

Graton Rancheria to make \$3 million payments to Cloverdale Rancheria, Kashia Band



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The Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria confirmed Tuesday they will make contributions of \$3 million each to two other local Pomo branches, Cloverdale Rancheria and the Kashia Band. The payments, part of a 2012 agreement with Sonoma County, immediately became wrapped up in the Graton tribe's territorial dispute with the Koi Nation, which last week announced plans for a \$600 million resort and casino outside of Windsor.

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“Tribal gaming operations pay into two funds, and what they contribute is based on the terms agreed upon in their compact. These two funds are the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund and the Special Distribution Fund,” explained Fred Castano, spokesman for the California Gambling Control Commission. “Tribes with gaming operations pay into the Revenue Sharing Trust Fund, which distributes payments to federally-recognized tribes in the state that are operating fewer than 350 gaming devices. Each quarter, they receive \$275,000.”



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The San Manuel Casino in Highland, owned by the San Manuel Band of Mission Indians, has changed its name to the Yaamava' Resort & Casino at San Manuel. The new branding "allows the tribe to pursue additional growth opportunities and serve the community" under the San Manuel enterprise, the tribe said in a press release.