Caltrans’ Guidance Regarding Native American Monitors

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Chapter 3 Native American Cultural Studies

Section 3-3.10 Native American Monitors
The Native American Monitor is a liaison between Caltrans and the local Native American community with whom Caltrans may contract on a project by project basis to participate and obtain first hand knowledge of archaeological surveys, excavations, and construction in areas of potential or known cultural sensitivity to Native Americans. The Native American Monitor should be knowledgeable about his or her culture and its traditions, and be familiar with archaeological practices, federal and state laws, and regulations regarding Native American cultural concerns.

(Note that Caltrans is currently updating Chapter 3)