

United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

MAY 12, 2020

Mr. Rudy Ortega, Jr. 1019 Second Street, #1 San Fernando, California 91340

Dear Mr. Ortega:

The Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians (FTB) is under active consideration for a Proposed Finding (PF) in the Federal acknowledgment process. This letter is to advise you that the Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA) and the Office of the Solicitor need additional time to issue the PF on the FTB petitioner. By letter of March 12, 2020, we had previously indicated that the Department would issue the PF on May 12, 2020.

The AS-IA is extending the review of the documented petition for 15 days. The AS-IA found good cause to extend, under § 83.8(a), the issuance date of the PF to Wednesday, May 27, 2020, or before.

This 15-day extension will allow the Department of the Interior time to complete its review of the petition and issue a PF under the applicable regulations. This letter notifies the FTB Petitioner and those parties listed in § 83.22(d) of this extension.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4071-MIB, Washington, DC 20240. Thank you for your patience. Your understanding in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

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Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Parties under § 83.22(d)