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## **Bear River Casino Hotel Announces New General Manager**

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The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria announces that Mr. John McGinnis, a member of the Bear River Band and an elected member of the Tribal Council, will be the new General Manager for the Bear River Casino Hotel.

Mr. John O’Neill, the current General Manager announced his retirement early last week. Mr. O’Neill will be departing on January 31, 2015. A transition and succession plan is in place and the Tribe expects a smooth seamless transition. The Tribe is grateful for the service and leadership that Mr. O’Neill provided over the course of the past two years of successful operations and revenue growth and wishes him nothing but the best in his retirement in Arizona.

John O’Neill said, “It’s reassuring to see the leadership role pass into the expert hands of John McGinnis. John has been instrumental in the growth and success of Bear River Casino Hotel. I am saddened to leave the great team here at Bear River but after 30 years in Tribal gaming I am looking forward to a change of pace.”

Mr. McGinnis has been employed at the Bear River Casino Hotel in a variety of different roles with increasing levels of responsibility since the initial opening of the Bear River Casino Hotel over nine (9) years ago. Mr. McGinnis has thirteen and a half years of Gaming experience. Mr. McGinnis' leadership, length of service, experience, and engaging sense of hospitality will only enhance Bear River Casino Hotel, the premiere Gaming and Entertainment place on the North Coast.

The Bear River Band of the Rohnerville Rancheria is comprised of approximately five-hundred and sixty (560) members. The Tribe owns and operates the Bear River Casino Hotel, one of the largest employers in Humboldt County, employing over four hundred (400) people.