May 6, 2020

SUBJECT: Extension Approval of Disaster Household Distribution in Response to the National Emergency Declaration Due to COVID-19

TO: Jesus Mendoza
Regional Administrator
Western Regional Office

This memorandum is in response to Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians’ request to extend its use of U.S. Department of Agriculture’s (USDA) Foods to operate disaster household distribution beyond its initial approved end date of April 10, 2020. This request is in response to food assistance needs resulting from the COVID-19 National Emergency declared by the President of the United States on March 13, 2020.

Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians requested that USDA extend its initial approval to use USDA Foods from the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR) for disaster household distribution. Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians will continue to use the same distribution methods to provide food assistance to approximately 1,000 individuals.

An extension is granted for disaster household distribution beginning May 6, 2020 through June 4, 2020. Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians is authorized to use the previously approved disaster household distribution food package to continue providing food assistance to impacted households. Sherwood Valley Band of Pomo Indians must also follow the same Terms of Approval as stated in our original approval letter dated March 27, 2020.

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