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REASON FOR THIS TRANSMITTAL

- State Law Change
- Federal Law or Regulation Change
- Court Order
- Clarification Requested by One or More Counties
- Initiated by CDSS

ALL COUNTY LETTER NO.10-24

TO: ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
 ALL CalWORKs PROGRAM SPECIALISTS
 ALL COUNTY WELFARE-TO-WORK COORDINATORS
 ALL TRIBAL TANF ADMINISTRATORS
 ALL TRIBAL CHAIRPERSONS

SUBJECT: TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE FOR NEEDY FAMILIES (TANF) AND CALIFORNIA WORK OPPORTUNITY AND RESPONSIBILITY TO KIDS (CalWORKs) 60-MONTH TIME LIMIT EXEMPTION FOR CalWORKs RECIPIENTS LIVING IN INDIAN COUNTRY WHERE THE UNEMPLOYMENT RATE IS FIFTY PERCENT OR HIGHER

REFERENCE: ALL COUNTY LETTER (ACL) 09-29, ACL 08-28E, ACL 07-25, ACL 06-23, ACL 05-16, 04-20, AND ACL 03-37

This letter transmits the calendar year 2009 list of California Tribal Reservations and Rancherias that have provided information on unemployment rates of fifty percent or higher for the TANF and CalWORKs 60-month time limit exemption for those individuals living in Indian Country.

As provided in state regulations, Manual of Policies and Procedures (MPP) Section 42-302.21(h), counties are required to exempt from the state and federal 60-month time limit any month in which an individual is on aid and lives in Indian Country or an Alaskan Native Village, where the unemployment rate is fifty percent or higher. In an effort to assist the counties in applying this time limit exemption, the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) contacted the Tribal Reservations and Rancherias throughout California and obtained their unemployment rates.

The attached chart shows the Tribal Reservations and Rancherias that responded to CDSS' request and listed their unemployment rate as fifty percent or higher during 2009. Individuals who lived in these areas during this year qualify for the time limit exemption for those specified months. If an individual lived in Indian Country in an area not listed on the attachment, the individual or the county can obtain written substantiation from a Native American Tribe that the individual lived where the unemployment rate was at least fifty percent. Upon that written substantiation, the individual will qualify for this time limit exemption.

Counties are reminded that CalWORKs applicants and recipients must be informed of all time limit requirements, including the process to claim exemptions as set forth in MPP Section 42-302.3, and must be provided information on their time on aid at specific intervals as required in MPP Section 40-107(a)(4). Those counties in which a Tribal TANF program operates may need to provide verification of clients' CalWORKs time on aid, including any time limit exemptions, to the Tribal TANF Program Administrator. The Tribal TANF Program Administrator will notify their clients of their remaining time on aid for purposes of the TANF 60-month time limit.

If you have any questions regarding this letter or need additional information regarding the 60-month time limit, please contact your CalWORKs County Consultant or the CalWORKs Eligibility Bureau at (916) 654-1322.

Sincerely,

Original Document Signed By:

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Attachment

**TRIBAL RESERVATIONS AND RANCHERIAS THAT QUALIFY FOR THE TANF AND
CalWORKs 60 MONTH TIME LIMIT EXEMPTION IN 2009 DUE TO THE
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE**

RESERVATION / RANCHERIA	ZIP CODE	COUNTY
Bear River Band of Rohnerville Rancheria	95551	Humboldt
Big Pine Paiute Tribe of the Owens Valley (BPPT)	95313	Inyo
Big Valley Rancheria	95453	Lake
Bishop Paiute Tribe	93515	Inyo
Cahto Tribe Laytonville Rancheria	95454	Mendocino
California Valley Miwok Tribe	95210	San Joaquin
Campo Band of Mission Indians	91906	San Diego
Cedarville Rancheria	96101	Modoc
Cloverdale Rancheria of Pomo Indians	95425	Sonoma
Cold Springs Rancheria	93667	Fresno
Elem Indian Colony	95423	Lake
Enterprise Rancheria	95966	Butte
Fort Bidwell Indian Reservation	96112	Modoc
Hoopla Valley Tribe	95546	Humboldt
Karuk Tribe	96039	Siskiyou
La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians	92061	San Diego
Los Coyotes Indian Reservation	92086	San Diego
Manchester-Point Arena Band of Pomo Indians	95468	Mendocino
Mechoopda Indian Tribe of Chico Rancheria	95926	Butte
Mooretown Rancheria of Maidu Indians of California	95966	Butte
Pala Band of Mission Indians	92059	San Diego
Paskenta band of Nomlaki Indians	95963	Glenn
Pinoleville Pomo Nation	95482	Mendocino
Quartz Valley Indian Reservation	96032	Siskiyou
Sherwood Valley Rancheria	95490	Mendocino
Stewarts Point Rancheria	95403	Sonoma
Susanville Indian Rancheria	96130	Lassen
Tule River Indian Reservation	93258	Tulare
Utu Utu Gwaitu Paiute Indian Tribe Benton Paiute Rancheria	93512	Mono
Washoe Tribe of Nevada and California – Woodfords Community	96120	Alpine
Wiyot Tribe Table Bluff Reservation	95551	Humboldt
Yurok Tribe	95548	Humboldt