I, the Undersigned participant, am requesting participation in the CSU, Northridge Piedra Pintada Archaeological Project, Baja California Sur, Mexico

Activity: Archaeological excavation and related fieldwork, January 5 to 26, 2004

In consideration of my voluntary participation in the above named activity, I hereby waive all claims of action against the State of California; the Trustees of the California State University; California State University, Northridge; its auxiliary organizations; and the officers, directors, employees, and agents, all of which are collectively hereinafter referred to as the "State", arising out of my voluntary participation in the activity and hereby release, hold harmless, and discharge the State from all liability in connection therewith.

Knowing, understanding, and fully appreciating all possible risk, I hereby expressly, voluntarily, and willingly assume all risk, dangers and terms set forth here with regard to my participation in this activity. These risks could result in damage to property, personal and/or bodily injury or death. Known risks for the field trip region include, but are not limited to:

Airplane crashes; motorized vehicle accidents; boating accidents; water-, food- and insect-borne diseases, including dengue fever and gastrointestinal disorders; cuts, abrasions and fractures; heat-related illnesses; sunburn; venomous insect and reptile bites; drowning; electrocution.

In addition, I have been advised to obtain personal medical coverage either through the University Health Center or a medical insurance carrier of my choosing. Furthermore, I agree to use my personal medical insurance as the primary medical coverage payment if accident of injury occurs.

Participants agree to abide by all of the terms set forth in the project information form. The directors of the above named research program retain the right to remove a student from participation in the program if, in the judgment of the directors, the student’s behavior is disruptive, dangerous or antithetical to the goals of the project. Students who engage in the following will be separated from the project: Use of illegal drugs or weapons or who otherwise engage in activities that are illegal under the laws of Mexico and the United States. The project has a zero-tolerance policy for infractions of law.

Project participants are advised that fieldwork will take place in a primitive setting, lacking electricity, running water and other developed facilities. Project members will be subsisting on meals prepared in the field. The project will not be able to accommodate special food needs, such as a vegetarian diet. Students will need to provide their own camping gear.

I have read this waiver and release and understand the terms used in it and their legal significance. This waiver and release is freely and voluntarily given with the understanding that right to legal recourse against the State is knowingly given up in return for allowing my participation in the activity.

My signature on this document is intended to bind not only myself but also my successors, heirs, representatives, administrators, and assigns.

Participant’s signature __________________________ Date __________

Parent’s signature (if under 18) __________________________ Date __________

Witness (must be at least 18 years of age) __________________________ Date __________

Participant’s Name __________________________ Date __________