

THE GUN LAKE TRIBE



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Gun Lake Tribe Responds to U.S. Supreme Court's Patchak Decision

Gun Lake Casino Remains Open, Unaffected by Court's Decision

Bradley, Michigan – Today the U.S. Supreme Court rejected motions by the Gun Lake Tribe and U.S. government seeking to have David Patchak's lawsuit dismissed on procedural grounds. The Court's decision expressly declined to say anything about the merits of Patchak's lawsuit. It simply allows Patchak to go forward with his lawsuit back at the lower court. The Tribe is ready to continue fighting the lawsuit and is confident that it will ultimately prove that Patchak's claims are completely without merit.

"The Supreme Court clearly stated that this decision was not based on the merits. This is simply a procedural decision that has no impact on operations at Gun Lake Casino. The Casino will continue to operate, employ over 800 area residents, and provide millions of dollars to state and local governments," said D.K. Sprague, Tribal Chairman.

The likely course of action is a remand by the U.S. Court of Appeals District of Columbia Circuit to U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia before Judge Richard Leon. Judge Leon's decision in January of 2009 to grant a procedural motion by the Tribe and U.S. would have ended Patchak's lawsuit.

"This simply means that Patchak's lawsuit can go forward before the federal courts, which may take many more years to finally resolve it. We are ready to continue that fight in federal court and we are confident the facts will clearly prove once and for all that Patchak's claims have absolutely no merit. The Tribe would prefer to devote its resources to the economic development of the area; however, since Patchak's lawsuit dictates otherwise, the Tribe will do what is necessary to prevail."

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About Gun Lake Tribe

The Gun Lake Tribe has a rich history in West Michigan and close connection to the lands near Gun Lake Casino. The Bradley Indian Mission, located less than 3 miles from the Casino site, is the historic residential and cultural center point of the tribal community. The Tribe's ancestors, and political predecessors, signed treaties with the United States government dating back to 1795. The Tribe was re-affirmed to federal recognition in 1999. Gun Lake Casino provided badly needed jobs and economic development to the tribal community and people of West Michigan. For more information about the Tribe visit www.mbpi.org.

About Gun Lake Casino

Gun Lake Casino is located off Exit 61 on U.S. 131, halfway between Grand Rapids and Kalamazoo. The Casino features 1,505 slot machines, 28 table games, and a food court that includes: Tim Hortons; Johnny Rockets; Cold Stone Creamery; and Villa Pizza. Sandhill Café is a 225-seat restaurant signature restaurant. The Casino has bars, lounges, and live entertainment at Stage 131.

Gun Lake Casino is owned by the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians and is operated by the Tribe's management partner, MPM Enterprises, LLC, owned by an affiliate of Station Casinos, Inc. and private investors from Michigan. For more information about the Casino visit www.gunlakecasino.com.