

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE 47TH FLYING TRAINING WING (AETC)

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MEMORANDUM FOR Mrs. Darcie Ryan
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Lipan Apache Tribes of Texas

FROM: 47 FTW/CC

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Laughlin AFB, TX 78843-5230

SUBJECT: Environmental Baseline Survey – Privatization of Photovoltaic Solar Array Laughlin AFB, TX

- 1. Laughlin AFB wishes to construct a Photovoltaic Solar Array in a section of the base to supply energy from solar power panels. This array is scheduled for construction completion by Fall 2015. The array will then be maintained and operated by a private contractor. The Air Force has completed a draft Environmental Baseline Survey for the property transfer. A copy of the draft is enclosed (Attachment 1). We request your review of the document.
- 2. The Air Force wishes to know if the area selected for the array is in an area of Cultural Significance or a Sacred Site for your tribe. A photo of an array which is similar to our project is attached for your reference (Attachment 2). Please provide your comments within 30 days of receipt of this letter.
- 3. Our point of contact for this action is Mr. Danny Yandell, 47 CES/CEIE, at 830-298-5746 or email at danny.yandell@us.af.mil.

BRIAN E. HASTINGS, Colonel, USAF Commander, 47th Flying Training Wing

2 Attachments:

- 1. Environmental Baseline Survey Draft on CD
- 2. Example of a Photovoltaic Array