

Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians News Release

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Pechanga Announces Tribal Council Election Results

Chairman Mark Macarro and five council members re-elected

Pechanga Indian Reservation, CA, Jul. 22, 2014 – The Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians today announced the results of elections for the seven-member Tribal Council held this past Saturday.

Chairman Mark Macarro, 50, was re-elected to his tenth consecutive two-year term as Chairman. Also re-elected to the Tribal Council were Andrew Masiel, Sr.; Robert "RJ" Munoa; Russell "Butch" Murphy; Catalina R. Chacon; and Corrina Garbani-Sanchez. Former Councilman Marc Luker was also elected to the Tribal Council. The new Tribal Council term will begin August 17, 2014.

The seven-member Tribal Council sets policies, administers government programs and executes the will of the Pechanga General Membership. The tribal chairperson and members of the council are charged with upholding and enforcing the Constitution and Bylaws of the Pechanga Band.

"It is a privilege and honor to have the faith of the Pechanga people in being elected to serve another term. The protection of and advocacy for Pechanga's sovereignty and homeland is a responsibility entrusted to every tribal council member by the Pechanga people," Chairman Macarro stated.

About the Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians

The Pechanga Band of Luiseño Indians is a federally recognized Indian tribe that has called the Temecula Valley home since time immemorial. After years of hardship and mistreatment by settlers, the Pechanga Indian Reservation was established by presidential executive order in 1882, affirming the Tribe's sovereign rights and land-base. The Pechanga Band directly employs over 5,000 people and owns and operates the award-winning Pechanga Resort & Casino, the largest gaming facility in the western United States.

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