

Details on Siuslaw National Forest firewood permits

CORVALLIS, Ore. – Fall brings the promise of cooler nights and the coming winter, and for many the need to collect firewood to heat their homes. To help meet that need, firewood permits soon will be on sale at Siuslaw National Forest offices, according to forest officials.

Firewood permits for personal use will remain at \$10 per cord with a two cord permit minimum and a maximum of six cords per year per household. Firewood permits for commercial use will remain at \$20 per cord with a six cord permit minimum.

Most personal use firewood cutting areas are on log landings after commercial timber sales have occurred.

On May 1, 2013, the Siuslaw National Forest made a change to firewood tags issued with personal use and commercial firewood permits. Each tag will represent a quarter cord of firewood to better accommodate ease of hauling wood. Therefore, one cord of wood will require four tags.

Because of the possibility of high fire danger conditions, please make sure you are aware of and following fire safe practices. Coordinate with your local office to know up-to-date regulations when you plan to go out and cut firewood.

Please read the following for specific information for the ranger district nearest you.

Hebo Ranger District Firewood Program

The Hebo Ranger District will begin accepting requests for personal use firewood permits starting Oct. 3. Requests for commercial use firewood permits will be available Oct. 6.

The total number of permits is limited and will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Firewood cutting areas have been identified on the ground and packets with location information are available for both personal and commercial use firewood and can be acquired at the Hebo District Office.

- Personal use firewood cutting areas are primarily small log decks left after timber commercial sales have occurred and down trees or logs resulting from road improvements. Personal permits require a minimum purchase of two cords at a rate of \$10 per cord, with a maximum of six cords per household per calendar year, when available. Time allowed to harvest the firewood will be as follows: A purchase of 2-3 cords will have 20 days to gather the wood and 4-6 cords, 40 days. As commercial timber sales conclude and road improvement projects are completed, expect additional areas to become available throughout the firewood cutting season.
- Commercial permits require a minimum purchase of six cords at a rate of \$20 per cord, with 30 days to gather that amount. Commercial use harvesting consists of pre-marked, standing green trees along designated road segments throughout the district.

For more information, contact the Hebo Ranger Station at 503-392-5100, Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Central Coast Ranger District Firewood Program

The Central Coast-ODNRA Ranger District will accept requests for commercial firewood permits on Oct. 1. Commercial Firewood Request forms and instructions can be picked up at Forest Service offices in Waldport, Reedsport or Corvallis.

The majority of commercial permits are for standing danger trees adjacent to forest roads open to the public. Commercial permits are valid for 30 days.

Personal use firewood permits this year will primarily be log decks and down wood. Personal use permits will be valid for 60 days. The district also will offer standing green alder roadside permits. These permits are valid for 30 days.

- Personal use firewood cutters are encouraged to contact the Waldport Office at 541-563-8400 for up-to-date information on firewood availability.

For more information about the Siuslaw National Forest's firewood cutting program, contact your local office in Reedsport, Waldport, Hebo or Corvallis.

For more information about the Siuslaw National Forest, visit our website at fs.usda.gov/siuslaw or call 541-750-7000. Stay in touch through twitter.com/siuslawNF and facebook.com/DiscoverSiuslawNF.

US Tribal leaders promote action on indigenous rights at UN conference

NEW YORK – Thousands of indigenous leaders from around the world gathered Sept. 22 at the United Nations in New York City as the U.N. General Assembly convened a high-level plenary meeting known as the World Conference on Indigenous Peoples (WCIP).

During the opening session of WCIP, the General Assembly adopted an outcome document that provides for concrete and action-oriented measures to implement and achieve the objectives of the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP). The UNDRIP was approved by the General Assembly in 2007.

A strong delegation of U.S. Tribal leaders attended the conference and voiced support for their priorities addressed in the adopted outcome document.

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) has joined with a large group of American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes and inter-Tribal associations to support four priorities that promote implementation of the declaration, establish status for indigenous governments at the U.N., prevent violence against Indigenous women and children, and protect sacred places and objects.

"Taking the steps called for in the conference outcome document will mean that indigenous voices will always be here in the U.N. to call for respect for our rights. Tribes, as indigenous governments, must be here, working within the U.N. system to represent our peoples and achieve the promise of the U.N. declaration," said Jefferson Keel, former NCAI president and current lieutenant governor of the Chickasaw Nation, who attended the events in New York as a representative for NCAI.

Current NCAI President Brian Cladoosby released a statement applauding the adoption of the outcome document.

"The General Assembly has established pathways for implementation of the UNDRIP, a vital agreement to protect the rights of our peoples. Our Tribal governments, together with our brothers and sisters around the world, will need to continue a sustained effort to work with the various U.N. bodies, including the Human Rights Council and the secretary general, to ensure that the commitments made today by the U.N. member countries are fulfilled."

Cladoosby also commended the strong delegation of American Indian and Alaska Native women who traveled to the United Nations this week to advocate for strong and decisive action to combat violence against Native women and girls.

"We stand with our sisters in the effort to ensure that all indigenous women are able to live lives free from violence," he said.

More than 1,000 delegates representing indigenous people from around the world attended WCIP.

General Council Meeting

Nov. 1, 2014 • 1 p.m.
Siletz Tribal Community Center
Siletz, Oregon

- Invocation
- Flag Salute
- Roll Call
- Approval of Agenda
- Approval of Minutes
- Hunting and Fishing MOU
- Tribal Members' Concerns
- Tribal Council Candidates Declarations
- Chairman's Report
- Announcements
- Adjourn

Siletz Tribal Behavioral Health Programs

Prevention, Outpatient Treatment, and Women's and Men's Transitional

Siletz: 800-600-5599 or 541-444-8286
Eugene: 541-484-4234
Salem: 503-390-9494
Portland: 503-238-1512

Narcotics Anonymous Toll-Free Help Line – 877-233-4287

For information on Alcoholics Anonymous: aa-oregon.org



Mission Statement: Working together as a whole community we will utilize our resources to eradicate and prevent the use of all illegal drugs, underage drinking and abusive use of alcohol, delinquency and community violence.

Open invitation!! We need your voice!!

Shell conference room at the Siletz Community Health Clinic
200 Gwee-Shut Road, Siletz, Ore.

Second Thursday of each month

12 – 1:30 P.M.

OCT. 9

NOV. 13

DEC. 11

For more information, contact Maria La Friniere at 541-444-8267.

CEDARR members meet monthly and diligently work on establishing and meeting goals. We sponsor and participate in community gatherings, school prevention activities and ongoing information dissemination at the monthly meetings.