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## Chicken Ranch tribe undertakes projects to grow footprint in community

This year is shaping up to be another major step in the progression of the Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California since regaining its federally recognized status in 1983.

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## Demolition Work Begins to Make Way for Elk Grove Casino After Years of Legal Challenges

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On Friday, the Wilton Rancheria began the demolition of a “ghost mall” in Elk Grove, California — in preparation for the construction of its controversial \$400 million casino, in partnership with Boyd Gaming.

## Hundreds Attend the Western Indian Gaming Conference

More than 400 tribal leaders, regulators, industry professionals and policy experts, have gathered at the 24rdannual Western Indian Gaming Conference at Harrah’s Resort Southern California this week for a series of speeches, workshops, and state-of-the-art tradeshow.

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## Hard Rock Wheatland casino places final beam, hopeful for late 2019 opening

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Amid wind and rain, Northern California’s upcoming Hard Rock Hotel & Casino laid its last steel beam this week, marking a milestone for the resort-to-be. It’s more than 30 miles north of the capital city, but the upcoming property is branded Hard Rock Sacramento at Fire Mountain. The casino, in partnership with Enterprise Rancheria Indian tribe, has been built in the Yuba County city of Wheatland near the Toyota Amphitheatre.

## Could cannabis be the new gambling for Native Americans? So far, tribes are being shut out

At the end of a road off scenic Highway 79, in rural San Diego County, a building that once let visitors try their hand at slot machines and poker tables is now a shop that sells cannabis flower and marijuana-infused truffles.

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