

Butte County General Plan 2030:

Tribal Update Meeting #2

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Butte County General Plan Guiding Principles

Principle 10: Recreational Opportunities and Protection of Cultural Resources

“The General Plan shall address the need for new parks and recreation opportunities. Cultural resources that are significant to Butte County’s history will be identified and protected.”

OPR Guidelines: The Intent of SB 18

“The intent of SB 18 is to provide California Native American tribes an opportunity to participate in local land use decisions at an early planning stage, for the purpose of protecting, or mitigating impacts to, cultural places. The purpose of involving tribes at these early planning stages is to allow consideration of cultural places in the context of broad local land-use policy, before individual site-specific, project-level land use decisions are made by a local government.”

Goals and Policies Development (Meeting Series 5)

- Public Workshop: September 8, 2008

- Citizens Advisory Committee Meetings
 - October 2, 2008
 - October 9, 2008
 - October 16, 2008
 - October 23, 2008

- Planning Commission Meetings
 - November 7, 2008
 - November 14, 2008

- Board of Supervisors Meeting
 - January 21, 2009
 - January 22, 2009

Policy Alternatives Handout

Reflects input from:

- Issues Identification (Meeting Series 1)
- Land Use Alternatives Development (Meeting Series 2/3)
- Alternatives Evaluation and Selection (Meeting Series 4)
- Economic Summit
- Tribal Consultation input to date
- February 2008 Special Meeting on Deer Herd
- September 8th Public Workshop
- Other meetings and hearings

Tribal Input to date on Goals and Policies

- Promote Tribal Consultation
- Protect cultural heritage while allowing community growth
- Specific suggestions as reflected in the Policies Alternative Handout

Policy Alternatives: Tribal Coordination and Cultural Resources

How should the County respect Native American culture and planning concerns?

- Add a General Plan policy that establishes a process for consultation regarding proposed development projects with local Indian tribes.
- Establish Memoranda of Agreement regarding development consultation procedures with local Indian tribes.

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- Develop a formal consultation protocol that includes a definition of terms, notification procedures, review periods, and procedures regarding sharing of confidential information.
- Include General Plan requirements and develop procedures to document and evaluate Traditional Cultural Properties within the county.

How should the County respect Native American culture and planning concerns?

- Develop and adopt a Cultural Resources Management Plan for the County, including policies and procedures for the curation and disposition of objects, and protection, preservation and long-term monitoring of Traditional Cultural Properties.
- Adopt standards for County and private development retention of professional archaeologists and cultural resource specialists to monitor construction on sensitive sites.

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- Engage with local Indian tribes to create a confidential cultural resources inventory of the county.
- Re-evaluate sites of past archaeological investigations to assess cultural sensitivity, using state-of-the-art methods.
- Recognize the importance of deer herds, as well as other plants and animal species, to Native Americans through consultations and other coordination for habitat preservation efforts.

How should the County respect Native American culture and planning concerns?

■ Other _____

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