



# *The Da'luk*



Wiyot Tribe  
General Council Meeting  
October 5, 2024  
Polls open 10 am-1pm  
**Agenda**

**SEMI**  
**ANNUAL**  
**MEETING**

1. Call to order
2. Election:
  - A. Councilmember at Large 2024-2028
    - i. Leo James
2. Minutes
  - B. Approve April 2023 General Council Minutes
  - C. Approve October 2023 General Council Minutes
  - D. Approve April 2024 General Council Minutes
3. Reports:
  - E. Chairman's Report
  - F. Vice Chairman's Report
  - G. Secretary's Report
  - H. Treasurer Report
4. Adjournment

# **Gock Wuck “Knowledge”**

Submitted By: Michelle Vassel

## **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 2024. 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 29, 2024.

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 **POSTMARKED** no later than November 29, 2024 or submitted in person at the Tribal Office before close of business at 4:00 P.M. on Friday November 29<sup>th</sup>.

**WHAT IF I APPLIED LAST YEAR?** The Tribe applied for funding in December of 2022, 2023. As of October, those applications have not been funded. There is no guarantee that the Tribe will receive funding in any given year and if funded we do not know how many applications will be funded. So, if you think you may be qualified, please apply again. Also, note the feds set the income guidelines each year. If you were not eligible but on the cusp last year you may be eligible this year.

**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). <b>**DRAW MAP ON BACK OF THIS PAGE**</b>
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:	Facility	Yes    No
		Flush toilet	
		Bathtub	
		Sink/lavatory	

**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?	Fee	Tribal Fee
		Individual trust land	Tribal trust land
		Individually restricted	Tribally restricted
			Native/Restricted Public Domain 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 265 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 256. 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: \_\_\_\_\_



# Celebrate Community

## WIYOT COMMUNITY MEMBERS

**You are invited to a delicious fall feast of  
turkey with all the trimmings,  
including salmon.**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2024**

**AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER**

**12 PM TO 4 PM**

*Giveaways*

*Fun*

*Great*

*Youth*

*Food*

*Giveaways*





# Gou' wil Da Lalouluwuk 'taking care of people'



Submitted By: Valerie Reed



## October 2024 Laqilh Haluni' (Valued Elder) Lunch Menu

Dagagawi' (Sunday)	Dagoushipga'w (Monday)	Darritvewi'gurr (Tuesday)	Darrikvewi'gurr (Wednesday)	Darra'vewi'gurr (Thursday)	We'sagh dahuluvevi'gurr (Friday)	Dagaseghurr (Saturday)
		1 Chicken Chili	2 Hamburger	3 Pulled Pork	4 Zucchini Chicken Stir Fry	5 
6 	7 Tuna Casserole	8 Philly Cheesesteak	9 Split Pea Soup	10 Sloppy Jo	11 Spinach Strawberry Salad	12 
13 	14 Meatloaf	15 Broccoli Soup & Sandwich	16 Fish Tacos	17 Turkey Casserole	18 Pork Loin with Apple Cranberry	19 
20 	21 Vegetable Lasagna	22 BBQ Chicken	23 Enchiladas	24 Salmon	25 Spaghetti	26 
27 	28 Chef Salad	29 Tomato Soup & Sandwich	30 Chicken & Veggie Stirfry	31 Pork Chop & Veggies		

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

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



# **Gou' wil Da Lalouluwuk 'taking care of people'**

Submitted By: Valerie Reed

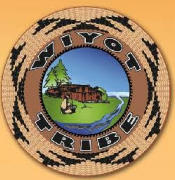


The Health and Human Services Department is thankful for the opportunity to care for the Wiyot People. We are in the midst of revitalizing services, activities and ways to work with the Wiyot community, so please be patient as we address these changes.

In order to get a clear plan of how to address the needs of the Wiyot, we are requesting your participation in completing a Needs Assessment. We will be distributing the Needs Assessment in many ways, at the Celebrate Community event, in person, the U.S. mail and by request. We will assist in completing the assessment with you. There will be a Youth and an Adult Assessment so be sure to complete and return them.

For participating in the completion of Assessment you will be entered in to a drawing for: a \$250.00 Gift Card (1) or a Pendleton blanket (2).

The Health and Human Services Department would be honored if the Wiyot Community members would join us to CELEBRATE COMMUNITY on Saturday, November 16, 2024 from 12 pm to 4 pm at the Community Center. There will be giveaways and a delicious fall feast including turkey, all the trimmings and salmon.



**Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'**



# Gou' wil Da Lalouluwuk 'taking care of people'

Submitted By: Liz Edwards

## Fun Activies for

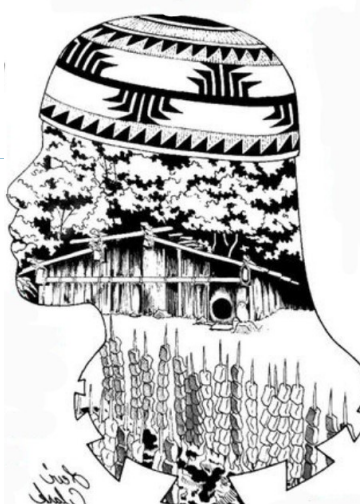


# October 2024

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
	1 12:00 Arts & Crafts	2 12:00 Bingo	3 12:00 Beading	4 12:00 Fun Fridays
7 12:00 Board Games	8 12:00 Arts & Crafts	9 12:00 Bingo	10 12:00 Beading	11 12:00 Fun Fridays
14 12:00 Board Games	15 12:00 Arts & Crafts	16 12:00 Bingo	17 12:00 Beading	18 12:00 Fun Fridays
21 12:00 Board Games	22 12:00 Arts & Crafts	23 12:00 Bingo	24 12:00 Beading	25 12:00 Fun Fridays
28 12:00 Board Games	29 12:00 Arts & Crafts	30 12:00 Bingo	31 12:00 Beading	

For more information please contact Liz Edwards (707) 733-5055.  
Laqilh Haluni (Elders Program)

- All activies will be at the Tribal Community Center  
1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551





# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

See you in Blue Lake, CA!  
October 5 & 6, 2024



Join us for the 60th annual  
National Apple Harvest Festival!  
October 5-6 & 12-13, 2024 Fortuna, CA



**SAVE THE DATE**  
**CHUMASH INTERTRIBAL POWWOW**  
**OCTOBER 5TH & 6TH 2024**  
CORNER OF HIGHWAY 246 AND MEADOWVALE ROAD  
SANTA YNEZ, CALIFORNIA

**- JUNIOR BOYS AND JUNIOR GIRLS 7-12 -**  
Northern Traditional, Southern straight, Grass, Fancy,  
Northern buckskin/cloth, Southern buckskin/cloth, Jingle dress, Fancy  
shawl  
1st- \$275, 2nd- \$175, 3rd- \$150, 4th- \$75

**- TEEN BOYS AND TEEN GIRLS 13-17 -**  
Northern Traditional, Southern straight, Grass, Fancy,  
Northern buckskin/cloth, Southern buckskin/cloth, Jingle, Fancy shawl  
1st- \$400 2nd- \$300, 3rd- \$200, 4th- \$100

**- JUNIOR ADULT MEN AND WOMEN 18-39 -**  
Straight, Traditional, Grass, Northern Fancy, Southern Fancy, Chicken  
Northern Buckskin, Southern Buckskin, Northern Cloth, Southern Cloth,  
Jingle dress, Fancy shawl  
1st- \$1,000, 2nd- \$800, 3rd- \$600, 4th- \$400

**- SENIOR MEN AND WOMEN 40-59 -**  
Straight, Traditional, Grass, Northern Fancy, Southern Fancy, Chicken,  
Northern buckskin, Southern Buckskin, Northern Cloth, Southern Cloth,  
Jingle, Fancy shawl  
1st- \$1,000, 2nd- \$800, 3rd- \$600, 4th- \$400

**- GOLDEN AGE MEN AND WOMEN 60+ -**  
Northern, Straight, Fancy, Grass,  
Fancy Shawl, Northern, Southern, Jingle Dress  
1st- \$1,000, 2nd- \$800, 3rd- \$600, 4th- \$400

**- DRUM CONTEST -**  
Northern/Southern Combined  
1st- \$8,000, 2nd- \$6,000, 3rd- \$4,000, 4th- \$2,000

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A VENDOR? CONTACT: SYPOWWOWVENDOR@CHUMASH.GOV**  
**ALL OTHER INQUIRES OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE, EMAIL US OR CALL:**  
**SYPOWWOW@CHUMASH.GOV (GENERAL QUESTIONS)**  
**PHONE LINE: 805-691-1334**

**GENERAL PUBLIC**  
**\$5 ENTRY FOR 12**  
**YRS AND OLDER**  
**FREE PARKING**  
**NO PETS**

**FREE**  
**CAMPING**  
**FOR**  
**VENDORS,**  
**DRUMMERS**  
**AND**  
**DANCERS**

Lost Coast Education Cen-  
ter and Native Plant Garden  
768 Shelter Cove Rd  
Whitethorn, CA 95589

October 13, @ 10am-3pm





# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



**October 4-6, 2024**

**Redding Rodeo Grounds, 715 Auditorium Drive, Redding, CA 96001**

**Host Drum: Iron Star  
Guest Drum: Ozuye**

**Master of Ceremonies: Carlos Calica  
Arena Director: Josette Scholfield**

**Head Woman: Naomi Bebo  
Head Man: Dallin Maybee**

**Friday - 7pm Grand Entry**

**Open to the Public**

**Saturday - 1pm and 7pm Grand Entry**

**No Drugs or**

**Sunday - 1pm Grand Entry**

**Alcohol permitted**

## *Prize Money Payouts*

**Jr. Boys (6-12 yrs.)**  
Bustle/Grass/Traditional  
1st - \$150  
2nd - \$125  
3rd - \$100

**Men (18 - 44yrs)**  
Fancy Bustle/Grass/Traditional  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Drum Contest**  
1st place - \$1,100  
2nd place - \$900  
3rd place - \$600  
4th place - \$400

**Jr. Girls (6-12 yrs.)**  
Fancy Shawl/Jingle/Traditional  
1st - \$150  
2nd - \$125  
3rd - \$100

**Women (18 - 44yrs)**  
Fancy Shawl/Jingle/Traditional  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Men Golden Age  
(60 yrs. and up)**  
All Categories Combined  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Teen Boys (13-17 yrs.)**  
Fancy Bustle/Grass/Traditional  
1st - \$250  
2nd - \$200  
3rd - \$175

**Sr. Men (45 - 59yrs)**  
Fancy/Grass/Traditional  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Women Golden Age  
(60 yrs. and up)**  
All Categories Combined  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Teen Girls (13-17 yrs.)**  
Fancy Shawl/Jingle/Traditional  
1st - \$250  
2nd - \$200  
3rd - \$175

**Sr. Women (45 - 59yrs)**  
Fancy Shawl/Jingle/Traditional  
1st - \$650  
2nd - \$450  
3rd - \$250

**Spotlight Male \$700  
Spotlight Female \$700**

**All Around Male \$1000  
All Around Female \$1000**

### **Host Hotels:**

**Win-River Resort & Casino (530)243-3377** **Hilton Garden Inn (530)226-5111** **Towneplace Suites (530)223-0690**

**Vendor Info Pat Lilya (530)242-4558**  
**Info Louise Davis (530)440-9137**  
**[www.stillwaterpowwow.com](http://www.stillwaterpowwow.com)**



EUREKA CITY SCHOOLS IN PARTNERSHIP WITH BLUE LAKE RANCHERIA, THE YUROK TRIBE  
& THE NORTHERN CALIFORNIA INDIAN DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL PRESENT:

## A CALIFORNIA NATIVE AMERICAN DAY CELEBRATION

FT. INTERNATIONAL MUSIC ARTIST: CHUBBY CREE

# WE ARE STILL HERE

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2024, 5:45PM-8PM**  
**JAY WILLARD GYM, EUREKA CITY SCHOOLS**

STORYTELLING, NATIVE COMEDY, APPEARANCE AND  
MEET & GREET WITH SAGE ROMERO, HOOP DANCER AND FILMMAKER.  
PLUS A SPECIAL LIVE PERFORMANCE & MEET AND GREET WITH  
INTERNATIONALLY RENOWN NATIVE MUSICAL ARTIST: CHUBBY CREE

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**  
**FREE EVENT FOR THE**  
**ENTIRE FAMILY!**

**CRAFT VENDORS, LOCAL**  
**EATS, CLUBS ACTIVITIES**  
**AND MORE!**



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Eureka City  
Schools





# **Tsek Houdagh “Where the Children Are At”**

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez

## **Humboldt Bay Native Youth Community Project: School Supplies Giveaway**

On September 10, 2024, the Wiyot Tribe’s Education Department invited Wiyot families to sign their children up for Johnson O’Malley (JOM) services. JOM provides Native American students in grades K through 12th with academic and cultural supports. To be eligible to receive JOM services, students must be an enrolled tribal member of the Wiyot Tribe or the child of an enrolled tribal member.

Once enrolled in the Wiyot Tribe’s JOM program for the 2024/2025 school year, students were eligible to receive a JanSport Backpack and school supplies. The Wiyot Tribe’s Education Department was able to equip 15 students with backpacks and school supplies throughout the Humboldt Bay area. Through this school supplies giveaway, the Education Department hopes to empower students and supply them with the tools needed to succeed in their academic journeys.

If you are interested in enrolling your child in the Wiyot Tribe’s JOM program, please contact the Education Director at (707) 733-5055 ext. 130.



*Kindergarten Backpack & Contents*



*1st-3rd Grade Backpack & Contents*



*4th-5th Grade Backpack & Contents*



*6th-8th Grade Backpack & Contents*



*9th-12th Grade Backpack & Contents*

## **Humboldt Bay Native Youth Community Project**

### **Calculator Loan Program**

Scientific & Graphing Calculators available to Native American students to loan for the 2024/2025 school year.

Students must have current JOM form with the Wiyot Tribe and/or a 506 form with Loleta Union Elementary School District or Fortuna Union High School District.

For more information, contact Elizabeth Hernandez at (707)733-5055.





# **Tsek Houdagh "Where the Children Are At"**

Submitted By: Elizabeth Hernandez

## Tsek Houdagh Community Halloween Party

Date: Friday, October 25, 2024

Time: 3:00 PM-5:00 PM

Location: Wiyot Tribe Community Center

1000 Wiyot Drive, Lolo, CA



Tricks  
&  
Treats

Costume Contest

Crafts  
Games  
Photo Booth

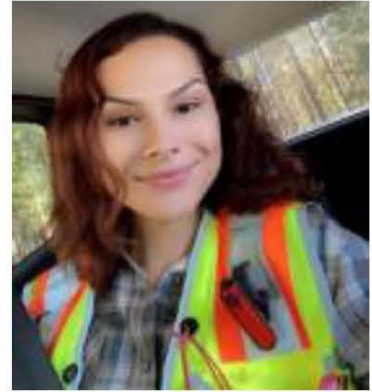


# Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Audrey Jackson

## Introduction – Audrey Jackson, WNRD

My name is Audrey Jackson. I am originally from a town called Antelope, which is approximately 15 miles northeast of the state capitol in Sacramento, California. Growing up I was always a fan of all things water related. Since Sacramento is incredibly hot, I took up water polo, became a lifeguard and swim instructor. I also would frequently go swimming or boating in the local rivers and nearby lakes, I would say this is where my love for all things water began. Sacramento is known as a river city, with the city being split by what is known as the American River. The American River has historically been a vital habitat and spawning ground for Chinook Salmon.



Before moving to Humboldt I attended American River College, in Sacramento, California. Where I learned how special the riverine ecosystems surrounding the area around where I grew up were. Sometime during my couple of years at community college I made the decision to transfer to Humboldt State. When I attended HSU, I majored in Environmental Science and Management with a focus on ecological restoration and a minor in GIS. Upon graduating I found a job working on a contract with PG&E as a consulting utility forester. The job entailed walking the distribution powerlines and marking trees to be trimmed or cut down as they were a risk to the lines or were going to break compliance. There are state laws regarding proximity of trees to high voltage powerlines. After working there for about two years I became very burnt out from the constant mandatory overtime and decided to change directions. I was still very interested in fisheries, and wanted to move back to Humboldt, since I moved back to my hometown during the pandemic.

This led me to my previous position as a west coast fisheries biologist/fisheries observer. At this job, I would go out on commercial fishing vessels; identify, count, collect lengths/weights from all the bycatch, and report that information to PSMFC and NOAA. The type of boats I would go out on were ‘drag’ boats, which I like to say is essentially the clearcutting of the ocean. Dragging entails the boat hauling a large net that typically runs along the ocean floor and picks up everything in its path, this form of fishing can have thousands of pounds of unmarketable fish that get discarded out at sea. My job was to record and monitor the kinds of fish and how much of each species were being discarded. I also was supposed to assure no laws were being broken, essentially assuring restricted fish species were not being retained and when caught they were recorded and reported properly. In hopes of finding a more consistent job schedule and possibly a more rewarding job I applied to a job with the Wiyot tribe and am now lucky enough to call myself the Wiyot Tribes Natural Resource Department, new Fisheries Technician. I am excited to use my multidisciplinary background to the tribe’s advantage and look forward to meeting you all.

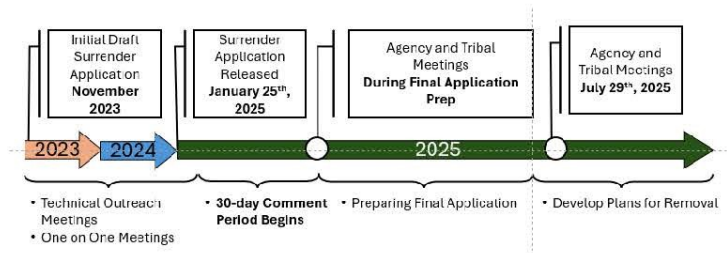




## Free flowing” Eel: PG&E Technical Outreach Meeting Debrief

On September 9<sup>th</sup>, contractors for Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) held multiple outreach meetings covering aquatics, water quality, botany, wildlife, and tribal and cultural resources in Ukiah. This meeting primarily focused on the decommissioning process of the **Scott and Van Arsdale Dams**. The Study Area includes the Eel River downstream of Scott Dam all the way downstream to the estuary and nearshore environment, as well as the East Branch of the Russian River which benefits from the current water diversion.

Below is a project timeline of where PG&E is in the process. PG&E is currently preparing the final license surrender application which is due to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) in July of 2025. This application will become public in January of 2025 and will have a 30-day public comment period before that final submission date in July. Following the 30-day public comment period PG&E will be having one-on-one meetings with interested tribes. Though the company shared that *this can be done sooner than the proposed timeline*.



Consultants for PG&E stated they will be working on management plans with “interested parties” regarding various areas like fisheries, restoration plan, water quality, sediment, marine resources, and the estuary to name some. Part of their application will include an effects analysis that is split into two phases: Phase 1 is measuring and monitoring the temporary effects during construction and Phase 2 is following the physical changes brought by the removal of the dams. FERC will require these management plans to be finalized and approved before any action is taken. The decommissioning process is taking into account all potential effects that could occur during these two phases with very few details on how to mitigate them. The details will primarily be in the management plans, *but* the opportunity to comment will be during the 30-day public comment period which is before the development of the management plans. This ultimately leaves little to no details available to the public on how PG&E will handle detrimental effects of removing Scott and Cape Horn dams. The vague details and lack of details are concerning. Dam decommissioning is likely to cause negative short-term effects, but why not take preventative action to mitigate those effects.

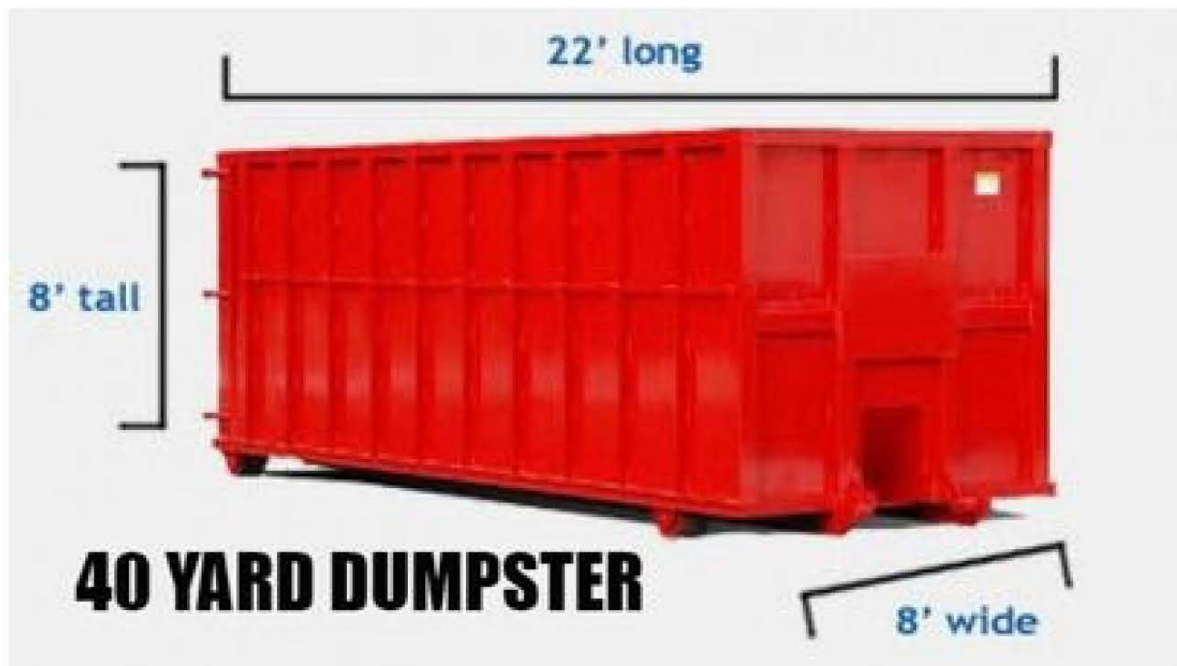
This meeting did not focus on the New Eel Russian Facility (NERF) construction that is being proposed by a third-party group (called the “Project Proponents”) composed of California Trout, Sonoma County Water Agency, Round Valley Indian Tribes, Trout Unlimited, Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, Humboldt County, and California Department of Fish and Wildlife. Although consultants for PG&E assured that the NERF was not set in stone, their language implied that PG&E supports the proposal put out by the Project Proponents.

# Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Adam Canter

## October Wiyot NRD NEWS FLASH! Don't miss out!

**WINTER IS COMING!** Do you have bulky discarded yard items or trash that's piling up that you'd like to get rid of before the rains? If so the Wiyot Natural Resources Department (WNRD) is **providing a 40 yard dumpster the week of October 14<sup>th</sup>** to dispose of items for free at 1000 Wiyot Dr. **PLEASE NO hazardous waste, toxic materials, explosives, oil, auto parts, chemicals, serpentine rock, paints, solvents, fuel, asbestos, tires, or TVs and other electronic waste.** Contact the WNRD with questions about items that can be disposed of or processes for disposing of hazardous items, and lets “Keep the Rez Clean!” Adam Canter, NRD Director [adam@wiyot.us](mailto:adam@wiyot.us) 707-733-5055 x105





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

Submitted By: Lynnika Butler

## Soulatluk Hou Gou Gou'wurruwisuqu'l *its again coming to life*

### Rrulouk Hulutgudaluqh, 2024

October ("the tenth month")

#### ANA SOULATLUK CURRICULUM AND LESSONS



It has been a busy first month at Loleta Elementary School! In September, we finished Unit 1 of our new & improved **Ship Da'louy** ("we start to speak" = introductory) Soulatluk class. We practiced words, phrases, questions, and place names for introducing ourselves, greeting others, and telling a little about who we are and what we like to do. You can find a downloadable/printable PDF and a video link (about 20 minutes) with audio, text, & pictures of our Unit 1 language content at <https://www.wiyot.us/446/Ship-Dalouy> or by scanning the QR code above with your phone. Please feel free to use this for your own self-study, or just to keep up with what your **tsek** (child/ren) have been practicing at school.



#### BIA LANGUAGE VIDEO GRANT: Make a language video & get hiwechk (\$\$\$)!

Our language video grant ends December 31, but we still have **hiwechk** (money) for stipends to Wiyot tribal & community members who would like to make a 3-minute video featuring Soulatluk



words & phrases. We are happy to offer stipends of **\$250 per finished video** (max 2 paid videos per person). We also have some hiwechk in the budget for props, so if you have an idea for a video but you need some lighting, décor, costumes, etc., we can help!

Please contact [lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us) if you would like to check out a digital camera or iPad to record video, and/or come to the Cultural Center to edit video on one of our project iPads. Lynnika or Josh (especially Josh!) can help with video editing, and Lynnika will help you find Soulatluk words and phrases for your video. If you want to record your own Soulatluk words, and phrases, Lynnika will coach you; if not, she will search the audio archives for elder speaker recordings and/or reach out to Wiyot youth to record audio for your video.

#### VIDEO WORKSHOP (ROUND 2) IN OCTOBER!

If you'd like to create a language video but don't know how or don't have the right equipment, please join us in October at the Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center for another video skills workshop! Michelle Hernandez Wenzler (Wiyot filmmaker) and Richie Wenzler will teach participants how to use digital cameras, smartphones, and iPads to capture light, movement, and perspective. After you've filmed some scenes, they'll share some simple editing techniques including transitions, effects, audio, and subtitles. The





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workshop series is free to attend, and participants who complete all days of the workshop will receive a **stipend of \$250 \*\*in addition to\*\* the \$250 stipend** for the language video you create. We want the Wiyot community to have these skills, so come learn with us!

**Exact dates & times** will be announced on social media in early October; email [lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us) if you'd like details by email, or to sign up.

## VIRTUAL SOULATLUK LESSONS IN OCTOBER



Our September Virtual Soulatluk lessons were a lot of fun, with several new faces (and voices)! Wiyot people anywhere of all ages are welcome to join us **Wednesday, October 2 & Wednesday, October 16 from 4-5 p.m.** Please check the calendar at <http://www.wiyot.us/Calendar.aspx> (or scan the QR code at left) for the Zoom link.

**Rra'dutwasuduk waw** ('We respect/think highly of you all' = respectfully),

**Lynnika Butler** (Gutsviyaqhulilh / Linguist) [lynnika@wiyot.us](mailto:lynnika@wiyot.us) | (707) 798-1949 x302

**Nina Lorence-Ganong** (Curriculum Development & Language Data Specialist)



**NATIVE ARTS EXPO 8**

# Save the Date

Join us for the annual Native Arts Expo

**2024** **FRI, OCT. 25** **SAT, OCT. 26** **10-4PM BOTH DAYS**

Mendocino Art Center  
45200 Little Lake Street  
Mendocino, CA 95460

**For More Information:**  
[nativeartsexpo@gmail.com](mailto:nativeartsexpo@gmail.com)  
707-972-5842

# **Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center**

Submitted by: Jazzmin Fontenot

Ha'wa'lou DGRLLCC visitors! Fall is here, and so is our new exhibit: **Tsek!** This exhibit highlights the youth in Wiyot culture and features two displays curated by our youth docents, Thomas K. Smith and Brian Mead Jr. Be sure to stop by and learn about the ways that Wiyot youth are promoting the continuation of Wiyot culture.

**Arts Alive** is on **Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup> 6pm-9pm**. Our featured artist this month is **Parker Vassel**. They will be tabling some of their artwork here at the cultural center, you won't want to miss it!

We are **observing Indigenous People's Day on Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup>**. Not to worry, we will resume our regular business hours on Tuesday, October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The annual **Trick or Treat Downtown and Old Town Eureka** will take place on **Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup> 2pm-4pm**. Children 12 and under accompanied by an adult are encouraged to attend in their costumes. Participating businesses will have a sign in their window indicating that they are open for Trick-or-Treaters.

**New Merch Alert!!** We are very excited to announce some new merchandise from the local Yurok owned business **Sturgeon Rider**. We have some beautiful handmade jewelry featuring locally gathered abalone and shells, handmade ribbon skirts, feather boxes and more!





# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez



## October 10, 11, 12, 13, 2024

Hosted by the MWGOE Organizing Committee.  
MWGOE is free, family-friendly and open to the public. Traditional ceremonial protocol is observed.  
No drugs or alcohol. No photos, video or audio recording permitted.

Angels Gate Cultural Center  
3601 S. Gaffey St. San Pedro, CA 90731  
For more info, please visit [linktr.ee/MWGOE](http://linktr.ee/MWGOE)  
Email: [gatheringofelders92@gmail.com](mailto:gatheringofelders92@gmail.com)  
Phone: (310) 519-0936





**Calling all Tribal Members  
and Representatives!!**

# **Cultural Monitoring Training**

**October 12th( in class), 13th(in field)**

**@ Tishnon Community Center**

**266 Keisner Road, Loleta CA**

**9am-5pm**

**Food Provided**

**Limited to 70 seats**

**Instructors:Waylon Coats and John Pyor**

**To sign up contact:**

**Catherine Buchanan**

**707-298-9563**

**catherinebuchanan@brb-nsn.gov**

**or**

**Ana Canter**

**707-599-1150**

**anacanter@brb-nsn.gov**

**For accommodations call:**

**Bear River Casino Hotel**

**707-733-9644**





# Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Human Resources

## WE ARE HIRING

Wanna join our team?

- Environmental Planner
- Child Care Teacher
- Cultural Youth Development Supervisor
- Eel River Valley high school site lead
- Eel River Valley Elementary Site lead.
- Eel River Valley Tutor
- Cultural Youth Docent
- Part Time Receptionist
- Forestry Technican



*For application, job description and additional information contact Wiyot Tribe Human Resources at online at:*

*<https://www.wiyot.us/Jobs.aspx>  
or email  
[humanresources@wiyot.us](mailto:humanresources@wiyot.us)*

*Resume's and CV's are not accepted without a signed application*

*Positions are open until filled*

*Native preference applies to Native American applicants under section 7(b) of Public Law 93-638.*

# October 2024

**Sun      Mon      Tue      Wed      Thu      Fri      Sat**

		1	2	3	4	5 Semi Annual General Coun- cil mtg Polls open 10am-1pm
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14 Tribal Office closed Indige- nous People's Day	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 Tsek Houdagh Halloween Party 3-5pm	26
27	28	29	30	31 Happy Halloween!		

**SEMI**  
**ANNUAL**  
**MEETING**

Semi-Annual Meeting October 5th, 2024

Polls open 10 am-1pm

1000 Wiyot Dr. Loleta, CA 95551



# Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Atkins, Autumn  
Bradley, Jake  
Brown, Bodhisifa  
Cantrell, Jessica  
Chaney, Michael  
Chastain, Cassandra  
Crawford, Clara  
Crummett Koen, Declan  
Davis-Clayton, Margaret  
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  
Matthews, Angel Darling  
Mead, Christopher  
Miller, Alan  
Morgan, Diana  
Perez, Anna  
Rasco, Elliot  
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  
Weekly, Vander  
Wheeler, Garrett W.  
Wheeler, Larry



***Did you move and forget  
to change your address?***

***Address changes can be  
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***[addresschange@wiyot.us](mailto:addresschange@wiyot.us)***

***If your address isn't up to date  
you may not receive your quarter-  
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newsletter and other important  
Tribal mail. Also, when changing  
your address make sure to include  
children who are part of your  
household.***

***Please note there is a \$27.00  
charge for a stop payment to re-  
place checks lost in the mail. This  
is a recovery fee for the bank  
charge to stop payment on the  
check. To avoid this fee keep your  
address up to date wait 90 days  
from the date the checks were  
mailed out to reissue another  
RSTF check.***



**Da Rou Gawok “Everyone working Together” Administration**

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator  
Vacant.....Administrative Analyst  
Gary Markussen Jr.....Council Support  
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant  
Heather Blevins.....Administrative Assistant  
Hazel Garcia.....Receptionist  
Farzad Forouhar .....Finance Manager  
Jack Kennard.....  
.....Accounts Payable Specialist

**Gou’will da lalouluwuk “Taking care of People” Health And Human Services Department**

Robert Pitts Jr.....Social Work  
Liz Edwards.....Laqilh Haluni (Elders Program)  
Brian Bolden .....Transportation Driver  
Vanessa Rios..... Laqilh Haluni (Elders Program)  
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT

**Dishgamu Community Land Trust**  
Vacant.....Director  
Donna Wilson.....Property Manager  
Vacant.....Project Manager  
Vacant.....Advancement Manager

**Lhatsik Houmoulu’l “Cultural Department**  
Ben Brown.....Da Gou louwi” Director  
Dr. Lynnika Butler .....Linguist  
Nina Lorence.....Soulatluk curriculum/Data specialist

**Ga’muluk Hagu’n Public Works Department**  
Ted Hernandez.....Public Works Director/THPO  
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper  
George Buckley.....Water Operator  
Brian Mead.....Water Operator in Training/Maintenance

**Tsek Houdagh Education Department**  
Elizabeth Hernandez .....Director  
Melinda Ramirez.....Youth Program Assistant

**Shawir Darrudaluduk “Natural Resources Department”**  
Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director  
Vacant.....Fisheries Technician  
Marissa McGrew.....Natural Resources Technician  
Zack Erickson.....Forest Resources Specialist  
Mariah Buckley....Intern Gardener  
Vacant.....Nursery Manager

**Gock Wuck “Knowledge”**

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

**Wiyot Tribal Council**

Vacant .....Tribal Chairman (2025-2028)  
Brian Mead.....Vice Chairman (2023-2026)  
Marnie Atkins.....Secretary (2021-2025)  
Michelle Hernandez.....Treasurer (2024-2027)  
Vanessa Rios.....Council Member ( 2021-2025)  
Hazel Garcia.....Council Member (2024-2027)  
Leo James .....Council Member (2025-2028)



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Previous Names Used: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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