



The Da'luk

NOW ACCEPTING HIP APPLICATIONS

The Wiyot Tribe is currently accepting Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Housing Improvement Program (HIP) Housing Assistance Applications for Fiscal Year 2023. We would be grateful if you submitted your application completely filled out along with all proper documents as requested, no later than the end of day on November 30, 2022. The Housing Improvement Program (HIP) is a home repair, renovation, replacement and new housing grant program administered by the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and federally-recognized Indian Tribes for American Indians and Alaska Native (AI/AN) individuals and families who have no immediate resource for standard housing. While not an entitlement program, HIP was established under The Snyder Act of 1921 as one of several BIA programs authorized by Congress for the benefit of Indian people. WHO IS ELIGIBLE? **To be eligible for HIP assistance, you must be a Wiyot Tribal citizen; have an income that does not exceed 150% of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) Poverty Guidelines; have present housing that is substandard, as defined by the regulations; have no other resource for housing assistance;**

and have not acquired your present housing through a federally sponsored housing program that includes such housing assistance. WHO CAN I CONTACT ABOUT OTHER INDIAN HOUSING PROGRAMS? The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development is the primary provider of new housing on Indian reservations and in Indian communities through the Office of Native American Programs, the sponsor of Indian Housing Authorities (IHA's) and Tribally Designated Housing Entities (TDHE's). Other federal housing resources available to AI/AN are the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Housing Program and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Direct Home Loan Program. WHAT DOES HIP PROVIDE? Interim Improvements: Provides up to \$7,500 in housing repairs for conditions that threaten the health and/or safety of the occupants. Repairs and Renovation: Provides up to \$60,000 in repairs and renovation to improve the condition of a homeowner's dwelling to meet applicable building code standards. Replacement Housing: Provides a modest replacement home if a homeowner's dwelling cannot be brought to applicable building code standards. New

Housing: Provides a modest new home if you do not own a home, you may be eligible if you are the owner or leaseholder of land suitable for housing and the lease is for not less than 25 years at the time assistance is received WHAT IS THE HIP INCOME GUIDELINE? The HIP Income Guideline is comprised of two charts, one for the Lower 48 states and the other for Alaska. The income figures on the chart establish the points you will receive for the first Need Ranking Factor based on Annual Household Income. Applicants with an annual household income exceeding 150 percent of the federal Poverty Guideline are not eligible for the program. Please remember to complete **ALL** questions and do not leave any areas blank. It is **CRITICAL** that all income verification documents are completed and submitted along with the application for all citizens 18 years of age or older. Incomplete applications will not be processed. Furthermore, all applications and income verification must be **POST-MARKED** no later than November 30, 2022 or submitted in person at the Tribal Office before close of business at 4:00 P.M. on Wednesday November 30th.

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS
HOUSING ASSISTANCE APPLICATION

- All questions in this application must be answered. The requested information is self-explanatory.
- This application is subject to the Privacy Act of 1974, Pub. L. 93-579

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

1. Name: _____
Last First MI Maiden Name (if any)
2. Current Address: _____
Street Address P.O. Box # (if any)
City State Zip Code
3. Telephone Number: (____) _____ 4. Date of Birth: _____
5. Tribe: _____ Roll Number: _____
Reservation/Rancheria: _____
6. Marital Status: ____ Married ____ Single ____ Widowed ____ Other
If you checked "Other", please explain. _____
7. Are you Homeless? ____ No ____ Yes 8. Are you or spouse a Veteran? ____ No ____ Yes

Information About Spouse:

9. Name: _____
Last First MI Maiden Name (if any)
10. Date of Birth: _____
11. Tribe: _____ Roll Number: _____

B. FAMILY INFORMATION

List all other persons living in household on a permanent basis. Start with the oldest and provide Name, Date of Birth, Relationship to Applicant, and Tribe/Roll Number.

Name	Date of Birth	Relationship to Applicant	Tribe/Roll Number

If you need more space, use a blank sheet of paper.

Date of this application: _____

C. INCOME INFORMATION

12. Earned Income: Start with applicant, then list all permanent family members, including all who are listed under Parts A and B and have earned income. Provide signed copy of SF-1040 (income tax return), W-2 forms, wage stubs, etc. for verification.

Name	Annual Earned Income	Source of Income

Total annual earned income: \$ _____

13. Unearned Income: Start with applicant, then list all permanent family members, including all who are listed under Parts A and B and have unearned income such as social security, retirement, disability and unemployment benefits, child support and alimony, royalties, per capita payments, interest, etc. Provide check stubs, statements, individual Indian Money (IIM) ledgers, etc. for verification.

Name	Annual Unearned Income	Source of Income

Total annual unearned income: \$ _____

14. TOTAL COMBINED ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME (earned + unearned): \$ _____

D. HOUSING INFORMATION

15.	Location of the house to be repaired, renovated or constructed. (Give address and detailed directions to this house). **DRAW MAP ON BACK OF THIS PAGE**
16.	Provide a brief description of the problems you are experiencing with your house or the type of housing assistance for which you are applying.
17.	If repair assistance is needed, do you own _____ or rent _____ this house?
	If renting, is the owner Indian? _____ No _____ Yes
	If yes, provide name of owner(s): _____
18.	Are you living in Overcrowded Conditions? _____ No _____ Yes
19.	Is the condition of the home in a dilapidated state? _____ No _____ Yes

Date of this application: _____

HOUSING INFORMATION, continued.

20.	Is electricity available? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes, provide name of electric company: _____.													
21.	Type of Sewer system:	<input type="checkbox"/> City Sewer <input type="checkbox"/> Septic Tank <input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Toilet <input type="checkbox"/> Outhouse												
	Water Source: <input type="checkbox"/> City Water <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well <input type="checkbox"/> Community Water Tank <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Please describe): _____													
22.	No. of Bedrooms _____.													
23.	House Size: _____ (Square Feet)	[LENGTH _____ ft/in] [WIDTH _____ ft/in]												
24.	Bathroom facilities in existing house:	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Facility</th> <th>Yes</th> <th>No</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Flush toilet</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Bathtub</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sink/lavatory</td> <td></td> <td></td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Facility	Yes	No	Flush toilet			Bathtub			Sink/lavatory		
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E. LAND INFORMATION

25.	Do you own the land on which you wish to renovate or build this home? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	If no, can you provide proof that you can obtain land? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		
	Provide the name of the owner(s): _____		
26.	What is the current status of the land?	<input type="checkbox"/> Fee <input type="checkbox"/> Individual trust land <input type="checkbox"/> Individually restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> Tribal Fee <input type="checkbox"/> Tribal trust land <input type="checkbox"/> Tribally restricted
			<input type="checkbox"/> Native/Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Public Domain <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
27.	If you do not own the land, do you have: <input type="checkbox"/> Leasehold interest? <input type="checkbox"/> Use permit? <input type="checkbox"/> Indefinite assignment or joint ownership? If so, please explain: _____		

F. GENERAL INFORMATION

		Yes	No
28.	Have you or anyone in your household ever received Housing Improvement Program assistance?		
	If yes, give amount received \$ _____; the year it was received: 19 ____; and the location of the house: _____		
29.	Do you own any other house not occupied by your family? If yes, state where the house is located: _____ and who occupies it: _____.		
30.	Do you live in a house built with Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funds?		
31.	Is the HUD project still under operation of an Indian Housing Authority?		
32.	Are you seeking Down Payment Assistance?		
	If yes, have you applied with USDA Rural Development or other lending institution? Please provide a copy of the credit letter.		
33.	If you are requesting assistance for a new housing unit, have you applied for assistance from:		
	• Indian Housing Authority? If yes, provide date of application: _____		
	• Tribal Credit Program? If yes, provide date of application: _____		
	• Other? From who: _____ If yes, provide date of application: _____		
34.	Does anyone in your family, who is a permanent resident listed under Parts A and B of this application, have a severe health problem, handicap or permanent disability?		
	If yes, provide name of family member _____ and brief description of condition. (Your servicing housing office will advise you if you must provide a statement of condition from one source, which may include a physician's certification, Social Security or Veterans Affairs determination, or similar determination).		

Date of this application: _____

G. APPLICANT CERTIFICATION

(Read this certification carefully before you sign and date your application. Sign in ink).

I certify that all the answers given are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and they are made in good faith. This certification is made with the knowledge that the information will be used to determine eligibility to receive financial assistance, and that false or misleading statements may constitute a violation of 18 U.S.C. 1001.

This application contains material covered by the Privacy Act. No record will be communicated to anyone or any agency unless requested in writing, by the applicant, or unless an officer or employee of the housing program or other Federal agency requires it in the performance of their duties.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Spouse's Signature (if appropriate) _____ Date: _____

PRIVACY ACT STATEMENT

25 CFR 285 and 25 U.S.C. 13 authorize the collection of this information. This information is covered by the system of record notice "Indian Housing Improvement Program, Interior, BIA-10." The primary use of this information is to determine eligibility for assistance under the Housing Improvement Program. The records contained therein may only be disclosed in accordance with the routine uses and may not otherwise be disclosed by any means of communication to any person, or to another agency, except pursuant to a written request by, or with prior written consent of the individual to whom the record pertains. If the BIA uses the information furnished on this form for purposes other than those indicated above, it may provide you with an additional statement reflecting those purposes. Executive Order 9397 authorizes the collection of your Social Security number. Furnishing the information is voluntary but failure to do so may result in disapproval of your application.

PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT STATEMENT

This information is being collected to select eligible families or individuals to participate in the Housing Improvement Program. Response to this request is required to obtain a benefit in accordance with 25 CFR 258. You are not required to respond to this collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. This information will be used to determine the eligibility and the ranking of the applicant. Public reporting burden for this form is estimated to average 1 hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, gathering and maintaining data, and completing and reviewing the form. Direct comments regarding the burden estimate or any other aspect of this form to Information Collection Clearance Officer – Indian Affairs, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-4141, Washington, DC 20240.

Date of this application: _____

Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Submitted By: Ted Hernandez

OUR CULTURE IS A LIVING SPIRIT THAT MUST CONTINUE TO THRIVE. OUR CULTURE IS ESSENTIAL TO OUR COMMUNITY; IT IS A LIVING SPIRIT THAT MUST CONTINUE TO THRIVE. WE MUST CONTINUE TO TEACH OUR YOUTH THE TRADITIONAL WAYS AND LEARN THE STORIES FROM OUR ELDERS.

Cultural Department/THPO/NAGPRA

The Cultural department Continues to work with our local Tribal THPOS, Local cities, and Federal and County Governments on consultation projects, Section 106, Native Americans: California Environmental Quality Act (AB52), California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), and timber harvest plans (THP). During August, this department received and commented on twelve projects. This department has monitored two projects for August in Wiyot Ancestral Territory.

This department is continuously working on removing the Potter Valley Dam. The Cape Horn dam power station is not producing any electricity due to one of its transformers that have not been in operation for some time. The Potter Valley Project is a small hydropower project in the headwaters of the Wiyot (Eel river). The project is located in the Eel River headwaters and diverts water out of the watershed into the Russian River. It consists of two dams, a mile long diversion tunnel and a powerhouse with a 9.4 mw capacity. Removing this project is the necessary first step to fisheries recovery on the Eel River. But they still want to take our water and send it to the Russian River. These dams are killing our sacred Eel River, causing our salmon to either get sick or die. Our Eel (Wiyot) river needs to restore its water to return to health for our salmon, eels, and every other creature that relies on its waterways. This department is still reaching out to the membership. If you have any old photos, stories, or articles of your families fishing on the Eel in the early 1900 before the Dams went up if you would like to share them with this department. We are putting together evidence that shows we never gave up our rights to our rivers to any government or landowners.



The department has assisted local agencies, schools, and organizations with the Traditional Land Acknowledgement language. When they bring it to us for review before they post it in their facilities. We are incredibly excited that communities in Wiyot ancestral territory recognize that they live and work on Wiyot land. The goal of our department is to have Wiyot Language all over Wiyot ancestral Territory.

'THAT THE WIYOT PEOPLE HAVE NEVER GIVEN UP OUR RIGHTS TO FISHING, HUNTING, GATHERING, AND PRACTICING OUR CEREMONIES IN OUR ANCESTRAL TERRITORY. WE HAVE BEEN PRACTICING THESE SINCE TIME AND MEMORIAL THAT WE SHOULD ALWAYS KNOW THIS AND NEVER LET ANY GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL TELL US THAT WE DID.'

Wiyot Dress comes home!

The Cultural Department and the Brooklyn Museum have made the final arrangement for the dress held in their collection for so many years to finally come home. The dress is from the early 1900 era, and we know she is from one of our villages on the Wiyot (Eel River). Seeing her home and the beauty and good medicine she has, and shows is fantastic. We look forward to the tribal membership and guests visiting and welcoming her home at the Cultural Center with her sister's dresses. It would be great for her to hear your songs to know she is home for good. This has been a prolonged process to bring her home. The plan was to get her home in 2020, but she could not come home due to covid-19 shutting everything down. During that time, the department constantly communicated with the Brooklyn Museum staff about when it would be safe to go home. We are pleased to announce that she is finally home with her Wiyot people.

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Submitted By: Ted Hernandez



Cheryl Seidner & Mamie Atkins



Wiy'ot Dress



Mamie Atkins, Hazel Garcia & Cheryl Seidner



Ted, Mamie, Hazel, Cheryl, Fawn & Brian admiring the Wiy'ot dress from Brooklyn Museum

Wiy'ot Dress comes home!



Wiy'ot Dress from Brooklyn Museum

OUR CULTURE IS A LIVING SPIRIT THAT MUST CONTINUE TO THRIVE. OUR GENERATION MUST CONTINUE WITH THE TRADITIONAL WAYS AND STORIES FROM OUR ELDERS AND ANCESTORS.



Celebrations and Ceremonies Wiyot Days

This department would like to hou' everyone who helped put on Wiyot Day 2022. It was a great turnout, and we had great food and dance demonstrations. Also, we cannot forget to say hou' to our Elders and Veterans that came out with their families. We had families that came as far South and North travel to this Wiyot Day. It was a tremendous success after being unable to do it in the last three years.

Most importantly, people visited families and friends they had not seen since covid shut everything down. We had amazing volunteers who came out to ensure it was an enormous success. Also, Mrs. Hazel Garcia and her team did an excellent and fantastic job putting this event together for our Elders and Veterans. It was great to see the children sliding down the hill with their cardboard or whatever they could find to slide down with. The dancers and singers that came out to perform did a fantastic job. The kitchen staff also did an excellent job with the food, leaving everyone with a full belly. We cannot forget all the vendors that came out to sell their handmade products or to share important information to the public. This was a momentous day for good medicine and good times.



Lhatsik Houmoulul' "House of Tradition"

Submitted By; Ted Hernandez



The 2022 Dugout Project

The canoes are back to Wiyot Territory they are now at Mouralherwaqh village site in King Salmon. We will be working on a schedule on when we will start working on them at the site. The schedule will be posted on our pages so look for upcoming dates. The teams felt it would easier for members to travel to this site due to high gas prices. Please come out and join us when we post upcoming dates. We are hoping that families can join us when the carving out of our boat begins. As of now we have just been prepping our boat with modern day equipment. So, a safety factor has been our number one priority.



IMPORTANT NEWS: The Biden Administration is working on a 10-year National Plan on Native Language Revitalization (see <https://www.bia.gov/service/tribal-consultations/10-year-national-plan-native-language-revitalization> or scan the QR code at left for more information). They would like to hear from "Tribal Leaders and Stakeholders" (which can mean any Native community member with an interest in language revitalization) **BY OCTOBER 14, 2022.**



The questions they are especially interested in hearing about are:

1. What existing Federal funding streams and resources are most helpful to your Native language programs, initiatives, or efforts?
2. What are the barriers and challenges to Native language revitalization and protections?
3. Aside from increased Federal funding, what more could the Federal government do to support Native Language revitalization, reclamation, and protection?
4. What elements need to be in a National Plan for Language Revitalization?
5. What role should Tribes and other have in the National Plan?

(You don't have to respond to all 5 questions! And you are welcome to submit comments about other language revitalization issues not mentioned in this list.) The email address for comments is consultation@bia.gov.

SOULATLUK VIRTUAL LESSONS

Scan the QR code at right to check out our 10 (and counting) virtual Soulatluk lessons, with over 240 views so far! Hou' to those of you who have watched! Lesson 10, which was recorded right before Wiyot Day, has words & phrases about regalia and people.

Lessons 11 & 12 are scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 13 & Thursday, Oct. 27 from 4:00-5:00 p.m. Get the Zoom link & check for updates via the calendar at <http://www.wiyot.us/Search?searchPhrase=calendar>.

If you would like to participate in a Zoom lesson (live!), please let us know (lynnika@wiyot.us and/or matkins@wiyot.us) what vocabulary, phrases, and topics you would like to practice so that we can prepare to meet your needs.

LANGUAGE GRANT UPDATES

We will soon create individual web pages for each of our new language grants, but in the meantime you can find general information about grants & projects at the Soulatluk projects page: <http://www.wiyot.us/165/Projects>.



Soulatuk Hougougou' wurruwisugu'l "bringing the Wiyot language back to life"

Submitted By: Lynnika Butler

Ha'wa'lou everyone!

We are in the process of obtaining Council approval for our new grant budgets, but we expect to have 2 language-grant job openings soon. Keep an eye on this newsletter, the Tribe's Facebook page and website, and/or contact the Tribal Office front desk or lynnika@wiyot.us for job descriptions & application materials (likely available in October).

IMLS (new grant for a Soulatuk place name map): Lynnika and Adam gave a kickoff presentation for the mapping project at last month's virtual Natural Resources Community Advisory Committee meeting. The video recording is available at <https://youtu.be/oZSkrgic1qI> if you would like to hear more about what we aim to do, as well as some questions & comments from meeting participants.



Your Linguist/Language Program Manager continues to edit draft conversations to the **Rou Soulatlouy Conversation Book**. You can check progress, ask questions, download draft conversations, and comment at <http://www.wiyot.us/336/Rou-Soulatlouy-conversation-book-project> (← or scan the QR code). We have 25 draft conversations posted online, with another 5-10 coming soon; and we are still open to your ideas!

We still need tribal members of all ages to record audio for these conversations in the coming months. We can do this in person OR via Zoom 😊 If you are interested (we'll coach you on pronunciation, give you a credit in the book, and provide **hiwechk** (money: a small honorarium) for your time; we'll also edit out any sneezes, hesitations, or mistakes!), please contact Lynnika (lynnika@wiyot.us / 707-798-1949 x302). Below is a draft conversation based on a request from a tribal member who asked how to say, "good morning" and "good night." We have expanded the conversation to include phrases about waking up and sleeping as well. What do you think? Should we separate these into 2 conversations & add more phrases about morning & nighttime activities ("where's my coffee???" etc.)? Let Lynnika know what you think either online, by phone, or by email.

Gouts walaqh!*	Good morning!
1. Rra'lhuli! [DP-kt] / Rralha'li'! [WaB-gr] / Rralhe'li'! [JJ-gr] / Rralhe'ligh! / Rrulhu'ligh! [EB-gr]	Get up!
2. Shou hinarr rralhu'li'! [WaB-gr]	Let's get up!
3. Gou' tsek qa nalhu'li'. [WaB-gr]	That child/those children haven't gotten up.
4. Rrongurrut qhili walaqh. [DP-kt]	I slept late this morning.
5. Hiyu vi'shaqh. [EB-gr]	I woke up.
6. Hiyu vi'shush. [EB-gr]	I woke you up.
7. Hiyu wishaqlh. [BJ-gr] /	S/he woke up.
Hi gou gou'nilh. [DP-kt]	
8. Gouts kouna'n!*	Good night!
9. (Gou) vitsurrugh! [EB-gr]	Go (back) to sleep!
10. Garra li vitsurruk gitga. [EB-gr]	I didn't go to sleep.
11. Lhe gurra le vitsurrugh. [JJ-gr]	I'm not going to sleep.
12. Ka le vitsurru'm. [EB-gr]	You didn't go to sleep.
13. (Gou) vitsurrilh wourra vachur. [WaB-gr]	That little girl went (back) to sleep.
14. Qa le vitsurrilh. [EB-gr]	S/he didn't go to sleep.

DP = Della Prince; WaB = Warren Brainard; JJ = Jerry James; EB = Elsie Barto; BJ = Birdie James
kt = Karl Teeter (linguist); gr = Gladys Reichard (linguist)

* = reconstructed based on similar phrases & what we know about Soulatuk grammar

As always, please contact Lynnika if you have any questions about these or any other Soulatuk words and phrases!

Rra'dutwas ('I respect/think highly of you' = respectfully),

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted By: Marnie Atkins

Our Cultural Center is located at **417 Second Street, Suite 101, Eureka.**
Watch our monthly Newsletter for ongoing updates!

Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center Opening on Tuesday, October 11, 2022

It is with great excitement and anticipation that we write to you today! We will be opening the Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center on **Tuesday, October 11, 2022.** After two long years of repairs, lack of materials to make repairs, successful repairs, more repairs, and pandemic issues, we can finally open our doors to the public. We are thrilled to be able to share the Wiyot peoples' space with our citizens, descendants, area neighbors, and out of town visitors. **Please come see us on Tuesday, October 11, 2022.**

The Da gou rou louwi' Cultural Center is located at **417 Second Street, Suite 101, Eureka.**

Continue to watch our monthly Newsletter for ongoing updates about programming that will be offered at the Cultural Center.

We will be following Covid protocols so please wear a mask and social distance as best you can. **Occupancy will cap at 24 people in the space at one time.**

For more information, contact Marnie Atkins at (707) 798-1949 or matkins@wiyot.us.

Jouwaksh (See you later)



Friendly Reminder for Residents that live on the Reservation

Beginning in October the Grounds Maintenance will be trimming up any bushes or hedges that are blocking sidewalks, water meters or the fire lane. Please make sure any garbage or anything that is blocking access for the grounds maintenance to trim be removed. This will be an on going project until completed. We thank you for your cooperation. If you have any questions please call the Tribal Office and ask for Heather 707-733-5055.



Dishgamu Humboldt Community Land Trust

As the rainy season arrives and we envision our local golden hills turning green again, we at the Dishgamu Humboldt Community Land Trust (CLT) are working hard to get land back to the Wiyot Tribe. Our mission is Land Back, coupled with the creation of affordable housing, regenerative economic development, and creating and holding land and easements for cultural, ceremonial, and natural conservation and access.

Dishgamu Humboldt CLT restores balance to our region by restoring Wiyot people to their rightful place as stewards of their ancestral land. We call on native and non-native peoples to join us in healing the intergenerational trauma of settler-colonialism and reimagining our region's future in the face of environmental and social change.

But what does that mean in reality?

Well, a land trust is an organization that owns land and/or has the responsibility to enforce legal restrictions and easements are enforced on behalf of others. In our case, that means the Wiyot Tribe. Our work will prioritize the development of projects that benefit tribal members by creating housing, creating work and supporting small local businesses, and protecting the environment. We also realize that to solve the current housing crisis Humboldt it will take collaboration across the entire community. This means while we will always prioritize Wiyot People first, we won't limit our tenants exclusively to Wiyot enrollees. Our second priority will be for other indigenous people now living in our ancestral homelands. The third priority will be everyone else. Likewise, our job creation projects will prioritize Wiyot people, and will also help non-tribal members to support regenerative economic development that will benefit everyone.

Affordable Housing

Our affordable housing mission takes many forms, but the principal goal is to support Wiyot people being able to afford to live in their ancestral territory. That includes assisting Wiyot people who had to leave to find housing to be able to return. By becoming developers, we can create affordable housing and programs for homeless people. We can also help folks become homeowners. One way we can do this is to ensure that the Wiyot Tribe owns the land underneath, while

Dishgamu “Love”

Submitted By; Morgan March

individuals can own the structures we build. We can also build rental units and rent them at affordable rates. We can lease the land to a cooperative or an individual who owns the building, and as part of the lease limit how much you can sell the buildings for in the future. Thos can help to keep housing affordable for future generations. We can act as a mortgage lender so a family can buy a home directly from the CLT. There are many ways to make housing more affordable, and we are excited to explore and use these tools.

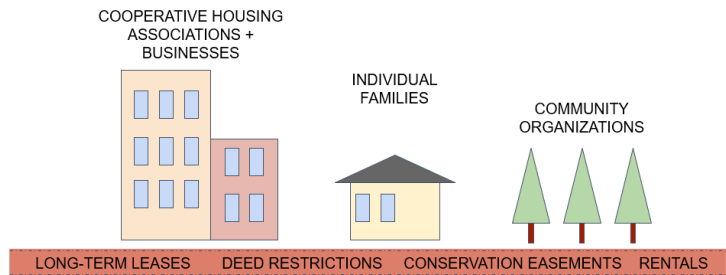
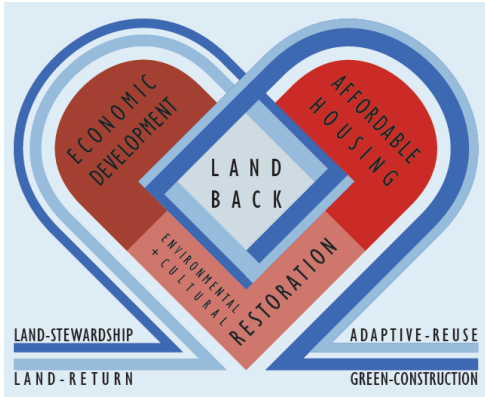
Easements

Easements are a legal restriction on a property, recorded in the deed, that allows others to have access to land, or to prevent the owner from doing something on that land. For instance, a conservation easement might prevent anyone from ever developing a property or splitting it into smaller properties. A cultural easement guarantees access to a cultural site to harvest basketmaking materials, or cultural foods, or for ceremonies. A housing easement might set restrictions on what kind of population can be housed on the property (homeless youth for instance), or that the housing needs to be affordable. The land trust enforces those easements. We are getting more easements in our portfolio, so we can ensure tribal stewardship of our ancestral lands.

Regenerative Economic Development

Our work with economic development is currently focused within the building trade and property management fields, because we want to support and encourage deep green building methods and development. To do that we also need to develop our local workforce and help our local companies to be able to use these building methods. We see a huge need for housing, but a lack of construction workers. We want to support the creation of apprenticeship programs, professional training programs, and training in owning and operating businesses for tribal members. We want to train a local workforce to help us create the housing of the future.

We want to hire people from our area, and not have big construction corporations come in to do that work. The land trust wants to support businesses that keep wealth in our local area. We want to help incubate and support worker



owned cooperatives, that can work with construction and property management without extracting that money from the local economy.

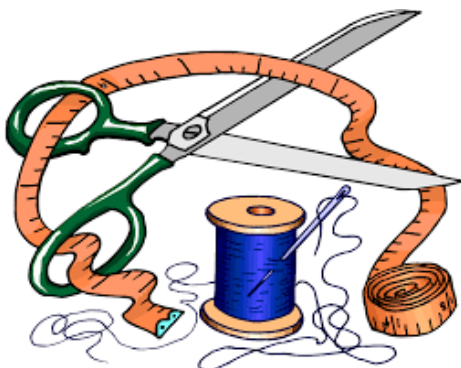
We will also support similar programs in other industries by offering apprenticeship and internship positions. As an example, our homelessness programs will employ social workers who will mentor social work students to give them local internships and keep them in the area.



Congratulations Cheryl Seidner!



Cheryl submitted her hand made quilt into this years Humboldt County Fair, she received 2nd place! Cheryl has been sewing since 2014 and enjoys sewing with her sewing group and they meet often.



Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Michelle Vassel

How to Submit an obituary and apply for burial assistance

When a loved one passes it is a stressful time for families. This article is intended to assist families in the days and weeks after a loved one's death. Whether the funeral was prepared for years in advance, or the death was unexpected and you're making all the arrangements in a grief-stricken hurry. The first step for writing an obituary is to determine where to publish it. It's common for families to publish obituaries in multiple newspapers, depending on the wishes of their loved one. You'll need to start by making a list of all the local or national newspapers you'd like to use for the obituary. Most people choose the local papers where their deceased relative spent the most time. For instance, their hometown or place of residence. In addition, if they're well-known either professionally or in another regard, national newspapers, professional publications or organizational publications might be interested in an obituary about their life. Wiyot Tribal citizens and families often opt to submit an

obituary to the Wiyot newsletter. Think about the people who would want to know about the persons passing and about the details of the services and what publications would best get that information to them. When you're writing the obituary, pay close attention to newspaper guidelines. They might have certain requirements you need to follow for publication. Some of the things to consider are word count, names and dates, photos. All these things will also impact the cost. As you'd expect, longer obituaries with photos will cost more. The range for your obituary cost could be anywhere from \$200-\$400. Most newspapers charge by the line, so more content costs more. The Wiyot newsletter does not charge fees to submit an obituary for a tribal member, or a person who is part of a tribal member's family. Locally the Lost Coast Outpost also runs obituaries for Humboldt County residents at no charge. A traditional obituary contains the name, date of death, hometown, cause of

death (if appropriate). It also describes the deceased's person's life, career highlights, military services, notable achievements, lifelong passions, places the person lived for many years, and organizations that the person was a part of. It is customary to include the person's date and place of birth, siblings, and parents, and immediate family members he/she is survived by (feel free to include pets!) as well as those your loved one was predeceased by. Finally, the obituary usually contains information on the wake, funeral service, or other memorials, plus any donation requests or directives made by or on behalf of the deceased. Writing an obituary is very hard but is a piece of your loved one's lasting legacy and it is a truly personal way to commemorate a loved one in a memorable way. Finally, before you submit, check for grammar and spelling errors. The last thing you want to do is publish your loved one's obituary only to notice a minor error after the fact.

How to Submit an obituary and apply for burial assistance

Funeral homes often work with families to help produce the obituary, while this might cost an extra fee, sometimes the fee is worth having an experienced person help you handle this process.

Each publication has its own process. You might need to go through an online form or send an email to the obituary editor. It's important to follow these guidelines closely to ensure your obituary is received properly. The Wiyot Tribe accepts obituaries by email (councilsupport@wiyot.us) or by mail to 1000 Wiyot Dr, Loleta, CA 95551. Note that the Wiyot newsletter is once per month publication and is mailed by the first day of every month of the year. Depending on the timing of the services it is the obituary may be published after the date of the services. The Tribe can post the obits on Facebook, make sure to let staff know that it is okay to do so. The Lost Coast Outpost accepts them by email (news@lostcoastoutpost.com) with obituary in the subject line. Once published, or if you did not submit an obituary to publication, you can share the obituary with others through your social media accounts. There is no “right way” to write the obituary or where to publish it, it is important for your family to discuss and make choices that are appropriate for your family based on your loved ones wishes.

If your family member is a citizen of the Wiyot Tribe, the Tribe offers \$500 burial assistance to tribal members families due to the passing of a family member. These funds can be made directly to the funeral home/mortuary to reduce the overall cost to the family. The form can be found on the Tribe's website: <https://www.wiyot.us/DocumentCenter/View/2994/Burial-Assistance-Support-Application?bidId=>. To apply, complete and return the application with required supporting documentation to Peggy at Health & Human Services Department, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551, or call her for more information at 707-733-5055.



Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Health & Human Service Groups **Table Bluff Reservation Community Center**

Held with COVID-19 precautions, no more than 10 persons in the Conference Room at one time, with masking, and 6-feet social distancing. CALL PEGGY AT THE HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES DEPT AT 707-733-5055 FOR MORE INFORMATION AND SIGNUPS.

GROUP COUNSELING

- Motherhood is Sacred/Fatherhood is Sacred—
ON HOLD
- Women's Talking Circle
- Children's Talking Circle at the Tsek Houdaah program



EXERCISE GROUP

- Yil da lah, gouts gou lah ("I am walking, I feel good again")
Fridays, 1 –1:30 PM, With community garbage pick-up every
3rd Friday.



Contact Peggy at HHS Dept at (707) 733-5055 or porcutt@wiyot.us for more information about any of these activities and to sign-up.

Tribal Citizen Services

HHS Department offers a variety of services to Wiyot Citizens:

1. Burial Assistance up to \$500.00 (Tribal Citizens)
2. Hunting/ Fishing license reimbursement (one per Wiyot household or for an Wiyot Elder, every 12 months)
3. RSTF loan up to \$200.00 (Tribal Citizens, one every 12 months)
4. Large garbage dump reimbursement (outside Table Bluff Reservation Tribal Citizens, once every 12 months)
5. Chimney Cleaning reimbursement (one per Wiyot household every 12 months)
6. Elders/Disabled wood: Elders/disabled Citizens get one cord per year from Men's Camp

Contact Peggy at the HHS Dept at (707) 733-5055 or porcutt@wiyot.us or go to www.wiyot.us for application forms.

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Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Higher Education and Vocational Training Scholarships



Important Dates:

FAFSA deadline for 2020-21 School Year: **June 30, 2023**

Wiyot Tribe Scholarship: **August 1, 2023**

BIA Higher Education Scholarship: **2022 Open**

BIA Job Training Program Scholarship: **2022 Open**

Note: You can all application forms on the Tribe's website at www.wiyot.us, or for more information, contact Social Work Advocate, Peggy Orcutt, at the HHS Dept at 707-733-5055.

Gutswurrak da rou da'louy ("There Are a Lot of People Gathered There and They Are Talking") Domestic Violence Advisory Board



We are looking for interested Wiyot Citizens to be a part of a DV Advisory Board. The goal of the committee is to bring forth ideas and solutions to the Health & Human Services Department to increase and improve safety for victim's of domestic violence in your communities

Meetings will be held at the Community Center at Table Bluff Reservation, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551 once a month on a Thursday from 5 PM to 6 PM. Counseling Intern, Jennifer Boak, will be overseeing the meetings. The first meeting date will be determined by interest.

Interested participants will go through an application and background check to ensure the intent of the board and safety of the members.

For more information and to apply, call Robert at the HHS Department at 707-733-5055 or email rpitts@wiyot.us

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Submitted By: Robert Pitts

**Chromebooks available for
school-aged children &
college/vocational students**

24 left!

For more information and application contact Peggy Orcutt,
Social Work Advocate, at porcutt@wiyot.us or
call (707) 733-5055.

HEALTH EDUCATION—Influenza (The Flu)

Influenza (the Flu) season is here. Talk with your medical provider or local pharmacy about getting your flu vaccine.

COVID Information

COVID testing is still being provided by UIHS at the Table Bluff Reservation Community Center parking lot at 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta CA 95551, every other Tuesday.

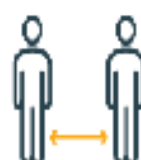
- Wear a mask that covers your nose and mouth to help protect yourself and others.
- Stay 6 feet apart from others who don't live with you.
- Avoid crowds.
- Avoid poorly ventilated indoor spaces.
- Wash your hands often with soap and water. Use hand sanitizer if soap and water aren't available.

For more information on COVID, please visit CDC at [cdc.gov/covid19](https://www.cdc.gov/covid19)

**CASES ARE RISING.
ACT NOW!**



WEAR A MASK



STAY 6 FEET APART



AVOID CROWDS



COVID-19 Vaccination Incentive Program

The vaccine for COVID-19 has been deemed effective and vital to protect ourselves and our communities from this virus, and to end the pandemic.

To support the health of the Wiyot Tribe, we would like to thank you for getting your vaccination against COVID-19. Enrolled Citizens of the Tribe are eligible to receive up-to \$300 for getting vaccinated. See the incentive schedule below.

The Federal government continues to make vaccinations free of cost to everyone, and most health clinics and pharmacies are making it available. If you have any questions or concerns about the vaccination or the vaccination booster, consult your primary care physician or the Department of Public Health. Please follow the guidelines of the vaccinations and vaccination booster given to you by the health professional.

Applicant: _____ Tribal ID#: _____

Mailing Address: _____

☐ This is a new mailing address, please update my enrollment record.

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

- REQUESTING: ☐ Single-dose Vaccination - \$200 total
- ☐ Double-dose Vaccination - \$100 each; \$200 total
- ☐ 1st Dose
- ☐ 2nd Dose
- ☐ Triple-dose Vaccination (Pfizer, age 6m to 4y) - \$200 total
- ☐ 1st Dose - \$66.67
- ☐ 2nd Dose - \$66.67
- ☐ 3rd Dose - \$66.66
- ☐ 1st Booster - \$100 ☐ 2nd Booster - \$100

Submit application and copy of vaccination record to Health & Human Services, Peggy Orcutt, by fax to (707) 733-5601, email to porcutt@wiyot.us, or by mail to 1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551

By signing, I agree to the terms of this program:

COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED

Applicant (age 18+) or Guardian Signature: _____ Date _____










OFFICE USE ONLY

Date Received: _____ ☐ COPY OF VACCINATION RECORD ATTACHED Enrollment Verified by: _____

Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

Oct 2022 Elder Meal Menu

Dagagawi' (Sunday)	Dagoushipga'w (Monday)	Darritvewi'gurr (Tuesday)	Darrikvewi'gurr (Wednesday)	Darra'vewi'gurr (Thursday)	We'sagh dahuluwewi'gurr (Friday)	Dagaseghurr (Saturday)
	3—Split Pea Soup	4— Spaghetti	5—Chef Salad	6—Chickn Chili	7— Hamburger	
						
	10	11—Beef Stew	12—Pork Chop	13—BBQ Chicken	14—Spinach & Strawber-	
	HOLIDAY, CLOSED					
	17—Chili	18—Sweet & Sour Ckn	19—Denver Omelet	20—Fish Taco	21—Soup & Egg Salad	
						
	24—Frito Pie	25—Soup & Sandwich	26—Chkn Casserole	27—Pork Loin	28— Salmon	
						
	31—Frito Pie					
						

Laqilh Haluni' "Valued Elders (age 55+)" Meal Program (enrolled Native Americans)

For a Monday through Friday meal delivery within 25 miles from Table Bluff Reservation, please call Alicia at the HHS Dept. for more information at 707-733-5055.

Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

Submitted By: Robert Pitts

JOB OPENINGS AT Health & Human Services Department

- **Social Work Advocate**—We are looking for a second Social Work Advocate to join the department to support Tribal Citizen Services, Social Service programs, Indian Child Welfare cases, and community outreach to support Wiyot Citizens and their families. FT position, starting at \$21/hr, & benefits
- **Mental Health Advocate**—We are looking for a licensed Marriage & Family Therapist (MFT) or Professional Counselor (LPC) to bring counseling services to support Wiyot Citizens and their families. FT position, starting at \$35/hr, & benefits
- **Youth Program Manager**—We are looking for a program manager to oversee the Tsek Houdaqh (Where the Children Are) youth program in all aspects:
 - ⇒ Bring daily enthusiasm to the children
 - ⇒ Plan and execute daily & monthly scheduled activities
 - ⇒ Background in current standards of problem-solving with children and issues children face in an encouraging, supportive, teaching manner
 - ⇒ Creating an environment that encourages and promotes learning, fun, responsibility and community
 - ⇒ Approaches issues and problems with solution creationFT position, starting at \$20/hr, & benefits
- **Youth Program Assistant/Tutor**—Assists the Youth Program Manager in the programming of Tsek Houdaqh by leading group activities, assisting with group activities, working one-on-one with kids as needed. This person will also have the skill-set to tutor kids in academic skills as our Bureau of Indian Education Johnson O'Malley Coordinator. FT position, starting at \$18/hr, & benefits.

Contact Heather Blevins, HR Coordinator, for more information and job application at 707-733-5055 or heather@wiyot.us



WIYOT YOUTH EXTRACURRICULAR REIMBURSEMENT

Do you have a enrolled Wiyot child that is interested in extra curricular activities? We received funding to help Wiyot children join and participate in organized extra curricular activities.

We would love to help ensure that can happen. We are offering financial assistance reimbursement maximum \$150 per child for sports, dance, music, or another organized extracurricular activity to help aid with fees or equipment material related to their interest.

Please reach out to Peggy Orcutt, Social Work Advocate, (707) 733-5055 or porcutt@wiyot.us if you are interested in this opportunity.

First come, first serve until total \$3000 cap reached.





Application for
Wiyot Youth Extracurricular Reimbursement

INSTRUCTIONS: Please fill out this form and attach receipts of joining fees and/or related equipment to receive a maximum of \$150.00 reimbursement per child. Send to the HHS Dept at 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551, or fax to 707-733-5601, or email to porcutt@wiyot.us.

Child's name: _____ Tribal ID: _____

Address: _____

☐ This is a new mailing address, please update enrollment record.


Parent/Guardian name: _____

Email: _____

Phone number: _____

Office use only:

Date Received: _____ Enrollment Verified by: _____





GREETINGS WIYOT FAMILIES!

**YOU'RE INVITED TO A HALLOWEEN PARTY
AT TABLE BLUFF RESERVATION COMMUNITY
CENTER, 1000 WIYOT DRIVE LOLETA, CA 95551.
OCT 28TH, 2022, 3:30-5:30PM.**

**GRAB BAGS, COSTUME CONTEST, SPOOKY
PRIZE WALK, PUMPKIN CARVING, AND MUCH
MORE.**

**TO VOLUNTEER OR FOR INFO PLEASE CONTACT PEGGY ORCUTT
(707)733-5055 OR EMAIL PORCUTT@WIYOT.US**

Fall Harvest Luncheon Sign-up

*Dine-In, Pick-Up, or Delivery (Elders/disabled Only)
Tuesday, Nov. 22th from 12-2 PM*



*Table Bluff Reservation Community Center
1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551
For Wiyot Citizens and their Families*

- **Turkey**
- **Sweet Potatoes**
- **Salmon Dip**
- **Stuffing and Gravy**
- **Elk Stew**
- **Cranberry Sauce**
- **Ple**



Sign up for your family here! Please include how many members of your family will be having a meal as-well as possible allergies that you think would be present in a Thanksgiving meal.

Family Name: _____ Contact Phone # _____

Amount of Children: _____

Amount of Adults: _____

Amount of Elders: _____

Food Allergies: _____

___ Dine-in at Table Bluff Reservation Community Center

___ I will pick up (pick-up between 12- 4 PM)

___ I want It delivered (Elders/disabled participants ONLY, between 11AM to 2 PM)

RETURN FORM TO: Alicia Morgan, Health & Human Services Department, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551, or fax to (707) 733 5601 or email to amorgan@wiyot.us

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Zach Erickson

welcome
TO THE TEAM



My name is Zachary Joseph

Erickson, I am a member of the Cherokee Nation and am currently in my last semester of graduate school at Cal Poly Humboldt. I was born in Santa Cruz County and have early memories of climbing in the giant old-growth redwood stumps. Although I spent the first six years of my life on the coast, my family soon moved to the central valley in Chico, CA. Chico is a small town nestled among towering valley oaks and at the base of blue oak woodlands in the foothills of the Sierra Nevada Mountains. After graduating from a small community college, I finally returned to the ocean and the redwood forests transferring to Humboldt State University in 2016.

In 2018, I graduated from Humboldt State University (before it became Cal Poly) with a bachelor's in forestry and began work as a consulting forester in Mendocino County. For over two and a half years I practiced forestry working with both small landowners, and large industrial timber companies. During this time, I developed plans for timber harvest, reducing wildfire risk, and post-wildfire harvest and damage assessments. I returned to Cal Poly Humboldt (the name of the school changed while I was gone) to study tribal forestry.

For the past two years, I have worked with Wiyot Tribe members as part of my thesis. I have conducted interviews to understand views on a potential co-management relationship between Cal Poly Humboldt and the Wiyot Tribe in a university owned forest at the headwaters of *Goukdi'n* (Jacoby Creek). I am currently finishing this chapter of my thesis and am looking to have the study published within the next month.

When I am not writing my graduate thesis project or working in forestry, you will find me outside, in nature. I have been rock climbing for close to 10 years, I have surfed and swam in the ocean for as long as I can remember, and I enjoy working on classic Volkswagen cars. During the times that my 1969 Volkswagen Bus is running, I enjoy driving slowly on camping trips up and down the coast with my partner Shayda and my dog Beulah. If you ever see me, please drive around because when I say “driving slow” I mean that the bus has a top speed of 55 miles per hour.

I am honored and excited to begin work as the Wiyot Tribe's Forest Resources Specialist. My hopes and goals for the position are focused on increasing the capacity for forest management and continuing the restoration of the Wiyot Tribe's ancestral forests such as *Mouralherwaqh*. I also look forward to working with tribal members, and especially tribal youth, interested in forestry. While I will utilize my education and experience in forestry to help support the Wiyot Tribe's goals for forest management and restoration, I look forward to learning from each of you. I am grateful and humbled to join the Wiyot Tribe's NRD team. I am looking forward to working together to restore the Wiyot Tribe's ancestral forests.

16TH ANNUAL SANTA YNEZ CHUMASH CULTURE DAY

100 VIA JUANA RD
SANTA YNEZ, CA 93460

FOOD

CALIFORNIA SINGING & DANCING HANDGAME TOURNAMENT

1-1:15PM OPENING PRAYER

1:15-1:30PM ELDERS HONORING

1:30-1:45PM ELDERS COUNCIL SPECIAL

2-5PM CALIFORNIA NATIVE DANCERS & SINGERS

5-6PM DINNER BREAK

5PM HANDGAME TOURNAMENT

6-9PM CALIFORNIA NATIVE DANCERS & SINGERS

HANDGAME WINNINGS

1ST \$1,000.00

2ND \$750.00

3RD \$500.00

Sign up your dance group, singers, and handgame team. All dance groups are required to sign up for singing and dancing by Thursday, October 13th. NO WALK IN GROUPS. All groups will be confirmed by the Culture Days Committee and given a time.

Contact Nakia Zavalla at 805-245-0770 or email at nzavalla@santaynezchumash.org

CONTACT INFORMATION

General questions/concerns
Nakia Zavalla Tel: 805-245-0770
Email: nzavalla@santaynezchumash.org

Handmade Native American Arts and Crafts
Vendors

Lisa Valencia Tel: 805-457-4647
Email: lvalencia@santaynezchumash.org

Handgame Tournament

Handmade Tel: 805-245-0770
Email: nzavalla@santaynezchumash.org

LOCAL CAMP NIGHOTH
Burlton (15 mins from intervention)
Flying Flag RV Resort and Campground
Tel: 805-686-0776
www.flyingflag.com

HWY 124 (15 mins from intervention)
Cochino Lake Campground
Tel: 805-686-5075
<https://www.recreation.gov/parks/2>

Salvang (5 mins from intervention)
Hotel Carquo
400 Alisal Rd, Salvang CA
www.hotelcarquo.com



SANTA YNEZ CHUMASH
TRIBAL ELDER'S COUNCIL
TO PROTECT AND PRESERVE TRIBAL ANCESTRY
TRADITIONS AND CULTURE



Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



**Wiyot Tribe
Semi-Annual Meeting
October 1st, 2022
Polls open 10 am-1pm
Agenda**

- I. Call to order
- II. Approval of Minutes:
 - a. Semi-Annual October 2nd, 2021
 - b. Annual Meeting April 2nd, 2022
- III. Reports:
 - d. Chairman
 - e. Vice-Chairman
 - f. Secretary
 - g. Treasurer
- IV. Adjournment



Wiyot Tribal Council Meetings


2nd Monday of the month at 4 pm Pacific time

Any Tribal Member can attend live from wherever you are

To receive the link to register email: councilsupport@wiyot.us by Monday @ 12 pm.

All meeting minutes and videos are available to watch on the Wiyot Tribe's website: <http://www.wiyot.us/AgendaCenter>. A recap of the meeting is available in every newsletter.

Tribal Citizens are welcome to submit public comments: You can request to be on the agenda to speak during the public comment section of the agenda by emailing councilsupport@wiyot.us by Monday @ 12 pm. Tribal Members can submit public comments of any length to Tribal Council in writing by mail Attn: Tribal Council, 1000 Wiyot Dr, Loleta, CA 95551 or by email to Councilsupport@wiyot.us. We love to hear from you.



To submit public comments for this meeting prior to meeting, please email comments to councilsupport@wiyot.us by 12pm Monday 10/24/2022. All public comments received by 12pm will be read into the record during the regular meeting, also to receive a link for the meeting please request the link before 12pm 10/24/2022. Public comments received after 12pm will not be read into the record but will be included in the official minutes.

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Marissa McGrew

Coho Confab reflections

Fish and river folk gathered over the weekend of September 9th on the tail end of a heat wave. We were all lucky enough to be welcomed on the grounds of the Rangjung Yeshe Gomde Buddhist Retreat Center in Leggett. The first evening opened the room up for discussion initiated by Darren Mierau of CalTrout on the state of the SF Eel. Here's a room full of people



who are and continue to do good work on the SF, yet there has been no full bounce back seen on the recovery of salmonids. The question posed is what else needs to change? Someone murmured not so quietly “COVID-20.” While this was a dark joke and in no means a serious suggestion, folks acknowledge yet again the threat of climate change and overpopulation.

I think we're all learning that species recovery is going to be a long-term effort with observed long-term benefit. The SF Eel is not going to support hundreds of thousands of fish in the next five years. Perhaps this will be observed 60 years down the road and perhaps even more. However, legislatures do not understand this yet they are the entities putting out the funds to support species recovery efforts. There should be continued effort and a sense of normalcy to reaching out to government representatives in regards to conservation efforts. This is a major way to continue that flow of money towards those efforts.

I attended the Restoration Variety Hour led by Anna Halligan from Trout Unlimited and Isaac Mikus from Eel River Watershed Improvement Group (ERWIG). We toured numerous large wood loading projects in the upper SF Eel watershed, some of which I had worked on in my previous employment with ERWIG. Kenny Creek was at the top of the tour. Kenny Creek is one of the last major tributaries in the upper SF Eel that support coho salmon. A deadbeat culvert had been replaced with a bridge that opened up a few more miles of cold water refugia for juveniles and adults. The tour continued to Redwood Creek (one of many, this one in Branscomb) to view more large wood implementation as well as construction of off channel ponds. Dutch Charlie Creek was the last creek where large wood has been implemented in a highly incised stretch of stream.

I helped present on the last day of the Confab with our pikeminnow project partners. Pictured is the group of attendees listening in on the ecology of Sacramento pikeminnow, how they got here, their impact on native fishes and the watershed, and suppression efforts. A smaller group of people including myself snorkeled in a deep pool to get our eyes on some massive pikeminnow individuals. I left this event feeling inspired by the amount of groups and individuals who care deeply about the SF Eel. I also felt the extreme amount of pressure that is lying on these people to continue doing good work that can sometimes feel dismal. However, I thoroughly believe this work can't be done with a sense of dread. The long-term benefit should be kept at the forefront of this marathon to restore fish populations and habitat in the SF Eel.

WNRD begins Habitat Restoration

The Wiyot Natural Resources Department (WNRD) has been making strides in restoring and protecting the waters across the Tribes' ancestral territory. A recent Pacific Coast Salmon Restoration Fund grant will allow the WNRD to start a habitat restoration program. More specifically, this grant will provide the WNRD funding to visit potential habitat restoration sites, attend training, participate in ecological/restoration conferences, and write proposals to conduct effective habitat restoration projects. In anticipation of starting this habitat restoration program, the WNRD has applied for funds to study and restore conditions in the lower Eel River. Salmon and steelhead born anywhere in the Eel River basin must pass through the Lower Eel River as both juveniles and adults and rely on good habitat quality to succeed. Unfortunately, dysfunction in the Lower Eel River leads to insufficient, poor-quality habitat at best and brutal conditions at worst and prevents the recovery of salmonids in the entire Eel River. Adult Chinook salmon are particularly hard-hit; disconnected reaches of the mainstem Lower Eel River force them to wait for weeks to months in the degraded estuary or in isolated pools until fall rains enable passage to freshwater spawning habitat. These conditions put adult salmonids at immediate risk of poaching, disease, or thermal-induced death, and the stress and increased energy expenditures decrease the likelihood of successful reproduction by remaining survivors that ultimately reach freshwater spawning habitat. The proposed project will identify and test restoration techniques to create holding habitat, prioritize locations, and implement restoration of the lower river that will benefit adult salmonids, lamprey, and sturgeon returning to the entire watershed. Other potential restoration projects include the Hikshari' (Elk River) and Van Duzen. On the Hikshari', WNRD collaborated with Cal Trout on a proposal for the restoration project west of highway 101. If funded, the WNRD will grow and plant the restoration project area with native plants to prevent non-native species from invading the new habitats. In addition to expanding the nursery operations and oversight at the Table Bluff Reservation, we receive funding to grow plants adequate for 20 acres of revegetation. We are also collaborating with the Bureau of Land Management to replace a problematic, aging culvert that is a potential barrier to lamprey and juvenile summer steelhead in Butte Creek (Van Duzen watershed). The culvert was highlighted in our previous Wiyot/Stillwater lamprey assessment report because it has a concrete apron that forms a right angle, which may prevent adults from passing during some flows.

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Bill Matsubu

Furthermore, this summer, the WNRD collaborated with the Round Valley Indian Tribe on a proposal for salmonid passage remediation and tribal capacity building on the Mainstem Eel River near the Potter Valley Project. The Potter Valley Project, which is currently operated by Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E), is set to begin decommissioning by January 2024, a process that will likely result in the removal of Scott Dam in the upper Eel River. Removing this dam will be the most considerable restoration activity in the Eel River watershed. In addition, it will provide hundreds of miles of additional stream habitat to threatened steelhead and Chinook salmon. The PVP Decommission process is a historic moment for the Eel River. It is a priority to ensure that this process is fully informed by the best available science and with the input of local tribes. This project will support necessary instream flow management to improve anadromous fish passage and to inform the ongoing and future direction of the Potter Valley Project (PVP) in the Eel River, California. The project will also enable increased tribal capacity to participate in large-scale management decisions about the future of the PVP and the Eel River fisheries. The WNRD is excited to continue restoring habitats and protecting sensitive species that are a priority to Wiyot Tribe members and the public. Other benefits of expanding the WNRD to conduct habitat restoration will be employment opportunities and training available to Tribe members. For example, we will be hiring two fisheries technicians this winter (to work in spring) and likely several other positions depending on the funding of the proposals, as mentioned earlier. Please be on the lookout for job opportunities at the Wiyot.us website or email wmatsubu@wiyot.us to be contacted when opportunities arise.



Figure 1. Adult Chinook holding in one of the few pools in the limited and degraded habitat in the Lower Eel River. (photo credit David Sopjes)



Figure 2. Wiyot Tribal Youth Intern in the study reach on Wiyot owned land near Cock Robin Island.

October 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Semi-Annul Mtg Polls open 10am- 1pm
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 Full Moon	10 Tribal Office closed Indigenous Day Observed	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 Farmers Mar- ket Potawot Arcata 12- 2pm	22
23	24 BCM Meeting @ 4pm Held by zoom/phone	25	26	27	28	29
30	31 Happy Halloween 					

Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Atkins, Autumn
Bradley, Jake
Brown, Bodhisifa
Cantrell, Jessica
Chaney, Michael
Chastain, Cassandra
Crummett Koen, Declan
Davis-Clayton, Margaret
Earhart, James
Fowler, Jocelin
Gilchrist, Amberlee
Guerrero-Stephenson, Lisa
Hernandez, Wanda
James, Pilar
Johnson, Taheya
Jones, Amelia J.
Kelsey, Robin
Kingsley, Casey
Klingsporn, Carol Anne
Kovacovich, Kelly
Lavender, Joyce
Lippincott, Francis
Madison, Matthew

Miller, Alan
Morgan, Diana
Perez, Anna
Rios, Vanessa
Roberts, Linnie
Robledo, Kenneth
Rodriguez, Saydi
Rodriguez-Valencia, Olivia
Romero, Irving
Romero, Theodore
Sauers, Chason
Smart, Paula
Sovereign, Alvar (Shane)
Sovereign, Natasha
Sovereign, Nathan
Stephenson III, Alan
Teague, William
Tompkins, Bailey
Tompkins, Robert
Tors, Sheri
Wheeler, Garrett W.
Wheeler, Larry

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birthday



Did you move and forget to change your address?



You can fax 707-733-5601 or email address-change@wiyot.us This will help in getting your mail to you in a timely manner, if your address isn't up to date then this will slow your RSTF, newsletter and other important Tribal mail in getting to you. Please note there is a \$25.00 charge for a stop payment for RSTF checks, our policy has always been Tribal members need to wait 90 days from the date the checks were mailed out to reissue another RSTF check. It is very important to keep an up-dated address on file, you can call the Tribal Office to check your address 707-733-5055 80388-7633



COVID-19 VACCINE AND TESTING CLINIC

AT TABLE BLUFF RESERVATION
ADMINISTRATION PARKING LOT

From 11 AM to 1 PM

Starting 5/27/2021 and every other week, until further notice

Wiyot Tribal Council

Ted HernandezTribal Chairman (2020-2024)
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2022-2026)
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)
rrawuraghu'miyuk Linda Lange.....Treasurer (2019-2023)
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member (2021-2025)
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2019-2023)
Aaron StephensonCouncil Member (2020-2024)

Da Rou Gawok "Everyone working Together"

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant to TA/Council Clerk
Lisa Stephenson.....Enrollment Clerk
Vanessa Rios.....Receptionist
Hazel Garcia.....Receptionist
Heather Blevins.....Emergency Operator
Melvin "Junior" Farmer...Maintenance Assistant
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper

Hiwechk "Money"

Farzad ForouharFiscal Technician
Jack Kennard.....Fiscal Technician

Gou'will da lalouluwuk "Taking care of People"

Robert Pitts Jr.....Health & Human Service Director
Alicia Morgan..Laqilh Haluni Assistant
Gary Markussen Sr.....ICWA Advocate
Vacant.....Transportation Driver
Peggy Orcutt.....Social Work Advocate
Vacant.....Social Work Advocate
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT
Vacant.....Counseling Mental Heath

Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Ted Hernandez.....Cultural Director
Vacant.....Cultural Assistant
Dr. Lynnika ButlerLinguist
Vacant.....Language Specialist
Marnie Atkins.....Cultural Museum Manager

Tsek Houdagh "Where the Children are"

VacantYouth Program Manager
Vacant.....Johnson O'Malley Coordinator
Vacant.....Youth Program Assistant

Shawir Darrudaluduk "We belong to the Wilderness"

Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director
Dr. Bill Matsubu.....Fisheries Biologist
Marissa McGrew.....Natural Resources Technician
Vacant...Natural Resources Technician
George Buckley.....Water Operator
Brian Mead.....Water Operator in Training

Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



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Change of Address Request Form

This is to confirm that my new mailing address is as follows:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Telephone: () _____

Previous Names Used: _____

Children who will be effected (legal name and Date of Birth:

Signature: _____

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