

TRIBAL PROGRAM NEWS

New Elk Tag Opportunity

With the approval of the Tribal Council, the Tribal Natural Resources Committee has decided to offer a new type of elk tag to Tribal members beginning with this fall's hunting season.

As a landowner, the Tribe is eligible to participate in the state's Landowner Preference (LOP) program. Based on the number of acres that the Tribe owns, we can get four additional antlerless elk tags from the state. These LOP tags are not related to the Tribe's Consent Decree tags that we receive each year. They are based solely on the Tribe being a landowner.

There are a number of important differences between the LOP tags and the Tribe's regular tags. These are summarized in the table below.

	Tribal Tags	LOP Tags
State License Required?	No	Yes
Area to be Hunted	Anywhere within the specific tag's hunt boundaries	Only on Tribal land within the Thompson Creek unit during the Thompson Creek antlerless elk season
Eligible for other state elk tags?	Yes	No*
Give tag to another Tribal member to hunt for you?	Yes	No
Application and Selection Process	Apply to Tribe for Tribal drawing	Apply to Tribe for LOP drawing; if selected apply to state for tag (list LOP as first choice on state application)
Obtain Tag From	Tribe	State

* Note: If you are drawn for an LOP tag, you are still eligible to apply for and be drawn for a Tribal tag.

Please note that a major difference between the LOP tags and the Tribe's regular tags is that ONLY the person drawn for the tag can hunt that tag. The tag cannot be given to someone else to hunt for you. Therefore, only those folks serious about hunting this hunt themselves are eligible to apply.

The drawing for the four LOP elk tags will be held at the Natural Resources Committee meeting on April 6 at 4:45 p.m. in the Natural Resources Department's Map Room. Applications are available in this issue of the *Siletz News*, on the Tribal website and at the Tribal Natural Resources Office in Siletz after March 1.

Completed applications are due in the Natural Resources office by 4:30 p.m. March 27, 2009.

For more information regarding these new tags and the differences between the Tribe's regular tags and the LOP tags, contact Natural Resources Manager Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1232.

Tribal Members Invited to Community Meetings

The Tribal Planning Department invites you to attend Community Meetings to discuss Tribal needs and financial opportunities for 2009.

This year, each area office will have a meeting and a follow-up meeting. Dates tentatively set for meetings is as follows:

Portland Area Office

March 5 • 5:30-8 p.m.

Eugene Area Office

March 12 • 5:30-8 p.m.

Siletz Tribal Community Center

March 19 • 5:30-8 p.m.

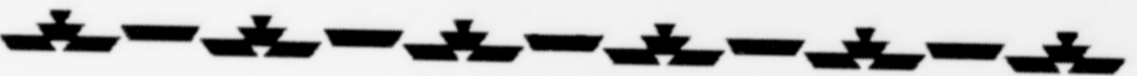
All Tribal members are invited. A light meal will be provided.

Topics of discussion may include Tribal services, facilities, transportation and trust land.

If you need transportation to the meeting, please call Pam Lane at the number below or the area office you wish to visit.

Please check the Tribal website at www.ctsi.nsn.us or call the Planning Department at 541-444-8257 or toll-free at 800-922-1399, ext. 1257; or the area office to confirm a meeting date.

If you are unable to attend, please e-mail your ideas to clairew@ctsi.nsn.us or mail your ideas at Claire Wood, CTSI Planning Department, P.O. Box 549, Siletz, OR 97380-0549.



Hunting and Fishing Reporting Incentives Continue

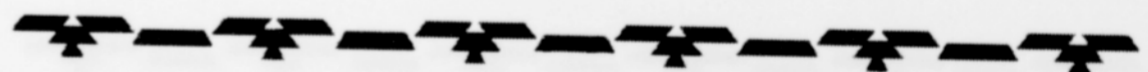
The Natural Resources Committee has decided to continue its incentive program this year for reporting hunting and fishing tag successes.

It's the tag holder's responsibility to report to the Natural Resources Department when the tag has been filled. Everyone who reports filling their tag will be entered into a drawing for prizes.

The drawing for the fishing season incentive was held at the Natural Resources Committee meeting in January. Congratulations to Michael Blair, who won a \$50 gift card to Sportsman's Warehouse in Salem.

It's not too late to report your hunting kills for the hunting season drawings and have a chance to win a \$100, \$75 or \$50 Sportsman's Warehouse gift card. The last day to report is March 27. The drawing will be held at the committee's April 6 meeting.

Remember, it's the person whose name is on the tag who must report if it is filled. This is the person whose name will be entered into the drawing. It pays to report!



2009 Landowner Preference (LOP) Tag Drawing

Please complete the following information and return it to the Natural Resources Department by 4:30 p.m. on March 27, 2009. Your name will be entered into a database and printed on a 1x1 card for the drawing of one of the four available LOP tags. The drawing will be held April 6, 2009, at the Natural Resources Committee meeting in the Natural Resources Department's Map Room beginning at 4:45 p.m.

The person filling out this application must be the person who will do the hunting. LOP tags cannot be given to another person to hunt for you!

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Roll No.: _____ Phone No.: _____

Address: _____

City/State/ZIP: _____

Oregon Hunters Safety No.: _____

Return completed form by: March 27, 2009

To: Natural Resources Department

Attn: Mike Kennedy

P.O. Box 549

Siletz, OR 97380-0549

By signing, you agree to be bound by the following rules regarding the use of the Tribe's LOP tags:

1. You will purchase an Oregon State hunting license at the time of the LOP application in 2009 and for the Thompson Creek antlerless hunting season in 2010.
2. You will apply to the State for an LOP tag by the due date, listing the tag as your first choice on the State application and paying the State tag fee.
3. You understand that if you receive a Tribal LOP tag, you are not eligible for any other State-issued controlled

hunt tags. You are, however, eligible to apply for and receive a Tribal tag.

4. You will not give your tag to anyone else to hunt for you. Only you can hunt with this tag.
5. You will confine your hunting to Tribal land within the Thompson Creek unit during the Thompson Creek antlerless hunting season.
6. You will follow all applicable State hunting regulations.
7. You will report your kill to the Tribal Natural Resources Department no later than one week after the close of the Thompson Creek antlerless hunting season.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have any questions, please call Mike Kennedy at 541-444-8232 or 800-922-1399, ext. 1232.