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NEWS FROM THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS

TRIBE FILES LAWSUIT TO STOP BOEM'S WIND ENERGY LEASE SALE AND REQUIRE MORE EXTENSIVE ANALYSIS OF WIND ENERGY IMPACTS



CTCLUSI Tribal Council

Pictured left to right: Julie Siestreem, Debbie Bossley, Vice Chair Teresa Spangler, Chairman Brad Kneaper, Chief Doug Barrett, Iliana Montiel, and Enna Helms



View of the Simpson Reef area without wind turbines
Photograph taken by Tribal Council member Julie Siestreem

September 16, 2024

COOS BAY, OREGON – On Friday, the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians ("Tribe") filed a lawsuit against the Bureau of Ocean Energy Management ("BOEM") in Oregon Federal District Court. The lawsuit challenges BOEM's cursory environmental review for the development of private offshore wind energy facilities in two areas off the Oregon Coast near Coos Bay and Brookings.

Earlier this month, BOEM authorized the sale of leases in approximately 195,012 acres for wind energy development, in areas that are within the Tribe's ancestral territory, and which contain critical fish and marine wildlife habitat, viewsheds of significant cultural and historic significance to the Tribe, and are important for Tribal and commercial fishing. That sale is scheduled to occur on October 15th.

"The Tribe has consistently urged that BOEM delay moving forward with wind energy development until a better understanding is made of the impacts to fish, wildlife, the marine environment, and cultural resources important to the Tribe," said Tribal Council Chair Brad Kneaper. "No one, including BOEM has an understanding on how wind development will impact the fragile marine environment. BOEM developed an environmental assessment document that narrowly focused on the impacts of the lease sale and completely turned a blind eye to the inevitable impacts that construction and operation of these private energy facilities will have on Coastal resources, the Tribe, and other residents."

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-Chair Kneaper

"The intent of this lawsuit is to stop the October lease sale and force BOEM to do a comprehensive Environmental Impact Statement that honestly looks at the impact that wind energy will have on Coastal resources," said Chair Kneaper. "Coastal Tribes have repeatedly met with BOEM urging BOEM to take its time to develop wind energy in a way that does not adversely impact Tribes and the resources which they depend upon. BOEM has repeatedly disregarded these requests telling the Tribes that wind energy development is being driven by the White House."

"The timeframe for wind development appears to be driven by politics, rather than what is best for Coastal residents and the environmental," said Chair Kneaper.

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Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians
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CTCLUSI 40th Restoration Celebration

October 12, 2024

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Tribal Council Business

Activity of Elected Tribal Council Members from August 10, 2024 - September 8, 2024

Chief Doug Barrett

08/11 Tribal Council Regular Council Meeting, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians Nesika Illahee Pow Wow
08/12 ATNI Changing Waters Summit
08/13 ATNI Changing Waters Summit, Working Lunch Meeting & Tour with Army Corp of Eng. – Mr. Pinkham, Land Board South Slough Reserve 50th Anniversary Recognition / Exhibit meeting, Treasurer Tobias Reed Visit with CTCLUSI
08/14 ATNI Changing Waters Summit
08/15 ATNI Changing Waters Summit
08/16 ATNI Changing Waters Summit, Tribal Consultation Task Force (Design Team) Meeting
08/17 – 18 Grand Ronde Pow Wow
08/19 Hotel Impact Presentation, Task Force on Alcohol Pricing and Addiction Services
08/20 Tribal Consultation Task Force (Design Team) Meeting
08/22 Leaders Circle
08/27 NARA NW Board Meeting
08/28 GFORB Meeting and Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/29 Governor's Task Force on Tribal Consultation, Praise Sponsored All Staff Culture Appreciation Day, Task Force on Alcohol Pricing and Addiction Services
09/05 Elakha Board Meeting, Leaders Circle, Task Force on Alcohol Pricing and Addiction Services
09/06 NACC 9 – Tribes Many Nations Longhouse, NACC 9 – Ducks Football Meeting
09/08 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
Total Hours: 173 hours

Brad Kneaper, Chair

08/11 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
08/12 Working Lunch Meeting in Person with U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Discussion on environmental concerns with local projects and land ownership, Meeting (in person) with Oregon State Treasurer Tobias Reed
08/14 Write Council Report, Newsletter Article
08/19 Hotel Expansion Impact Meeting with Three Rivers Casino Management and Gaming Operational Review Board
08/22 Hunting Regulation Review with Legal, Staff following Tribal Member input and concerns, Leader's Circle.
08/28 Gaming Operational Review Board Meeting, Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/29 All Staff Cultural Training
08/30 Meeting (ZOOM) (Legal, Police Chief, staff) with ODFW updating amending Tribal Hunting Regulations. This was based on comments and concerns from Tribal Members on the Elder Assistance component
09/03 Meeting (ZOOM) Hunting Regulation narrative for final review.
Total Hours: 131

Teresa Spangler

08/11 Regular Council Meeting
08/13 Working lunch with Army Corp of Engineers (Mr. Pinkham), Meeting with Oregon State Treasurer Tobias Reed
08/19 Meeting with Casino and Consultant regarding an impact study for the hotel
08/22 Leaders Circle (Zoom)
08/23 Language Ceremony last day at Camp
08/28 Business Council Meeting
08/29 Praise Sponsored All Staff Cultural Appreciation Day
09/05 Leaders Circle
Total Hours: 74

Debbie Bossley

08/13 Army Corp Meeting/Working Lunch
08/19 Hotel Impact Study
08/22 Leaders Circle (Zoom Only)
08/28 Business Meeting
09/05 Leaders Circle
09/08 Regular Council Meeting
Total Hours: 30

Julie Siestreem

08/11 Tribal Council General Council Regular Monthly Meeting Coos Bay
08/12-26 ATNI Changing Waters Summit all days all week
08/13 Jaime Pinkham Nez Perce, Pentagon Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works U.S. Department of Army, Oregon Department of State Land Board/South Slough Reserve 50th Anniversary Recognition, Oregon State Treasurer Read
08/19-23 Language Camp all day all week
08/19 Tribal Advisory Committee Collaboration Session DELC
08/20 Education Committee Meeting
08/22 Tribal Council Leaders Circle
08/26 Tribal Advisory Committee Planning DELC
08/28 GFORB TRC Florence, Tribal Council Business Meeting TRC Florence
08/29 PRAISE All Staff Culture Appreciation Day
09/03 Tribal Early Learning Plan/Fund Jemiah Wassman Tribal Hall
09/04 Elders and Families Potluck Tribal Hall, Historical Picture Review Community Center
09/05 HVS Committee, Tribal Council Leaders Circle
09/08 Budget Hearing, Tribal Council General Council Regular Monthly Meeting Coos Bay
Total Hours: 130

Iliana Montiel

08/11 Tribal Council Regular Meeting
08/19 Hotel Impact Study Presentation
08/22 Leaders Circle
08/28 GFORB / Tribal Council Business Meeting
08/29 PRAISE Sponsored ALL Staff Culture Appreciate Day.
Total Hours: 35

Enna Helms

08/11 Tribal Budget Committee Reports; Tribal Council Regular Meeting
08/11-16 Attended the ATNI Changing Waters Summit
08/13 Working Lunch meeting & hosted a Cultural Property Tour w/ Army Corp of Eng. Mr. Pinkham; Meeting with Treasurer Read
08/27 – 09/10 Vacation
08/28 Tribal Council Business Meeting
09/05 Tribal Council Leaders Circle
Total Hours: 64

Can You Find Me?

In this edition of The Voice of CLUSI there is a hidden image of a **PUMPKIN exactly like the one pictured below**.
It could be any size and on any page, but will look exactly like the one shown here.
If you find it, email mgaines@ctclusi.org to have your name entered into a prize drawing. **In your email you must include your name, age, address (for mailing purposes) and contact phone number. In your email you must also let us know what page and where on the page you spotted the PUMPKIN hiding!**
Must email by October 16th to be included in the raffle drawing.
Winners will be notified by phone or email and their name will appear in an upcoming edition of the Voice of CLUSI paper. Prizes will vary and are provided by different CTCLUSI Government departments.



September "Salal" Winners:

Adult - Kimmy Bixby
Youth - Grayson Dollins

The Salal was hidden on page 6 in the top left corner of the "Restoration Celebration Save the Date"

Upcoming General Council Meeting

October 13, 2024

Regular Council Meeting
10:00 a.m.

General Council Meeting
1:00 p.m.

Three Rivers Casino Resort Events Center
5647 Hwy 126, Florence, OR 97439

zoom link posted in the Citizen Portal
www.ctclusi.org

Information

QUESTIONS OR SUGGESTIONS?
The CLUSI Tribal Council welcomes your ideas, comments, criticisms, etc.
Please write to: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
ATTN: Tribal Council 1245 Fulton Ave.
Coos Bay, Oregon 97420

COMMITTEE INTEREST LIST
If you are a Tribal member and interested in being on a committee, please contact Leann James, 541-435-7178 or enrollment@ctclusi.org
We are currently keeping a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not.

ATTENTION VETERANS AND FAMILIES
Veterans we need your help. Veterans are honored at the Salmon Ceremony each year. Please contact Jeannie Miller at 541-888-7506 or at email jmiller@ctclusi.org for new requirements needed to be honored.

US FOREST SERVICE NORTHWEST FOREST PASSES
Now available at the Tribal Administration Building, Florence and Eugene Outreach offices.
Requirements are: 1. Must be a CTCLUSI Tribal member. 2. Must be over 16 years old. 3. You may only be issued one per year. The passes hang from the rear view mirror and are good for access to some Forest Service fee areas. Area maps available.

CHANGES?
Please let us know if you have a change in address, phone number, name or addition to your family. Changes should be submitted to Enrollment Dept., either online at www.ctclusi.org/enrollment or mail to Enrollment Dept., 1245 Fulton Ave., Coos Bay, OR 97420. Phone: 541-888-7538 or Fax: 541-888-2853.

TRIBAL COUNCIL MINUTES
The full meeting video is available at www.ctclusi.org If you are an enrolled member of CTCLUSI and would like to receive typed copies of the Tribal Council Meeting minutes please submit a written request to Jeannie Miller at 1245 Fulton Ave. Coos Bay OR 97420 or jmiller@ctclusi.org Please include the meeting date requested, your name, current address, and Tribal Roll number for verification.

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7. Ashley Russell

Are you a Tribal member who would like to learn more about a Tribal Committee, or are interested in being on a committee? Reach out to a Committee Chair person or a Tribal Government Staff member.

Committee Chairs are noted at left with current sitting members of the committee at the time of publication of this paper.

For questions, please contact Leann James, 541-435-7178 or enrollment@ctclusi.org

The Tribe maintains a list of those interested so that when a committee vacancy occurs we can fill it as soon as possible, so please contact us whether there is a vacancy or not. Letters of interest remain on file for one full year. Members can serve on up to three committees simultaneously.

THE VOICE OF CLUSI

If you or anyone in your Tribal family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter. I look forward to hearing from you!
-Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist
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Upcoming Events

Turn to page 19 of this publication for a monthly calendar of upcoming events or visit the Events Calendar on the tribal website at https://ctclusi.org/events/

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Council Meeting

October 13, 2024
Regular Council Meeting
10:00 a.m.
General Council Meeting
1:00 p.m.
Three Rivers Casino Resort Events Center
5647 Hwy 126, Florence, OR 97439

Please login to the citizen portal of www.ctclusi.org and click Council Meetings for the zoom link to this meeting.

Agenda:
1. Call to Order
2. Invocation
3. Approval of Minutes as needed
4. Tribal Council Reports
5. Tribal Chief Executive Officer Report
6. Chief Financial Officer Report
7. Old Business
8. New Business
9. Other
10. Good of the Tribes
11. Executive Session as needed

Council meeting video available to view at www.ctclusi.org

Resolution Summaries

RESOLUTION NO.:24-126
Date of Passage: August 1, 2024
Subject (title): Tribal Health Service Provider Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement for Three Rivers Health Center.
Vote 4-0-1

RESOLUTION NO.:24-127
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Enrollment of New Members
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the recommendation of the Enrollment Committee to approve the following as members of the Tribe: Emmett Stanley Dull, Clayton Jon Patrick Hoyle, Brenten Dean Dollins, Dalton Joshua Zink, Griffin Alexander McCoy and Ryatt Able Young.
Vote 6-0-0

RESOLUTION NO.:24-128
ate of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Enrollment Name Change and Corrections to the Roll
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the request for name changes to two (2) members. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-129
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Enrollment - Active to Historic
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the placement of the of the following members to be removed from the permanent roll and placed on the active to historic plaque in the Tribal Hall: Roberta May Lawry, Marie Lynn Bouman and George Conrad Barton.
Vote 6-0-0

RESOLUTION NO.:24-130
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Culture Committee
Explanation: Tribal Council appoints Micheal Brainard to the Culture Committee
Vote 6-0-0

RESOLUTION NO.:24-131
Date of Passage: July 14, 2024
Subject (title): Budget Committee Appointment
Explanation: Tribal Council appoints Stephanie Watkins to the Budget Committee. **Vote 6-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-132
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): Approval of Updated Transportation Improvement Program
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the updated plan to maintain an accurate plan with the BIA. **7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-133
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): CTCLUSI Hazard Mitigation Plan
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this plan to meet the need of disaster preparedness for our Tribe in the five county service area. **Vote 7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-134
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board Memorandum of Agreement
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this agreement to support the development and implementation of the Dental Health Aide Pilot Education Program. **Vote 5-1-1**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-135
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): Approve Application for the 2024 Office of State Fire Marshal Tribal Strategic Investment Grant
Explanation: Tribal Council approves the submission of grant funding to assist Tribal Police, Emergency Management and Forestry in wildfire suppression. Vote **7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-136
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): Intergovernmental Agreement regarding Well Rounded Access Program for Native Art Courses
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this for the Education Department to promote cultural awareness of native artists. **Vote 7-0-0**

RESOLUTION NO.:24-137
Date of Passage: August 11, 2024
Subject (title): Change Order #1 for Tidal Wetland Restoration at haich ikt' at' uu
Explanation: Tribal Council approves this change order for the Waite Ranch project
Vote 7-0-0

In this public paper, some Resolution titles and explanation will not be displayed or will contain minimal details due to confidentiality.

Tribal Artisans Wanted for Cultural Displays!

The Curation and Cultural Programs are reaching out to all Tribal Families to seek artisans to create cultural works of art, including bead work and jewelry, weaving, cedar works, painting, wood working and carving or historic family photographs. Your contributions will be featured in various displays in many Government properties, such as Three Rivers Health Center, CTCLUSI's True History Gallery Lagauwiiyat'as, and the Administration Offices located in Coos Bay, Florence and Eugene.

The focus of these displays has multiple purposes. The Tribe wants to feature the contemporary culture of our Tribe, as well as illuminate and celebrate the skills of our Tribal members. Visitors, including Tribal families, staff and members of our communities will be able to view the art and rich cultural displays and hopefully learn and appreciate CTCLUSI origins, history, and continued artistry.

Interested artists should submit their project ideas to Tribal Historic Preservation Office, thpo@ctclusi.org, and a workgroup of cultural knowledge holders will evaluate project ideas based on various factors and display needs.

All selected artists will be offered fair and consistent compensation for their submissions. Donations or loans of pieces of work will also be accepted with agreements available.

Your submission of artistic work or photographs will be displayed with acknowledgements of you and any other relevant information.

Submit project ideas to Tribal Historic Preservation Office
thpo@ctclusi.org

40th Restoration Celebration

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS, LOWER UMPQUA & SIUSLAW INDIANS

OCTOBER, 12, 2024

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM
MEAL SERVED AT 12:30 PM

Three Rivers Casino Resort
5647 Highway 126, Florence, Oregon 97439

RSVP for Restoration Event 1-541-435-7155

Enjoy various cultural and historic displays of places, families, canoes, regalia & traditional tools.

Storytelling – Share Your Family Memory
This year, Tribal members are invited to share memories of their family involvement during Restoration efforts. Each speaker will be given 5 min to share a fond family memory.
Contact Meagan Davenport at mdavenport@ctclusi.org to be placed on a list of speakers.

Activities following the meal to include:
Song & Dance
Raffle

Three Rivers Casino & Hotel has a block of rooms reserved for Tribal Members at a "Tribal Rate" for the Saturday, October 12th Restoration, Space is limited.

Call 1-547-997-7529 to book your stay directly and reference "Restoration"

DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE EVENT



Baldija Memorial Site Planning We Want to Hear from You!

Contributed by Morgan Gaines, Communications Specialist

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians is planning to honor our family members who have walked on by creating a Memorial space at Baldija (Gregory Point). This will be the future site of a memorial space designed to allow us time to walk amongst the names of our loved ones, honor their memory, and continue to follow their guidance.

The space will be designed to be the least disruptive of the existing site, with the walking path being placed in a small grade above the current soil. The memorial walls will provide a bit of wind break to the area, and home the names of our loved ones who have walked on.

This space will also be dedicated to the memory of our ancestors whose names have been lost due to the colonization of our traditional homelands. Through this Memorial, we hold space for them and their lives, honor them, and thank them for their contributions to the continuation of our Tribe and Culture despite the tragedies that have taken them from our oral histories.

They walk with the Great Spirit, and we honor their memory.

We are looking for input on possible design motifs for the back side of the memorial walls. Let us know or submit examples of images for us to consider as we move forward.

Your comments are important to us. We'd love to hear from you directly, your thoughts and opinions on the design aspects of the Memorial.

hiisa, luwii, k'ele (thank you) for your valuable input.

Scan the QR Code to open up and fill out a comment form.
View the documents below in more detail by loggin in to the Citizen Portal of www.ctclusi.org

Written comments can be sent to:
CTCLUSI Attn: Tyler Slyter
1245 Fulton Avenue,
Coos Bay, OR 97420





Citizen Portal www.ctclusi.org

Do you need assistance with registering or re-gaining access to the Citizen Portal of the Tribal Government website?
I'm here to help! Contact me directly with any Tribal website access issues that you have.
The Citizen Portal contains the links to the monthly Tribal Council meeting Zoom links, culturally significant information and more!

Also be sure to check out the online Events Calendar for upcoming activities!

Morgan Gaines,
Communications Specialist
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Attention Higher Education Students!

The 2025-2026 FAFSA will be available to students by December 1st this year!

Completing the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA®) form allows you to be considered for federal student aid. In addition, states and colleges use FAFSA information to award their own grants, scholarships, and loans. But, since some aid is limited, you have to meet the deadlines!

Oregon Grants
Submit your application for the Oregon Opportunity Grant as soon as possible after Dec. 31, 2023. Awards are made until all funds are depleted.
For the Oregon Promise Grant and other state grants, contact your state agency for more information. Additional forms may be required.

Check out **www.usa.gov/fafsa** for more information, important deadlines, and to fill out your application.

Contact the CTCLUSI Education Department if you need assistance.
Morgan Cloud, Higher Education Specialist 541-888-1319 or mcloud@ctclusi.org

Virtual Language Classes - Fall 2024

10-week Sessions: October 1st through December 3rd

miluk: Tuesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm
hanis: Wednesdays, 4:00-6:00 pm
sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich:
Fridays, 4:00-6:00 pm

Week 10: All languages will come together and meet virtually on Tuesday, December 3rd

Sign up with Enna Helms by email at language@ctclusi.org or by phone at (541) 297-7538



The Language Revitalization Camp was a huge success. Over 130 participants came and enjoyed the week-long activities and language learning opportunities provided by Enna Helms and Patty Phillips, the CTCLUSI Culture and Natural Resources Department, Education Department and additional support staff.
Hiisa! (Thank you!) to everyone who helped make this an incredible and memorable experience for all.
Check back in upcoming editions of The Voice of CLUSI Tribal paper for a more in depth look at the amazing Language Revitalization Camp!

Contact Enna Helms if you would like to join the weekly language classes this fall 2024.
Classes start October 1st!



Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Cultural Bimonthly Fall Event

Community Gift Making

Come be in community and practice our potlatch culture by creating gifts to giveaway or bring your own project and share space with others.
All supplies will be provided and replenished as needed.

Bimonthly
Starting October at each Outreach Office
Day of the Week: (TBA)
Time: 10 am - 2 pm
Lunch Provided

Please contact the following Outreach Office nearest you for scheduled weekday information as they may differ per instructor availability.

Coos Bay	Florence	Eugene
Location: Tribal Hall Front Desk: 541-888-9577	Location: Outreach office Front Desk: 541-997-6685	Location: Conference Room Front Desk: 541-744-1334

Why RSVP for Tribal Events?

Tribal Department staff who plan events and activities for the benefit of Tribal Member need membership to “please reply” when asked to RSVP when wanting to attend Tribal events. This ensures the right amount of supplies and food and beverages to meet the needs of those in attendance.
Thank you in advance for making future events as successful as possible by always calling to RSVP when asked.

RSVP for events by calling
1-541-435-7155



Call for Knowledge Keepers Experiential Learning

Knowledge We Seek:

- □ Story Telling
- □ Language
- □ Art
- □ Beading
- □ Weaving
- □ Gathering
- □ Processing Gathered Materials
- □ Kayak/Canoe
- □ Hiking trails
- □ Leather Work
- □ Drum Making

*Any Hands-On Cultural Knowledge that you feel comfortable sharing with youth!
If not listed, please contact with your ideas!

If you are interested in sharing cultural knowledge with Tribal youth, please contact Brandy Lauby 541-888-1314
You can come one time, once a month, or more frequently if you have time.
The purpose of Experiential Learning is to pass along Native ways of Knowing and Learning to the youth in a fun, hands-on manner.
We meet twice a week with Tribal Youth afterschool from 3:30-5:30 PM.
Activities must be Hands-On/Interactive for youth.
Will need to complete the On-Call process if you have not already.
Can be compensated for your time.
Contact Brandy Lauby 541-888-1314, blauby@ctclusi.org

TRIBE FILES LAWSUIT

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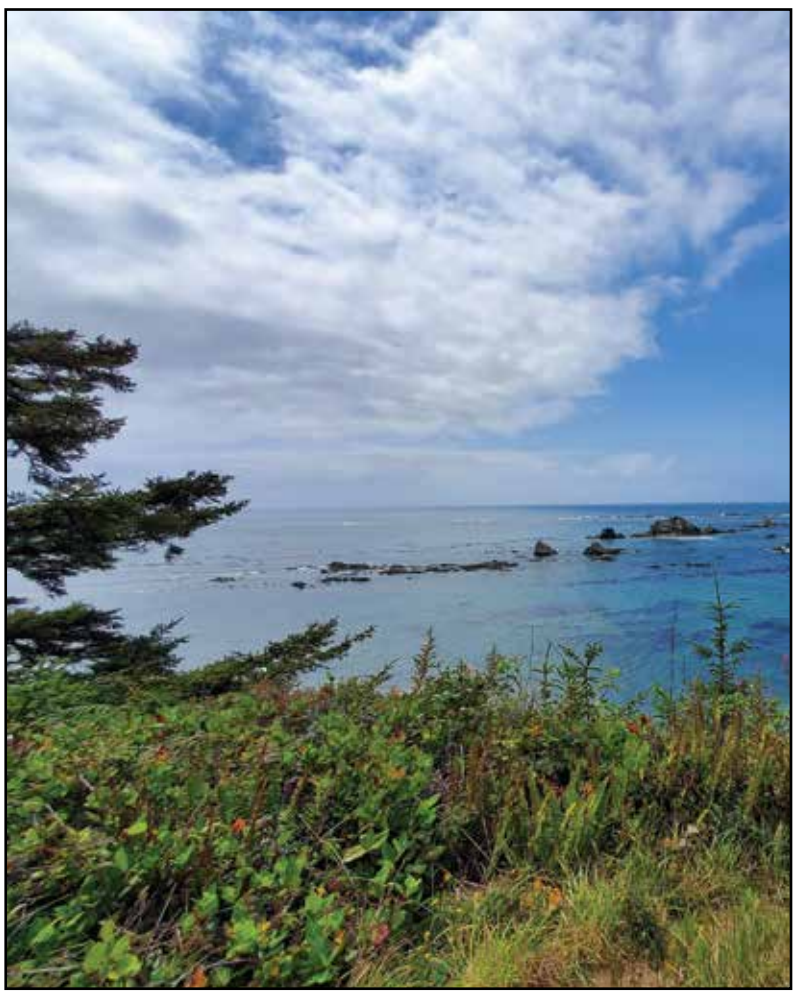
The lawsuit specifically alleges that BOEM violated the federal National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA"), including that it narrowly drafted an environmental assessment that failed to consider: (1) the impacts of future wind energy development; (2) the cumulative impacts of this project along with other West Coast wind energy development; and (3) alternatives to its proposal, including examining alternatives that exclude important habitat areas from leasing and wind energy development. The lawsuit also alleges that BOEM issued its decision before complying with its legal obligations to protect cultural resources as required by the National Historic Preservation Act.

"The decision to file this legal action was not taken lightly," said Chair Kneaper. "We would much rather work collaboratively with BOEM to determine where the best places are to develop wind energy, minimizing the impacts to the Coast and our people. Unfortunately, BOEM left us no other options. Prior to filing the lawsuit on Friday, we notified both BOEM and the Governor's office that the Tribe is willing to withdraw its lawsuit if the October lease sale is delayed and BOEM commits to assessing impacts of wind energy development on the Coast."

A copy of the Tribe's complaint filed on Friday [can be seen online].

For questions about this lawsuit, please contact attorney Rick Eichstaedt at 509-251-1424.



View of the Simpson Reef area without wind turbines
Photograph taken by Tribal Council member Julie Siestreem

TRIBAL COURT COMMUNITY EDUCATION SERIES

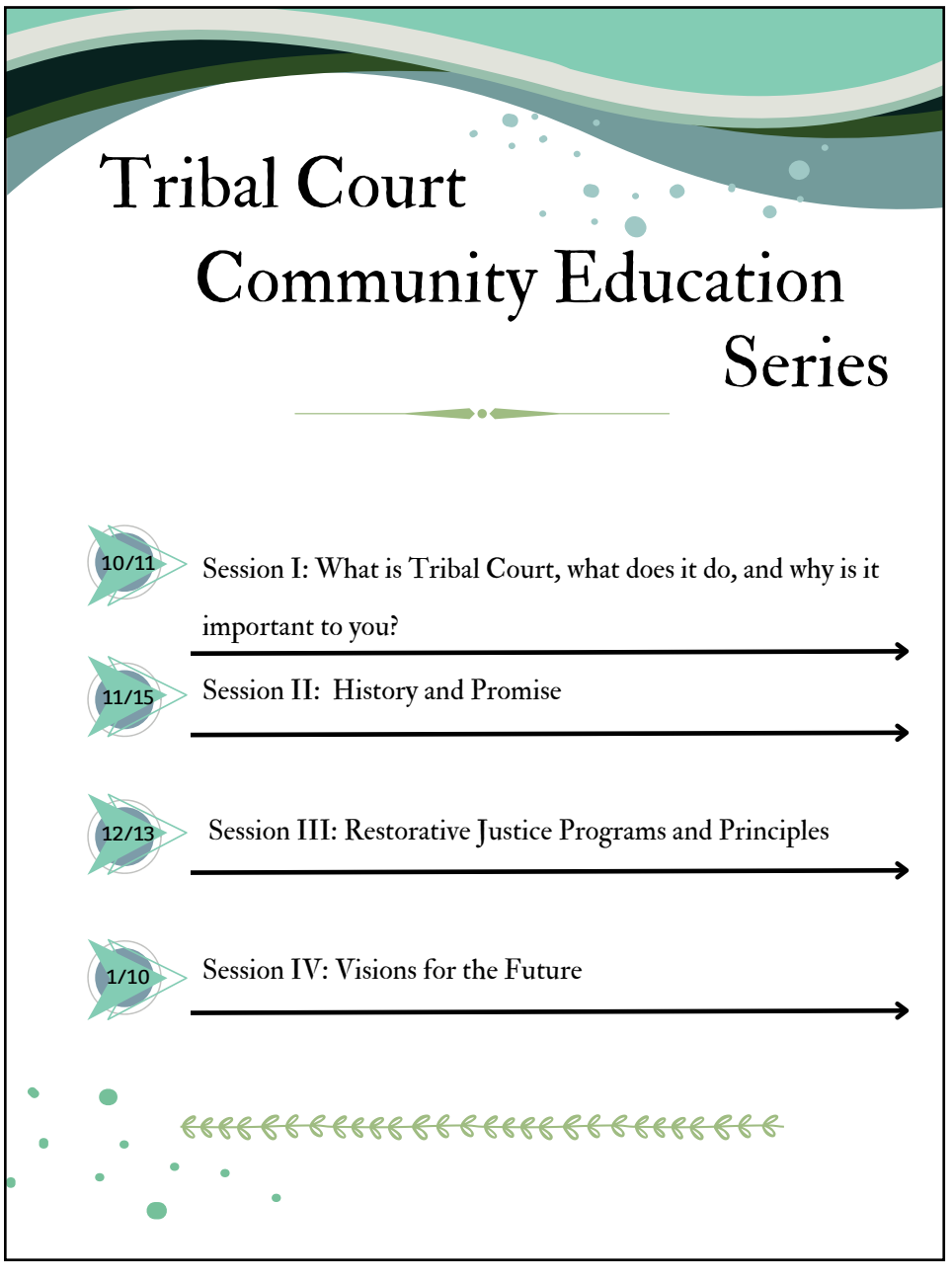
I am pleased to invite you to attend a four-part informational series about your Tribal Court. There will be four programs, each scheduled over the lunch hour, AND we will provide lunch! The programs are:

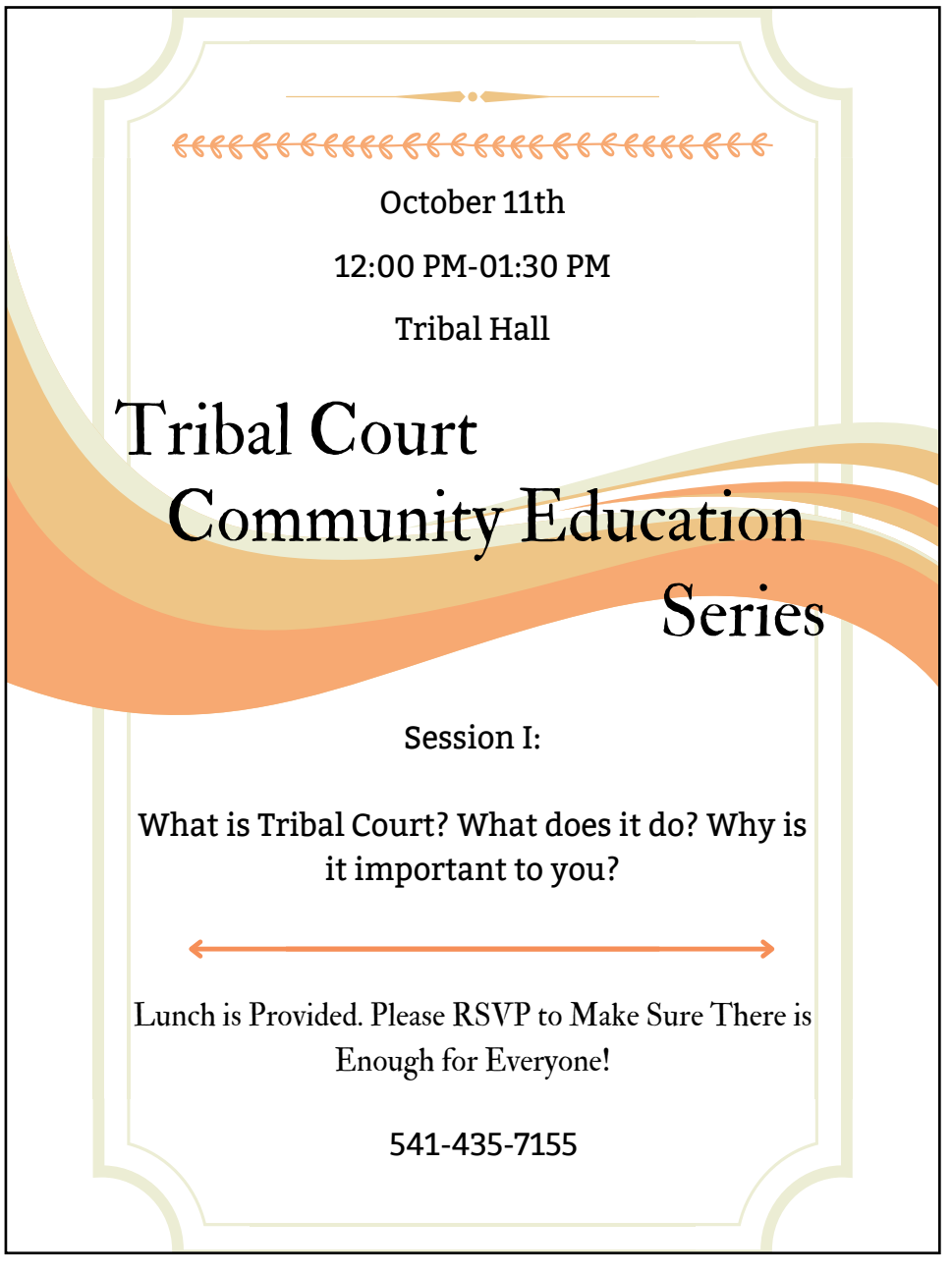
1. October 11, 2024. What is Tribal Court, what does it do, and why is it important to you?
2. November 15, 2024. Tribal Court History and Promise.
3. December 13, 2024. Restorative Justice Programs and Principles in Tribal Court
4. January 10, 2025. Tribal Court -Visions for the Future.

Please RSVP to (541) 435-7155 so that we have enough food for everyone. If you RSVP and your plans change, please also call this number to let us know that you will not be attending.

This program is open to all tribal members and their families, and all tribal employees. You don't have to attend all programs to participate, but we hope that you will enjoy yourself so much that you will attend all of them. I am looking forward sharing this time with you.

Karen Costello, Chief Judge





Come Join Us For

REGALIA MAKING

Coos Bay, Tribal Hall | 10 am - 4 pm

26-27 October

Come work on regalia or/and bring your regalia projects you have started on!

lunch Provided!

Contact: Alycia Cossey

541-294-1237 or email acossey@ctclusi.org

FALL 2024

FOR MEMBERS OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS LOWER UMPQUA, AND SIUSLAW INDIANS AND FAMILY

SHICHILS

'Myrtle Nut'

—GATHERING—

@ HOFFMAN MEMORIAL STATE WAYSIDE

SATURDAY

NOV 2

8A-2PM

Lunch and Transportation Provided from Admin building

PLEASE RSVP BY OCT, 25

Contact: Alycia Cossey for more information acossey@ctclusi.org 541-294-1237

Come Join Us For

REGALIA MAKING

Eugene, Outreach | 10 am - 4 pm

9-10 November

Come work on regalia or/and bring your regalia projects you have started on!

lunch Provided!

Contact: Enna Helms

(541) 297-7538, or ehelms@ctclusi.org

CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF COOS · LOWER UMPQUA · SIUSLAW

Winter Solstice

Save the Date

December 18th - 22nd

Spooky Stories for Spooky Season

Contributed by Patty Phillips, Tribal Linguist

The Young Man Who Lived Alone

It's the season for Spooky Stories. The following is a strange and horrifying story that Annie Miner Peterson told, where a monster preys on a family living deep in the woods. It might be a kind of warning that it is dangerous to live long term in the woods alone without the protection of neighbors.

A young man lived alone far back in the woods. Every year he would return to the village where he was born bringing all kinds of furs, then return to his home in the woods. He trapped all the time. He put up all kinds of smoked meat, like elk and deer.

He also dried eyes. Now one time he came out from the forest to his relatives' village, and he got married. Then the couple went back to his home in the woods. Before leaving to hunt, he told his wife to not disturb or eat any of the dried eyes.

As time went by, they had a daughter. When the daughter was about one year old, the wife wondered why she could not eat any of the dried eyes. She decided to eat some of the eyes. She ate one. She heard a strange thumping sound, getting louder and louder. A voice said "The woman who ate eyes I will get!"

It might be a kind of warning that it is dangerous to live long term in the woods alone

The woman fastened the door tightly. But the strange monster in the woods opened the door easily. He packed away the young woman and her child. In the evening, the monster built a fire. He took the baby and put her on a roasting spit. The terrified mother could do nothing. The fire began to crackle. The monster wondered "Why does my fire pop so?" It was the young man who had followed the monster, he was shooting at the monster. The man said "Fire! Crackle! Then he will think it is just his fire making noise." All the while the man was shooting at the monster.

The monster fell over dead. The man jumped out and rescued his wife. They collected their child's bones and went home. They buried their child. "Let us not live here. Let's go home to the village of my relatives." So, they did. He told his wife, "This is why I did not want you to eat eyes."

Now that is all of that.

The Man Who Stepped on Snail's Shell

Annie Miner Peterson told the story of 'The young man who stepped on Snail's back' some time in 1933 or 1934 in Milluk, and Melville Jacobs published it on page 54-56 of Coos Narrative & Ethnologic Texts. I'm putting it up here, tho' I am breaking up the paragraphs a little differently so maybe it is easier to read on a screen:

A young fellow was always going about here and there. His parents were dead. It was his older brother who raised him. One day he was running about, and then he stepped on a snail, and it broke the snail shell.

That was the way a tiny piece of it got stuck in his foot, and he was unable to get it out. Then he just gnawed at his foot, and while gnawing at his foot, and while gnawing at it the blood got in his mouth. "Oh how sweet tasting that blood is!!"

Unable to take out the piece of shell, he just went back home. Now then he began to eat up his people. He ate up all the people in his village.

He had one younger sister. Now his younger sister arrived and she saw no one there. Only her younger brother was living there. The girl had a small baby. "Give the baby to me!" [he said]

"Not just yet younger brother!" She deliberately pinched her baby, and indeed it cried. "I will give it to you after a while. I will nurse it first, then I will give it to you." She pinched her baby again, and indeed it cried. "He is so afraid of you, I will bathe him first. Then I will give him to you." She bathed it in the evening. Then she packed her baby, and now the girl fled. She went back to her husband.

Then she hallooed, "Come over quickly and get me! There is something pursuing me!" Indeed 3 persons went across by canoe so that they could get quickly to her there. Just as the canoe neared the beach the girl leaped immediately into the boat. "Go quickly! A dangerous being (xuutl'uush) is pursuing me." Then indeed the made haste. When they beached she told her husband, "My younger brother is a dangerous being. You will have to kill him. He ate up all the people." Then they did indeed they got ready.

He was already hallooing too (from the other side). Now they piled rocks onto the fire. And they dug a hole, and they got planks. Now the rocks were getting hot, so they put them down into the hole there, and they lay the boards over it.

Now they went across to fetch that dangerous being. "Ho, brother in law! You will eat well." Indeed they brought him back home, gave him food. Then in the middle of his eating they pulled off the lumber, and so he tumbled into the hole.

Now they piled up there on top of the lumber, now the people were on top of it there. Indeed he burned up down there. That is how they killed him.

That is why the people fear snail shells.

[end]



Annie told Jacobs that she recalled hearing this story told by her brother in law Chief Doloos. She said people avoided stepping on snail shells because of this story. Jacobs noted there are other versions of this story in the northwest.

Snail photograph by Morgan Gaines

Changing Currents: Tribal Water Summit 2024

Information and Photographs contributed by Julie Siestreem, CTCLUSI Tribal Council

Changing Current Water Summits are inter-tribal convenings designed to bring together staff and leadership from Northwest Tribes and Native communities to foster dialogue and collaboration around common water interests and work toward a shared agenda.

Changing Currents envisions a tribally-led water movement to ensure the health of our people and preserve our ways of life for many generations to come.

Learn more about the Annual Tribal Water Summit
www.changingcurrents.net



CTCLUSI Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Courtney Krossman pictured above in attendance at the Water Summit August 11-16, 2024



Tribal canoes paddle together in the waters behind The Mill Casino and Hotel in North Bend, Oregon



Pictured above: Key note speaker Jaime Pinkham (Nez Perce Tribe) Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works U.S. Department of Army and Shirod Younker (Coquille/Coos/Umpqua) Youth & Summit Coordinator and Summit MC



Pictured left: Julie Siestreem, Vicki Walker, Director of Oregon Department of State Lands and Chief Doug Barrett. Chief and Julie attended both the Changing Currents Summit and the State Land Board meeting & South Slough Celebration on August 13, 2024

FALL HARVEST

Saturday, November 16, 2024

FOOD | CAMARADERIE | CRAFTS

DOORS OPEN AT 11:00 AM DINNER AT 12:00 PM

CTCLUSI COMMUNITY CENTER
338 WALLACE AVE, COOS BAY, OR 97420

TRIBAL FAMILIES ARE INVITED FOR A FALL THEMED MEAL AND VARIOUS CRAFTING OPPORTUNITIES SPONSORED BY TRIBAL COUNCIL AND STAFF!

PLEASE RSVP BY FRIDAY NOVEMBER 8TH BY CALLING 541-435-7155



ELDER FALL PREVENTION
FOR NATIVE AMERICANS

#1 FALLS ARE THE TOP CAUSE OF INJURY DEATHS FOR AMERICAN INDIAN ADULTS AGE 65+
SOURCE: CDC WISQARS

1 IN 3 AMERICAN INDIAN ADULTS AGE 45+ IN NEW MEXICO FELL AT LEAST ONE TIME IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS
SOURCE: NEW MEXICO BRFSS 2012-2016

45% OF AMERICAN INDIAN ADULTS AGE 45+ IN NEW MEXICO WHO FELL IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS WERE INJURED
SOURCE: NEW MEXICO BRFSS 2012-2016

ALBUQUERQUE AREA SOUTHWEST TRIBAL EPIDEMIOLOGY CENTER

RISK FACTORS

Most falls are caused by a combination of risk factors. The more risk factors a person has, the greater their chances of falling. Many risk factors can be changed or modified to help prevent falls. They include:



Seeing a healthcare provider can help cut down a person's risk of falling or falling again.

MAKING YOUR HOME SAFER

Living and Dining Rooms
- Arrange furniture for easy movement
- Choose tall furniture for easy standing
- Remove area rugs and other tripping hazards
- Add more lighting to rooms (e.g., ceiling/overhead lights)
- Tuck cords safely away

Bedrooms
- A lamp should be within easy reach
- Keep a flashlight next to your bed
- Add automatic night lights
- Keep exit route and pathway to bathroom clear

Kitchen
- Keep frequently used items within easy reach
- Place non-skid mats on tile flooring
- Keep fire extinguisher in assessable location
- Cover all sharp corners with padding

Bathroom
- Install grab bars in shower
- Some tubs may require a step for easier entry
- Place non-slid mats on floor and in shower or tub
- Use raised toilet seat

Pathways and Stairs
- Keep free of clutter
- Secure carpets with rug tape or remove completely
- Install handrails
- Have adequate lighting inside and outside the home
- Remove obstacles and hazards along pathways to home entrances
- Remove or roll up power cords



WHAT YOU CAN DO TO PREVENT FALLS

Do Strength and Balance Exercises Daily
Make your legs stronger and improve your balance through exercises like Tai Chi, walking, yoga, swimming, etc. Check out programs offered by wellness, fitness and senior centers in your community.

Have Your Eyes Checked
Have your eyes checked by an eye doctor at least once a year, and be sure to update your eyeglasses if needed.

Make Your Home Safer
Reducing home hazards will assure safer independent living for elders, so follow the tips on page 2 to "fall-proof" your home.

Talk to your Health Provider
- Request a provider to evaluate your risk for falling
- Ask about things you can do to prevent falls or lower your risk for falling
- Ask your provider or pharmacist to review your medications to see if any might make you dizzy or sleepy
- Ask about taking vitamin D supplements with calcium

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) – Fall Prevention
http://www.cdc.gov/homeandrecreationalsafety/falls/index.html

New Mexico Fall Prevention
http://healthinsight.org/nm-fall-prevention

National Indian Council on Aging
https://www.nicoa.org/healthy-aging/falls-prevention/

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WWW.AASTEC.NET

TRIBAL INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAM

Elders Corner

Eugene Elders Luncheon

Thursday, October 10, 2024

11:30am—1:30pm

1010 Postal Way, Springfield, OR 97477



Come join us for yummy food and socializing!

Guest Speaker will be announced at the event

Please RSVP by Tuesday, October 8, 2024

(541) 435-7155

Or toll free at 1(888) 365-7155

Limited transportation will be provided from the Florence and Coos Bay offices.

Elders Potluck Luncheon

Hosted by Tribal Elder Eddie Helms

First Wednesday of the month at Tribal Hall

Bring a dish to share 12 (noon) - 2 p.m.



Photos provided by Council member Julie Siestreem from the September potluck lunch.



Below: photos provided by Council member Julie Siestreem from a photo review on September 4, 2024





Tribal Tobacco Prevention Program



This year we have grown our

Nicotiana quadrivalvis var. multivalvis

(Columbian Tobacco)

Seeds and dried Tobacco available



If you need Traditional Tobacco please reach out to Nicole Romine

541-294-9341 or nromine@ctclusi.org

Tribal Police Department Will Participate in National Prescription Drug Take Back Day

Contributed by Tribal Police Chief Brian Dubray

The Tribal Police Department will once again be participating in the National Prescription Drug Take Back Day held on Saturday October 26th from 10am – 2pm at the governmental offices at 1245 Fulton Avenue in Coos Bay.

This event is sponsored by the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and it provides the supplies to be able to collect unused or expired prescription medications to ensure that they are safely disposed of without falling into the wrong hands or unnecessarily polluting. TPD personnel will be outside (parking lot) so that participants can just pull up and drop off their items.

After the event (on Saturday), from 2pm – 3pm, Tribal Police Officers will be available to travel within 20 miles of the governmental office to pick up any unused or expired medications from Tribal families or Tribal Elders. If you know of someone who would like to participate, but is unable to make it to any of the events, please have them contact me for scheduling at our office: 541-997-6011.

There will be no identifying information collected, and the program is anonymous. We encourage participants to remove any identifying labels from bottles prior to submission. We will be able to accept vape pens without internal batteries, controlled, non-controlled and over the counter medications with a few exceptions; Intra-venous solutions, injectables, syringes, chemotherapy medications, or medical waste WILL NOT be accepted.

If you have any questions about the program, please let me know. Our goal is to keep medications from being lost, stolen, or misused. If you would like to view information about the program from the DEA, please visit: https://takebackday.dea.gov/ . If you know someone who lives outside of the area, they can also search by zip code to find an event nearby.

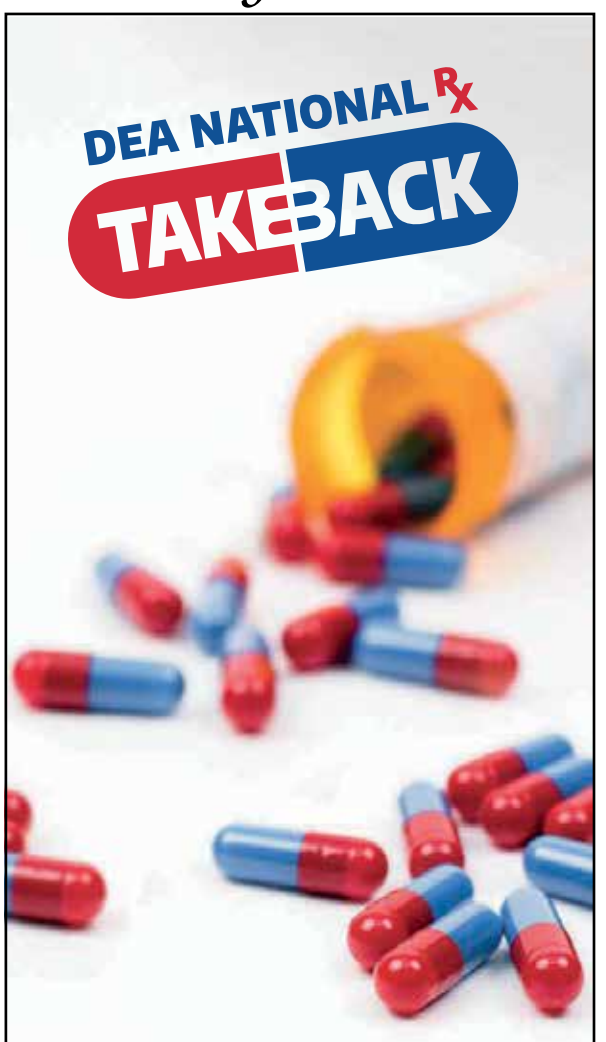
In addition to the National Drug Take Back Day on Saturday, Tribal Police Officers will be at the Eugene outreach office on Thursday, October 24th from 11am - 2pm to accept any medications and also at the Florence outreach office on Friday, October 25th from 11am - 2pm.

Since we began partnering with the DEA in the NDTBD program in 2018, the Tribal Police Department has helped to keep over 334 pounds of medications from being misused or otherwise polluting our landfills and waterways. Anyone is welcome to participate, so feel free to share the information with your friends and family.

Thursday, October 24th
11 am - 2 pm
Eugene Outreach Office,
135 Silver Lane, Eugene, OR 97404

Friday, October 25th
11 am - 2 pm
Florence Outreach Office,
3757 Hwy 101, Florence, OR 97459

National Drug Take Back Day is
Saturday, October 26th
10am – 2pm
Tribal Government Office,
1245 Fulton Avenue, Coos Bay, OR 97420



Unused or expired prescription medications are a public safety issue, leading to accidental poisoning, overdose, and abuse.

Pharmaceutical drugs can be just as dangerous as street drugs when taken without a prescription or a doctor's supervision.

The non-medical use of prescription drugs ranks second only to marijuana as the most common form of drug abuse in America.

The majority of teenagers abusing prescription drugs get them from family and friends — and the home medicine cabinet.

Unused prescription drugs thrown in the trash can be retrieved and abused or illegally sold. Unused drugs that are flushed contaminate the water supply. Proper disposal of unused drugs saves lives and protects the environment.

Take-back programs are the best way to dispose of old drugs. But if a program is not available:

- Take the meds out of their bottles;
- Mix them with something unappealing like used kitty litter or coffee grounds;
- Seal them in a bag or disposable container, and throw that away.

For more information on prescription drug abuse, go to:

- *www.DEA.gov*
- *www.GetSmartAboutDrugs.com*
- *www.JustThinkTwice.com*

Post: August 1, 2024
Until Filled

GAMING COMMISSION
****NOTICE OF VACANCY****
CTCLUSI 08/01/2024

The Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians' Gaming Commission is established pursuant to CLUSITC 5-2-7. The purpose of the Gaming Commission is to regulate Class II and Class III gaming on the Confederated Tribes' Indian Land. The Commission consists of five (5) members appointed by a majority vote of the Tribal Council.

The Gaming Commission has a vacancy in Position #1 and is currently seeking interested parties. The remaining term of this position is until 02/28/2027. Interested parties shall file a statement with the Commission reflecting their interest in serving as a Commission member.

Qualifications for the Posted Vacancy:

Commissioners must meet the following minimum eligibility requirements (CLUSITC 5-2-7(d):

(1) Must be at least twenty-one (21) years of age;

(2) Must successfully complete a background investigation, as set forth in CLUSITC 5-2-15;

(3) No member of Tribal Council may serve as a Commissioner; and

(4) No employee of a Gaming Operation may serve as a Commissioner.

Each applicant for Commission membership shall be subject to a background investigation (CLUSITC 5-2-13) and drug testing (CLUSITC 5-2-21).

Interested parties may file a statement of interest with the Commission reflecting their interest in serving as a Commission member to Rusty Bossley, Executive Director of the Gaming Commission, at the following address:

5647 Hwy 126 Suite 100
Florence, OR 97439

You may also fax your statement to 541-997-7293, or email at rbossley@ctclusi.org

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This notice of vacancy shall be posted at all Tribal offices.



#IndigenousPinkDay is on Thursday, October 17! Join American Indian Cancer Foundation (AICAF). AICAF is a national Native-led and Native-governed nonprofit organization established to address the tremendous cancer burdens faced by native people. Join AICAF in raising awareness about breast health in Indian Country by wearing pink. Show your support by sharing photos of yourself in pink on social media using #IndigenousPink. We all play a role in raising awareness of breast health. Wear pink proudly to honor breast cancer survivors, symbolizing their resilience and strength. Let's amplify our voices and support our relatives across Indian Country!



Indigenous Pink
▸▸▸▸▸▸ Breast Health

1 in 8 women will get breast cancer in their lifetime

Increased Risks

GENETICS
Inherited DNA changes in genes

GENDER
Being female

FAMILY HISTORY
Mother, sister, daughter has had breast cancer

BREAST DENSITY
Dense breast tissue

40 AGEING

CONTACT YOUR HEALTH CARE PROVIDER IF YOU HAVE ONE OR MORE OF THESE RISKS

Breast cancer usually has no symptoms when the tumor is small and most treatable.

Screening Guidelines/Recommendations

Age 40-44	Age 45-54	Age 55+
Option to begin annual screening	Annual screening	Screening every 2 yrs Option to screen yearly

Talk to your health care provider about when screening is best for you.

Breast cancer is the 2nd leading cause of cancer death for American Indian women. A mammogram may save your life.

What can I do?

BREASTFEED
Breastfeeding reduces estrogen exposure that helps prevent breast cancer

REGULAR MAMMOGRAMS
Women 40+ should have the option to have a mammogram once a year

REGULAR BREAST EXAMS
Speak to your health care provider for options

WEIGHT CONTROL
Overweight or obese women are at a higher risk

EXERCISE
Exercising 3 days/week may lower your risk

LIMIT ALCOHOL USE
Alcohol can increase estrogen levels, which may increase your risk

American Indian Cancer Foundation.

CLINIC INFORMATION:

Three Rivers Health Center
150 S Wall Street, Coos Bay, OR 97420
Phone: (541) 435-7200
Email: info@threerivers.health

Autumn Preparation to Make Way for a Cozy Winter

Contributed by Leslie Thompson, Housing Assistant

With fall arriving, it's only a matter of time before winter is knocking on our doors. Now is the perfect time to get the home and yard cleaned up and ready for the coming cold months. Here are some ways to make your home winter ready, before the cold and wet weather sets in.

1. Now is the time to clean your gutters or any leaves, twigs, or plants that have put down roots in those soon to be water ways. Although this can be a time-consuming and tedious task, doing this now can prevent bigger problems down the road.
2. Give your lawn one last mow, and rake/ sweep up any remaining debris. Is your lawn damaged from the summer? Seeding it now before the first frost allows the seeds to begin taking root and gives it a jump start for spring. Prepare your garden by clearing out all the dead stuff. Cover/ store any outdoor furniture to avoid wear and tear on upholstery.
3. Insulate your pipes to prevent them from freezing in the winter. Turn off and flush-out outside water faucets and hoses.
4. Test smoke and/ or CO detectors along with changing their batteries. It is also a good time to check your fire extinguisher's pressure gauge. The needle should be in the green if the extinguisher is still good. Checking the nozzle and hose for cracks is a good idea too.
5. Clean out those dryer vents! You can prevent buildup in your dryer vents by cleaning the lint trap after every use. Having your dryer close to an exterior wall, without a lot of corners to snake around decreases the risk of a clog, which also decreases the chance of a fire.
6. We've all heard of spring cleaning, but what about fall cleaning? Fall is a good time to dust all those commonly forgotten areas like baseboards, lampshades, tops of cupboards, shelves, curtains, blinds, and screens. Open up the windows and give your home a good airing out while cleaning before old man winter comes.
7. Getting your fireplace ready for the winter includes cleaning out any creosote and soot buildup in the chimney, along with repairing any chips or cracks in it. Checking the chimney cap and damper is also a good idea, ensuring it is free from debris. Trimming away branches or limbs from the chimney is a good idea for several reasons. It helps prevent fire hazards, damage to the cap, and aides a good draft flow.



CTCLUSI
TRIBAL HOUSING

Tribally Owned HUD Housing

Did you know that if you meet CTCLUSI's program criteria, you may qualify for low-income housing where you only pay 20% of your gross income towards rent?

We have single-family unit, duplexes, and 4-plexes with 1-4 bedrooms, depending on the need.

All of our units are maintained by the CTCLUSI's Maintenance dept., and rent is paid directly to CTCLUSI's Housing Dept. This program utilizes waitlists when units are unavailable.

Low-Income units in Coos Bay/ North Bend & Florence

CTCLUSI Tribal Preference

Be a part of your community!

Build your rental history!

Contact us at the information below

CTCLUSI
Housing Dept.

1320 Neese St.
Coos Bay, OR 97420

(541)-888-1310

Monday-Friday 8am-5pm

https://ctclusi.org/housing-department/

Contact the CTCLUSI Housing Department at 541-888-1310

CTCLUSI Tribal Housing

The Housing Department offers five housing assistance programs for low to moderate income Tribal families.
All applicants must meet specific requirements to participate in these programs.
The following is a brief description of the programs we offer:

Rental Assistance
Tribal Housing (Coos Bay/Florence)
Down Payment Loan Assistance Program
Home Repair Program
Emergency Housing Assistance

Contact the CTCLUSI Housing Department at 541-888-1317

Don't Miss Out

Update Your Contact Information

Is your contact information up-to-date?
Please contact the Enrollment Department today with your current contact information.
It is important that your information is current and accurate so that you do not miss out on updates regarding Tribal benefits, programs, invitations to events, and Tribal Election Ballots.
Forms are also available online to update your contact information, request new Tribal ID cards, change of name requests and more.

Visit ***https://ctclusi.org/enrollment/*** to fill out these forms online.

Contact Enrollment by calling 541-435-7178



Internship Program 2024

CTCLUSI Tribal Citizens,
The Internship Program is returning! Each program enrollee may get up to 12 weeks with a participating department and $20.00/hour for up to 40 hours/ week.

Criteria:
- 18 yrs. of age and older
- Successful completion of the background check process
- Participation must be on site/location at a CTCLUSI office location (Coos Bay; Florence; Eugene)
- Must be an enrolled CTCLUSI Tribal Citizen.

Note: You do not have to be enrolled in college to participate.

If there is a department/specialty CTCLUSI provides that you would like to participate in, Human Resources will coordinate to develop an assignment for your participation as organizational availability allows.
If you would like to participate, fill out the Special Events Employee – On Call **https://ctclusi.org/human-resources-job-opportunities/** and indicate what Internship area of focus you would like to explore. There is only a couple of assignment spots available for the remaining 2024 year.

Stephanie McNutt,
Director of Human Resources

JOIN A TRIBAL COMMITTEE !

We are accepting Letters of Interest for Tribal Committees. We have had some recent vacancies. Tribal Committees cover several areas of the Tribe and work with various departments. Below is a list of Committees you may be interested in becoming a member of:

- Culture Committee

- Budget Committee

- Education Committee

- Elders Committee

- Enrollment Committee

- Language Committee

- Housing Committee

- Election Board

If interested, please fill out a "Letter of Interest Form" located on Tribes Website.

These Letters of Interest remain on file for (1) one year.

Please visit the Citizen Portal of the Tribal Government website at

www.ctclusi.org/tribal-committees/ for more information.

For more information or if you have any questions contact:

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Three Rivers Health Center Dental Clinic Update

Contributed by Marissa Gardner, DT/DHAT

Come meet our new providers and staff members at your dental clinic! Our experienced providers are ready to care for your dental needs. Dr. Williard is a caring and compassionate dentist who will take the time to really listen to your concerns and needs. Her number one priority is her patients, and she will work together with you to create the just-right treatment for your needs and wants. Dr. Williard plans to be here for many years, giving her more time to get to know her patients and families, and giving CTCLUSI Tribal members reliable access to an experienced provider.

We also have Dominic Comerate, DHAT and Leslie Hollingsworth, RDH, both of whom are experienced, patient and gentle providers. They are here to help address any concerns you may have and to give you your best smile! Our new Dental Assistants, Maison McCoy (Cherokee Tribal member) and Elizabeth Wymer (CTCLUSI Tribal member) are eager and excited to start their new journey in dentistry learning how to care for our community. With our team expanding, it is getting a bit crowded in the dental clinic, so you may continue to notice us out in the community.

If you've met any of us, you've probably heard us talk about the importance of oral health, and lately we have been speaking with community members about it. We've handed out educational materials, created fun activities and have provided oral health screenings. We also participated in the Back-to-School event at the CTCLUSI community center. We played games with the kids, completed some visual screenings and discussed healthier food and beverage options to promote good oral health. We've also visited our tribal community, Qaxas, to hand out toothbrush kits, let residents know about our name change to Three Rivers Health Center Dental Clinic, and introduced some of our new staff members.

We're also excited to let you know that soon we will be offering in-home visits for eligible tribal members. An in-home visit would be individually tailored to the person's needs. Examples of in-home services include exams, simple fillings, cleanings, and preventative services. These types of visits will be available for people with physical disabilities or for elders who experience mobility challenges. We will also offer these services for people with transportation barriers, pregnant and/or nursing mothers and for child checkups. To find out if a home visit is an option for you or a family member, please give us a call and we will get you scheduled with a provider for an appointment.

Look for more articles on oral health in future newsletters. We love getting the word out! And if there is something you would like us to address in an article, please call the number below with suggestions.

If you or a family member is experiencing dental pain or swelling, please call our office for an appointment or go to an Urgent Care/Emergency Room for immediate assistance. Three Rivers Health Center Dental Clinic phone number:

(541) 888-6433

Confederated Tribes of
Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

Department of Human Resources

Current Openings as of 9/10/2024

Tribal Government Offices Job Opportunities

- *Administrative Assistant – DNRC – Coos Bay*
- *Advanced Practice Provider - Medical – Coos Bay*
- *Behavioral Health Therapist – Coos Bay*
- *Circles of Healing Transitional Services Specialist – Eugene*
- *Dental Assistant I. – Coos Bay*
- *Dental Front Office Assistant – Coos Bay*
- *Director of Natural Resources & Culture – Coos Bay*
- *Educational Outreach Coordinator – Coos Bay*
- *Human Resources Associate – Coos Bay*
- *Hunting & Fishing Program Coordinator – Coos Bay*
- *Laboratory Manager – Coos Bay*
- *Lead Forester – Coos Bay*
- *Licensing Associate – Florence*
- *Phlebotomist – Coos Bay*
- *Physician- Family Medicine – Coos Bay*
- *Quality Assurance Specialist – Coos Bay*
- *Restoration Projects Manager – Florence*
- *Social Services Program Assistant – Coos Bay*
- *Special Events – On Call – Varies on Assignment.*
- *Surveillance Agent I. – Graveyard*
- *Wastewater Plant & Water Systems Tech. I – Florence*

Please visit Job Opportunities on the Tribes website for full job descriptions and benefits available. You may also apply for any position online. ***http://ctclusi.org/jobs***

Updated Frequently

Tribal Members please log in to the Citizen Porrtal to access any CTCLUSI Tribal Member Job Opportunities

Please email questions to ***recruitment@ctclusihr.org***

PEACEGIVING

Peacegiving is a traditional Restorative Justice option available to you for the resolution of conflict.

All Peacegiving issues are confidential.



Photo by Morgan Gaines

For more information about Peacegiving, please visit the Peacegiving Website or contact the Peacegiving Coordinator at the address listed below.

Peacegiving Coordinator
1245 Fulton Avenue
Coos Bay, OR 97420
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EMAIL: Peacegiving@ctclusi.org Website: https://ctclusi.org/tribalcourtpeacegiving

WELLNESS COURT

Are you in trouble with the law?
Are you suffering with drugs, alcohol or addiction?
Are you ready to make a change?
What does true Wellness look like for you?
A life without drugs or alcohol is possible for you.
Make the choice for a better life.



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Contact Tribal Wellness Court.
(541) 888-1307

Upcoming Events

RSVP for events by calling

1-541-435-7155

October 2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
29	30	1 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	2 Elders Potluck Tribal Hall hanis language class 4pm-6pm	3	4 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class 4pm-6pm	5 Prevention Activity Pumpkin Patch Coos Bay
6 Prevention Activity Pumpkin Patch Eugene	7	8 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	9 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	10 Elders Luncheon Springfield, OR	11 Tribal Court Edu Series I: 12pm sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class 4pm-6pm	12 Restoration Celebration Florence TRCR
13 Regular Council Meeting 10:00am General Council Meeting 1:00pm	14 Tribal Offices Closed Indigenous People's Day	15 miluk language class 4pm-6pm	16 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	17 ***Restoration Day*** All Office Closed	18 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class 4pm-6pm	19 All Hall-Ows Event Community Center 5pm
20	21	22 Parenting class Eugene/zoom 6pm miluk language class 4pm-6pm	23 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	24 National Rx Drug Take Back, Eugene 10 am - 2 pm	25 Regalia Making Tribal Hall 10-4 National Rx Drug Take Back, Florence 10am sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class	26 Regalia Making Tribal Hall 10-4 National Rx Drug Take Back, CB 10 am - 2 pm
27	28	29 Parenting class Eugene/zoom 6pm miluk language class 4pm-6pm	30 hanis language class 4pm-6pm Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	31 Halloween	1 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class 4pm-6pm	2 Shichils (myrtle nut) Gathering 8am-2pm

November 2024

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10 Regalia Making Eugene Outreach 10-4pm Regular Council Meeting 10:00am	11 Veteran's Day Tribal Offices Closed	12 Parenting class Eugene/zoom 6pm miluk language class 4pm-6pm	13 hanis language class 4pm-6pm	14	15 sha'yuushtɬ'a uɬ quuiich class 4pm-6pm	16 Fall Harvest Gathering Community Center
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24	25	26 Parenting class Eugene/zoom 6pm miluk language class 4pm-6pm	27 hanis language class 4pm-6pm Business Council Meeting 6:00 p.m.	28 Tribal Offices Closed Thanksgiving Day	29 Tribal Offices Closed Native American Heritage Day	30

Hiis Haiyach – with a good heart



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If you or anyone in your family has had any recent special awards or achievements that you would like to share, please submit your information and photos to the newsletter.

I look forward to hearing from you!

Visit www.ctclusi.org/events to view the online event calendar

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HOT SEAT Sweepstakes
MONDAYS 6PM-9PM
$100 Free Play Hot Seats every 20 minutes. $1,000 Cash Grand Prize drawing at 9PM.

Cash IN THE Bag
TUESDAYS 7PM-9PM
Drawings every 30 minutes to win a Designer Bag. PLUS, a cash prize up to $250! One entry for every 50 same-day points earned on Tuesdays.

PRESS FOR CASH
WEDNESDAYS 7PM-9PM
Drawings every hour.
Win up to $5,000! One entry for every 50 points earned.

MONSTER MASH
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 31
6PM TO 9PM
$500 HOT SEATS
EVERY THIRTY MINUTES
Must be actively playing a gaming device with a players club card to be eligible for Hot Seats. Must be present to win. Management reserves all rights.

Café 1297
OCTOBER WEEKLY SPECIALS
Monday - Thursday served from 11am-10pm
Friday - Sunday served from 4pm-10pm
MONDAY - COOS BAKER $18
TUESDAY - CAJUN SHRIMP PO BOY $20
WEDNESDAY - CHICKEN ALFREDO $25
THURSDAY - CREAMY MUSHROOM POLENTA $20
FRIDAY - SLOW-ROASTED PRIME RIB $30
SATURDAY - SMOKED BRISKET PLATTER $30
SUNDAY - CHEF'S CHOICE

ONE WINNER $5,000
One winner will win $5,000 GUARANTEED!
SATURDAYS • 9PM
ONE ENTRY FOR EVERY 100 POINTS EARNED SUNDAY - SATURDAY

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