

This guide accompanies the *Juristac* Sacred Grounds presentation and was last updated in December 2021.

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Websites

protectjuristac.org — The Amah Mutsun Tribal Band's official Protect Juristac campaign website where you can find a wealth of information and resources.

<u>amahmutsun.org</u> — Learn more about the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band and its history.

<u>amahmutsunlandtrust.org</u> — Learn about how the Amah Mutsun are restoring Indigenous stewardship practices to their ancestral lands and rekindling traditional ecological knowledge.

What we can do together

- Sign and share the Juristac petition and check the subscribe box to receive updates: <u>protectjuristac.org/petition</u>
- 2. Send a letter to the County of Santa Clara on behalf of your organization, your faith community, or yourself, expressing opposition to the proposed mining project at Juristac. Contact information for the Board of Supervisors and Planning Commission can be found at protectjuristac.org/how-to-help and sample letters can be read at protectjuristac.org/statements-of-support
- Arrange for your Santa Clara County based organization to sign on to the Statement of Opposition to the proposed quarry. Email Alice Kaufman for more information, via alice@greenfoothills.org

- 4. Contact local elected officials, asking them to support the preservation of Juristac. Consider passing a resolution through your town's city council calling for the protection of Juristac, as the cities of Morgan Hill and Santa Cruz have done.
- **5. Follow & share posts** from @protectjuristac on Instagram and Facebook. Create posts on your own accounts tagging @protectjuristac
- 6. Use the *Teaching Juristac* curriculum— If you are an educator, please check out the Juristac curriculum and help us to reach out to other educators in the area: protectjuristac.org/curriculum
- 7. Pass a resolution at your school, church, organization or club in support of protecting Juristac—email colleencabot@earthlink.net for help.

- 8. Organize an outreach/educational event in your community, or host a special presentation on Juristac. Email colleencabot@earthlink.net and protectjuristac@gmail.com for assistance.
- Submit a comment letter against the proposed mine once the Draft Environmental Impact Report is released.
- **10. Write letters to the editor** of your local papers and spread the word.
- Connect with community organizing in your area in support of the protection of Juristac and other sacred places of Indigenous peoples.

Regional groups include:

- San Jose: <u>South Bay Indigenous Solidarity</u> <u>indigenous solidarity@protonmail.com</u>
- Santa Cruz: <u>Friends of Juristac</u> email: <u>friendsofjuristac@gmail.com</u>
- Gilroy/Morgan Hill: <u>South County for Protecting</u> <u>Juristac</u>
- Stanford/Palo Alto: Stanford Protect Juristac Coalition. Email: stanford@protectjuristac.org
- Network of college and university groups in support of Juristac— Email <u>protectjuristac@gmail.com</u> for more information.

Understanding the Quarry Approval Process

- 1. Applicant (Debt Acquisition Company of America doing business as Sargent Ranch Management Company) submits proposed Sargent Quarry Project to the Santa Clara County Planning Department.
- 2. Santa Clara County Planning Commission staff prepare a lengthy Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) to analyze the impacts of the proposed Sargent Quarry Project. (As of 2021, the DEIR is still in preparation, with a current projected release date of January 2022)
- Once the DEIR is published, a 60-day public comment period is opened.
 This is our opportunity to submit letters critiquing the proposed project and the disputing the analysis and findings of the DEIR. A public hearing may take place during the comment period.
- 4. Planning Commission staff close the comment period, review and respond to all the comments and incorporate them into a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR).
- 5. The Planning Commission will vote on whether to accept and certify the FEIR and then will vote on whether to approve or deny a Conditional Use Permit for the Sargent Quarry Project.
- 6. Most likely, this decision will be appealed to the Santa Clara County Board of Supervisors. The Board of Supervisors will take up the issue and make a final decision on whether to grant or deny the Conditional Use Permit.

Related Indigenous Peoples Campaigns

- Save the West Berkeley Shellmound
- Save Oak Flat / Apache Stronghold
- Save the Confluence
- Unist'ot'en Camp
- Protect Medicine Lake
- Save El Monte Valley
- Protect Puvungna
- Protect Mauna Kea

MUTSUN LEGAL ACTION TO PROTECT JURISTAC

SUPPORT AMAH

You can make a donation to support ongoing Amah Mutsun legal action to protect Juristac from the well-financed efforts of developers:

https://donorbox.org/ protectjuristac

Learn More:

- Check out the informative collection of Juristac and Amah Mutsun related films on the <u>Protect Juristac YouTube playlist</u>
- See the chronological list of press coverage on the <u>Resources page of the</u> <u>Protect Juristac website</u>.

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