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Loleta Elementary School Donation

Loleta, CA- October 2, 2014- The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria has agreed to donate \$25,000.00 to establish a computer lab at Loleta Elementary School. The lab will be installed in October of 2014. The Tribal Chairman and Bear River IT staff will design and install the computer lab. The Tribe will provide the computers and content filter software and appropriate tables and chairs and other necessary furniture for the lab. The Tribe will also coordinate and provide the required network infrastructure and electrical upgrades for the lab.

The lab will provide much needed increased access to technology to supplement the computer cart that the school currently utilizes. Access to technology and time on devices for educational purposes is a critical component of education for young people in the information age.

Despite all of the issues associated with treatment of Bear River and other native students at the Loleta Elementary School as outlined in the Civil Rights complaint, Bear River is dedicated to working towards solutions and cooperative problem solving.

Bear River is committed to working to improve the infrastructure and educational experience and opportunity for children attending Loleta Elementary, many of whom are Bear River Tribal Members and Table Bluff Members.

John Sutter, Superintendent stated "Every child should have the opportunity to be computer literate, bringing this project together demonstrates Bear River's commitment to the students, school and community." Mr. Sutter is interested in



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fostering a continued partnership with the Rohnerville Rancheria on this and other projects throughout the year. Loleta Elementary currently has 129 students from pre-school to 8th grade. 1st District Supervisor, Rex Bohn stated "I am thankful to the Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria for investing in Loleta School District with a \$25,000 Grant for a computer lab and the commitment to supply IT help with the installation. As our youth prepare for a new technological world, Bear River's forward thinking to help a small rural school and provide the students with the tools necessary to succeed is admirable."

About Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria is a federally recognized Indian Tribe headquartered in Loleta, CA with 550 enrolled Tribal Members. The Tribe is governed by a Tribal Council comprised of seven (7) Tribal Council Members. Bear River owns and operates Bear River Casino Hotel, Bear River Pump & Play Fuel station, Bear River Tobacco Traders and Coffee Shop, Tish Non Housing and Basayo Village.

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