



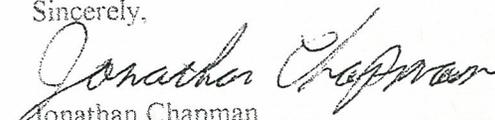
Laura Yoshn  
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Dear Administrator Yoshii,

In response to the recent receipt of the USEPA 2008 Region 1-X, National Ambient Air Quality Standard lead designation process for states, tribes and districts; it is the technical opinion of the Torres Martinez (TMDCI) Environmental Department Staff, that the USEPA designate the TMDCI Reservation as "unclassifiable". In the **MEMORANDUM** we received on August 1, 2009 from the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, it states, **"EPA also anticipates there will be other areas where sufficient monitoring data are not available to make such a determination. In such cases, officials are advised to designate such areas as "unclassifiable"."** This is the position the TMDCI air monitoring and the Coachella Valley air monitoring sites are presently in. There is currently no lead monitoring between the local South Coast Air District's air stations and the one air station located on the TMDCI Reservation. The one station on the TMDCI Reservation currently monitors for PM10 and ozone. It is the understanding of the TMDCI Air Quality staff that the closest lead monitor is located in Calexico, California on Ethel Street, under the jurisdiction of the Imperial County Air Pollution Control District (ICAQCD), along the Mexico-USA border. With this taken into consideration it is the position of the TMDCI Air Quality staff that the USEPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards designates the TMDCI Reservation as "unclassifiable".

These comments are solely for the purpose of responding to the USEPA Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards process of regional designations for the revised lead standards.

Sincerely,

  
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