



The Da'luk



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

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

SEMI ANNUAL MEETING

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 29th.

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 Singled 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 checked="" 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	
	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 checked="" 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	Native/Restricted
		Individual trust land	Tribal trust land	Public Domain
		Individually restricted	Tribally restricted	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 dahuluvewi'gurr (Friday)	Dagaseghurr (Saturday)
1 Acorn	2 Acorn	3 Acorn	4 Acorn	5 Acorn	6 Acorn	7 Acorn
Chicken Chili	Hamburger	Pulled Pork	Zucchini Chicken Stir Fry	Spinach Strawberry Salad	Tuna Casserole	Philly Cheesesteak
8 Acorn	9 Acorn	10 Acorn	11 Acorn	12 Acorn	13 Acorn	14 Acorn
Split Pea Soup	Sloppy Jo	Turkey Casserole	Pork Loin with Apple Cranberry	Meatloaf	Broccoli Soup & Sandwich	BBQ Chicken
15 Acorn	16 Acorn	17 Acorn	18 Acorn	19 Acorn	20 Acorn	21 Acorn
Fish Tacos	Enchiladas	Salmon	Spaghetti	Vegetable Lasagna	BBQ Chicken	22 Acorn
23 Acorn	24 Acorn	25 Acorn	26 Acorn	27 Acorn	28 Acorn	29 Acorn
Chicken & Veggie Stirfry	Pork Chop & Veggies	30 Acorn	31 Acorn	Chef Salad	Tomato Soup & Sandwich	30 Acorn

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'



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Submitted By: Liz Edwards

Fun Activities for



Elders

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 activities will be at the Tribal Community Center
1000 Wiyot Dr., Loleta, CA 95551



Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

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 INQUIRIES OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE. EMAIL US OR CALL:
SYPOWWOW@CHUMASH.GOV (GENERAL QUESTIONS)
PHONE LINE: 805-691-1334



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



**Lost Coast Education Center and Native Plant Garden
768 Shelter Cove Rd
Whitethorn, CA 95589**

October 13, @ 10am-3pm

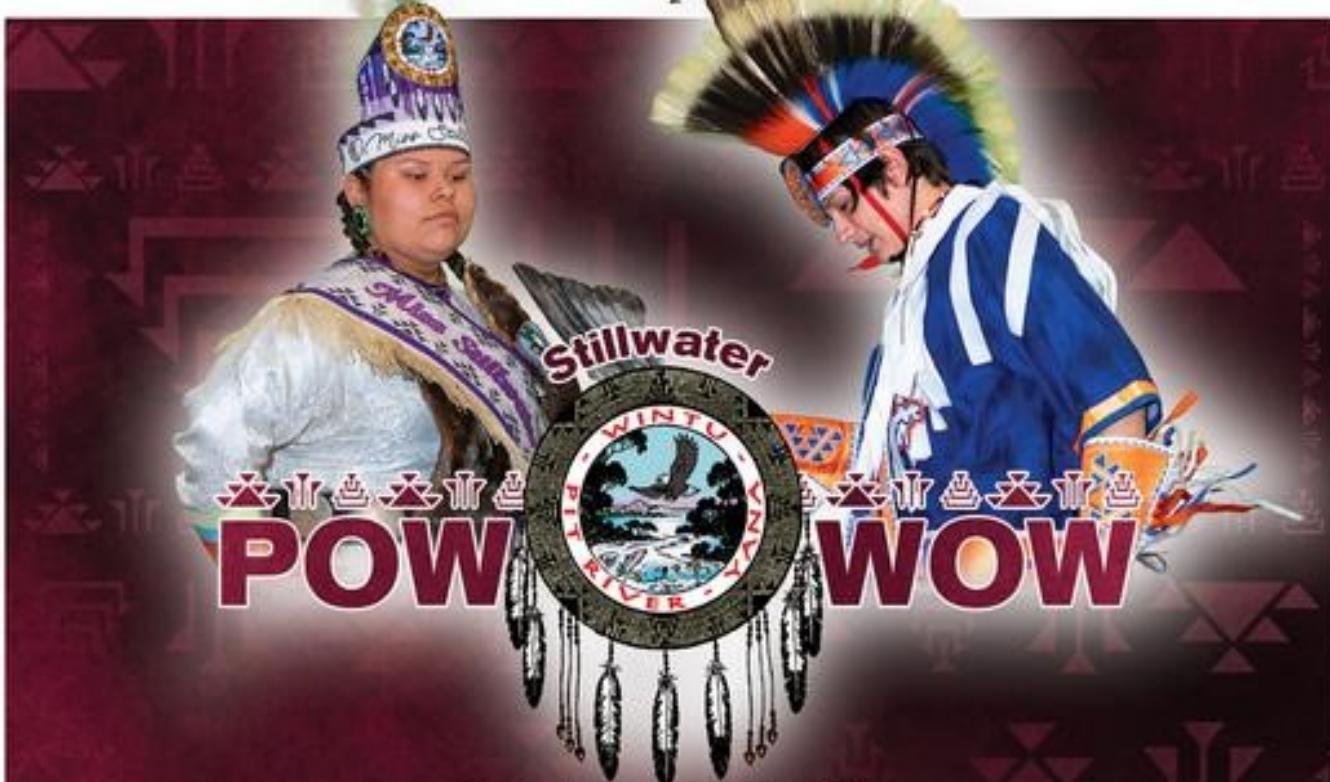


**Join us for the 60th annual
National Apple Harvest Festival!
October 5-6 & 12-13, 2024 Fortuna, CA**



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 Bustle/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 Hilton Garden Inn Towneplace Suites
(530)243-3377 (530)226-5111 (530)223-0690

Vendor Info Pat Lilya (530)242-4558

Info Louise Davis (530)440-9137
www.stillwaterpowwow.com

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

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!



**Northern
California
Indian
Development
Council**



**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, Loleta, CA

**Tricks
&
Treats**

Costume Contest

**Crafts
Games
Photo Booth**

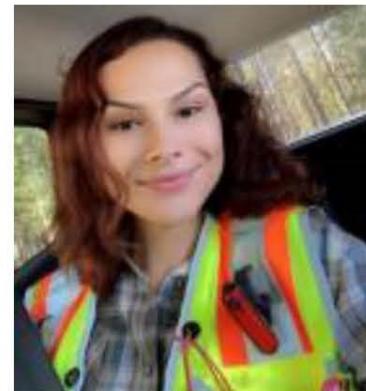


Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

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.

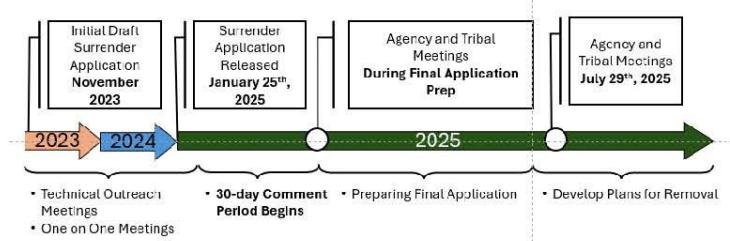
This led me to my previous position as a west coast fisheries biologist/fisheries observer. At this job, I would go out on commercial fishing vessels; identify, count, collect lengths/weights from all the bycatch, and report that information to PSMFC and NOAA. The type of boats I would go out on were ‘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 9th, 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: Phases 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.

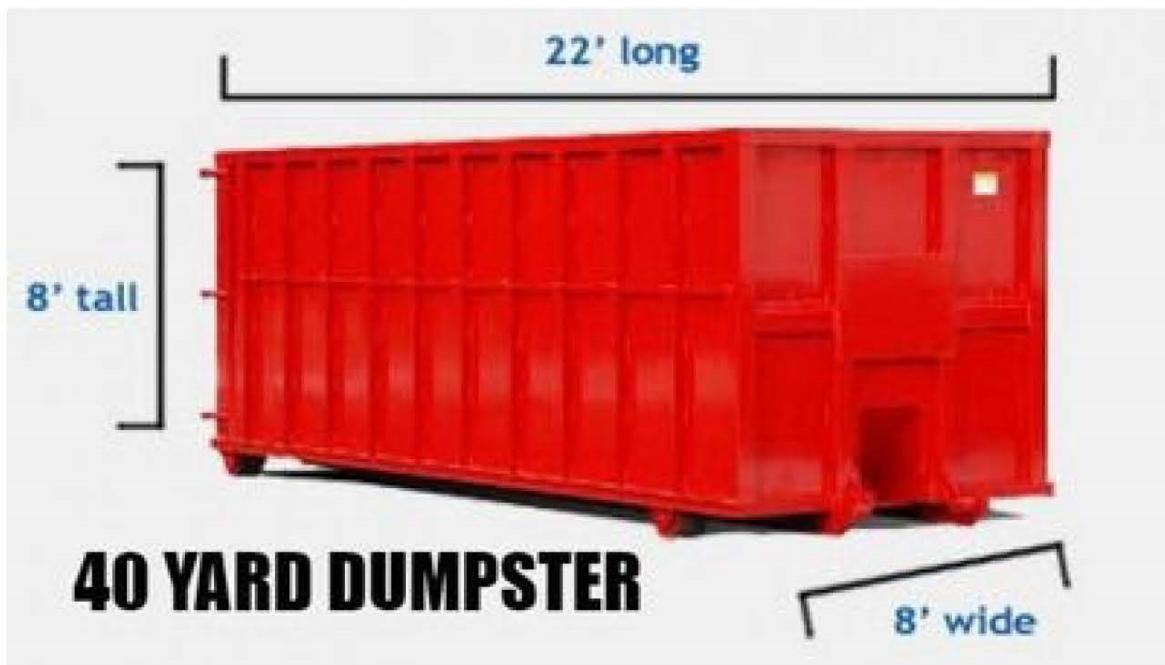
This meeting did not focus on the New Eel Russian Facility (NERF) construction that is being proposed by a third-party group (called the “Project Proponents”) composed of California Trout, Sonoma County Water Agency, Round Valley Indian Tribes, Trout Unlimited, Mendocino County Inland Water and Power 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 14th** 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@wiyat.us 707-733-5055 x105



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

Submitted By: Lynnika Butler

Soulatluk

Hou Gou Gou'wurruwisuqu'

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.



Yil soulatu'lu'.

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@wiyat.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@wiyat.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 (Gutsviyaqhulih / Linguist) lynnika@wiyat.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
707-972-5842

Da Gou Rou Louwi' Cultural Center

Submitted by: Jazzmin Fontenot

Ha'wa'lou DGRCC 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 5th** 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 14th**. Not to worry, we will resume our regular business hours on **Tuesday, October 15th**.

The annual **Trick or Treat Downtown and Old Town Eureka** will take place on **Saturday, October 26th** 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
Email: 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 Technician



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

*<https://www.wiyot.us/Jobs.aspx>
or email
humanresources@wiyat.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 Houdaqh 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

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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
faxed (707) 733-5601 or
Emailed:***

addresschange@wiyot.us

***If your address isn't up to date
you may not receive your quarterly
Rou Wenoutwilh payments,
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 replace
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 ForouharFinance 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 BoldenTransportation 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 ButlerLinguist
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 HernandezDirector
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

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Wiyot Tribal Council

VacantTribal 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 JamesCouncil Member (2025-2028)



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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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