



California Casino News

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First we would like to Congratulate Pala Band of Mission Indians, Picayune Rancheria of the Chukchansi Indians, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians on their new tribal funding with CTCP. The second round of funding came out on June 27th. This RFA will fund projects to reduce tobacco-related disparities and achieve health equity among American Indian Tribal populations through approaches focused on tobacco use prevention and reduction. Details about this RFA and eligibility can be found on the attached Funding Opportunity Alert. We highly encourage you to pass on this funding opportunity to Tribal government contacts that may be interested and to read the funding eligibility closely.

In the news this week for Northern California we have Scott Nielson talking about the Hard Rock Casino and Hotel's new south of town's new hotel of 400 rooms. Listen to his interview on Kern Radio.

In Southern California we have Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians announce they are planning to build a new 10,000-seat arena in the heart of Palm Springs for ice hockey, and live entertainment. Tribes to continue fight to protect Gaming exclusivity, the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, and the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation for breach of their respective compacts with the State. Lastly, lawmakers in California have introduced a new sports betting bill.

Agua Caliente tribe announces new arena for Palm Springs

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The Agua Caliente Band of Cahuilla Indians plans to build a 10,000-seat arena in the heart of Palm Springs for ice hockey and live entertainment. The new facility will be north of the tribe's downtown casino and two blocks from the desert city's main drag, according to a press release from the tribe.

Sports betting bill proposed in California

Lawmakers in California have introduced a new sports betting bill. Assemblyman Adam Gray and Senator Bill Dodd are joint sponsors of the bill and want to see the black market of sports betting eradicated from the US' most-populated state.

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Tribes to Continue Fight to Protect Gaming Exclusivity Guaranteed in State Gaming Compacts

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The United States District Court for the Eastern District of California granted the State of California's request to dismiss the lawsuit filed by the Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation, the Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians, and the Sycuan Band of the Kumeyaay Nation for breach of their respective compacts with the State.

Hard Rock Hotel and Casino comes on the show to talk about the new casino and hotel

Listen to Scott Nielson talk about his latest project: building a 400-room Hard Rock Hotel and Casino south of town.

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