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Dear Mrs. Roberson:

## **Comments on Proposed Updates to Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines**

On behalf of the Sanitation Districts of Los Angeles County (Sanitation Districts), we appreciate the opportunity to comment on the proposed updates to the Checklist in Appendix G of the CEQA Guidelines related to Tribal Cultural Resources and implementation of AB 52. The Sanitation Districts' recently provided comments on the Proposed Updates to the CEQA Guidelines and would also like to provide this input on the implementation of AB 52 related to Tribal Cultural Resources in the current process to update Appendix G.

The Sanitation Districts provide wastewater and solid waste management services to 5.5 million people in 78 cities and unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County. As a major public agency with responsibility for solid waste and wastewater management in Los Angeles County, the Sanitation Districts act as the lead agency for CEQA when upgrading, expanding, or maintaining our facilities. Therefore, the Sanitation Districts harbor a keen interest in clarifying and streamlining the CEQA process.

The Districts supports the proposed Alternative 1 to update the existing Cultural Resources Section. Alternative 1 reflects the current effort to maintain simplicity in the updated and revised Checklist with regard to the evaluation of conditions that must be identified in the evaluation process and will ensure ongoing consultations on a government-to-government basis related to the identification of potential impacts from a project related to Tribal Cultural Resources, as defined.

The Sanitation Districts very much appreciate the opportunity to continue engaging in this effort to collaborate with the Governor's Office of Planning and Research on the currently proposed modifications to CEQA. Please address all future notices and updates to the attention of Mary Jacobs at 1955 Workman Mill Road, Whittier, CA, 90601, or e-mail at [mjacobs@lacsd.org](mailto:mjacobs@lacsd.org).

Very truly yours,

  
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