

June 6, 2016

**NOTICE OF MODIFICATIONS TO TEXT OF
PROPOSED REGULATIONS**

Pursuant to the requirements of Government Code section 11346.8 (c), and section 44 of Title 1 of the California Code of Regulations, the California Natural Resources Agency (Agency) is providing notice of changes made to proposed Appendix G of the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines, which was the subject of a regulatory hearing on April 4, 2016. These changes are in response to comments received regarding the proposed regulation. Specifically, the Agency is focused on making the consideration of tribal consultation obligations more “action” based. Planners and others who use the checklist will have to describe what steps have been taken, consistent with Assembly Bill 52 (Gatto, 2014), to engage in tribal consultation, and document their compliance for their various administrative records. Further, a Tribal Cultural Resources section has been added as a stand-alone section to the checklist.

The Agency will continue clean-up language in the Cultural Resources section dealing with dedicated cemeteries, as the public largely appreciated this revision. However, it will not be moving that subsection of the Cultural Resources section to the new Tribal Cultural Resources Section because it may apply more broadly to other types of cultural cemeteries.

If you have any comments regarding the proposed changes, the Agency will accept written comments between **June 6, 2016 and June 21, 2016**. All written comments must be submitted no later than 5:00 p.m. on June 21, 2016, at cega.guidelines@resources.ca.gov.

Though email is preferred, comments will also be accepted by regular mail if submitted to:

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All written comments received by June 21, 2016, which pertain to the indicated changes will be reviewed and responded to by the Agency’s staff as part of the compilation of the rulemaking file. **Please limit your comments to the modifications to the text.**

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