

**NOTICE OF COMPLETION  
OF A TRIBAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE  
JAMUL CASINO HOTEL AND EVENT CENTER PROJECT**

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**DATE:** September 30, 2022

**TO:** State Clearinghouse  
County of San Diego  
State Gaming Agency  
California Department of Justice, Office of the Attorney General  
Interested Parties

**LEAD AGENCY:** Jamul Indian Village of California  
14191 Highway 94  
Jamul, CA 91935

**PROJECT TITLE:** **Jamul Casino Hotel and Event Center Project**

**PROJECT WEBSITE** [www.jamulteir.com](http://www.jamulteir.com)

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**COMMENT PERIOD:** Friday, September 30 – Monday, November 14, 2022

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The Jamul Indian Village Development Corporation, a wholly owned subsidiary and instrumentality of the Jamul Indian Village of California (Tribe), owns and operates the Jamul Casino situated on federally owned land that is held in trust for the Tribe and located at 14145 Campo Road, Jamul, CA 91935 (Reservation).

The Jamul Casino is operated pursuant to the Tribal-State Compact between the State of California and the Jamul Indian Village of California (Compact). Section 11 of the Compact requires that, before beginning the construction of any new “Project” (as defined in Section 2.22 of the Compact), the Tribe must prepare a Tribal Environmental Impact Report (TEIR) analyzing the potentially significant off-Reservation environmental impacts of that Project. That environmental analysis is to be conducted pursuant to the process described in the Compact.

This Notice is given pursuant to the Compact to inform interested parties that the Tribe has prepared a Draft TEIR for the Jamul Casino Hotel and Event Center Project (Project), described below. The Draft TEIR includes an analysis of potentially significant direct and indirect off-reservation environmental impacts attributable to the Project, mitigation measures to address such impacts, and other issues as required by the Compact. As the Lead Agency, the Tribe will use the TEIR when considering approval of the Project.

## LOCATION

The Reservation consists of approximately six acres of federal trust land located in unincorporated San Diego County, approximately one mile south of the community of Jamul. The Jamul Casino is located on the Reservation at 14145 Campo Road, Jamul, CA 91935. The Reservation is located within portions of Section 10 and unsectioned areas of Township 17 S, Range 1 East, San Bernardino Baseline and Meridian, Dulzura, CA and Jamul Mountains, CA, U.S. Geological Survey 7.5-minute Quadrangles.

State Route 94 (SR 94) provides regional access to the Reservation from downtown San Diego, which is located approximately 20 miles to the west of the Reservation. Local access to the Reservation is provided directly from SR 94 via Daisy Drive and an access road limited to authorized vehicles.

## PROJECT DESCRIPTION

The Jamul Casino opened in October 2016 and was the subject of an exhaustive environmental review including the 2006 Tribal Environmental Impact Statement/Report (Tribal EIS/R) and the 2013 Tribal Environmental Evaluation and subsequent addendums. The Jamul Casino currently includes 1,656 slot machines, 378 table game seats, food court, seven dining locations, rooftop event venue, and associated parking. Other existing uses on the Reservation include wastewater treatment facilities, tribal administration building, and a tribal community center. Immediately adjacent to the Reservation, on land owned by the Tribe, is a chapel and Tribal cemetery.

The Proposed Project consists of remodeling the existing Jamul Casino to include a new event center, multi-purpose/bingo hall, 225-room hotel, and associated parking and infrastructure. The proposed remodeling would eliminate the second floor (which is a veranda level between the main casino floor and the third floor, and the location of a restaurant) and the fourth floor (currently the rooftop lounge) of the existing Casino building and expand the third floor to accommodate an approximately 25,500 square-foot (sf) outdoor, covered event venue and associated lounge areas; an approximately 9,250 sf enclosed multi-purpose/bingo hall; and associated back-of-house, restrooms, and circulation. The existing restaurant located on the second floor of the casino building would be relocated to the third floor with no changes in occupant capacity. Existing office space on the eastern portion of the third floor would be relocated to an expanded area of the western portion of the third floor. The new event venue would result in a net increase of approximately 35,000 sf of enclosed, covered outdoor, and uncovered outdoor areas. No expansion of the gaming floor or increase in the number of slot machines or table games is proposed.

The new hotel and associated parking structure would be located west of the existing casino building with pedestrian access to the casino building provided through a new enclosed pedestrian bridge over Willow Creek, which bisects the Reservation immediately west of the existing casino building. The proposed 225-room hotel would consist of 16 stories including 2 levels of back-of-house, a hotel lobby level with restaurant, a spa level with outdoor deck, a banquet hall level, 10 levels of guest rooms, and a rooftop pool deck. The new six-story parking structure would be located south of the new hotel building and would connect to the hotel lobby. The existing tribal community center and administration building would be removed to accommodate the footprint of the new hotel and parking structure. There are several options under consideration for relocation of the Tribal administration and community facilities, including utilizing space within the expanded third floor administrative areas of the casino, purchase of an off-site property with an existing building, or leasing existing office space within the region. The TEIR assumes that the existing modular administration building would be relocated to an existing concrete pad associated with

a former fire department building on the western portion of the 4-acre parcel, which is north of the Reservation. The relocated building would be utilized by the tribal security department.

Construction activities associated with the hotel and parking garage components of the Project are proposed to commence in December 2022 with excavation and soil nail installation first. Construction activities are anticipated to take place over 18-24 months. Consistent with prior commitments, the Tribe would require construction contractors to limit exterior construction to between the hours of 7 a.m. and 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday, with no work scheduled on Sundays and federally recognized holidays.

Construction of the parking garage will commence first, followed by construction activities associated with the hotel tower. During the initial construction of the parking garage, equipment and materials staging will occur within the western area of the Reservation, with the 4-acre parcel being utilized for temporary construction trailers and as a temporary staging area for deliveries and equipment. Following completion of levels 4-5 of the parking structure, construction of the hotel tower will commence, with the top level of the parking structure being utilized for equipment and materials laydown, and the lower levels of the garage being utilized for construction worker parking. If required, construction staging and employee parking may also occur within previously paved/disturbed off-Reservation locations/parking lots, with shuttles potentially utilized to transport workers to the project site.

## PUBLIC REVIEW AND COMMENT PERIOD

The Draft TEIR and a copy of this notice can be reviewed online at [www.jamulteir.com](http://www.jamulteir.com).

Further notice is hereby given that the Tribe invites comments on the Draft TEIR in response to this notice. Pursuant to the Compact, a forty-five-day (45) public review period is required and shall commence on the date of this notice (September 30, 2022) and end on November 14, 2022. Comments should be in writing and sent by email or mail to the following address with the subject heading "Comments Re: NOC for the Jamul Casino Hotel and Event Center Project". Please send your comments to:

Email: [Admin@JamulTEIR.com](mailto:Admin@JamulTEIR.com)

Mail: Jamul Indian Village of California  
Attn: Chairwoman Erica M. Pinto  
P.O. Box 612  
Jamul, CA 91935

All comments postmarked by November 14, 2022 will be reviewed and considered by the Tribe.