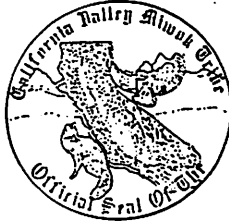


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July 7, 2005

Mr. Troy Burdick, Superintendent
Central California Agency
650 Capital Mall, Suite 8-500
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: California Valley Miwok Tribe

Dear Superintendent Burdick:

I am writing in order to provide a clear understanding of Ms. Karla Bell's participation in meetings with the Central California Agency Office and with Mr. Ray Fry. Ms. Bell's sole purpose in interacting with your office and with Mr. Fry is to obtain critical background information from your agency on the individuals identified in her February 24, 2005 letter to Mr. Dale Morris (Attachment 1) and to obtain any additional information on other individuals who may desire to apply for enrollment in the California Valley Miwok Tribe.

Although Ms. Bell is an attorney, she is working directly for the Tribal Enrollment Director and Enrollment Committee in obtaining information on individuals who wish to enroll in the Tribe. She is also tasked with providing Reports to the Enrollment Director and the Enrollment Committee for consideration on individual applications for enrollment.

The process for enrollment in the California Valley Miwok Tribe generally involves the following steps:

1. An individual applicant may request an Enrollment Application from the Tribe.
2. An Applicant must fill out that Enrollment Application and can provide any additional information that Applicants believes will support their application.
3. After an initial review of that application to ensure its completion, the Application is forward to the Enrollment Attorney for review and preparation of an Enrollment Report on that Applicant.
4. The Enrollment Attorney can request information from the BIA or any other governmental or non-governmental agency regarding the Indian status of an individual Applicant (similar to that provided by the BIA on myself in 1997) and/or conduct an independent background investigation on the individual applicant.

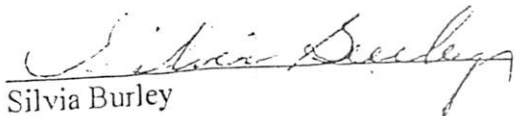
5. Once the BIA report and/or an independent investigation has been completed, the Enrollment Attorney can request additional information from the Applicant or prepare an Enrollment Report on the Applicant at that time or after the receipt of additional information from the Applicant.
6. That Enrollment Report is then forwarded to the Enrollment Director for her review and then sent to the Enrollment Committee for a determination on that individual's application.
7. The Enrollment Committee's Decision is then forwarded to the individual and the Tribal Council for final disposition.
8. An individual applicant can appeal an Enrollment Committee Decision to the Tribal Council which has the final authority on all enrollment matters.

The Tribe wants to be sure that any participation that its attorneys or representatives have and/or continue to have in any meetings with Mr. Dixie and his group are not construed in any way as participating in a BIA or any other agency sponsored mediation process. The Tribe's position is that Mr. Dixie is a tribal member and any issue he has with the Tribe must be address through appropriate tribal forms. As to the non-tribal members who may be involved with Mr. Dixie, the Tribe wants to provide them with every opportunity to apply for enrollment with the Tribe.

We hope that the Central California Agency Office will continue to work with the Tribe with regard to the above-mentioned enrollment process. The Tribe believes that the BIA can be extremely helpful to its enrollment process by providing the information requested by the Tribe and its Enrollment Attorney.

We look forward to continuing to work with your office on this and other matters involving the Tribe and its relationship with the Federal Government. If you have any questions or require any additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



Silvia Burley
Chairperson
California Valley Miwok Tribe

Cc: Tribal Council
Karla Bell
Colleen Petty
George Steele, Esq.
Phillip E. Thompson, Esq.