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**Project Title:** 

participation agreement):

## AGUA CALIENTE BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKLIST FORM

| 2. | Contact Person/Phone No:         |
|----|----------------------------------|
| 3. | Project Location:                |
| 4. | Assessor's Parcel Number:        |
| 5. | Address:                         |
| 6. | General Plan Designation:        |
| 7. | Zoning:                          |
| 8. | Description of Project:          |
| 9. | Surrounding Land Uses & Setting: |

Other Public Agencies whose approval is required (e.g., permits, financing approval, or



## **ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS POTENTIALLY AFFECTED:**

The environmental factors checked below would potentially be affected by this project, involving at least one impact that is a "Potentially Significant Impact" as indicated by the checklist on the following pages.

| □ Aesthetics □ Air Quality □ Biological Resources □ Cultural Resources □ Geological Problems □ Hazards □ Land Use & Planning □ Mineral Resources  DETERMINATION:   | <ul> <li>☐ Mandatory Findings of Significance</li> <li>☐ Noise</li> <li>☐ Population &amp; Housing</li> <li>☐ Public Services</li> <li>☐ Recreation</li> <li>☐ Transportation/Circulation</li> <li>☐ Utilities &amp; Service Systems</li> <li>☐ Water</li> </ul>  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| On the basis of this initial evaluation:   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| I find that the proposed project COULD NOT have a NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) will be prepared   | a significant effect on the environment, and a FINDING OF   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| I find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there will not be a significant effect in this case because the mitigation measures described on the attached form have been added to the project. A FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI) will be prepared.  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect on the environment, and an ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) is required.  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| I find that the proposed project MAY have a significant effect(s) on the environment, but at least one effect; 1) has been adequately analyzed in an earlier document, pursuant to applicable legal standards, and 2) has been addressed by mitigation measures based on the earlier analysis as described on the attached form, if the effect is a "potentially significant impact" or "potentially significant if not mitigated". An ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT (EIS) is required, but it must analyze only the effects that remain to be addressed. |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| a significant effect in this case because all potentially earlier EIS, pursuant to applicable standards and (b)  | find that although the proposed project could have a significant effect on the environment, there WILL NOT be significant effect in this case because all potentially significant effects (a) have been analyzed adequately in an arlier EIS, pursuant to applicable standards and (b) have been avoided or mitigated pursuant to that earlier EIS, accluding revisions or mitigation measures that are proposed upon the proposed project. |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Signature  | Date  | _ |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| Printed Name   |   |   |  |  |  |  |  |



## **EVALUATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS:**

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| l.           |       | STHETICS buld the proposal:   |                                      | WOOM CHANGE  |                                    |             |
|              | a)    | Affect a scenic vista or scenic highway?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|              | b)    | Have a demonstrable negative aesthetic affect?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|              | c)    | Create light or glare?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|              |       |   |                                      |  |                                    |             |
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| II.          |       | R QUALITY<br>ould the proposal:   |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|              | a)    | Violate any air quality standard or contribute to an existing or projected air quality violation? |                                      | ×  |                                    |             |
|              | b)    | Expose sensitive receptors to substantial pollutant concentrations?                               |                                      |  |                                    | ×           |
|              | c)    | Create objectionable odors affecting a substantial number of people?                              |                                      |  |                                    | ×           |



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| III.  |       | OLOGICAL RESOURCES buld the proposal result in impacts to:   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | a)    | Endangered, threatened or rare species or their habitats (including, but not limited to plants, fish, insects, animals and birds)? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | b)    | Locally designated, native species (e.g. palm trees, mesquite, etc)?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | c)    | Locally designated natural communities (e.g. palm, cacti or creosote oasis, etc.)?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | d)    | Wetland habitat (e.g. marsh, riparian and vernal pool)?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | e)    | Wildlife dispersal or Migration corridors?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       |       |  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| IV.   |       | JLTURAL RESOURCES<br>ould the proposal:  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | a)    | Disturb paleontological resources?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | b)    | Disturb archaeological resources?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | c)    | Affect historical resources?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | d)    | Have the potential to cause a physical change, which would affect unique ethnic cultural values?                                   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | e)    | Restrict existing religious or sacred uses within the potential impact area?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |



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| V.                  | Wo | EOLOGY AND SOILS pull the proposal result in or expose people to tential impacts involving:  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | a) | Fault rupture?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | b) | Seismic ground shaking?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | c) | Seismic ground failure, including liquefaction?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | d) | Landslides or mudflows?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | e) | Erosion, changes in topography or unstable soil conditions from excavation, grading or fill? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | f) | Subsidence of the land?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | g) | Expansive soils?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | h) | Unique geologic or physical features?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| <u>ISSUE</u><br>VI. | НА | D SUPPORTING INFORMATION SOURCES:  | POTENTIALLY<br>SIGNIFICANT<br>IMPACT | POTENTIALLY<br>SIGNIFICANT<br>UNLESS<br>MITIGATION<br>INCORPORATED | LESS THAN<br>SIGNIFICANT<br>IMPACT |              |
|                     | Wo | ould the proposal involve:   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | a) | Possible interference with an emergency response plan or emergency evacuation plan?          |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | b) | The creation of any health hazard or potential health hazard?                                |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | c) | Exposure of people to existing sources of potential health hazards?                          |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                     | d) | Increased fire hazard in areas with flammable brush?   | П                                    | П  | П                                  | П            |



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| VII.        |       | ND USE AND PLANNING buld the proposal:   |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | a)    | Conflict with general plan designation or zoning?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | b)    | Conflict with applicable environmental plans or policies adopted by agencies with jurisdiction over the project?   |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | c)    | Be incompatible with existing land use in the vicinity?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | d)    | Affect agricultural resources or operations (e.g. impacts to soils or farmlands, or impacts from incompatible land uses)?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
| VIII.       |       | NERAL RESOURCES<br>ould the proposal:  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | a)    | Result in the loss of availability of a locally-important mineral resource recovery site delineated on a local general plan, specific plan or other land use plan? |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | b)    | Result in the loss of availability of any known mineral resource that would be a future value to the region and residents of the community?                        |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             |       |  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
| IX.         | _     | DISE<br>ould the proposal result in:   |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | a)    | Increases in existing noise levels?  |                                      |  |                                    |             |
|             | b)    | Exposure of people to severe noise levels?   |                                      |  |                                    |             |



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| Χ.   |          | PULATION AND HOUSING build the proposal:  |                                      | INCOM CIVILED  |                                    |              |
|      | a)       | Cumulatively exceed official regional or local population projections?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | b)       | Include substantial growth in an area either directly or indirectly (e.g. through projects in an underdeveloped area or extension of a major infrastructure)? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | c)       | Displace any existing housing, especially affordable housing?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| XI.  | Wo<br>ne | BLIC SERVICES buld the proposal have an effect upon, or result in a led for new or altered government services in any of led following areas:                 |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | a)       | Fire Protection?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | b)       | Police Protection?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | c)       | Tribal Rangers?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | d)       | Tour Groups?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | e)       | Schools?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | f)       | Maintenance of public facilities, including roads?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|      | g)       | Other governmental services?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| XII. | Wo       | CREATION  ould the proposal result in:  | П                                    | П  | П                                  | Б            |
|      | a)<br>   | Increase the demand for other recreational facilities?  | _                                    | _  | _                                  | _            |
|      | b)       | Affect existing recreational opportunities?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |



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| XIII. |    | ANSPORTATION / CIRCULATION puld the proposal result in:   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | a) | Increased vehicle trips or traffic congestion?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | b) | Hazards to safety from design features (e.g. sharp curves or dangerous intersections) or incompatible uses (e.g. farm equipment)? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | c) | Inadequate emergency access or access to nearby uses?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | d) | Insufficient parking capacity on or off-site?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | e) | Hazards or barriers for pedestrians, hikers, bicyclists or equestrian traffic?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | f) | Conflicts with adopted policies supporting alternative transportation (e.g. bus turn-outs, jeep tours, hikers, equestrians)?      |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | g) | Other traffic impacts?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| XIV.  | UT | TILITIES & SERVICE SYSTEMS  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | a) | Power or natural gas?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | b) | Communications systems?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | c) | Local or regional water treatment or distribution facilities?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | d) | Sewer or septic tanks?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | e) | Storm water drainage?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | f) | Solid waste disposal?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|       | g) | Local or regional water supplies?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |



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| XV. |    | ATER puld the proposal result in:  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | a) | Exposure of people or property to water related hazards, such as flooding?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | b) | Discharge into surface water or other alteration of surface water quality (e.g. temperature, dissolved oxygen or turbidity)? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | c) | Changes in the amount of surface water in any water body?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | d) | Changes in currents, or the course direction of water movements?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | e) |  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | f) | Altered direction or flow rate of groundwater?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | g) | Impacts on the groundwater quality?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     | h) | Substantial reduction in the amount of groundwater otherwise available for public water supplies?                            |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|     |    |  |                                      |  |                                    |              |

XVI. PRIOR STUDIES, REPORTS, REVIEWS, ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS, ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORTS, ETC.:



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| XVII.          |      | ANDATORY FINDINGS OF SIGNIFICANCE pes the project:  |                                      | meen enviz   |                                    |              |
|                | a)   | Have the potential to degrade the quality of the environment, substantially reduce the habitat of a wildlife species, cause a wildlife population to drop below self-sustaining levels, threaten to eliminate a plant or animal community, reduce the number or restrict the range of rare or endangered plant or animal species or eliminate important examples of the major proceeds of native history? |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                | b)   | Have the potential to achieve short-term, to the disadvantage of long-term environmental goals?   |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                | c)   | Have impacts that are individually limited, but cumulatively considerable? (i.e. the incremental effects of the project are considerable when viewed in connection with the effects of past projects, current projects and/or probable future projects).  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
|                | d)   | Have environmental effects, which will cause substantial adverse effects on human beings, either directly or indirectly?  |                                      |  |                                    |              |
| XVIII.         | Dis  | scussion of Impacts and Recommended Mitig   | ation Measure                        | s.   |                                    |              |
| XIX.           | Lis  | st of Standard Source Materials referenced in   | preparation of                       | the Checklist.   |                                    |              |