



emPOWERing Indian Country

The CTEC honors the life and legacy of the Honorable Bo Mazzetti, Chairman of the Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians. We are in Bo's and his family's debt for his leading CA's Tribes in their successful fight for tribal water rights and so much more.



"YOU ARE ONLY AS SOVEREIGN AS YOU ACT."- BO MAZZETTI



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The California Tribal Energy Collective, also known as CTEC, is the only inter-tribal consortium (*by federal definition*) in the state of California, devoted to promoting, supporting, and advocating for clean and renewable energy projects in Indian Country and for Native American Indian households. The CTEC is also the sole tribal entity that sought and initiated a stakeholding partnership with the State of California and GRID Alternatives during the application phase of the US EPA GGRF/ Solar for All (SFA) grant process on behalf of all of California's federally-recognized tribes.

Mission & Vision

Our mission is simple: We seek to assist and empower tribal communities to achieve their desired levels of energy resilience, independence, and sovereignty. Our member tribes envision a future in which humans live in harmony with all of nature, making stewardship decisions that last up to seven generations, no longer sacrificing the sustainability of Mother Earth and Father Sky for short-term gains, and ensuring that the fundamentals which support and advance life, health, and prosperity are readily available to all.

**We do not inherit
the earth from
our ancestors,
we borrow it
from our children.**



Native American
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Preservation of Oak Trees

Thanks to the
Kumeyaay Tribes



“The Kumeyaay are like the oak tree.

The oak tree lives on forever, while each year the oak leaves die so that new leaves can grow. The new oak leaves are not identical to the old leaves, but the oak trees will live forever. So each generation of Kumeyaay will be different; but they will still be Kumeyaay.”

The Klamath
River- No longer
~~damned~~ dammed.

Thanks to the
Karub Tribe

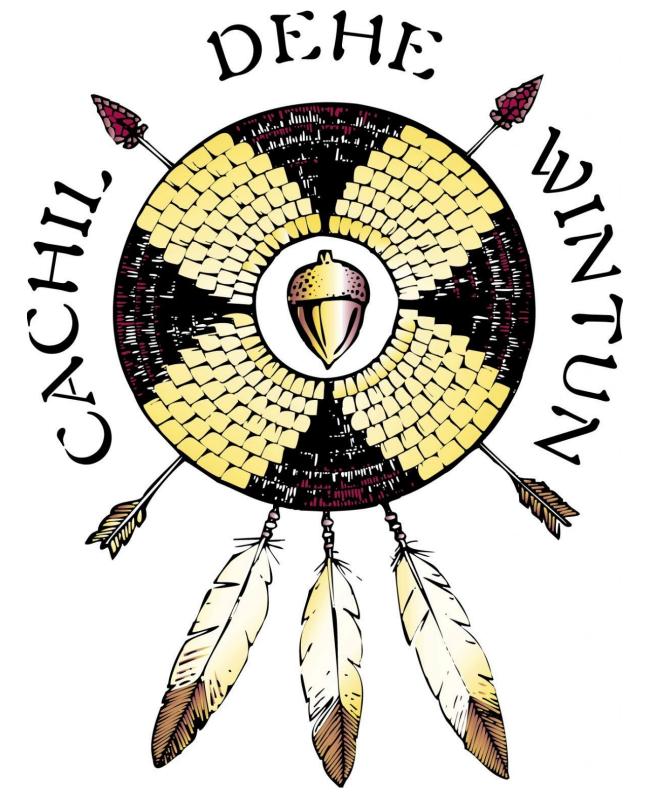
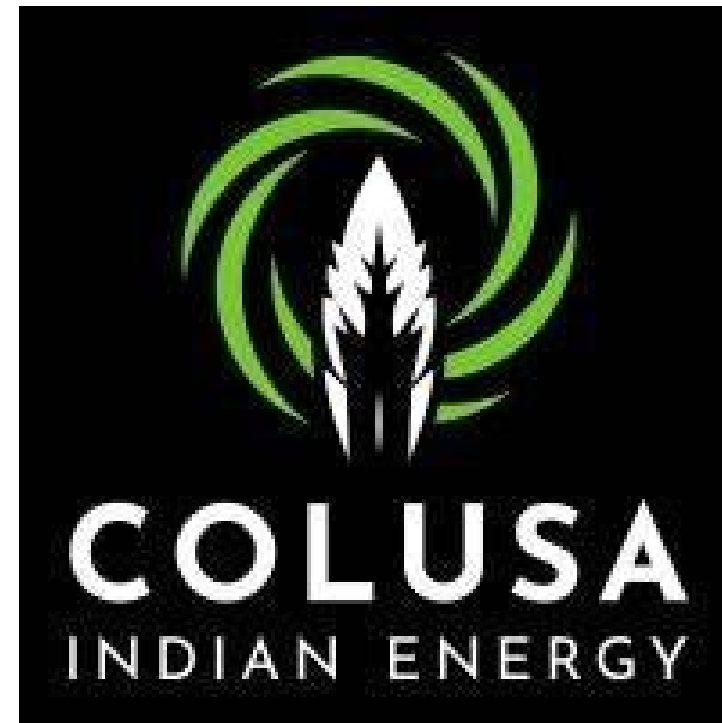




We are the only-inter-tribal agency (*as defined by the federal government*) in the state of California that is dedicated to the development of clean and renewable energy projects and education.

Cachil DeHe Band of Wintun
Indians of the Colusa Indian
Community

Colusa Indian Energy-
Kenneth Ahmann, COO



Campo Band of Mission Indians

Chairman-
Marcus Cuero



Ewiiapaayp Band of
Kumeyaay Indians

Vice Chairman-
Michael Garcia



Karuk Tribe

Chairman-
Russell “Buster”
Attebery



Middletown Rancheria
of Pomo Indians of California

Middletown Rancheria

Chairman- Jose Simon



Redding Rancheria

Economic Development Director-
Jeremy Hayward



Santa Ynez Band of
Chumash Indians

Government Affairs &
Legal Specialist
Samuel Cohen



Soboba Band of
Luiseño Indians

Tribal Council Secretary-
Monica Herrera

The Problems We Seek to Solve:

Seeming Invisibility of Tribes to Decision Makers

Lack of Substantive and Meaningful Involvement in Projects/ Box-Checking

Disregard for Self-determination of Goals/ Travesty of Tribes

Reluctance and Refusal to Engage in Tribal Consultation and Tribal Engagement/ Unwillingness to Accept as Authentic Partners

Refusal to Adapt and Simplify Means of Access to Resources

Barriers to Development of Resilience, Independence, and Sovereignty

Lack of Respect for Sovereignty

Lack of Capacity, Capability, and Education in the Space

Failure of Nerve in Communications/ Inability to Maintain
Trusting Relationships



What We Are Doing:



Showing Up and Advocating



Developing Tribal Engagement Plans



Creating a Tribal Energy Education Academy



Educating Ourselves and Sharing What We Learn



Seeking New Partners Who Believe in Our Mission and Vision & Share Our Passion



Consulting, Exploring, Researching, and Linking Resources



Serving as Liaisons Between Tribes and Other Stake-holding Entities



Next Steps

Eligibility Requirements:

- Must be a federally-recognized Tribe.
- Must make a commitment to attending a 1-hour Zoom meeting monthly and three, in-person meetings per year (*locations to be determined*).
- There are no membership dues. Members are asked to support an annual fundraiser (December) at a level of their ability and choice.

What Kind of World Do “You” Want to Create?

To join or for more information, please email the Executive Director at: tcervantes@catribalsfa.com or text to 858-258-3300.

Thank-you, Tewana “Tee” Cervantes, MPA

