

APPENDIX Q

NRCS Consultation

U.S. Department of Agriculture

FARMLAND CONVERSION IMPACT RATING

PART I (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Date Of Land Evaluation Request	9/27/05
Name Of Project	North Fork Rancheria Casino and Hotel Project	Federal Agency Involved	Bureau of Indian Affairs
Proposed Land Use	Casino and Hotel	County And State	Madera County, California
PART II (To be completed by NRCS)		Date Request Received By NRCS	

Does the site contain prime, unique, statewide or local important farmland? (If no, the FPPA does not apply -- do not complete additional parts of this form).		Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>	Acres Irrigated	Average Farm Size
Major Crop(s)	VINE/TREES/OPEN	Farmable Land In Govt. Jurisdiction Acres	%	Amount Of Farmland As Defined In FPPA Acres	%
Name Of Land Evaluation System Used	PRIME & UNIQUE SOILS LIST	Name Of Local Site Assessment System	NONE	Date Land Evaluation Returned By NRCS	10/25/05

PART III (To be completed by Federal Agency)	Alternative Site Rating			
	Site A	Site B	Site C	Site D
A. Total Acres To Be Converted Directly	55.8	5.3		
B. Total Acres To Be Converted Indirectly	249.2	25.3		
C. Total Acres In Site	305.0	30.7	0.0	0.0

PART IV (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Information				
A. Total Acres Prime And Unique Farmland	45.8	0		
B. Total Acres Statewide And Local Important Farmland	18.6	0		
C. Percentage Of Farmland In County Or Local Govt. Unit To Be Converted				
D. Percentage Of Farmland In Govt. Jurisdiction With Same Or Higher Relative Value				

PART V (To be completed by NRCS) Land Evaluation Criterion				
Relative Value Of Farmland To Be Converted (Scale of 0 to 100 Points)	0	69	0	0

PART VI (To be completed by Federal Agency)		Maximum Points			
Site Assessment Criteria (These criteria are explained in 7 CFR 658.5(b))					
1. Area In Nonurban Use	15	14			
2. Perimeter In Nonurban Use	10	9			
3. Percent Of Site Being Farmed	20	20			
4. Protection Provided By State And Local Government	20	0			
5. Distance From Urban Builtup Area	15	0			
6. Distance To Urban Support Services	15	10			
7. Size Of Present Farm Unit Compared To Average	10	6			
8. Creation Of Nonfarmable Farmland	10	0			
9. Availability Of Farm Support Services	5	5			
10. On-Farm Investments	20	10			
11. Effects Of Conversion On Farm Support Services	10	0			
12. Compatibility With Existing Agricultural Use	10	0			
TOTAL SITE ASSESSMENT POINTS	160	74	0	0	0

PART VII (To be completed by Federal Agency)					
Relative Value Of Farmland (From Part V)	100	69	0	0	0
Total Site Assessment (From Part VI above or a local site assessment)	160	74	0	0	0
TOTAL POINTS (Total of above 2 lines)	260	143	0	0	0

Site Selected:	Date Of Selection	Was A Local Site Assessment Used?	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No <input type="checkbox"/>
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Reason For Selection: