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# Delta Conveyance Project: *Annual Tribal Informational Meeting* *Tribal Engagement Update*

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# Tribes Who Have Requested Consultation

## AB 52:

- California Valley Miwok Tribe (Sheep Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians of California)
- Lone Band of Miwok Indians
- Northern Valley Yokuts Tribe
- Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
- United Auburn Indian Community
- Wilton Rancheria
- Winnemem Wintu
- Wintu Tribe of Northern California
- Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation

## DWR's Tribal Engagement Policy:

- Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians
- Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians
- Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians
- Yurok Tribe



# 2021 Tribal Consultation - Identification of Tribal Cultural Resources

- Consultation with Tribes to identify places with cultural significance to California Native American Tribes
- Based on information received during Tribal Consultation and DWR's own ethnographic research, DWR will determine potential Tribal Cultural Resources (TCRs) for California Register evaluation
- DWR will develop a Tribal Cultural Resources Identification Report with Tribal input and review
- Where accessible, Tribal site visits were conducted with interested consulting Tribes



# Important Resources to CA Tribes

- The Delta (as an important landscape);
  - TCR evaluation through the AB 52 CEQA process
- Salmon and other fish species;
- Water and waterways;
- Archeological sites including village, mound locations, and burial sites; and
- Native plant and animal species.



# Ongoing Tribal Consultation and Engagement and Next Steps

- DWR will continue to consult with engaged Tribes throughout the CEQA process, including discussing project impacts and options for mitigation
- DWR will share relevant portions of the TCRIR with consulting Tribes for review and input
- Public draft TCR chapter scheduled for Spring of 2022
- Where accessible, plan for additional Tribal site visits with interested consulting Tribes

