

**TRINIDAD RANCHERIA
THE HEADWATERS GRANT FUND
SELF-EVALUATION - FINAL REPORT**

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| DATE: | April 27, 2009 |
| ORGANIZATION NAME: | CHER-AE HEIGHTS INDIAN COMMUNITY OF THE TRINIDAD RANCHERIA |
| PROJECT TITLE: | TRINIDAD PIER RECONSTRUCTION |
| PROJECT START DATE: | MARCH 16, 2007 |
| PROJECT END DATE: | December 31, 2008 |

WHAT WERE THE PROJECT GOALS AND WERE THEY ACHIEVED? WHY OR WHY NOT?

The Trinidad Rancheria has been actively seeking a way to improve the pier and harbor facilities in Trinidad since it purchased the land and facilities in 2000. The Trinidad Rancheria has taken positive steps to initiate the Trinidad Pier Reconstruction project. The Tribe was able to secure funding for the initial phase of the project— concept designs and engineering for a new pier facility. This first phase of the project was funded in cooperation with the Community Headwaters Grant Fund, the Coastal Conservancy Urban Waterfronts Grant Program, and direct funding from the Trinidad Rancheria.

| FUNDING AGENCY | TOTAL DOLLAR MOUNT |
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| TRINIDAD RANCHERIA | \$23,872 |
| HEADWATERS COMMUNITY GRANT FUND | \$51,129 |
| COASTAL CONSERVANCY | \$431,250 |

The over-all goal for the Trinidad Reconstruction Project is to design, engineer, and reconstruct a new environmentally friendly and structurally sound pier that the community will be able to enjoy for many years to come. The initial steps of this project included the preparation of a preliminary concept design and the completion of the initial applications to complete all the environmental components of the project. **The goals specific to the Headwaters Grant included Tasks:**

2.3 The preparation of preliminary concept designs (02/01/2007-9/01/2007) - \$28,500

- a. Dock Composition and section design
- b. Pile Composition, Layout and Size
- c. Preliminary seismic evaluation
- d. Pile bent spacing, layout and size
- e. Utility requirements, locations and sizing
- f. Boarding point locations and access
- g. ADA requirements and preliminary design
- h. Fisherman amenities such as dock hoist, scale sheds, fish cleaning stations

- i. HSU Marine Lab water intake considerations
- j. Details such as storm water runoff-handrails, bullrails and lighting
- k. Dock electrical considerations

2.4 Prepare permit applications (permit fees) (02/01/2007-9/01/2007) - \$15,235

OVERALL COST OF TASK #2 - \$102,000

3.1 Continue with concept designs (90% complete) (03/01/2007-04/01/2007) - \$1,025

OVERALL COST OF TASK #3 - \$83,900

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| <p>7.1 Amend concept designs to incorporate project permit conditions</p> <p>7.2 Prepare pier design incorporating all approved concepts</p> <p>7.3 Submit draft plans to Rancheria and agencies for review</p> <p>7.4 Meet with Rancheria and agencies to discuss and changes</p> | } | - \$6,368 |
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OVERALL COST OF TASK #7 - \$83,900

Currently, the Tribe has completed 95% of the design and engineering of the new Trinidad Pier pending the submittal of the Biological Assessment. The funds from the Headwaters Grant have played an integral role in the Tribe realizing a major component of their overall goals for the project. Although the goals were not completed in the original timeframe set out in the Headwaters Grant, the Tribe is satisfied with the progress and looking forward to the next major steps to complete the project. The funds listed above have been expended as part of overall task completion.

WHAT ARE THE LASTING BENEFITS OF THE PROJECT (PROVIDE QUANTITATIVE AND QUALITATIVE BENEFITS)?

The lasting benefits of the project are significant. The Trinidad Pier and Harbor Facility is the economic epicenter for the Trinidad area. Through the purchase of the Trinidad Pier and harbor Facilities in 2000 by the Trinidad Rancheria, the Tribe has taken on the responsibility of maintaining the Pier and harbor facilities for various public uses. Tourism, recreational and commercial fishing, education and a host of other important activities will remain and be enhanced with the reconstruction of a new structurally and environmentally sound pier.

The funds that Headwaters contributed to the project has supplemented other funding sources and relieved the Trinidad Rancheria of a significant financial component of the project. Additionally, the Headwater funds targeted important tasks within the initial stages of the project which has enabled the dream of a new pier to become a reality.

A new structurally and environmentally sound pier will increase economic development opportunities for the Tribe and the surrounding community, increase commercial and recreational fishing, and protect the marine resources from pollution and contamination.

WHAT CHALLENGES DID YOU ENCOUNTER DURING THE PROJECT?

The Trinidad Pier Reconstruction Project will affect a wide range of stakeholder groups, and industries. The complex nature of the Trinidad Pier and Harbor area in relation to the environment, tourism, fishing, history and tribal interests has necessitated the Trinidad Pier Reconstruction Project to identify how the project will benefit and impact those interests. The Tribe has needed to take extra steps to address critical issues in order to move forward with the project and build a sound environmentally friendly facility that the surrounding community and visiting patrons can enjoy for years to come.

Unanticipated special studies have been necessary to insure the best possible practices and mitigation measures during construction. An underwater noise study, in addition to an expert consultation on the Biological Assessment has been initiated by the Tribe to protect and safeguard the marine resources in Trinidad Bay. These special studies, while necessary and important, have conflicted with the original timeline and ultimately delayed the project.

HOW WILL YOU CONTINUE THE WORK STARTED BY THIS PROJECT?

The continuation of the Trinidad Pier Reconstruction Project will be possible via multiple funding sources.

Secured Funding:

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- CA Coastal Conservancy
- Trinidad Rancheria Economic Development Funds
- CA Tribal Gaming Revenue Sharing Funds

Pending Funding:

- NOAA Marine Debris Removal Grant
- EPA Brownsfield Clean up Grant
- CA Proposition 84 Grant Funds
- CA SFR Loan Funds

WHAT, IF ANY, ARE YOUR COMMENTS ABOUT WORKING WITH THE HEADWATERS FUND AND ITS STAFF?

The staff at the Headwaters Fund has been wonderful to work with. Dawn Esbree has been supportive of the project and worked with us through our project delays and unanticipated issues. The Trinidad Rancheria is greatly appreciative of the Headwaters Fund and supports their mission and goals and look forward to partnering with them in the future.

DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER COMMENTS?

We would appreciate continued project opportunities and support from the Headwaters Grant Fund. We enjoyed working with your agency and truly appreciate your important contribution to this project.