



This guide accompanies the *Protect the Sacred Land of Juristac* presentation and was last updated in September 2020.

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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.

amahmutsun.org — Learn more about the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band and its history.

amahmutsunlandtrust.org — 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

1. **Sign and share the Juristac petition** and check the subscribe box to receive updates: protectjuristac.org/petition
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
3. **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](https://www.instagram.com/protectjuristac) and [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/protectjuristac). 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.
9. **Submit a comment letter** against the proposed mine once the Draft Environmental Impact Report is released later this year.
10. **Write letters to the editor** of your local papers and spread the word.
11. **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: [South Bay Indigenous Solidarity indigenoussolidarity@protonmail.com](mailto:indigenoussolidarity@protonmail.com)
- Gilroy/Morgan Hill: [South County for Protecting Juristac](#)
- Santa Cruz: [Friends of Juristac](#) email: friendsofjuristac@gmail.com
- Watsonville: [Kallendurak for Juristac](#)
- Stanford/Palo Alto: Stanford Protect Juristac Coalition. Email: stanford@protectjuristac.org
- Network of college and university groups in support of Juristac— Email info@protectjuristac.org 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 2020, the DEIR is still in preparation, with a current projected release date of January 2021)
3. The DEIR is published, a public comment period is opened in which letters are sent in critiquing the proposed project and the analysis and findings of the DEIR. A public hearing will take place during the comment period.
4. Planning Commission staff close the comment period and take time to review and respond to all the comments and incorporate them into a Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR).
5. FEIR is brought to the Planning Commission, which will vote on whether to certify the FEIR and whether to issue 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.

SUPPORT COVID RELIEF FOR THE AMAH MUTSUN

Like most indigenous people in the world, the Amah Mutsun are experiencing severe impacts due to the pandemic. You can find out more and help at <https://charity.gofundme.com/en/campaign/amah-mutsun-families-covid-19-relief/humunyatribal-foundation>

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](#)

Learn More:

- Check out the informative collection of Juristac and Amah Mutsun related films on the [Protect Juristac YouTube playlist](#)
- See the chronological list of press coverage on the [Resources page of the Protect Juristac website.](#)

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