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In addition to the scoping and Draft EIR public review processes, the BLM has been consulting and coordinating with public agencies that may be requested to take action on the Campo Verde Solar Project. The ongoing consultation and coordination involves the agencies identified below.

9.2 UNITED STATES FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE

In accordance with requirements under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, the BLM requested initiation of informal consultation for the southwestern willow flycatcher and the Yuma clapper rail and submitted a letter to the USFWS for the Campo Verde Solar Project.

9.3 NATIVE AMERICAN CONSULTATION/COORDINATION AND SECTION 106 CONSULTATION/COORDINATION

A key requirement of cultural resources analysis under CEQA, NEPA, and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended 1992 (NHPA), is to ascertain if a proposed undertaking has the potential to impact historic sites and properties that qualify for inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places or the California Register of Historical Resources.

Historic properties and archaeological sites are avoided in the Campo Verde Solar Project. The solar project is located on lands that do not contain any significant resources and the proposed gen-tie was designed to purposely avoid all archaeological sites.

The BLM initiated tribal consultation for the Campo Verde Solar Project by letter in October 2011 and another letter was sent with the cultural resources report and the Environmental Assessment in April, 2012. The BLM is conducting consultation with the Tribes as outlined in 36 CFR 800. The BLM must consult to identify properties of religious and cultural significance to the Tribes to be addressed in the Section 106 process.

The following Tribes or tribal organizations have been invited to be consulting parties:

Edwin Romero, Chairman - Barona Band of Mission Indians
Monique LaChappa, Chairwoman - Campo Band of Mission Indians
Sherry Cordova, Chairwoman - Cocopah Indian Tribe
Robert Pinto, Sr., Chairman - Ewiiapaayp Band of Kumeyaay Indians
Keeny Escalanti, Sr., President - Fort Yuma Quechan Tribe
Kenneth Meza, Sr., Chairman - Jamul Indian Village
Carmen Lucas - Kwaaymii Laguna Band of Indians
Gwendolyn Parada, Chairperson - La Posta Band of Kumeyaay Indians
Leroy Elliott, Chairman - Manzanita Band of Kumeyaay Indi
Mark Romero, Chairman - Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians
Allen Lawson, Jr., Chairman - San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Indians
Virgil Perez, Chairman - Santa Ysabel Band of Diegueno Indi
Daniel Tucker, Chairman - Sycuan Band of Kumeyaay Nation
Mary Resvaloso, Chairwoman - Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians
Anthony Pico, Chairman - Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians

Section 106 consultation with the SHPO, ACHP, Tribes, and interested parties for the Campo Verde Solar Project is ongoing.