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**TUO-108-PM 7.441**  
**Tuolumne Rancheria Land**  
**Acquisition Application**  
**SCH #: 2019050004**

Dear Ms. Alexis,

The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) appreciates the opportunity to review and comment on the Bureau of Indian Affairs Notice of (Non-Gaming) Land Acquisition Application for the Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria, SCH #2019050004 in the City of Tuolumne. The Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians would like to transfer the property with APN: 062-020-062-000 to Indian trust. Transferring land from private ownership to Indian trust removes the land from the property tax roll and essentially exempts it from State and local codes and regulations. APN: 062-020-062-000 is located on the West side of existing Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians trust lands.

Caltrans has reviewed the Notice of (Non-Gaming) Land Acquisition Application for Tuolumne Rancheria and has the following comments:

Caltrans requests to review any proposed development on APN: 062-020-062-000 for potential impacts to the State Route 108/Mono Way interchange.

If you have any questions or would like to discuss these comments, please contact Austin Sos at (209) 948-7936 (email: [austin.sos@dot.ca.gov](mailto:austin.sos@dot.ca.gov)) or me at (209) 948-7325 (email: [gregoria.ponce@dot.ca.gov](mailto:gregoria.ponce@dot.ca.gov)).

Sincerely,

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