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19		PLAINTIFF'S SEPARATE
	Pl-intiff	STATEMENT OF DISPUTED AND UNDISPUTED MATERIAL FACTS IN
20	Plaintiff,	OPPOSITION TO DEFENDANT
21	vs.	CALIFORNIA GAMBLING CONTROL COMMISSION'S MOTION FOR
22		SUMMARY JUDGMENT
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23	COMMISSION,	Date: April 26, 2013 Time: 2:00 p.m.
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Plaintiff CALIFORNIA VALLEY MIWOK TRIBE ("the Tribe" or Plaintiff submits this separate statement of disputed and undisputed material facts, together with references to supporting evidence, in response to Defendant's Separate Statement of Undisputed Material Facts and Supporting Evidence in Support of Motion for Summary Judgment.

DEFENDANT'S UNDISPUTED
MATERIAL FACTS AND SUPPORTING
EVIDENCE

PLAINTIFF'S RESPONSE AND SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

## FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION FOR INJUNCTIVE RELIEF

1. Under the Compacts, the Commission is required to collect license fees from gaming tribes, deposit them in the RSTF, and, under the Compacts and Government Code sections 12012.75 and 12012.90, make quarterly payments of those funds according to the Compact's specified distribution plans.

1. Undisputed.

Gov. Code, §§ 12012.75; 12012.90;

Compact §§ 4.3.2, 4.3.2.1 (Ex. A to Req. for Jud. Not. (RJN); see also Decl. of Sylvia Cates (Cates Decl.) ¶ 2.

2. The Compacts and Government Code provide that

2. <u>Undisputed</u>.

1	quarterly payments shall be made to Non-Compact Tribes,	
2	noncompact tribes, and	
	eligible recipient Indian	·
3	tribes, respectively—these	
4	are alternative and	
5	functionally equivalent designations of federally-	
6	recognized California Indian	
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7	than 350 slot machines.	
8	(Id.)	
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	the RSTF in the nominal	
11	capacity of "trustee," for	
12	the purpose of receiving, depositing, and disbursing	
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18	4. Aside from its duties as	4. <u>Undisputed</u> .
19	administrator of the RSTF, the Commission has no	
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20	the use or disbursement of	
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As a result of Salazar's filing, ASI Echo Hawk withdrew his December 2010 decision for reconsideration, and then reissued it with modifications on August 31, 2011 (August 31 Decision). On October 17, 2011, the D.C. Plaintiffs filed a first amended complaint that challenges ASI Echo Hawk's August 31 Decision.

The ASI also 7. Disputed. stated that he wanted to have the matter more fully briefed His August by the parties. 31, 2011 decision affirmed his December 22, 2010 decision.

Letter, Echo Hawk to Dixie dated April 1, 2011 (Ex. D to RJN); see also Cates Decl., ¶ 5.

Echo Hawk decision dated August 31, 2011 (Ex. E to RJN); see also Cates Decl., ¶ 6.

First Amended Complaint

(Salazar) (Ex. H to RJN.)

By its express terms, the August 31 Decision is stayed pending the outcome of Salazar.

Echo Hawk decision dated August 31, 2011 (Ex. E to RJN, at p. 8); see also Cates Decl., ¶ 6.

- Disputed. The ASI merely stayed implementation of his decision, which has no effect on the declaration of rights portion of that decision stating that the Tribe has a recognized form of government and that the Tribe consists of five members. (pRJN, Ex. **"3"**)
- At the present time, as evidenced by the Salazar case, a dispute exists as to the composition and leadership of the Miwok
- Disputed. The Salazar case is irrelevant, per the Court of Appeal decision. There is no dispute concerning the leadership of

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	(Littleton Decl.), ¶ 3.	
1	13. The Commission takes no	13. Undisputed.
2	position on the merits of	
3	intra-tribal leadership	
	disputes.	
4	Littleton Decl., ¶ 4.	
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6	14. When uncertainty exists	14. Disputed. The
	as to a Non-Compact Tribe's	Commission never said, and
7	authorized leadership, the	never did, pay any of the
8	Commission, as administrator	subject RSTF money to Burley individually. The Commission
9	of the RSTF, defers to the BIA's determinations.	has been withholding RSTF
	DIA 5 decerminacions.	payments to the Tribe because
10	Littleton Decl, ¶ 5.	it claimed an ongoing Tribal
11	, _	leadership dispute between
12		Dixie and Burley called into
12		question who is authorized to
13		accept the RSTF payments on
14		behalf of the Tribe, even though it had previously made
15		RSTRF payments to the Tribe
13		in care of Burley in the
16		midst of the same leadership
17		dispute. The Commission then
10		later claimed that since the
18		Tribe under Burley's leadership did not qualify
19		for federal contract funding
20		under P.L. 638, the Tribe
21		also could not qualify for
21		RSTF money either. The
22		Commission also erroneously
23		claimed that the Tribe needed
		to be "reorganized" under the IRA, and admit more Indians
24		as members of the Tribe,
25		before the Tribe could
26		qualify for RSTF payments.
		The Commission also ignored
27		the Tribe's right to operate

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1 2		outside the IRA under its present resolution form of government. (pRJN, Ex. "6"
3		and "7").
4	15. Because the BIA deemed	15. <u>See</u> No. 14 above.
5	it unorganized and lacking a Tribal Chairperson and, for	
6	that reason, suspended PL 638 contract funding disbursement	
7	to the Miwok Tribe in 2005, the Commission suspended its	
	disbursement of quarterly	
9	RSTF payments, pending BIA's recognition of an authorized	
11	Miwok Tribe leader or leadership group with which	
12	to conduct its government-to- government business—as	
13	evidenced either by BIA's resumption of PL 638 funding,	
14	or other BIA action.	
15 16	Littleton Decl., ¶ 6.	
	16. As of this date, the BIA	16. Disputed. The ASI's
17 18	has not recognized an	August 31, 2011 decision contains a declaration of
19	authorized leader or leadership group for the	rights that the Plaintiff's
20	Miwok Tribe, nor has the BIA resumed disbursing PL 638	Tribal Council is in fact currently recognized, which
21	funds to the Miwok Tribe.	is not affected by the
22	Littleton Decl., ¶ 7.	implementing stay language of that decision. The decision
23		directs the parties to continue to resolve their
24		leadership dispute pending the federal litigation under
25		the currently recognized
26		tribal Council. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 8). The ASI also
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"take up their cause" of 1 membership with the current Tribal Council, pending the 2 outcome of the federal 3 litigation. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 7). In addition, the 4 U.S. District Court has 5 stated that the Tribe under Burley's leadership is 6 "currently recognized." 7 (Intervenors' Ex. "15", page The implementing stay 8 of the August 31, 2011 decision did not affect the 9 declaration portion of the 10 decision, i.e., that the Tribe is currently 11 recognized. 12 17. As of this date, the 17. Undisputed. However, 13 Commission is holding accrued Plaintiff disputes the amount 14 of interest the Commission is quarterly RSTF payments providing under the totaling \$8,763,001.99, plus 15 interest in the amount of circumstances. 16 \$420,246.17, for eventual disbursement to the Miwok 17 Tribe. 18 Littleton Decl., ¶ 8. 19 20 The Commission will 18. 18. Disputed. The Compact does not require that the promptly disburse the accrued 21 RSTF payments to the Miwok actions of the BIA dictate the conditions of RSTF Tribe once the BIA has 22 identified the Miwok Tribe's disbursements. The 23 Commission is wrong in authorized leader or conditioning payment on this leadership group. 24 basis. In fact, in light of 25 Littleton Decl., ¶ 9. Dixie's recent deposition testimony admitting that he 26 resigned as Tribal Chairman, 27 there is no basis for the

Commission to continue to 1 claim that it does not know who is authorized to receive 2 the subject RSTF payments for 3 the Tribe. (pRJN, Ex. "21"). 4 Undisputed. 19. The Legislature has 5 provided that shortfalls in the RSTF (which would 6 otherwise preclude disbursing 7 a total of \$1.1M per year to each Non-Compact Tribe) are backfilled from the Special Distribution Fund, which, to 9 the extent not used for that 10 purpose are used for the public benefit to mitigate 11 the off-reservation impacts 12 and costs of tribal gaming. 13 Gov. Code, § 12012.90, subd. 14 (e). 15 Gov. Code, § 12012.85. 16 17 PLAINTIFFS' UNDISPUTED DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE AND 18 MATERIAL FACTS AND SUPPORTING SUPPORTING EVIDENCE 19 **EVIDENCE** 20 21 SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION FOR DECLARATORY RELIEF 22 Under the Compacts, the Undisputed. 1. 23 Commission is required to 24 collect license fees from gaming tribes, deposit them 25 in the RSTF, and, under the 26 Compacts and Government Code sections 12012.75 and 27 12012.90, make quarterly 28

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1 2	payments of those funds according to the Compact's specified distribution plans.		
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23	basis to Non-Compact Tribes.		
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Disputed. The ASI merely By its express terms, the 8. stayed implementation of his August 31 Decision is stayed decision, which has no effect pending the outcome of on the declaration of rights Salazar. portion of that decision stating that the Tribe has a Echo Hawk decision dated August 31, 2011 (Ex. E to recognized form of government and that the Tribe consists RJN, at p. 8); see also Cates of five members. (pRJN, Ex. Decl., ¶ 6. **"3"**) Disputed. The Salazar At the present time, as case is irrelevant, per the evidenced by the Salazar Court of Appeal decision. case, a dispute exists as to There is no dispute the composition and concerning the leadership of leadership of the Miwok the Tribe, in light of the Tribe. recent deposition testimony First Amended Complaint of Yakima Dixie confirming (Salazar) (Ex. H to RJN. that he had resigned as Tribal Chairman and acknowledging that Burley is the new Chairperson. (pRJN, Ex. "21"). Composition of the Tribe is irrelevant for purposes of distributing RSTF payments to a Non-Compact tribe. (pRJN, Ex. "5"). On the one hand, the 10. Disputed. See No. 9 Miwok Tribe may consist only above. of the Burley Faction, consisting of five members, or, on the other hand, it may consist of a much larger group of Indians, possibly including up to 242 adult members.

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Because the BIA deemed 15. it unorganized and lacking a Tribal Chairperson and, for that reason, suspended PL 638 contract funding disbursement to the Miwok Tribe in 2005, the Commission suspended its disbursement of quarterly RSTF payments, pending BIA's recognition of an authorized Miwok Tribe leader or leadership group with which to conduct its government-togovernment business-as evidenced either by BIA's resumption of PL 638 funding, or other BIA action.

15. See No. 14 above.

Littleton Decl., ¶ 6.

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As of this date, the BIA 16. has not recognized an authorized leader or leadership group for the Miwok Tribe, nor has the BIA resumed disbursing PL 638 funds to the Miwok Tribe.

## Littleton Decl., ¶ 7.

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Disputed. 16. August 31, 2011 decision contains a declaration of rights that the Plaintiff's Tribal Council is in fact currently recognized, which is not affected by the implementing stay language of that decision. The decision directs the parties to continue to resolve their leadership dispute pending the federal litigation under the currently recognized tribal Council. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 8). The ASI also suggested the Intervenors "take up their cause" of membership with the current Tribal Council, pending the outcome of the federal litigation. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 7). In addition, the U.S. District Court has stated that the Tribe under Burley's leadership is "currently recognized." (Intervenors' Ex. "15", page 10). The implementing stay of the August 31, 2011 decision did not affect the declaration portion of the decision, i.e., that the Tribe is currently recognized.

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17. As of this date, the Commission is holding accrued quarterly RSTF payments totaling \$8,763,001.99, plus interest in the amount of \$420,246.17, for eventual

Undisputed. However, 17. Plaintiff disputes the amount of interest the Commission is providing under the circumstances.

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	disbursement to the Miwok		
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6	Tribe once the BIA has	the conditions of RSTF disbursements. The	
7	identified the Miwok Tribe's authorized leader or	Commission is wrong in	
8	leadership group.	conditioning payment on this basis. In fact, in light of	
9	Littleton Decl., ¶ 9.	Dixie's recent deposition	
10	•	testimony admitting that he resigned as Tribal Chairman,	
11		there is no basis for the Commission to continue to	
12		claim that it does not know	
13		who is authorized to receive the subject RSTF payments for	
14		the Tribe. (pRJN, Ex. "21").	
15	19. The Legislature has	19. Undisputed.	1
16	provided that shortfalls in		
17	the RSTF (which would otherwise preclude disbursing		
18	a total of \$1.1M per year to		
19	each Non-Compact Tribe) are backfilled from the Special		
20	Distribution Fund, which, to the extent not used for that		
21 22	purpose are used for the public benefit to mitigate		
23	the off-reservation impacts		
24	and costs of tribal gaming.		
25	Gov. Code, § 12012.90, subd.		
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PLAINTIFFS' UNDISPUTED DEFENDANT'S RESPONSE AND SUPPORTING EVIDENCE MATERIAL FACTS AND SUPPORTING **EVIDENCE** THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION FOR WRIT OF MANDATE Undisputed. Under the Compacts, the 1. Commission is required to collect license fees from gaming tribes, deposit them in the RSTF, and, under the Compacts and Government Code sections 12012.75 and 12012.90, make quarterly payments of those funds according to the Compact's specified distribution plans. Gov. Code, §§ 12012.75; 12012.90; Compact §§ 4.3.2, 4.3.2.1 (Ex. A to Req. for Jud. Not. (RJN); see also Decl. of Sylvia Cates (Cates Decl.) ¶ 2. The Compacts and 2. Undisputed. Government Code provide that quarterly payments shall be made to Non-Compact Tribes, noncompact tribes, and eligible recipient Indian tribes, respectively—these are alternative and functionally equivalent designations of federally-

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14	the [RSTF] funds."	
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21	Pinoleville Pomo Nation, §	
22	5.1, subd. (a) (Ex. F to RJN; see also Cates Decl. ¶ 7.	
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24	5. The Miwok Tribe is a federally-recognized Indian	5. <u>Undisputed</u> .
25	tribe that operates fewer	
26	than 350 slot machines, and thus qualifies as a Non-	
27	Compact Tribe under the	
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Compacts and Government Code. First Amended Complaint Combined With Petition for Writ of Mandate, at p. 3 ¶ 6. Undisputed. 6. The Salazar case was filed on January 24, 2011, by the California Valley Miwok Tribe (consisting of different individuals than the Burley Faction that is the plaintiff in this action), the Tribal Council, Yakima Dixie, Velma Whitebear, Antonia Lopez, Michael Mendibles, Evelyn Wilson, and Antone Azevedo (collectively referred to herein as the "D.C. Plaintiffs"). The Salazar case challenges Assistant Secretary of the Interior (ASI) (Indian Affairs) Larry Echo Hawk's December 10, 2010 decision recognizing the Burley Faction as the Miwok Tribe. Complaint (Salazar) (Ex. C to See also Docket RJN. (Salazar) (Ex. G to RJN.) As a result of Salazar's Disputed. The ASI also 7. stated that he wanted to have filing, ASI Echo Hawk the matter more fully briefed withdrew his December 2010

7. As a result of Salazar's filing, ASI Echo Hawk withdrew his December 2010 decision for reconsideration, and then reissued it with modifications on August 31, 2011 (August 31 Decision). On October 17, 2011, the D.C. Plaintiffs filed a first

7. <u>Disputed</u>. The ASI also stated that he wanted to have the matter more fully briefed by the parties. His August 31, 2011 decision affirmed his December 22, 2010 decision.

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amended complaint that challenges ASI Echo Hawk's August 31 Decision. Letter, Echo Hawk to Dixie dated April 1, 2011 (Ex. D to RJN); see also Cates Decl., ¶ 5. Echo Hawk decision dated August 31, 2011 (Ex. E to RJN); see also Cates Decl., ¶ First Amended Complaint (Salazar) (Ex. H to RJN.) The ASI merely Disputed. By its express terms, the 8. stayed implementation of his August 31 Decision is stayed decision, which has no effect pending the outcome of on the declaration of rights Salazar. portion of that decision stating that the Tribe has a Echo Hawk decision dated recognized form of government August 31, 2011 (Ex. E to and that the Tribe consists RJN, at p. 8); see also Cates (pRJN, Ex. of five members. Decl., ¶ 6. "3") Disputed. The Salazar At the present time, as case is irrelevant, per the evidenced by the Salazar Court of Appeal decision. case, a dispute exists as to There is no dispute the composition and concerning the leadership of leadership of the Miwok the Tribe, in light of the Tribe. recent deposition testimony of Yakima Dixie confirming First Amended Complaint that he had resigned as (Salazar) (Ex. H to RJN. Tribal Chairman and acknowledging that Burley is

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the new Chairperson. (pRJN,

Ex. "21"). Composition of

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1 2		purposes of distributing RSTF payments to a Non-Compact tribe. (pRJN, Ex. "5").
3	10. On the one hand, the Miwok Tribe may consist only	10. <u>Disputed</u> . <u>See</u> No. 9 above.
4	of the Burley Faction,	
5	consisting of five members, or, on the other hand, it may	
6	consist of a much larger	
7	group of Indians, possibly including up to 242 adult	
8	members.	
9	(Id.)	
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11	11. Depending upon the outcome of the Salazar case,	11. <u>Disputed</u> . <u>See</u> No. 9 above.
12	the BIA may, or may not, take	
13	final action recognizing the Miwok Tribe to consist of the	
14	Burley Faction and	
	recognizing Silvia Burley as the Tribal Chairperson.	
16 17	(Id.)	
18	12. The Commission makes no independent determinations on	12. <u>Undisputed</u> .
20	the merits of intra-tribal	
21	leadership disputes.	
22	Decl. of Tina Littleton (Littleton Decl.), ¶ 3.	
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24	13. The Commission takes no position on the merits of	13. <u>Undisputed</u> .
25	intra-tribal leadership	
26	disputes.	
27	Littleton Decl., ¶ 4.	

14. When uncertainty exists as to a Non-Compact Tribe's authorized leadership, the Commission, as administrator of the RSTF, defers to the BIA's determinations.

Littleton Decl, ¶ 5.

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The Disputed. 14. Commission never said, and never did, pay any of the subject RSTF money to Burley individually. The Commission has been withholding RSTF payments to the Tribe because it claimed an ongoing Tribal leadership dispute between Dixie and Burley called into question who is authorized to accept the RSTF payments on behalf of the Tribe, even though it had previously made RSTRF payments to the Tribe in care of Burley in the midst of the same leadership The Commission then dispute. later claimed that since the Tribe under Burley's leadership did not qualify for federal contract funding under P.L. 638, the Tribe also could not qualify for RSTF money either. The Commission also erroneously claimed that the Tribe needed to be "reorganized" under the IRA, and admit more Indians as members of the Tribe, before the Tribe could qualify for RSTF payments. The Commission also ignored the Tribe's right to operate outside the IRA under its present resolution form of government. (pRJN, Ex. "6" and "7").

15. Because the BIA deemed it unorganized and lacking a Tribal Chairperson and, for

15. See No. 14 above.

that reason, suspended PL 638 contract funding disbursement to the Miwok Tribe in 2005, the Commission suspended its disbursement of quarterly RSTF payments, pending BIA's recognition of an authorized Miwok Tribe leader or leadership group with which to conduct its government-to-government business—as evidenced either by BIA's resumption of PL 638 funding, or other BIA action.

## Littleton Decl., ¶ 6.

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16. As of this date, the BIA has not recognized an authorized leader or leadership group for the Miwok Tribe, nor has the BIA resumed disbursing PL 638 funds to the Miwok Tribe.

## Littleton Decl., ¶ 7.

The ASI's Disputed. 16. August 31, 2011 decision contains a declaration of rights that the Plaintiff's Tribal Council is in fact currently recognized, which is not affected by the implementing stay language of that decision. The decision directs the parties to continue to resolve their leadership dispute pending the federal litigation under the currently recognized tribal Council. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 8). The ASI also suggested the Intervenors "take up their cause" of membership with the current Tribal Council, pending the outcome of the federal litigation. (pRJN, Ex. "3", page 7). In addition, the U.S. District Court has stated that the Tribe under

1		Burley's leadership is
		"currently recognized."
2		(Intervenors' Ex. "15", page 10). The implementing stay
3		of the August 31, 2011
4		decision did not affect the
7		declaration portion of the
5		decision, i.e., that the
6		Tribe is currently
7		recognized.
,	17 No of this date the	17. Undisputed. However,
8	17. As of this date, the Commission is holding accrued	Plaintiff disputes the amount
9	quarterly RSTF payments	of interest the Commission is
10	totaling \$8,763,001.99, plus	providing under the
	interest in the amount of	circumstances.
11	\$420,246.17, for eventual	
12	disbursement to the Miwok Tribe.	
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	Littleton Decl., ¶ 8.	
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15	18. The Commission will	18. Disputed. The Compact
16	promptly disburse the accrued RSTF payments to the Miwok	does not require that the actions of the BIA dictate
17	Tribe once the BIA has	the conditions of RSTF
1/	identified the Miwok Tribe's	disbursements. The
18	authorized leader or	Commission is wrong in
19	leadership group.	conditioning payment on this
20	Tittleten Deal GO	basis. In fact, in light of
20	Littleton Decl., ¶ 9.	Dixie's recent deposition testimony admitting that he
21	•	resigned as Tribal Chairman,
22		there is no basis for the
23		Commission to continue to
23		claim that it does not know
24		who is authorized to receive
25		the subject RSTF payments for the Tribe. (pRJN, Ex. "21").
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	19. The Legislature has	19. Undisputed.
27	provided that shortfalls in	
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1	the RSTF (which would	
	otherwise preclude disbursing	
2	a total of \$1.1M per year to each Non-Compact Tribe) are	
3	backfilled from the Special	
4	Distribution Fund, which, to	
5	the extent not used for that purpose are used for the	
6	public benefit to mitigate	
	the off-reservation impacts	
7	and costs of tribal gaming.	
8	Gov. Code, § 12012.90, subd.	
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10	Gov. Code, § 12012.85.	
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