

Annual tour draws many tribal members to timber

There was a record number turnout of interested tribal members for this years timber tour over the two days of August 21-22, 1997. A caravan of pick-ups, and vans made their way through the forest up along Badger Creek and on up to Camas Prairie where the tour made its first stop. The Silviculture practices in that area which included several clear cuts in there were discussed. Problems of root rot and blow downs was the main concern. Also discuss the new sale areas where there is unstable old growth stands also the land in that area and the timber harvest of the blow-downs and the salvage logging in the high country.

The shelterwood stands were viewed to give what the shelterwood stands would look like when completed. There have been blow downs in some shelter wood stands from high winds in that area. The proposed 1998 Schoolie Timber Sale would provide a portion of the annual allowable cut for the Confederated Tribes of Warm springs. The sale area bounded by Big Meadows on the north, north Pin Head Butte in the south, Bunch grass Creek on the east, and the McQuinn line on the west.

Some of the major issues with this sale included water, fish, wildlife, huckleberries, logging impacts, and conditional use lands. Species planned for harvest are Noble Fir, White Fir, Douglas Fir, Hemlock, Lodge pole Pine, Western White Pine and some Ponderosa Pine. These areas planned for harvest were selected based on the overall health and value of the trees. This method is somewhat different in that harvest blocks are not just targeting volume but treat area which would ultimately improve the tree stands. This sale would harvest about 30 million board feet of timber, (equal to about 7,500 truck loads of timber.)

On the tour a stop at Sawmill Butte where there is Mistletoe visible on timber stands. It was stated that programs for these conditions were sponsored by the USFS in the Insect and Disease Department. Funding is provided through submission of specific proposals. Once approved the USFS transfers money to the Agency for this work to be done. Since 1990, the Warm Springs Branch of Forestry has submitted proposals which were approved and have received over \$400,000, for funding in these programs. Treatment for this is done by pruning of the larger trees and cutting some of them out will reduce the infected areas of the Mistletoe.

The final area toured was the Mutton Mountain area where there is Helicopter logging taking place now in the salvage logging program in the big burn. There was also discussion of the land and the wildlife in that area. The stop was at a picturesque sight on the point of Mutton Mountain over looking North Junction and the whole Deschutes River in that area..

With the record turnout of nearly 70 individuals made the tour very interesting and educational in many ways. A lot of the younger set was on tour and showed a lot of enthesium in the way logging practices are being carried out. The presenters did a fine job in explaining conditions in the forest areas of the reservation..



Comprehensive Plan subject of community workshop August 12

The Comprehensive Planning Teams hosted a Community Workshop on August 12 at the Agency Longhouse. There was very good participation by the summer work experience students. Some other highlights of the event were hearing the vision of a grandmother and grandson, a skit sponsored by Public Safety presenting the idea of a Peer Court, and interviews of several of our youth on KWSO.

Comprehensive Plan Schedule:

- Phase One:** Highlight changes and trends since 1983 (Present history and collect input on vision and goals)
- Phase Two:** Draft updated visions, values, goals and benchmarks (Where do we want to go)
- Phase Three:** Build action plans to achieve goals and priorities (How will we get there)
- Phase Four:** Design information maintenance and reporting systems (Reporting to Tribal Council and Community)
- Phase Five:** Community Review of proposed updated Comp. Plan (Community Input throughout process, scheduled final review)

Adoption by Tribal Council—May 1998

In February of this year the Comprehensive Plan Fair was held, to assist the Planning Teams identify issues that need to be addressed in the updated Comp. Plan. Currently, the Planning Teams are scheduled to complete Phase One on November 1, 1997. Each Team will be setting up family and other small groups meetings in the community between now and October 31. The next four editions of the Spilyay will feature two

Planning Teams per issue. Community members will get a chance to review each team's Accomplishments, some of the Increasing and Decreasing Trends, and then, given an opportunity to give feedback on their vision and goals for the next 20 years.

Special thanks go out to all those who attended, volunteered and sponsors: Those who recorded the radio announcements: Gerald Sampson, Candice Miller, Kim Estimo, Jose Alvarez, Jr., Tommie Joe Alvarez, Koosh Selam and Addie Estimo. Those who helped at the workshop: Leanna Tom, Melissa Silversmith, Dan Chavez, Eva George, Jackie Estimo for the great signs, police cadets, Faye Waheneka, Aaron Mitchell, Pierson Mitchell, Pastor Rick, Community Health Education Team, the Senior Program staff for the great meal, and Lucy Suppah for the computer graphics work on the invitations. Thanks to the Summer Work Experience Staff and workers who attended and gave your ideas. Sponsors were: Indian Head Casino who sponsored the dinner, Rainbow Market, Zane Jackson, Sidaikba Arts and Crafts, Ahern's Market, Rogers Drugs, Erickson's Sentry Market and Dairy Queen.

Community Contest

There is a contest to develop a theme for the Comprehensive Plan. What do you think the most important "big picture issues" that we need to focus on in the next 20 years? What will inspire our community to work together to reach our vision? Call or stop by the Planning Department (553-3270) to receive an entry form. The winner will receive one free night's lodging at Kah-Nee-Ta Resort.

Community Workshop Format

Two, two-hour sessions were held. They began with an opening prayer followed by an Orientation. After the Orientation, participants chose one of the Planning Teams to work with. Seven of the eight Planning Teams participated: Economic Development/Finance, Education/Human Resources, Human Services/I.H.S., Natural Resources/B.I.A., Public Safety, Public Utilities and Housing, Governmental Affairs/B.I.A./A.S.C., and the Court. The Public Safety Team will be participating in upcoming small group meetings.

During the workshop, the Planning Teams presented historical information from their areas including:

A Service Statement, which outlined their areas of responsibilities

Accomplishments Since 1983

Increasing and Decreasing Trends

After participants reviewed this information they were asked to give input on the Vision and Goals for the team they were working with. Following is an example of the Worksheet each participant was asked to fill out. The responses are by

Suppah, one of our visionary high school students who attended the workshop and sat in with the Education/Human Resources Team. She was one of many youth who participated and commented, "keep getting people's opinions." Now that she understands what the Comprehensive Plan is, she would like to see more community members participate. She stated, "I think adults need to participate, that is the way they will be able to express their opinions. It's a decision that everyone will need to make, it's a decision that will affect everyone in the future."

VISION AND GOALS WORKSHEET

(SAMPLE: From Education / Human Resources Team

HISTORY/STRENGTHS

Select two or more areas of Responsibilities

Culture & Heritage
ECE
ECE
Education Services
Work Experience
CSI

PROUDS—Things you are proud of that the Tribes have accomplished since 1983

Language
Computer classes

SORRIES—things you are not proud of

Not enough people know about it
The cost

DESIRED FUTURE

NOW- what you see happening now in this area

People learning about computers

FUTURE- what would the ideal future look like in 20 years

People speaking at update Camp/Classes

Based on our PROUDS, what are some of the strengths of our community

That more and more people are employed at ECE, more people are interested in language, making available for higher education, future guidance for computers

DRAFT VISION

Using your ideas from your ideal future, write down some key words, phrases or ideas for a Draft vision statement

Learning our language and cultures, but also willing to try to use the technology for higher education

GOALS TO REACH OUR VISION

Based on our Community Strengths, and looking at each Area of Responsibility, what will we need to do to reach the community vision

Continue language classes, but let others know about it. Keep money available for relationships, keep computers updated

This is the Draft Form that will be used to collect information from community members by the eight planning teams. If you have questions about the Comprehensive Plan Update please contact Jolene Atencio in the Planning Department, 553-3270.