

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT AND DECISION NOTICE TO APPROVE THE TRINIDAD RANCHERIA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION HOTEL DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

CHER-AE HEIGHTS INDIAN COMMUNITY OF THE TRINIDAD RANCHERIA HUMBOLDT COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Notice is hereby given that the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Pacific Regional Office, has issued a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI), determining that the Indian Loan Guarantee by the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED): Division of Capital Investment (DCI) for capital to build a hotel adjacent to the Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria's (Tribe's) Cher-Ae Heights Casino (Casino) on the Reservation and the approval of a lease by the Division of Real Estate Services with the Trinidad Rancheria Economic Development Corporation (TREDC) to operate the hotel will not result in significant effects to the quality of the human environment. Therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. The BIA's determination is based upon the analysis in the Environmental Assessment and Final Environmental Assessment, consideration of comments received during the public review periods, and the implementation of mitigation measures.

The BIA has additionally made the decision to proceed with its Federal action of lease approval between the Tribe and the TREDC. Information concerning the appeal process is provided in the Decision.

Virtual copies of the FONSI and Decision Notice are available on the internet at two (2) sites including: 1) <https://trinidad-rancheria.org> and 2) <https://bianepatracker2.doi.gov> (Search: Trinidad Hotel Project).

Hardcopies of the FONSI and the Decision Notice will be available upon re-opening of the Tribal Office located at 1 Cher-Ae Lane, Trinidad, CA 95570, and at the Trinidad Branch of the Humboldt County Library located at 380 Janis Court, Trinidad, CA 95570.

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