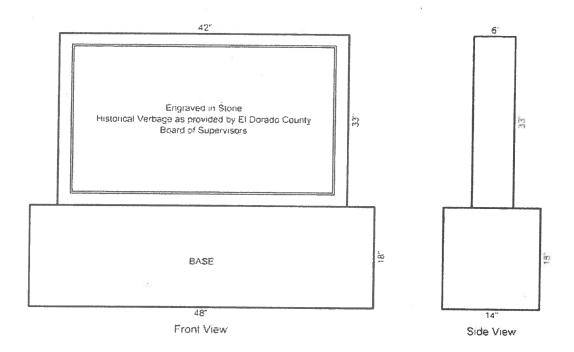
Front View



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MONUMENT - Gray Granite

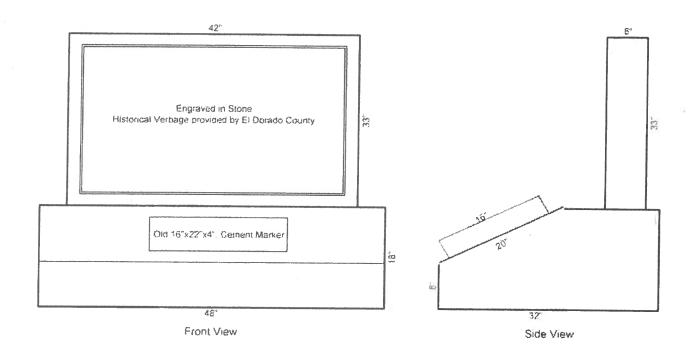


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Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery

Marker Relocation Project - Monument with Base Option "B"

MONUMENT WITH BASE OPTION "B" One16"X22"X4" Old Cement Marker Mounted on Sloped Surface MONUMENT - Gray Granite





ATTACHMENT C

PROJECT DETAILS

Plan your work by describing the present condition, the method, materials to be used, project helpers, a time schedule for carrying out the project, the estimated cost of the project, and how the needed funds will be obtained. Describe any safety hazards you might face, and explain how you will ensure the safety of those carrying out the project.

If appropriate, include photographs of the area before you begin your project. Providing before-and-after photographs of your project area can give a clear example of your effort.

Present Condition:

The Mormon Island Relocation Cemetery (MIRC) is located just off Green Valley Road near Folsom Lake in El Dorado County. One small corner of the MIRC is actually in Sacramento County, but the entire cemetery is operated and maintained by El Dorado County.

The MIRC is actually comprised of graves from 8 different local cemeteries. My project is focused on the Negro Hill section, which was relocated to MIRC in 1954 due to the pending flooding of the old area with the completion of Folsom Lake.

Currently the Negro Hill section of MIRC is a difficult section to identify. The area has no signs and is overgrown with weeds and grass. As earlier described, the 36 grave markers have inaccurate and inappropriate wording.

El Dorado County has long been seeking an opportunity to improve this section, with the emphasis on changing the markers. My work with the Clarksville Historical Society during Clarksville Days brought this project to my attention.

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The Method:

Research and Planning

The first steps of this project required extensive research and coordination. I spoke with the El Dorado County Cemetery Board to find what their needs were. After two meetings with them, I developed an initial plan. The initial plan involved meeting with a representative from the El Dorado County Library and the Folsom Historical Society. After those meetings and a research trip to the Sacramento Library, I was able to confirm the history and original name of the Negro Hill Cemetery.

My hope was to significantly improve the Negro Hill section along with changing the wording. I wanted to install stones like the newer Prairie City section but I knew the cost would be beyond the \$600 the county had budgeted and my ability to raise funds.

The El Dorado County Cemetery Administrator put me in touch with a person at AT&T who is responsible for community service funding. She was also interested in seeing that the errors on the Negro hill markers were corrected. After several calls and meetings, AT&T agreed to provide the significant money needed to provide new granite markers and the new monument described herein. After getting a quote for the headstones and monument and again coordinating with the county, my plan is nearly finished.

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The Method:

Preparation:

The first step after approval is ordering the headstones and monument. The wording for the monument is being developed by Folsom Community College in coordination with El Dorado County. The headstones will have the words "PIONEER GRAVE NEGRO HILL" engraved. The stones will require 60-70 days for delivery, so getting that started is essential.

Next, I will ask for help from my troop to prepare the area. We will mow and clean up the weeds and grass. Also, we will remove the 36 current markers and take them to wherever the county directs. The holes from the removals will be filled in with dirt and leveled so the new stones will have a good base.

We will also prepare the spot for the monument. This will take leveling and making a strong base for the heavy new monument.

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The Method:

Installation:

The new markers and monument will be delivered to the MIRC sometime 60-70 days after ordering. I will ask for Troop 645 adults and scouts to come help install them. The monument will be heavy but one of our associates has a forklift so we can use it to install the monument. The scouts and adults will place the stones and be sure they are leveled.

The headstones and monument will be delivered by the vendor to the cemetery. The old headstones will have already been removed, transported by truck and destroyed. The holes let by the old markers will be filled with one inch of gravel, then filled and packed with dirt. That will work for the smaller grave stones which will be placed by hand.

The monument installation is more complex. The "pad" will be created with a small concrete foundation to provide a stable and level base. I have access to a portable cement mixer and the concrete materials are donated. The foundation will be 3" thick, formed by a wooden frame (cut and constructed on site from 2x4s) and measure 50" x 16". The base will be prepared before the delivery date of the monument.

AT&T would like to have a ceremony associated with the finishing of this project during February, 2010, which is Black History month. I am working with Ms. Burke from AT&T to get media coverage and publicity for this project, the county, AT&T, Folsom Community College, and the Boy Scouts of America. 6

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Materials to be used:

36 Headstones, 13" wide, tapered in depth with slant fronts

Monument, approximately 30" x 42" x 6"

Monument Base, 48" x 14" x 18"

12 feet of 2"x 4" (frame for foundation)

Gravel (concrete and headstone holes)

Cement (donated)

Tools:

Cement Mixer, Mower, Weed Whackers, Shovels, Rakes

Project Helpers:

Research and approvals with AT&T, El Dorado County

Media and documentary from Folsom Community College

Adult associate (Mr. Piland) with forklift, tools, and contractor expertise

Troop 645 Scouts and Adults

Monument Company for delivery

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Time Schedule:

Research and Planning: June 2009 - now

Approvals:

Nov 23-Dec 15

Ordering:

Dec 16

Area Preparation:

Jan 9, Jan 16, Jan 23

Installation:

Jan 30-31

Ceremony:

Feb 12 (tentative, if possible)

Estimated Cost of Project:

36 Headstones:

36 x \$436:

\$15696

Monument with base:

\$3090

Tools, concrete, gravel, wood:

donated

Total: \$18,786 plus \$1644 tax= \$20430. Funds Contributed by AT&T through El Dorado County Pioneer Cemeteries Commission.

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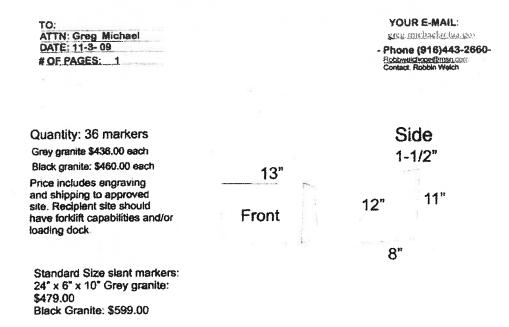
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Safety Hazards:

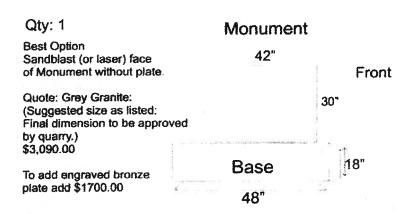
- · Working with power equipment like mowers
- Heat and dehydration
- Lifting heavy stones
- Possible snakes and other varmints

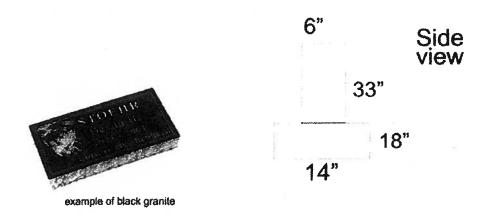
We will ensure adequate supplies like gloves, water, and food. Also there will be a lot of adult supervision. Adults will handle the large, heavy monument during critical times.

YOU HAVE RECEIVED AN E-MAIL MESSAGE FROM: CHRISTOPHER PIERCE ENTERPRISES



Final prices to be confirmed after completed text/engraved information is provided





QUOTATION

Date

Quote No.

11/23/2009

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PH 916-443-2660 FX 916-290-0410 cpe97@msn.com

Christopher Pierce Enterprises

SOLD TO:

SHIP TO:

Donna Burke AT&T, INC. C/O: GREG MICHAEL

AT&T, INC. TBA

Manager, Sacramento Flight Standard

Sacramento CA

Cust: No.:	Cust	. Order No.	REPLY DATE	EXPIRES		SLSPRSN
ATT00010 QUANTITY	Unit	item No.	11/23/2009 Description	12/23/2009	NORMAL SHP Price	RSW Total
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			Sales Tax On 187	86.00	1643.78	1643.78
			TOTAL QUOTE	- 9	20429.78	20429.78

Fax:

Phone

NOTES AND SPECIFICATIONS

THANK YOU, CONTACT ROBBIN WITH ANY QUESTIONS.
FINALIZED PRICING DETERMINED BY QUARY AFTER ALL INFORMATION IS PROVIDED.
PRICES INCLUDE SHIPPING.

Thank you for your business

Estimated Hours:

Historical Research: 31 County Meeting, Library, Historical Society

Planning: 21 County, AT@T, Monument Co.

Public relations: 40

Folsom Community College, AT&T

Site Clean Up: 24 6 scouts, 4 hours each

Marker Removal: 24 6 scouts/adults, 4 hours each

Site Preparation: 20 5 scouts/adults, 4 hours each

Marker Installation: 18 6 scouts/adults, 3 hours each

Monument Installation: 10

Total: 188

Current Markers

UNKNOWN

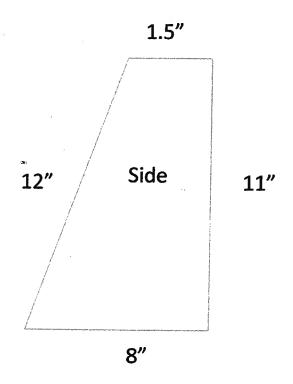
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New Headstones

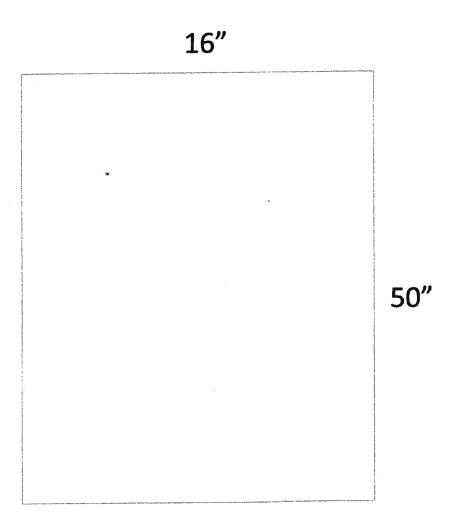


PIONEER GRAVE

Negro Hills

Cemetery

Foundation Wood Frame



"BEFORE" PHOTOGRAPHS

NEEL BEFORE PROTOS

Approval Signatures for Project Plan

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Unit committee member

IMPORTANT NOTE. You may proceed with your leadership sepace project only when you have

- Completed all the above mentioned planning details Shared the project plans with the appropriate persons
 - Obtained approval from the appropriate persons