



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

Washington, DC 20240

**FEB 11, 2021**

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

Dear Mr. Ortega:


By letter dated February 3, 2021, the Fernandeno Tataviam Band of Mission Indians (FTB) petitioner requested a 120-day extension to the comment period of the Phase I Negative Proposed Finding. The Office of Federal Acknowledgment (OFA) within the Office of the Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs (AS-IA) received your request on Monday, February 8 2021.

Although the comment period of the Phase I Negative Proposed Finding is to close on February 11, 2021, the Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, exercising the delegated authority of the AS-IA, is extending the comment period for 120 days. Pursuant to § 83.8(a), the Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, exercising the delegated authority of the AS-IA, found good cause to extend the comment period to Friday, June 11, 2021.

This letter notifies the FTB petitioner and those parties listed in § 83.22(d) of this extension. Any individual or entity submitting comments and evidence to OFA must deliver copies of their submission to the petitioner, as stated in § 83.35.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Federal Acknowledgment, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4071-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.

Sincerely,

  
Director, Office of Federal Acknowledgment

cc: Parties under § 83.22(d)