## YOCHA DEHE WINTUN NATION



**YOCHA DEHE WINTUN NATION** is an independent, self-governed nation, one of the 567 sovereign tribal governments officially recognized by the United States today.

Through self-governance, tribes protect their unique cultures and identities, which are a distinct and essential part of the heritage of the nation we today call the United States.

As a federally-recognized sovereign government, Yocha Dehe enjoys constructive government-togovernment relations with not only the United States, but with state, regional and local governments as well.

Pronounced "YO-cha DEE-hee"—meaning "home by the spring water," in the Tribe's Native Patwin language—the Tribe is empowered to regulate its own people and affairs, control its own territory and pursue self-determination. Having become economically self-sufficient, and no longer dependent on the United States for survival, the Tribe is committed to providing for the health and welfare of its citizens, preserving its Patwin culture and traditions, and protecting the land and natural resources under its stewardship.





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