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Mike Bean Appointed CEO of Morongo Casino Resort & Spa

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Mike Bean has been appointed as the new CEO of Morongo Casino Resort & Spa by the Morongo Band of Mission Indians. He will manage the resort's and Casino Morongo's operations in this capacity, directing the establishments toward continued expansion and prosperity.

Bean joins the role having worked in the game industry for over 30 years. His most recent position was CEO of Desert Diamond Casinos & Entertainment, where he oversaw years of rapid growth. After Bean left, Desert Diamond named Daniele Chilton as its new CEO on February 10.

His career includes leadership roles at major gaming establishments such as Mohegan Sun, Foxwoods Casino Resort, and Harrah's Entertainment. He also played a pivotal role in launching Mohegan Sun Pocono, Pennsylvania's first casino, and served as CEO of Saginaw Chippewa Gaming Enterprises.

A Vision for Growth and Innovation

Expressing his enthusiasm for his new role, Bean stated, *"I'm thrilled to join the exceptionally talented team at Morongo, and to contribute to the continued growth and success of this iconic resort."*

He also highlighted the Tribe's dedication to the gaming industry, adding, *"Morongo is a nationally recognized leader in Tribal gaming, and has a long history of protecting Tribal sovereignty and nurturing new opportunities across Indian Country. I'm excited to build on that strong foundation to advance the Tribe's vision."*

Bean succeeds Richard St. Jean, who led Morongo Casino Resort & Spa for five years before stepping down in late 2024.

Morongo Tribal Chairman Charles Martin expressed confidence in Bean's leadership. *"Mike's extensive experience in tribal gaming and hospitality makes him an ideal fit for this role. He brings a deep understanding of the industry and a proven ability to lead teams toward continued success,"* Martin said.

With Bean at the helm, Morongo Casino Resort & Spa aims to strengthen its position as a premier gaming and entertainment destination. His leadership is expected to bring innovation and continued excellence to the resort's operations.

