

Wiyot Tribe

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The Da'luk



Wiyot Goutsuwe'n (one Sky)

Wiyot Day Honoring our Elders and Veterans



Save the Date:

August 23, 2025

The Wiyot Tribe hosts the annual Wiyot Goutsuwe'n (one sky) Celebration at the Table Bluff Reservation in Loleta. We welcome all (Gou'wil) people and include everyone. Rradaquunmuk Yinarr Lhatsik (respect our traditions) This is a Drug and alcohol-free event.

The event will take place on Saturday, August 23, 2025, beginning at 4:00 PM and ending around midnight at the ceremony grounds on the north side of Table Bluff Reservation in Loleta, CA.

From Highway 101 take Hookton Road (Follow the signs), to Phelan Road.

This is an annual celebration. We are currently seeking dancers, and vendors. Please For more information contact the Wiyot Tribal office at (707) 733-5055.

Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Tiffanie Douglas

WNRD Takes on Van Duzen River Pikeminnow Population

WNRD staff has been managing invasive Sacramento pikeminnow in Wiya't for many years now. In recent years, we have spent efforts counting and removing pikeminnow on Lhou'lhaqh (now known as South Fork Eel River). This year, our focus has expanded to surveying pikeminnow in Girrughurrallih (Soulatluk for “where the rivers divide”), and the rest of what is now known as the Van Duzen River (a major tributary to Wiya't).

The Van Duzen River is about 63 miles long, is smaller, steeper, and rockier than the South Fork Eel, and is known for supporting a population of ESA-listed threatened summer steelhead, who need cold waters to survive during the warmest months of the year. Yager Creek, the largest branch of the Van Duzen, is known as a stronghold for Chinook salmon, coho salmon, and potentially Pacific lamprey.

With mature pikeminnow being predatory fish that eat young salmon, trout, and lamprey, and that populates very quickly, many local organizations have been focusing on counting them all over Wiya't. However, the Van Duzen River has not been monitored for pikeminnow abundance in almost 10 years. The most recent effort that counted pikeminnow in the watershed was way back in 2016 during CDFW-led snorkel surveys focused on counting juvenile salmon.

In June, fisheries staff snorkeled four sections of mainstem Van Duzen that had been randomly selected using a statistical model called GRTS (Generalized Random Tessellation Stratified). The data collected from GRTS surveys are

then [used to estimate fish populations in rivers](#). Due to the landslide closing Highway 36, we could only survey stretches of river below the slide, so we have an estimate for the lower 20 miles of river, which could hold roughly 3,000 pikeminnow.

By snorkeling, we learned that there are less pikeminnow in the Van Duzen compared to our previous South Fork Eel counts, especially smaller pikeminnow. This could be a good thing for salmon and trout because they have less competition for food resources and have less fish predators. However, this also means that the pikeminnow population is comprised of larger fish that could eat the native fish more easily but are also big enough to choose larger prey (turtles, crayfish, etc.). We also observed that the number of pikeminnow was much higher in the two lowest sections we snorkeled compared to the two upstream sections. They could be mostly limited to the lower section because of the temperature or another factor like the timing of our surveys. The river temperature goes up later in the summer, so maybe more fish will move up the river later on. We also observed over 100 migrating juvenile Chinook salmon, adult summer steelhead, trout, suckers, and lots of lamprey redds! Our next step is to snorkel through the same stretches of river again and remove as many pikeminnow as we can.

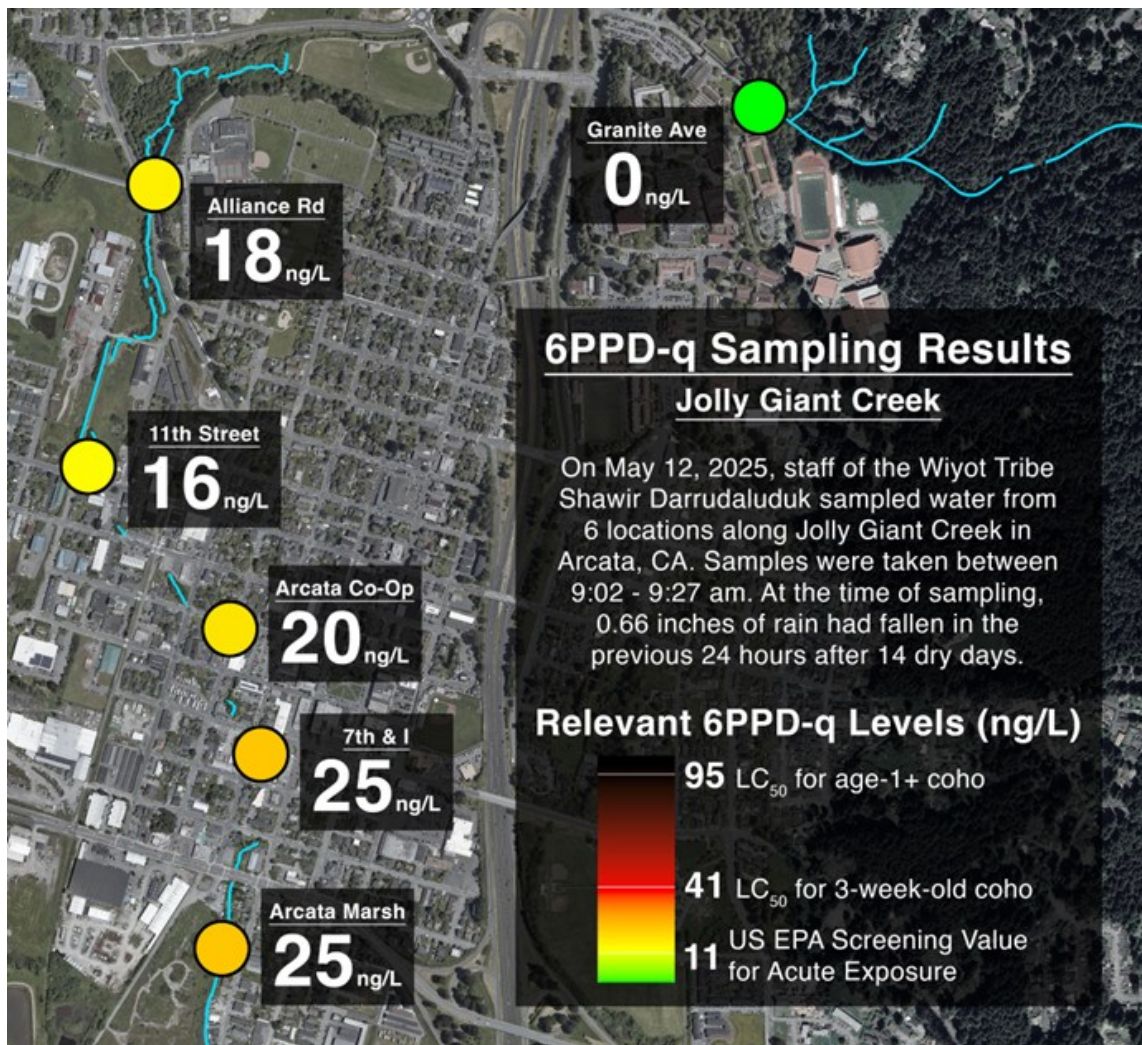
GRTS determines our sample reaches, it does not calculate population. You could say something like "the data collected from GRTS surveys are then used to estimate fish populations in rivers."



6PPD-q Tire Chemical Sampling Results: Round 2

Results from the second round of 6PPD-q sampling are here! 6PPD is a chemical compound found in rubber tires which can pollute the air and water as tires break down over time. Once released into the environment, the chemical breaks down into 6PPD-quinone, also known as 6PPD-q. In 2019, it was discovered that 6PPD-q can seriously harm and even kill juvenile Coho Salmon. 6PPD-q accumulates on roadways before running off into storm drains and then our local waterways when it rains. What this means is that busy roads next to our waterways pose a threat to the cleanliness of our streams and rivers. The introduction of plants along creeks, known as the riparian buffer, between the stream and the road has been found to break down 6PPD-q before it can run into the waterways.

During our first round of sampling, we found that Jolly Giant Creek in Arcata had the highest levels of 6PPDQ runoff of all the streams we tested (Powers Creek, Strongs Creek, Salmon Creek and were also tested). We chose to retest more sites on Jolly Giant Creek to see if we could identify where the highest concentrations were coming from during the next rain event in May. Our new results, combined with the last round of results, show that there is definitely 6PPD-q pollution in Jolly Giant Creek. Both times, we found worrying levels of this chemical. We hope to do another round of sampling at the first rain event in the fall, known as the first flush, when 6PPD-q levels will be the highest on the roadways.



Shawir Darrudaluduk “We Belong to the Wilderness”

Submitted By: Marisa McGrew

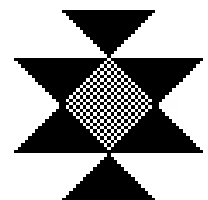
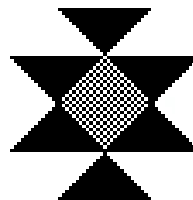
Lamprey in South Fork Elk River

WNRD rounded out adult spawner surveys in the South Fork Elk River with a whole lot of lamprey.

In mid-May, we joined the BLM Arcata staff for one more survey in hopes of finding evidence of steelhead and Pacific lamprey. We found both and more. Our surveys covered from the main parking lot at the entrance to the Headwaters Forest Reserve way high upstream into the river, roughly covering about seven miles. We counted a handful of steelhead, but the lamprey showed up in full force. There was evidence of both Pacific lamprey and brook lamprey, their resident cousin. Hundreds of redds were counted in these seven miles of river, along with hundreds of young Coho salmon juveniles.



This next winter, we plan to conduct these surveys again with the goal of building a long-term dataset of salmonid and lamprey populations in the South



Lhatsik Houmoulu'l "House of Tradition"

Submitted By: Jazmin Fortnote

Currently Accepting Lhatsik Harutkshi 2025 Film Submissions!



Submissions are open for the 2025 Lhatsik Harutkshi "Moving Stories" Film Festival! This year we are expanding the festival

over two nights, November 14th & 15th at the historic Eureka Theater! We are currently accepting film submissions via FilmFreeway from local and international indigenous filmmakers, so tell all your friends! Regular submissions: June 2nd – August 2nd,

Late submissions: August 3rd – October 13th. Submission fees are waived for Wiyot Tribal Members using a special discount code. Please call the cultural center to receive the discount code. You can submit your films at this link: <https://filmfreeway.com/LhatsikHarutkshi>

Rules and Guidelines:

All films must be Native, First Peoples, and Indigenous made. Key members of the creative team must have significant artistic and administrative contributions to the project and be from recog-

nized Indigenous nations. Within the United States, all filmmakers must share their affiliated tribal nation. International Indigenous filmmakers from Canada, New Zealand, Australia, the Pacific Islands, and other regions, must identify from an Indigenous nation within their respective communities.

All genres, narratives, story forms, are accepted and encouraged. This is a family-friendly event, all content should be acceptable for general audiences. Non-English films must have English subtitles.

We have limited programming time and space. Submissions must be within 1min-25min. Significant care and consideration will be taken for all films submitted through our open submission to ensure an equitable and fair experience.

ENTRY FORMATS

1. All entries - Formats accepted for festival exhibition:

Digital Files

-1920x1080p

-MPEG-4 (H.264) in an mp4 container

-M4V and MOV (Mp4 is preferred)

3. Films should be presented in their original language with English language subtitles.

4. Please specify sound mix on your application. Left/Right Mix preferred

This is a drug and alcohol-free event. Any person in violation of this policy will be removed from the premises.

Lhatsik Houmoulul' "House of Tradition"

Submitted By: Michelle Vassel

Friday Night Market – Every Friday in July (Except the 4th)

Don't miss the Friday Night Market, happening every Friday this month—except for July 4! The market takes place in Old Town from 5:30 PM to 8:30 PM. During that time, the Cultural Center will stay open, so you can stroll through, enjoy the atmosphere, and explore our gift shop filled with unique, one-of-a-kind merchandise.

Just In! Soulatluk Plant & Animal Cards The time has finally arrived! The long-awaited Soulatluk plant and animal cards are now available in our gift shop. These beautifully designed cards are perfect for beginning learners and classrooms—a great resource for anyone interested in exploring and preserving Soulatluk language and knowledge. Stop by the Cultural Center and claim yours today!



Carlson Park Signage



Looking for a great spot to enjoy the sunshine? **Carlson Park in Goudi'ni (Arcata)** is the perfect place to relax and explore! Located at **5285 Carlson Park Drive**, this community space features:

A newly renovated playground for kids

Scenic walking trails

River access to Baduwa't (Mad River) While you're there, don't miss the informative signage developed in collaboration

between the Cultural Department and the City of Arcata — you'll find them throughout the park (pictured below).

Cook Basket



The Wiyot Tribe and other local tribes use cook baskets to cook food, primarily acorn soup. Traditionally, rocks are cleaned and then heated up (specific stones such as basalt would be chosen to avoid rocks that may explode due to thermal shock), then they are added to the cook basket alongside the acorn mush. Rocks are used instead of direct fire, as the fire will damage the basket; also, the right stones can be used over and over without damage, and were even transported all over the land, especially to areas without sufficient rocks. After many uses, the cook basket will start to become discolored, as seen in the overhead image. In addition, cook baskets are easily identifiable by the two distinct ridges on the outside of the basket. The method for making cook baskets involves using plant fibers that swell when wet, which results in a watertight basket.



Laquilh Hou Daqh (Where the Elders are) Housing Project Funded



On June 18, 2025 the California Tax Credit Allocation Committee (CTCAC) approved the Tribes application for Low Income Housing Tax Credits. Meaning that our Laquilh Hou Daqh Elders Housing Project is fully funded!

The Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) subsidizes the acquisition, construction, and rehabilitation of affordable rental housing for low- and moderate-income tenants. The federal government issues tax credits to state and territorial governments. State housing agencies then award the credits to private developers of affordable rental housing projects through a competitive process. Developers generally sell the credits to private investors to obtain funding. Once the housing project is placed in service (essentially, made available to tenants), investors can claim LIHTCs over a 10-year period. Many types of rental properties are LIHTC eligible, including large apartment buildings, single-family homes, or two- to four-unit buildings. Owners or developers of projects receiving LIHTCs agree to meet an income test for tenants and a gross rent test.

There are three ways to meet the income test:

1. At least 20 percent of the project's units are occupied by tenants with an income of 50 per-

cent or less of area median income adjusted for family size (AMI).

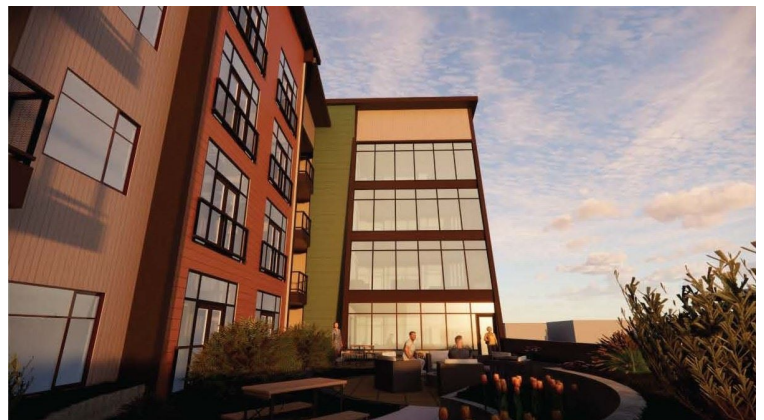
2. At least 40 percent of the units are occupied by tenants with an income of 60 percent or less of AMI.

3. At least 40 percent of the units are occupied by tenants with income averaging no more than 60 percent of AMI, and no units are occupied by tenants with income greater than 80 percent of AMI.

The gross rent test requires that rents do not exceed 30 percent of either 50 or 60 percent of AMI, depending upon the share of tax credit rental units in the project.

All LIHTC projects must comply with these aforementioned income and rent tests for 15 years, or the amount of the tax credits is recaptured (paid back). In addition, an extended compliance period (30 years in total) is generally imposed by state housing agencies.

Developers generally sell the tax credits to investors, who may be better able to use the tax credits and other tax benefits of the housing project (e.g., depreciation, interest paid, net operating losses). Investors also contribute equity, often through a syndication or a partnership. The investors or limited partners usually play a passive role, receiving the tax benefits associated with the project but not participating in day-to-day management and oversight.



Citizens for a Better Eureka Appeal Dismissed



Security National backed Citizens for a Better Eureka has been working to stop the Parking Lots to Affordable Housing Projects in Eureka since their inception. After the Tribe announced plans to submit projects to the Parking Lots to affordable Housing at the 6th and L Street Location and the 5th and K Street properties, the city became embroiled in complaints over parking lot housing developments and later swapped the 5th and K Street lot for another lot owned by Pierson company back in January of 2022. This swap caused the Dishgamu Humboldt Community Land trust to be completely redesigned the second proposed building as the swapped property was unbuildable (due to being on a sloping and instable hillside looking over the Bayshore mall). The Dishgamu Humboldt land trust selected another site at 5th and D Street to propose that multifamily housing development. In the meantime, Security National ended up with title to the 5th and K property and despite stating that the reason for the property swap was to preserve parking instead they blocked off parking by putting in fencing and later berms to prevent parking on the lot. On July 18, 2023, the Wiyot Tribe's Dishgamu Humboldt bid to develop the two sites was accepted by the City for the 6th and L Street Elders Housing Project and the 5th and D Street

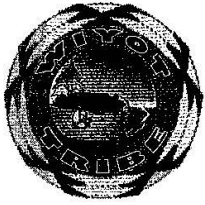
Multifamily Housing Project. After winning the bid, Citizens for a Better Eureka filed a lawsuit against the City of Eureka stating that they had violated CEQA by not studying parking lots in the downtown area during the correct time. The Tribe intervened in the lawsuit because the project site was ours, through a DDA the land would be transferred to us and the Tribe project would be impacted by this lawsuit. All our project plans would have to be redeveloped or thrown out and the grants and funding that were acquired to develop these signs would have to be given back. That associated law suit was tossed out by the Humboldt Superior court. Citizens for a Better Eureka Appealed.

In the mean time Security National funded a 1.5 million dollar ballot initiative in Eureka that would change the general plan such that it would restrict affordable housing in the downtown specifically the 21 parking lots the City was offering up to developers for building affordable housing. That ballot initiative was voted down by the people of Eureka.

In the meantime, Citizens for a Better Eureka appealed the lower court decision to dismiss the lawsuit filed against the City regarding the 5th and D Street Gou'wik Hou Daqh Multifamily housing site. Once again the Tribe intervened again. We are pleased that the Court of Appeals accepted all of our arguments. The Court awarded the costs of the appeal to the Tribe and the City. This means we can recover some of the production costs of the appeal. If you are interested in reading the decision it can be found here: <https://courts.ca.gov/opinion/unpublished/2025-05-14/a170214> This was a big win for the Tribe!

Gock Wuck "Knowledge"

Submitted By Fawn Lopez



3/10/2025

Ha'wa lou,

The Annual Wiyot Goutsuwe'n, Wiyot Day, honoring our Elders and Veterans will be held on Saturday August 23rd, 2025, from 4:00 pm to 12:00 am at Rrawuraglu' muk Dance grounds ("All my Relations"). This gathering brings Wiyot and Native American community members, Cultural leaders, and friends of the Tribe from all over Northern California to a one-day celebration of Wiyot Sovereignty, Cultural distinction, and Family unification.

- Traditional Singers and dancers
 - Traditional Games
 - Traditional Gambling
 - Youth Activities
 - Native American Vendors/merchandise
 - Educational/Demonstration booths
- Vendor Set up begins at 2:00pm on Saturday August 23rd, 2025. **Vendors are responsible for bringing their own table, chairs, and (optional) canopy.** Booth fees are \$30 plus an item valued at least \$15 donated to the raffle drawing. Applications must be received no later than Monday August 18th, 2025. The Rrawuraghu'muk Dance Grounds ("All my Relations") are found off Phelan Road from US 101 take the Hookton Road Off-ramp, take Hookton approximately 4.5 miles, turn right on Phelan Road, follow the signs. Hu' (thank you) for your interest in this event. Please contact us if you have any questions or concerns fawn@wiyot.us or (707) 733-5055.

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Fawn Lopez
Executive Assistant/Enrollment Manager



Vendor Application Wiyot Goutsuwe'n (Wiyot Day) August 23rd, 2025

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____
Telephone: _____
Message Phone: _____
Email: _____

Types of Merchandise you plan to sell and or Display:

_____ Enclosed is my fee of \$30.00

_____ Will donate one item of no less than \$15.00 for the raffle.



(All Vendors must check in at the Da Rou Gawok "Everyone working Together" table before setting up)

(The vendor setting up time starts at 2: 00 pm, please do not come before the time to set up)

Mail Fee and Application to:

ATTN: Wiyot Goutsuwe'n

Wiyot Tribe

1000 Wiyot Dr

Loleta, CA 95551

(707) 733-5055 www.wiyot.us

Da Gou Rou Louwi' 'the ongoing return of all'

Submitted By Michelle Vassel

Ha'wa'lou DGRLLC Visitors!

We hope you're enjoying the warmth and joy of summer! There are exciting things happening at the Cultural Center, and we're thrilled to share them with you.

US Independence Day Observation

In honor of **Independence Day**, the Cultural Center will **not be open on Thursday, July 4.**

We'll welcome visitors again starting **Friday, July 5** during regular hours.

New Permanent Business Hours

You spoke—and we listened! Based on your feedback, we're adjusting our schedule to better serve the community.

Beginning **July 1**, our *new permanent hours* will be:

Wednesday – Sunday: 11:30 AM – 6:00 PM

We look forward to seeing even more of you during these times!

Arts Alive – Saturday, July 5 | 6–9 PM

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Join us for **Arts Alive** on **Saturday, July 5**, from **6:00 PM to 9:00 PM** at the Cultural Center!

This month, our featured artist is **Rebecca Cuevas-Rosas**! Rebecca is returning to the Cultural Center and will be tabling with us during Arts Alive. Her **canvas art** will also be on display throughout the month of **July**.

"I am Rebeca Raquel Cuevas Rosas. Mexican immigrant with a lineage that reflects the cultural history of my birthplace. A balancing act of walking in between the customs of both colonial and indigenous peoples. My art lies within the framework of magical realism; a blending of the extraordinary and the mundane. Blurring the lines of the distinction between empirical science and the realm of magic belief. In my work you will mostly find mystical qualities such as gold auras cradling flowers, animals, and elements of my culture."



Wiyot Tribe
Community 2025

BASKETBALL

ALL AGES 3-ON-3
BASKETBALL
Tournament

AUGUST 9, 2025
10AM - 2PM
WIYOT TRIBE
COMMUNITY CENTER

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: AUG 4

Register/ Application for sign- up, will be at the
Wiyot Tribal office or HHS department in July.

First 8 teams will be guaranteed a spot in the tournament:

- Half Court games played 15 minutes long or first team to 11 points.
- Coin toss which gets the ball first.
- Each basket made is worth 1 point / 3 point shots will be worth 2 points.
- Each team will have a designated Team Captain.
- Teams are allowed one 1-minute time out per game.
- Substitute players allowed if needed. Game clock will stop during this time.

PRIZES:
1ST, 2ND & 3RD PLACE

CONTACT:
Brian Bolden
HHS Dept
(707) 733-5055

Come Join our Team!

Public Water System #090605124 Calendar Year 2024

This report is a snapshot of your water quality. Included are details about where your water comes from, what it contains, and how it compares to standards set by regulatory agencies. We are committed to providing you with information because informed customers are our best allies.

Do I need to take special precautions?

Some people may be more vulnerable to contaminants in drinking water than the general population. Immuno-compromised persons such as persons with cancer undergoing chemotherapy, persons who have undergone organ transplants, people with HIV/AIDS or other immune system disorders, some elderly, and infants can be particularly at risk from infections. These people should seek advice about drinking water from their health care providers. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Centers for Disease Control (CDC) guidelines on appropriate means to lessen the risk of infection by *Cryptosporidium* and other microbial contaminants are available from the Safe Water Drinking Hotline (800-426-4791).

Where does my water come from?

Your water comes from 2 ground water sources.

Why are there contaminants in my drinking water?

Drinking water, including bottled water, may reasonably be expected to contain at least small amounts of some contaminants. The presence of contaminants does not necessarily indicate that water poses a health risk. More information about contaminants and potential health effects can be obtained by calling the Environmental Protection Agency's Safe Drinking Water Hotline (800-426-4791).

The sources of drinking water (both tap water and bottled water) include rivers, lakes, streams, ponds, reservoirs, springs, and wells. As water travels over the surface of the land or through the ground, it dissolves naturally occurring minerals and, in some cases, radioactive material, and can pick up substances resulting from the presence of animals or from human activity including:

- microbial contaminants, such as viruses and bacteria, that may come from sewage treatment plants, septic systems, agricultural livestock operations, and wildlife;

- inorganic contaminants, such as salts and metals, which can be naturally occurring or result from urban stormwater runoff, industrial, or domestic wastewater discharges, oil and gas production, mining, or farming;

- pesticides and herbicides, which may come from a variety of sources such as agriculture, urban stormwater runoff, and residential uses;

- organic chemical contaminants, including synthetic and volatile organic chemicals, which are by-products of industrial processes and petroleum production, and can also come from gas stations, urban stormwater runoff, and septic systems;

- radioactive contaminants, which can be naturally occurring or be the result of oil and gas production and mining activities.

In order to ensure that tap water is safe to drink, EPA prescribes regulations that limit the amount of certain contaminants in water provided by public water systems. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations establish limits for contaminants in bottled water which must provide the same protection for public health.

WATER QUALITY TABLE

The table below lists all of the drinking water contaminants detected during the calendar year of this report. The presence of contaminants in the water does not necessarily indicate that the water poses a health risk. Unless otherwise noted, the data presented in this table is from testing done in the calendar year of the report. The EPA or the State requires monitoring for certain contaminants less than once per year because the concentrations of these contaminants do not change frequently.

Contaminants	MRDL G	MRD L	You r Wa- ter	Range Low High	Sample Date	MRDL Exceeded	Typical Source
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Chlorine Units: Chlorine residual, ppm	4	4	0.3717	0.310.46	2024	No	Drinking water additive used for disinfection
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Contaminants	MCL G	MC L	You r Wa- ter	Range	Sample Date	Viola- tion	Typical Source
				LowHigh			

Five Haloacetic Acids (HAA5) Units: ppb	N/A	60	7.3	N/AN/A	2022	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHMs) Units: ppb	N/A	80	35	N/AN/A	2022	No	By-product of drinking water chlorination

Contaminants	MCL G	MC L	You r Wa- ter	Range	Sample Date	Viola- tion	Typical Source
				LowHigh			

Ga'muluk Hagu'n '*building & Cleaning*'

Submitted By: Ted Herandez

		Level	Water	Low	High	Date	Exceeded	Typical Source
Copper Units: ppm - 90th Percentile	1.3	1.3	0.0415	0.01	0.058	2022	No	Corrosion of household plumbing systems; erosion of natural deposits; leaching
				0	s i t e s o v e r A c t i o n L e v e			

Educational Statement for Lead

Lead can cause serious health problems, especially for pregnant women and young children. Lead in drinking water is primarily from materials and components associated with service lines and home plumbing. Table Bluff (New) Reservation is responsible for providing high quality drinking water and removing lead pipes, but cannot control the variety of materials used in plumbing components in your home. You share the responsibility for protecting yourself and your family from the lead in your home plumbing. You can take responsibility by identifying and removing lead materials within your home plumbing and taking steps to reduce your family's risk. Before drinking tap water, flush your pipes for several minutes by running your tap, taking a shower, doing laundry or a load of dishes. You can also use a filter certified by an American National Standards Institute accredited certifier to reduce lead in drinking water. If you are concerned about lead in your water and wish to have your water tested, contact your water utility. Information on lead in drinking water, testing methods, and steps you can take to minimize exposure is available at <http://www.epa.gov/safewater/lead>.

Service Line Inventory for Systems with All Non-Lead

Table Bluff (New) Reservation was required to complete an inventory of service line materials to determine whether any service lines connected to the distribution system are made of lead material. We determined that all service lines at Table Bluff (New) Reservation are made of non-lead materials. The service line inventory is available upon request, please contact us for more information.

Additional Information on Lead

Exposure to lead in drinking water can cause serious health effects in all age groups. Infants and children can have decreases in IQ and attention span. Lead exposure can lead to new learning and behavior problems or exacerbate existing learning and behavior problems. The children of women who are exposed to lead before or during pregnancy can have increased risk of these adverse health effects. Adults can have increased risks of heart disease, high blood pressure, kidney or nervous system problems.

We are required to test your water regularly for signs of microbial contamination. Positive test results could lead to follow-up investigations called assessments and potentially the issuance of public health advisories. Assessments could lead to required corrective actions. The information below summarizes the results of those tests.

Calendar Year	Sampling Requirements	Sampling Conducted (months)	Total E.coli Positive	Assessment Triggers	Assessments Conducted
2024	1 Sample due monthly	11 out of 12 —	0	0	0

Sanitary deficiencies are defects in a water system's infrastructure, design, operation, maintenance, or management that cause, or may cause interruptions to the "multiple barrier" protection system and adversely affect the system's ability to produce safe and reliable drinking water in adequate quantities.

The following is a listing of significant deficiencies that have yet to be corrected. Your public water system is still working to correct these deficiencies and interim milestones are shown, as applicable.

Deficiency Title: CROSS CONNECTION WITH POTABLE WATER SUPPLY

Date Identified: 1/3/2023 Overall Due Date:

Deficiency Description: There is no high hazard backflow at the Sanitary Sewer Lift Station.

Corrective Action Plan: Install a Reduced Pressure Zone backflow assembly on the water line connection to the lift station.

Milestone completed by 3/4/2023

Corrective Action Notes: Tribe asked Indian HS thinks there is an assembly.

Milestone completed by 8/16/2023

Corrective Action Notes: Confirmed with IHS that they are working with the Tribe to install a backflow assembly. Will be included with storage tank project in STARS, funded. Likely construction in 2024 and completion in 2025.

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Submitted By: Ted Herandez

Term	Definition
ppm	parts per million, or milligrams per liter (mg/L)
ppb	parts per billion, or microgram per liter (ug/L)
positive samples	the number of positive samples taken that year
% positive samples/month	% of samples taken monthly that were positive
ND	Not detected
N/A	Not applicable

MCLG

Maximum Contaminant Level Goal: The level of a contaminant in drinking water below which there is no known or expected risk to health. MCLGs allow for a margin of safety.

MCL

Maximum Contaminant Level: The highest level of a contaminant that is allowed in drinking water. MCLs are set as close to the MCLGs as feasible using the best available treatment technology.

MRDL	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level
MRDLG	Maximum Residual Disinfectant Level Goal
TT	Treatment Technique: A required process intended to reduce the level of a contaminant in drinking water.
AL	Action Level: The concentration of a contaminant which, if exceeded, trigger treatment or other requirements which a water system must follow.

90th Percentile

Statistical value used to determine if Action Level is exceeded. Determined by calculating the value at which 90% of the samples tested were below that value.

How can I get involved?

Please feel free to contact the number provided below for more information or for a translated copy of the report if you need it in another language.

Please share this information with all the other people who drink this water, especially those who may not have received this notice directly (for example, people in apartments, nursing homes, schools, and businesses). You can do this by posting this notice in a public place or distributing copies by hand or mail.

Brian Mead, Water Operator, 1000 Wiyot Drive, Loleta, CA 95551



Important Notice: Water Fluoridation Update

Effective July 1, 2025

Attention Members of the Tribe

Starting July 1, 2025, the Wiyot Tribe will no longer be adding fluoride to our community water supply. This decision has been made to reflect our commitment to providing safe, clean, and naturally balanced drinking water for all residents.

What This Means for You

Our water will return to a natural state, without the addition of fluoride.

Residents concerned about dental health are encouraged to consult their healthcare providers for alternative fluoride treatments or supplements.

Why This Change?

The decision to discontinue water fluoridation aligns with feedback from the community and ongoing discussions about natural water treatment practices. We are dedicated to serving the health and well-being of all members while respecting the diverse perspectives of our community.

Have Questions?

If you have any questions or concerns regarding this change, please contact the Wiyot Public Works Department at (707)733-5055 or email h2o@wiyot.us.

Stay Informed

Keep an eye on the Wiyot Tribe website and community bulletin boards for updates regarding this transition.

Thank you for your cooperation as we make this important change for our community.

Wiyot Tribe Public Works Department

CALL HHS TO SEE IF WE CAN HELP!!

**How can the Homeowner's
Assistance Fund work for you?**

The Wiyot Tribe Homeowner Assistance Fund program can help qualified households that have had hardship because of and since the 2020 COVID-19 Pandemic to assist with the following: (applicants must meet certain requirements):

Payment Assistance for Homeowners:

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|----------------------------|------------------|
| Mortgage Payments | Utilities |
| Principal Reduction | Internet |
| Insurance | Taxes |
| Down Payments | Loans |

**Find the application on the Tribe’s website <www.wiyot.us>
or call the HHS Dept Social Work Advocate for more info
at 707-733-5055.**

Celebrate Community
A Village Way of Life



Bring your family out for fun in the sun for outdoor games and **Indian Tacos!**

Games include balloon toss, three-legged race, sack race, cornhole, and lawn Connect 4.

Come check out the kids playground and adult fitness area, as well!

Hash, gamurachiyit!
(Come, let's play!)

PICNIC

IN THE

PARK

at

TABLE BLUFF

RESERVATION

July 12th,
10 AM to 2 PM



Rourraguou' Muk (All My Relations)

Family Violence

Prevention Services



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

"Healing
Through
Horticulture"

Submitted By: Valerie Reed



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Laqilh Haluni' 'Valued Elders'

Submitted By: Valerie Reed

July 2025 Laqilh Haluni' (Valued Elder) Lunch Menu

Dagoushipga'w (Monday)	Darritvewi'gurr (Tuesday)	Darrikvewi'gurr (Wednesday)	Darra'vewi'gurr (Thursday)	We'sagh dahuluwewi'gurr
1 Chicken parm pasta	2 Tuna wrap	3 Meatballs sand. fruit	4 Turkey stir-fry	5 Office closed
6 Tuna Casserole	7 Beef stew	8 Split Pea Soup	9 Sloppy Jo	10 Apple spinach Salad
11 Pork sand.	12 Venison stew	13 Spaghetti	14 Bok choy stir fry	15 Turkey wrap
16 Vegetable Lasagna	17 Pork chops	18 Chicken dumpling	19 Salmon	20 Taco salad
21 Salisbury steak	22 Chicken pasta	23 Turkey meatloaf	24 Breakfast sandwich	25

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.

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ELDERS YOU ARE INVITED!!!

For Sweet Summer Fun at Noble Berry Farms!

Come Pick Your Own Delicious Blueberries!

Get ready for a day of fresh air, fun, and the most delicious, ripe berries you've ever tasted!

Date: Thursday, July 3, 2025

Time: Meet at Table Bluff at 10:30 am or request pick-up.

Location: Noble Berry Farm
Fieldbrook Rd



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What to Expect:

- A beautiful farm setting
- Abundant, ripe blueberries ready for picking straight from the bush to your basket!

Tips for a Great Picking Experience:

- Wear comfortable shoes
- Bring a hat and sunscreen
- Containers for picking



Attention Wiyot Elders,
Now offering
WEEKLY

July Shopping Mondays

Where: Shopping

11:00 am –2:00 pm

7/7—Winco/Target– Eureka

7/14– Costco

7/21– Walmart—Eureka

7/28– Grocery Outlet/Dollar Store/Safeway– Fortuna

If you are interested we are providing lunch and transportation for Elders.

Please call Elders Advocate,
HHS Dept. @ 707-733-5055.

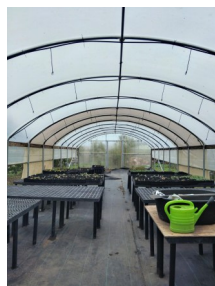
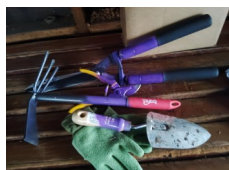


Gou'wil Da Lalouluwuk 'Taking Care of People'

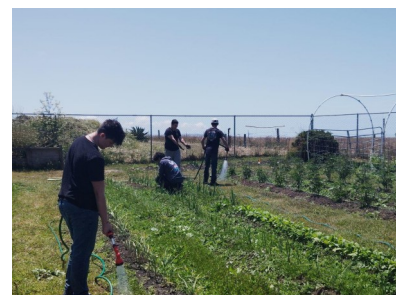
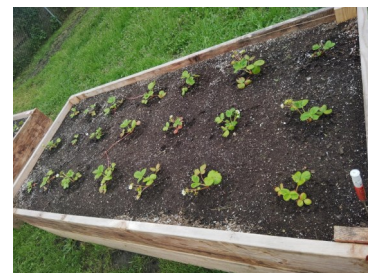
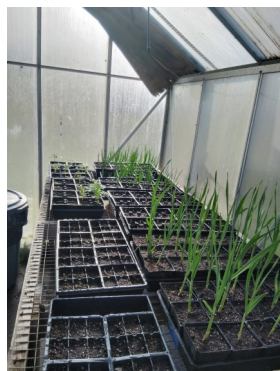
Submitted By: Valerie Reed

Wiyot Community Garden Make-

A huge thank you and credit where credit is due, our HHS Community Gardener, Ro-



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STAY TUNED,

Gock Wuck “Knowledge”

Da Rou Gawok “Everyone working Together” Administration

Michelle Vassel.....Tribal Administrator
Gary Markussen Jr.....Council Support
Fawn Lopez...Executive Assistant
Hazel Garcia.....Administrator Assistant
Pilar James.....Receptionist
Larry Wheeler.....Front Desk Clerk
Farzad ForouharFinance Manager
Julian Herman....Accounts Payable Specialist

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

Valerie Reed.....Health & Human Service Director
Robert Pitts Jr.....Social Work Advocate
Liz Edwards.....Laqilh Haluni (Elders Advocate)
Brian BoldenTransportation Driver
Vanessa Rios..... Laqilh Haluni (Cook)
Rosie Owen.....Gardner
Dr. Rita Wafler.....Licensed MFT

Dishgamu Community Land Trust

Michelle Vassel.....Director
Donna Wilson.....Property Manager
Jack Kennard.....Project Manager
Randall Mead.....Solid Waste Technician

Lhatsik Houmoulul’i “Cultural Department

Ben Brown.....Da Gou louwi’ Director
Dr. Lynnika ButlerLinguist
Nina Lorence.....Soulatluk Curriculum/Data Specialist
Jazzmin Fontenot.....Da Gou Rou Louwi’ Manager
Sadie Hall.....Da Gou Rou Louwi’ Docent
Josh Rosewolf....Da Gou Rou Louwi’ Docent
Brian Mead Jr.....Da Gou Rou Louwi’ Docent

Ga’muluk Hagu’n Public Works Department

Ted Hernandez.....Public Works Director/THPO
Sebastian Rios Moreno.....Grounds Keeper
Dakota James.....Water Operator in Training/Maintenance
Brian Mead.....Water Operator in Training/Maintenance

Tsek Houdagh Education Department

Elizabeth HernandezDirector
Melinda Ramirez.....Youth Program Assistant
Alfredo Calderon.....Site Lead Fortuna Highschool

Shawir Darrudaluduk “Natural Resources Department”

Adam Canter.....Natural Resources Director
Tiffany Douglas.....Fisheries Technician
Marissa McGrew.....Natural Resource Assistant Director
Vacant.....Forest Resources Specialist
Natalie Calderon.....Forestry Technician
Lindsey AbernathyClimate Specialist

Submitted By: Fawn Lopez

Wiyot Tribal Council

Brian Mead Tribal Chairman (2024-2028)
Hazel Garcia.....Vice Chairman (2022-2026)
Vacant.....Secretary (2025-2029)
Vanessa Rios.....Treasurer (2023-2027)
Melinda Ramirez.....Council Member (2025-2029)
Vacant.....Council Member (2023-2027)
Leo JamesCouncil Member (2024-2028)



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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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