

Guidance for the Preparation of Technical Reports and Studies relating to the Tribal Cultural Resource

In keeping with Los Angeles City Planning's (LACP) efforts to enhance transparency and improve its standards for the preparation of CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act) documents, LACP has prepared the following guidance to assist environmental consultants in addressing the history of Native Americans, one of many marginalized and disenfranchised communities, in the City of Los Angeles.

As LACP consults with Native American tribes under AB 52, technical reports and studies that are prepared to supplement the analysis under CEQA are of critical importance to the City's obligations under CEQA, but also have informational and educational value to the broader public. As such, technical reports and studies that are prepared to supplement CEQA documents on behalf of Los Angeles City Planning must be honest in their representations of events, policies, and activities involving Native Americans in Los Angeles, recognizing the detrimental effects these policies and programs have had to these communities, but also the important history and contributions Native Americans have made and continue to make to the development of Los Angeles.

As such, Los Angeles City Planning requests that environmental consultants recognize Native American tribes as stewards of land within and beyond the boundaries of Los Angeles, and commit to an honest and true representation of the events that occurred and make no attempt to diminish or editorialize the very real events and impacts that have transpired.

The following list represents those most commonly used terms when describing the history and contributions of Native Americans in the City of Los Angeles, but is certainly not exhaustive. The intent behind this guidance is to give consultants specific direction of what is expected by LACP. To that end, the circulation and publication of a CEQA document may be withheld if the Tribal Cultural Resources report for LACP does not conform with this guidance.

Defer from using the following terms	Use the following terms
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encountered/Contacted Recruited Organized Employed Participated Cult 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Colonized Enslaved Displaced Servitude/Forced labor Disenfranchised Religion

This guidance may be updated as necessary to address LACP’s efforts to appropriately address historically marginalized and disenfranchised communities as it relates to the City’s obligations under CEQA. For specific information on how this guidance may relate to a specific project, please work directly with the assigned project planner.

Notes

An example of a CEQA document that appropriately describes the history and contributions of Native Americans, see the Draft EIR for Los Angeles River Master Plan (beginning on Page 70).

<https://pw.lacounty.gov/wmd/watershed/lar/docs/LARMP-MainVolumeEnglish-PUBLICDRAFT.pdf>