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The Coast Miwok Tribal Council of Marin was established pursuant to the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act of 1975 (Public Law 93-638).

The Coast Miwok Council of Marin is the governing body of Coast Miwok Tribal descendants who are individually federally documented California Natives, and are “eligible for benefits because they are Indian,” pursuant to PL 93-638.

Each member of the Coast Miwok Tribal Council is in possession of documents from the Secretary of the US Department of Interior, in the form of California Indian Enrolment Numbers, California Judgement Fund Roll Numbers, Certificates of Degree of Indian Blood, or Certificates of California Indian Verification.

Members of the Coast Miwok Tribal Council of Marin are the *Most Likely Descendants* of the ancestral lands and territories of Coast Miwok peoples originating from Marin and Southern Sonoma Counties.

We acknowledge that the Native American Heritage Commission is the California Agency responsible for identifying the MLD's for culturally affiliated lands in California.

The Coast Miwok Tribal Council of Marin is dedicated to partnerships to safeguard our Coast Miwok ancestral lands, language, culture, traditions, and spiritual practices, as well as those of other California Native Tribes.

We are dedicated to protecting our cultural sites and cultural resources which are invaluable for future generations, while fostering a legacy that honors our past while embracing a shared vision of hope and resilience moving forward. Thank you.

