

Forming a Community-friendly and Community-informed Orthography for Ventureño Chumash

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This talk discusses the development of an orthography for Ventureño Chumash, a dormant Indigenous language of California. It focuses on those aspects of its development that were informed by pedagogical concerns and community interest in language revitalization. Special attention is paid to the final representation of non-English sounds, especially ejectives, affricates, glottalized sonorants, and the lateral fricative, and to the community's involvement in the development and use of the orthography.

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