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Fred Collins Northern Chumash Tribal Council 67 South Street San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Dear Mr. Collins:

Thank you for your nomination of the Chumash Heritage National Marine Sanctuary. This office has reviewed your nomination in accordance with the sufficiency review provisions described in NOAA's final rule Re-Establishing the Sanctuary Nomination Process (79 FR 33851). Your nomination meets the standards for sufficiency (application completeness) and we will now initiate the review of the nomination against the substantive requirements for the national significance and management consideration criteria. We intend to complete this phase of the process within approximately 60 days and will notify you of our determination or if we require any additional information.

As my office will be conducting meetings with various government agencies about this nomination, please at your earliest convenience forward to me a list of the agencies or entities at the local, state, federal and tribal governmental levels you have met with or otherwise provided a briefing about this nomination, including the contact information for whom you met or briefed.

Sincerely.

William J. Douros, Regional Director

ONMS West Coast Region

cc: Vicki Wedell, Acting Chief, ONMS Policy and Planning Division

