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A PLAN FOR THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE ASSETS OF THE
HOPLAND RANCHERIA, ACCORDING TO THE PROVISIONS OF
PUBLIC LAW 85-671, APPROVED AUGUST 18, 1958

The Hopland Rancheria, located in Mendocino County, California, about five miles east of the town of Hopland, is comprised of 2,070 acres of land. (A legal description is attached.)

The land varies from flat, gently sloping to high, rough and mountainous. While part of the rancheria is devoted to homesites, vineyards, and orchards, the larger portion is used for grazing and hunting. All homes and other buildings on the rancheria are privately-owned with the exception of three buildings, the teacherage and garage located on Parcel 32 and the schoolhouse on Parcel 35, which belong to the Federal Government.

Although a hardtop county road serves most of the parcels and a State highway runs along the south edge of the rancheria, these two roads do not afford all of the distributees with convenient year around access to their homes.

The present domestic water supply is not considered adequate for all the residences on the rancheria. The development costs of the present water system have been placed as a lien against the rancheria.

There are funds on deposit for this group in the Sacramento Area Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs. They do not have a constitution or charter.

The individuals listed herein, who are recognized as the only Indians of the rancheria entitled to share in the distribution of the property, are:

1. Those individuals who presently hold formal or informal assignments on the Hopland Rancheria, or
2. The first generation descendants of persons who held or now hold such assignments on the rancheria, provided such descendants attained

the age of 21 years on or before September 30, 1959, made a written application to the Hopland Rancheria Planning Committee for an assignment subsequent to January 1, 1944, and resided on the rancheria a total of at least 12 months since June 1944, or

3. The second generation descendants of persons who held or now hold assignments on the rancheria, provided such descendants are now 21 years of age or older and have resided continuously on the rancheria since January 1, 1944.

All distributees have been advised of the opportunity to participate in the vocational training program afforded by Public Law 85-671.

No minors will receive deeds in the distribution of the assets of the rancheria.

The Indians of the Hopland Rancheria desire termination of Federal trusteeship under the provisions of Public Law 85-671 and request that the Bureau of Indian Affairs undertake the following actions.

1. Provide assistance for the establishment of a legal entity as may be necessary to accept the conveyance of properties that are to be retained in group ownership.
2. Provide water service to any existing home not now served and to any residence under construction that is as much as fifty percent complete within ninety days after final approval of this plan, provided such service can be accomplished within the limitations of the present reservation water system or the system as it may be expanded. Further expansion of water facilities will be undertaken only if feasible from known available water sources and if the Area Director agrees that the cost of such expansion is not excessive.
3. Cancel all reimbursable indebtedness owing to the United States on account of unpaid construction and/or operation and maintenance charges for water facilities.

4. Make such surveys as are necessary to convey a merchantable and recordable title to each parcel.
5. Furnish each distributee with a statement of the approximate value of his or her parcel at the time of conveyance. Also furnish to such legal entity as may be established the approximate value of areas to be taken in community ownership.
6. Construct roads, shown on the attached sketch map identified as S-173, S-174 and S-177, to the minimum standards of Mendocino County and transfer them to the county for inclusion in the county road system. Also convey to Mendocino County right-of-way for county road identified on the sketch map as route S-176.
7. Convey the following properties to a legal entity organized to accept them:
 - A. Parcel No. 15 -- Water tank
 - B. Parcel No. 38 -- Cemetery
 - C. Parcel No. 39 -- Water tank and spring
 - D. Parcel No. 43 -- Water well
 - E. Parcel No. 50 -- Hopland Catholic Church
 - F. Building No. 531, a schoolhouse, Building No. 532, a teacherage, and Building No. 533, a two-car garage.
 - G. Such water producing parcel or parcels as may be reserved from the sale of Parcel 1 in accordance with Item 9 immediately below.
8. Reserve necessary pipeline easements for the importation and distribution of domestic water, including easements across Parcel 1, which is to be sold.
9. Sell, according to Bureau of Indian Affairs regulations, that portion of the rancheria designated as Parcel 1, containing approximately 1,440 acres; reserving from the sale sufficient water and area or areas to protect present domestic water sources, as well as such other sources as may be developed or expanded in carrying out Item 2 immediately above. Disposition of proceeds from the sale of Parcel 1 will be decided upon by the distributees named in the plan in a referendum held for that purpose subsequent to final acceptance of the distribution plan.

10. Disburse to the legal entity established to accept title to community property the funds to the credit of the rancheria in the Sacramento Area Office.
11. Before conveying or distributing property pursuant to this plan, protect the rights of individual Indians who are in need of assistance in conducting their affairs by causing the appointment of conservators or guardians for such Indians in courts of competent jurisdiction or by such other means as may be deemed adequate.
12. Convey to individual Indians or to a legal entity, according to this plan, unrestricted title to the lands constituting the Hopland Rancheria. The attached sketch map indicates generally the location of the parcels to be conveyed. Title shall be subject to existing rights-of-way, easements, or leases and will include such mineral and water rights as are now vested in the United States.

The distributees who will receive title to individual parcels and to that property to be taken in common ownership, and the dependent members of their immediate families, are:

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Mountain land	1	Sell		
John Knight	2	Distributee	11-11-1932	1855 Ladina Rd Santa Rosa, Cal.
Christine Knight		Wife	7-03-1937	Same
Tina Knight		Daughter	4-22-1956	Same
Denana Knight		Daughter	2-19-1957	Same
Cathy Knight		Daughter	7-14-1959	Same
George Feliz	3	Distributee	9-26-1933	Box 532 Hopland, Cal.
Matthews Billy	4	Distributee	12-19-1920	4410 Utah Drive El Sobrante, Cal.
Bryan Billy		Son	3-26-1955	Same
Matthews Billy Jr.		Son	8-07-1957	Same

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Orville Elliott	5	Distributee	4-26-1931	Rt. 1, Box 40 Hopland, Cal.
Pauline Elliott		Wife	4-08-1927	Same
Alice Elliott		Daughter	11-05-1950	Same
Roger Elliott		Son	1-10-1952	Same
Iris Ann Elliott		Daughter	5-17-1953	Same
Luellen Elliott		Daughter	8-12-1954	Same
Leslie Feliz	6	Distributee	6-14-1938	Box 532 Hopland, Cal.
Catherine Feliz San Diego	7	Distributee	6-08-1921	Box 614 Hopland, Cal.
Betty Lou Ray		Daughter	10-16-1943	Same
David San Diego		Son	12-21-1954	Same
Theresa Feliz	8	Distributee	8-13-1929	Box 532 Hopland, Cal.
Flemming Knight	9	Distributee	7-22-1915	General Delivery Hopland, Calif.
Elizabeth Feliz	10	Distributee	7-30-1936	Box 532 Hopland, Cal.
Robert Feliz	11	Distributee	3-25-1931	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
Kate D. Feliz		Wife	3-16-1924	Same
Rand M. Feliz		Son	3-07-1953	Same
Barbara M. Feliz		Daughter	7-05-1954	Same
Michael Knight	12	Distributee	3-15-1918	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
James Crandell	13	Distributee	9-01-1931	363 Page St. San Francisco, Cal.
Evelyn Crandell		Daughter	6-21-1960	Same
Esther Feliz Lockhart	14	Distributee	7-23-1925	Box 633 Ukiah, Calif.
Water Tank	15	Community Property		

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Necho Feliz, Jr.	16	Distributee	6-19-1927	P. O. Box 172 Calpella, Cal. 95418
Gertrude Feliz		Wife	5-20-1932	Same
Frank Eugene Feliz		Son	1-30-1952	Same
Richard Joseph Feliz		Son	4-10-1953	Same
June Lee Feliz		Daughter	5-27-1954	Same
John Ray Feliz		Son	5-26-1955	Same
Louisa Antone Pasador	17	Distributee	1878	Rt. 1, Box 42 Hopland, Cal.
Elinor Pasador	18	Distributee	8-13-1912	Rt. 1, Box 42 Hopland, Cal.
Marian Wilder	19	Joint-distributee (wife)	9-14-1909	Box 304 Asti, Cal. 95413
William E. Wilder		Joint-distributee	10-27-1900	Same
Norton Pasador	20	Distributee	6-17-1929	Rt. 1, Box 42 Hopland, Cal.
John Silva	21	Distributee	6-17-1929	Rt. 1, Box 526-AA Ukiah, Cal.
Lucille Silva		Wife	5-10-1931	Same
Sharol Silva		Daughter	11-23-1953	Same
Charlotte Silva		Daughter	5-17-1954	Same
Louis Arnold	22	Distributee	10-22-1882	Box 492 Hopland, Cal.
William Elliott	23	Distributee	4-02-1929	Hopland, Cal.
Arlis Elliott		Daughter	1-15-1952	Same
Debra Elliott		Daughter	3-28-1955	Same
Oscar Daniels	24	Distributee	6-15-1935	Rt. 1, Box 37 Hopland, Calif.
William Knight	25	Distributee	8-28-1925	P. O. Box 83 Calpella, Cal.
Thelma Knight		Wife	12-26-1929	Same
Eddie F. Knight		Son	9-15-1948	Same
Gail T. Knight		Daughter	4-01-1956	Same
Delores Knight		Daughter	4-04-1960	Same
Vivian J. Burke	26	Distributee	8-08-1901	Rt. 1, Box 43 Hopland, Cal.
Ethel Burke		Wife	6-04-1906	Same

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Cruze I. Billy	27	Joint-distributtee	1-28-1882	Rt. 1, Box 41 Hopland, Cal.
Susie Billy		Joint-distributtee (wife)	5-10-1884	Same
Richard Billy	28	Distributtee	10-26-1907	4374 Sebastopol Rd. Santa Rosa, Cal.
Tillie Billy		Wife	4-29-1917	Same
Ray Billy		Son	1-25-1938	Same
Delmar Wayne Billy		Son	7-26-1939	Same
Beverly D. Billy		Daughter	12-18-1941	Same
Leone Billy		Son	6-22-1944	Same
Timothy Billy		Son	8-23-1947	Same
Leona Billy		Daughter	6-18-1949	Same
Louis Garry Billy		Son	7-27-1950	Same
Angelo Knight	29	Distributtee	6-07-1903	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
Alice Conner Elliott	30	Distributtee	2-26-1896	Rt. 1, Box 40 Hopland, Calif.
Mitchell Jack	31	Distributtee	2-27-1912	Rt. 1, Box 35 Hopland, Cal.
Delphine Elliott Gascon	32	Distributtee	6-17-1927	317 No. 10th St. Sacramento, Cal.
Emilio Gascon		Son	9-08-1947	Same
Frances Joaquin	33	Distributtee	7-14-1912	Rt. 1, Box 35 Hopland, Cal.
Florence Elliott Anderson	34	Distributtee	5-16-1920	General Delivery Hopland, Calif.
Gladys Knight		Daughter	5-26-1940	Same
Ronald Knight		Son	10-29-1941	Same
Rickey Knight		Son	4-09-1943	Same
Alfredo Knight		Son	3-12-1945	Same
Huberta Elliott Carrillo	35	Distributtee	1-03-1934	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
Elliott Lopez		Son	8-04-1952	Same
Darrell Lopez		Son	8-05-1954	Same
Wanda Carrillo		Daughter	4-30-1956	Same
Brenda Carrillo		Daughter	8-07-1957	Same
Liza Ann Carrillo		Daughter	8-16-1959	Same

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Mary Jack Silva	36	Distributee	10-20-1890	P.O. Box 301 Hopland, Cal.
Margaret Lawson Pike	37	Distributee	12-13-1920	Rt. 1, Box 33 Hopland, Cal.
Cemetery	38	Community Property		
Tank and spring	39	Community Property		
Dennis Billy	40	Distributee	4-27-1923	Rt. 1, Box 41 Hopland, Cal.
Julie Andrea Billy		Daughter	9-08-1951	Same } <i>also on Lytton plan</i>
Candice Lynn Carmela Billy		Daughter	12-19-1952	
Maud Knight	41	Joint-distributee (wife)	10-26-1891	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
John Knight		Joint-distributee	8-16-1895	Same
Marvin Silva	42	Distributee	4-24-1927	General Delivery Hopland, Calif.
Water well	43	Community Property		
LeRoy H. Lucas	44	Joint-distributee	8-18-1900	Rt. 1, Box 30 Hopland, Calif.
Mary Lucas		Joint-distributee (wife)	7-05-1892	Same
Necho Feliz, Sr.	45	Distributee	4-08-1892	Box 532 Hopland, Cal.
Carole Francis Feliz		Daughter	4-26-1940	Same
Ruby Feliz Pollard	46	Distributee	9-17-1923	P.O. Box 267 Calpella, Cal.
Diane Ray		Daughter	6-09-1947	Same
Donald Ray		Son	2-27-1951	Same
Rita Ann Ray		Daughter	7-16-1952	Same
Arthur Knight	47	Distributee	10-20-1901	Rt. 1, Box 38 Hopland, Cal.
Mabel Knight		Wife	1-10-1910	Same

NAME	PARCEL NO.	RELATIONSHIP	BIRTHDATE	ADDRESS
Rayfield Elliott Jr.	48	Distributee	2-23-1925	Rt. 1, Box 40 Hopland, Cal.
Rosalie Elliott		Wife	2-13-1930	Same
Edna Silva Fallis	49	Distributee	12-29-1920	117 S St. Sacramento, Cal.
Raymond Ferry		Son	12-11-1949	Same
Edmond Ferry		Son	2-16-1951	Same
Hopland Catholic Church	50	Community Property		
Kate Ball Daniels	51	Distributee	6-12-1912	Rt. 1, Box 37 Hopland, Cal.
Cynthia Daniels		Daughter	2-15-1939	Same
Francis Daniels		Daughter	8-09-1947	Same
Cornell Daniels		Grandson	3-09-1956	Same
Richard Knight	52	Distributee	11-18-1905	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.
Juanita Knight	53	Distributee	6-04-1931	Rt. 1, Box 43 Hopland, Cal.
Dianna Lozintos		Daughter	4-30-1950	Same
Debra Jean Antone	Da	Daughter	9-23-1957	Same
Isabel Iris Antone		Daughter	9-19-1960	Same
Henry Allen	54	Distributee		General Delivery Hopland, Calif.
Josie Knight	55	Distributee	8-23-1912	General Delivery Hopland, Cal.

Upon approval of this plan or a revision thereof by the Secretary of the Interior and acceptance by a majority of the adult Indian distributees, as provided in Section 2(b) of Public Law 85-671, the distributees and the dependent members of their immediate families listed in the plan shall be the final list of the Hopland Rancheria, and the rights or beneficial interest in the property of each person whose name appears in this list shall constitute vested property

which may be inherited or bequeathed but shall not otherwise be subject to alienation or encumbrance before the transfer of title to such property.

After the assets of the Hopland Rancheria have been distributed pursuant to this plan and Public Law 85-671, the Indians who receive any part of such assets and the dependent members of their immediate families shall thereafter not be entitled to any of the services performed by the United States for these persons because of their status as Indians. All statutes of the United States which affect Indians because of their status as Indians shall not apply to them and the laws of the several states shall apply to them in the same manner as they apply to other citizens or persons within their jurisdiction. Nothing in this plan, however, shall affect the status of such persons as citizens of the United States.

All provisions of Public Law 85-671 shall be applicable in the execution of this plan and general notice of the contents shall be given by posting a copy of this plan in the post office at Hopland, Mendocino County, California, by posting a copy in a prominent place on the Hopland Rancheria, by mailing a copy to each individual family head participating in this plan, and by mailing a copy to any person who advises the Sacramento Area Office that he feels that he may have a material interest in the plan.

This plan has been prepared by the Area Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Sacramento Area Office, pursuant to the authority delegated on February 26, 1959, and after consultation with the Indians of the Hopland Rancheria.

Approved, with authority retained to revise or change if appeals are received within 30 days after general notice to this plan is given.

December 23, 1960
Date

/s/ Leon V. Langan
Acting Commissioner

Final approval of Secretary of the Interior given May 22, 1961.

Accepted by distributees in a referendum by vote of 24 for and 9 against.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF PLAN IS JUNE 18, 1961.