

RAMONA BAND OF CAHUILLA INDIANS



**Concept and Design for the Ramona
Eco-Tourism Center**

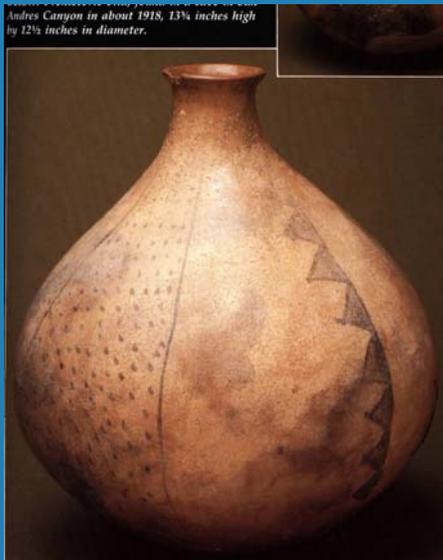


Tribal History

- Ω **The Reservation was established on February 10, 1893.**
- Ω **Ramona is part of the Bear Clan of the Cahuilla Nation and are descendents of the Apapatcem Clan.**

Tribal History

❧ **The Cahuilla Nation is known for basketry, pottery, and adaptability.**



Other Important Facts



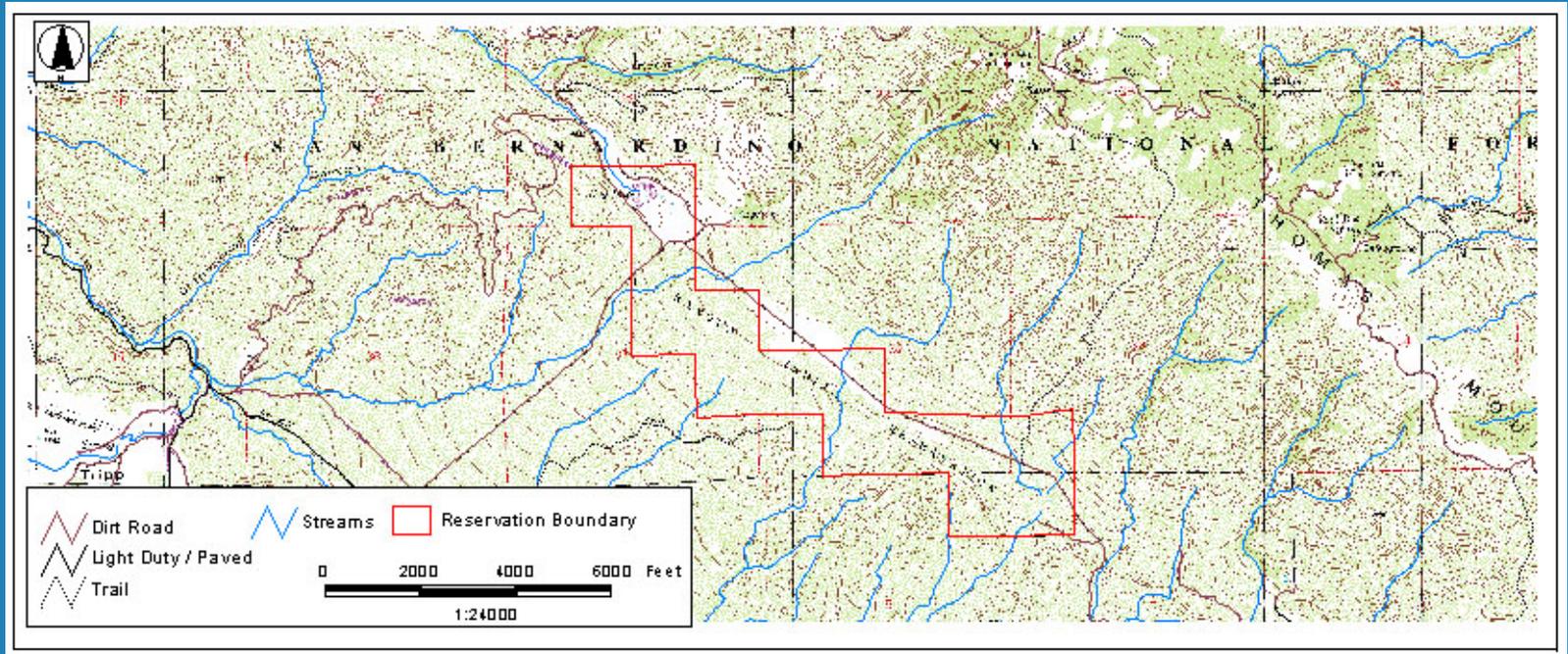
∞ **The reservation land was used for hunting and gathering.**

Ceremonies

- It was considered a sacred area because of the water source and many of the Cahuilla ceremonies were held here.



USGS MAP OF RESERVATION



❧ The Reservation is located at the Southwest base of Thomas Mountain.

What Is Ecotourism ?

E Environment

C Culture

O Oriented Travel



Ω In general, ecotourism is an insightful, mindful and participatory travel experience.



Why Ecotourism ?

- ∞ **Right of Way issues**
- ∞ **Cost of running transmission lines**
- ∞ **Matches Tribal Culture and beliefs**



Agency Involvement

- ∞ **Department of Energy**
- ∞ **Housing and Urban Development**
- ∞ **Bureau of Reclamation**
- ∞ **Environmental Protection Agency**
- ∞ **Indian Health Service**



Preliminary Preparation

- ∩ **Getting Multi-Funding Coordinated**
- ∩ **Environmental Review**
- ∩ **Fault line Identification**
- ∩ **Public Relations & Marketing**
- ∩ **Design Concept**

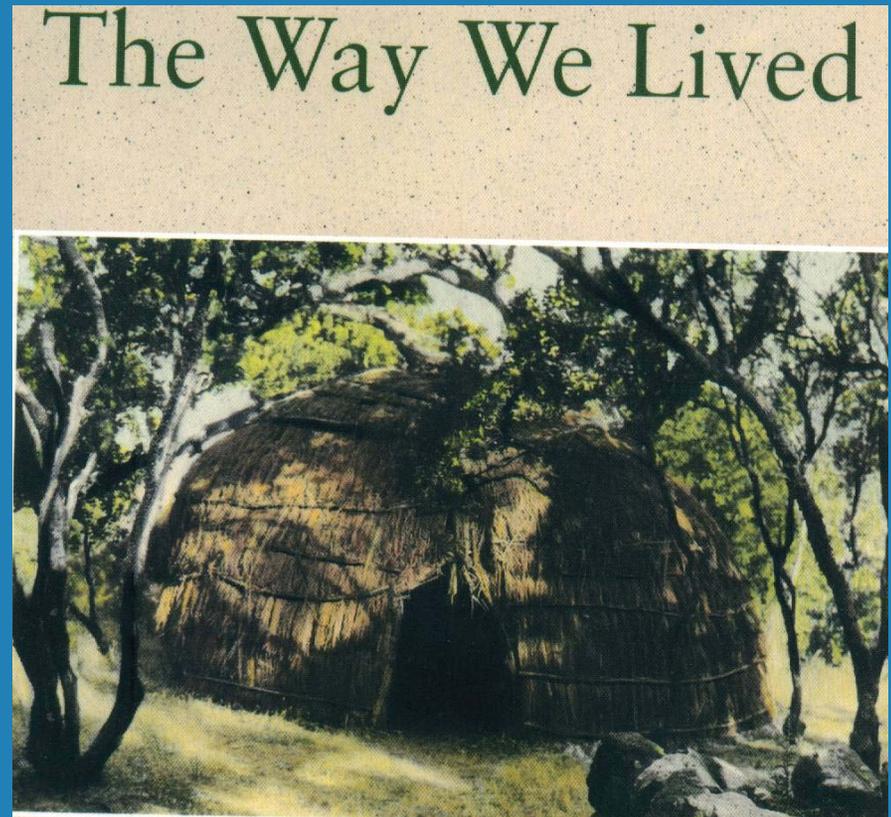
MASTER PLAN

“Where the past and the future meet”

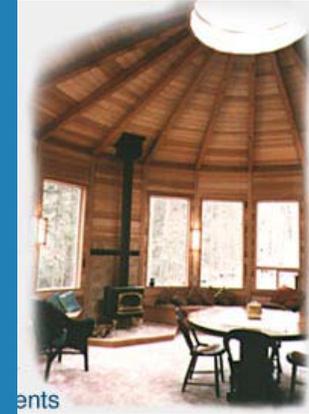
- ∞ Create a high-end renewable energy destination resort atmosphere that is interactive with the guests.**
- ∞ Teach people Cahuilla Culture including basketry, pottery, gathering, health and healing, and flora and fauna.**
- ∞ Create an experience that is life changing.**

Type of Structures

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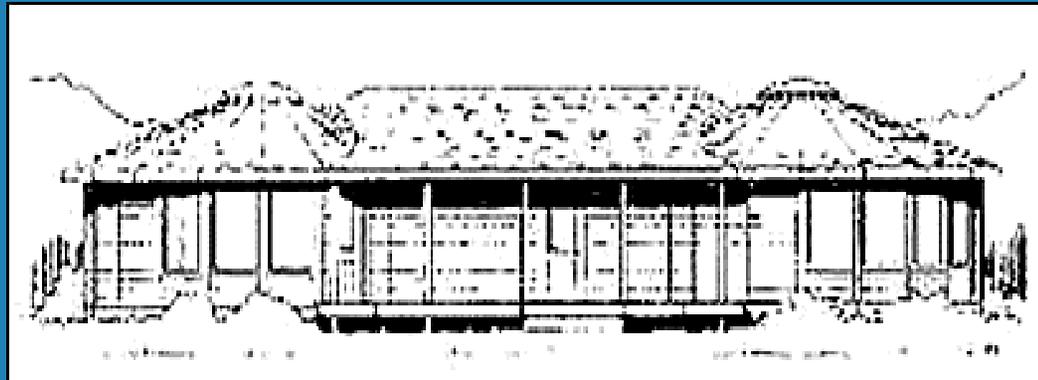
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- ❧ **The Tribe will use a round structure called a Yurt which resembles a Kish.**
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The Lodge and Restaurant

- ❧ **The Lodge will be where all guest services, restaurant, and conferences are held.**
- ❧ **This will be designed as a tandem yurt**





Services

- ∩ **Lodging**
- ∩ **Restaurant**
- ∩ **Spa**
- ∩ **Conference Facility**



Activities

- ∞ **Horseback Riding**
- ∞ **Basket Weaving**
- ∞ **Pottery Classes**
- ∞ **Hiking**
- ∞ **Bicycling**
- ∞ **Swimming**
- ∞ **Photography**



Educational Opportunities

- ∩ Native American Culture**
- ∩ Renewable Energy and Products**
- ∩ Flora and Fauna**
- ∩ The impact of our actions on the environment**
- ∩ Recycling**
- ∩ Health**

Renewable Energy System

- ∞ **Photovoltaic**
- ∞ **Wind**
- ∞ **Backup Generator**
- ∞ **Power Storage Building (includes an inverter and batteries)**
- ∞ **There are also the challenges of dealing with waste water and using a energy efficient design**





Any Questions ?