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Ms. Jennifer Hill, Regional Director
Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control
1350 Front Street, Room 5056
San Diego, CA 92101

Dear Ms. Hill:

As a follow-up to our phone conversation, I am writing to register my formal protest and to express my disappointment in the California Alcohol Beverage Control's (ABC) decision to grant the Jamul Indian Village (JIV) an interim operating permit to serve alcohol at their proposed casino.

As stated in two previous letters to you, I requested that no liquor license be considered for the JIV casino until all of the traffic mitigation in the Caltrans final environmental impact report (FEIR), and the intergovernmental agreement with the County of San Diego is completed. As of this letter, there is still a substantial amount of traffic mitigation outlined in the Caltrans FEIR that is not complete.

The irresponsible decision by ABC to grant the JIV an interim operating permit puts the public at great risk. State Route 94 is a two-lane rural highway that is currently performing at level of service (LOS) F. The proposed project estimates that there will be an additional 9,000 daily vehicle trips on this already dangerous highway. Furthermore, there will also be traffic impacts on numerous County roads that would be used to access SR-94 by drivers that are unfamiliar with the windy, rural two-lane roads in and out of Jamul. Adding alcohol to this already dangerous situation is a disaster waiting to happen.

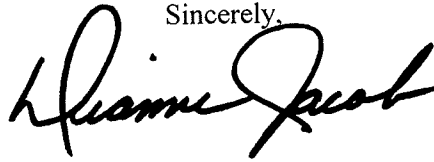
In addition to the two letters I wrote in protest of JIV's liquor license application, I also personally met with you on this issue. I provided you a comparison (attached) of two other tribal governments in my district that had to wait many years before being granted a liquor license. Barona opened their casino in 1994, and did not receive an interim operating permit, with restrictions, until 2004 – 10 years later. Sycuan opened their casino in 1993, and it was not until 2009 that their interim operating permit was issued with restrictions – 16 years later.

The decision by ABC to grant JIV an interim operating license before the public hearing and before the casino has even opened demonstrates that the ABC and the State of California are in cahoots with JIV and Penn National at the expense of public safety. To grant the permit ignores the facts about the dangerous conditions on Highway 94 and ignores the basic duty of a public official, which is to protect the public's safety.

I strongly urge you to reconsider the issuance of JIV's liquor license at least until a public hearing is held.

Thank you in advance for consideration in this matter. If you have any questions or would like to discuss this matter further, please feel free to contact me at (619) 531-5522.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dianne Jacob". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a long, sweeping underline.

DIANNE JACOB
Vice-Chairwoman

JIV LIQUOR LICENSE APPLICATION

Compared with Barona and Sycuan

	Barona	Sycuan	JIV
Casino opened	1994	1993	2016
Date Liquor License Obtained	2007	2009	2016 (August 2)
Main Road	Wildcat Canyon Road	Dehesa Road	State Route 94
ADT (Average Daily Traffic)	17,500	14,000	27,000 *
(LOS) Level of Service	E	E	F

* approximate ADT after casino opens