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Elizabeth Shearer-Nguyen Senior Planner City of San Diego Development Services Department <u>EShearer@sandiego.gov</u>

RE: Interpretive signage for Tribal Cultural Resources for the Riverwalk Development Project

Dear Ms. Shearer-Nguyen,

The preliminary plans for interpretive signage related to Tribal Cultural Resources associated with the Riverwalk Development Project are as follows. Prior to the issuance of a grading permit for the River Park, the Assistant Deputy Director (ADD) Environmental designee shall verify interpretive signage along trails as shown on construction documents. Signage shall include 50 plant identification signs (each approximately 6 by 8-inches) along the trails with plants traditionally utilized by Native American tribes identified by a symbol. Two storyboard signs (approximately 20 by 30 inches), one on the north side of the San Diego River and one on the south, shall also be provided that describe the native plants identified along the river pathway and their relationship to the Kumeyaay people's ability to thrive in the region.

The plant species traditionally used by Native American tribes in the wetland planting palette described in the EIR include Mugwort (*Artemisia douglasiana*), Mulefat (*Baccharis salicifolia*), Western ragweed (*Ambrosia psilostachya*), California deergrass (*Muhlenbergia rigens*), Red willow (*Salix lasiolepis*), Elderberry (*Sambucus nigra*), Freeemont's cottonwood (*Populus fremontii*), Black willow (*Salix exigua*), and Arroyo willow (*Salix lasiolepis*).

The specific designs and text for the signs will be established as consultation with the tribes continues. Should you have any questions regarding the proposed preliminary plan, please do not hesitate to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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