

Fisheries regulations set for 2002

Fishing from scaffolds using hoopnets, setnets allowed until June 15

The Natural Resources Department of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs has announced the highlights of the Tribal Council resolution regulating the spring chinook salmon ceremonial and subsistence fishery at Sherars Falls.

The following restrictive regulations were adopted by Tribal Council on March 5, as part of Resolution 10154.

1. In recognition of the traditional methods of fishing, fishing from scaffolds using hoopnets and setnets will be allowed seven days per week from April 1 through June 15.

All wild steelhead must be released and returned to the river unharmed.

The provisions of Warm Springs Tribal Code 340.310 (8), requiring that setnets and hoopnets are attended continuously, will be enforced.

2. A subsistence fishery will be allowed up to a harvest cap of 325 adult wild spring chinook salmon. There will be

unrestricted fishery for hatchery spring chinook salmon.

3. The Department of Natural Resources will be responsible for monitoring the fishery. Once the harvest cap of 325 adult wild spring chinook salmon is reached, fishing for adult wild spring chinook salmon will be closed and all adult wild spring chinook must be released and returned to the river unharmed. Fishing will remain open for hatchery spring chinook salmon.

4. Hook and line fishing, one pole per person and single hook only (no treble hooks), will be permitted.

5. Snagging of fish will be prohibited, any fish that is snagged incidentally must be returned to the river unharmed.

6. The Natural Resources Department and Police Department shall closely monitor the Sherars Falls fishery and strictly enforce the regulation requiring the release of unmarked steelhead by hook and line fishers.

7. The Warm Springs River

and all its tributaries will be closed to all fishing.

8. Pursuant to Warm Springs Tribal Ordinance 68, Section 490.500 and Section 490.510 (8), the sale of fish caught for subsistence purposes is prohibited.

9. Monitoring of the tribal harvest, fish escapement over Bonneville and The Dalles dams, and fish returns to Warm Springs National Fish Hatchery and Round Butte Hatchery will be used to determine if in season harvest modifications will be necessary.

The Natural Resources Department is expecting the return of approximately 20,000 hatchery spring chinook salmon and approximately 2,000 wild spring chinook salmon to the Deschutes River. This years return is expected to be the largest return on record.

If anyone has any questions please call the Natural Resources Department at 553-2001. Also, please call the fishing information hotline to get the latest updates on Tribal Fishing opportunities.

Guild to market artwork

Warm Springs Ventures would like to invite all interested tribal member artists to join the Warm Springs Guild.

The main objective of the guild is to help individual tribal member artists market their crafts nationwide using the largest on-line auction house in the world.

Anyone interested in selling beadwork, painting, pottery, silverwork, basketry or other traditional crafts on-line is invited to attend a meeting on Thursday, April 18, at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be at the Warm Springs Ventures office at the Plaza. Refreshments will be served. The Guild is a natural match for Warm Springs, as there are a number of gifted craft people who carry on tribal traditions.

With the assistance of OIS, everything necessary to auction tribal artwork will be provided by Warm Springs Ventures.

There is no cost to join the guild. For more information, call Danzuka at 553-3565.

Tribes launch enterprise

The newest tribal enterprise, formed earlier this year, is Warm Springs Geo Visions, specializing in computer-based spatial information. Geo Visions is an enterprise branch of the Warm Springs Geographic Information System (GIS) Department.

The GIS department, directed by Jim Crocker, is housed at the Forestry building at the Natural Resources/Industrial Park compound. Geo Visions has developed into an enterprise with funding assistance from Warm Springs Ventures, a tribal business and economic development corporation.

As Warm Springs Geo Visions pursues contract opportunities that would generate revenue for the tribes, the GIS department will continue its traditional duties, said Crocker. GIS employs seven people. The department generates information and com-

puterized mapping that is useful in many ways.

The GIS department works with Warm Springs Fire Management and other fire control agencies, and assists in monitoring of natural resources.

Early this year, the department began exploring the possibility of developing an enterprise.

The plan is for Warm Springs Geo Visions to contract with government and private entities for the kinds of services in which the GIS employees are specialized.

Toward launching the new enterprise, Warm Springs Ventures has retained the services of consultants Beltram & Associates and 7D systems for sales and marketing.

"The consulting group brings over 50 years of combined expertise in this field," said Tom Henderson, chief executive officer of Warm Springs Ventures.

Highway is closed



Beverly Arthur is working for the Oregon Department of Transportation, helping direct traffic to the detour around the Mill Creek Bridge project.

Highway 26 has been closed this week, as work began on the Mill Creek Bridge maintenance project. The highway will remain closed during weekdays through May 3. Passenger vehicle traffic is

using routes 3 and 9 through Simnasho. Truck traffic is using the route over highways 97, 197 and 216, through the Maupin area.

The highway is open on weekends, beginning at noon on Fridays.

Youth passes away from gunshot

A 15-year-old Warm Springs youth has passed away from a gunshot wound.

Tommy Dickson passed away on Tuesday at St. Charles Medical Center in Bend.

This week, Warm Springs Police and the FBI were investigating the circumstances of the shooting, which occurred on Sunday, March 31. Tommy was in critical con-

dition at the hospital until he passed away. He was suffering from a gunshot wound to the head.

Police dispatch received notice of the March 31 incident at 4:28 a.m. Location was on Poosh Avenue in Warm Springs. Tommy was then transported by ambulance to Mountain View, and then flown to St. Charles.

25 years ago this week

From the April 2, 1976 edition of the Spilyay:

A tour conducted by the Confederated Tribes Fish and Wildlife Committee at Shearers Bridge on the banks of the Deschutes River was to view a site for a possible Indian campground.

The Fish and Wildlife Committee members are Harold Culpus, Delbert Frank and Nelson Wallulatum. Teresa Katchia is secretary.

Others who were on the tour included Gene Greene, director of Natural Resources; Harry Pagett, museum director; Ray Welch, BIA land operations office; Don Schmit, BIA roads; Cy

Katchia of the Water Board, Sid Miller, editor of the Spilyay Tymoo, and Olney "J.P." Patt Jr., photographer and reporter for the paper.

There were several sites discussed and also the facilities that would be installed to accommodate the Indian fishermen.

A brief history of the Shearers Bridge area was presented, as this was a customary event for generations. The Warm Springs Indians migrated into the area during the heavy fish runs.

In other news: Night hunters are being blamed for at least four of the six cattle killed in reservation grazing areas during the past year.

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Teens to help with home repairs

Project benefits students, seniors, families in need

The Sierra Service Project will be offering its services to the Warm Springs Reservation this summer.

Sierra Service Project volunteers work on four different reservations throughout the nation each year. This year, for the first time, one of the summer 2002 volunteer project sites will be in Oregon.

A different group of young people will work each week,

starting at the end of June and continuing through the beginning of August.

By the end of the project 300 young people will have paid tuition fees to attend the camp and given up one week of their summer vacation to provide home repairs to seniors and families in need.

The Sierra Service Project was started 27 years ago by several pastors from the United Methodist Church.

Its goal is to introduce young people to community service, while providing housing assistance to families in

need on reservations.

Over the years, the Sierra Service Project has worked on over on 45 different reservations and on nearly 1,500 homes.

The volunteers provide all of their own food, tools and materials.

The repair work they do does not come out of the tribal housing budget.

"This will allow us to do some work and help some people we wouldn't otherwise be able to help," said William Fuentes, Tribal Chief Operating Officer.

While on the reservation, the youth will be living in the Community Wellness Center.

They will sleep and eat there during their stay on the reservation.

About Sierra Service Project, this is a nonprofit corporation affiliated with the United Methodist Church. For more information contact (916)488-6441 or email at info@sierraserviceproject.org.

Local inquiries as to how homes will be selected can be directed to Chet VanPelt or Rudy Clements at the Housing Department, 553-3250.

Senior can also contact Elton Greeley, at the Seniors Program, 553-3313.

Clinic: expansion is first since 1993

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Construction of the new building is a major part of the expansion plan, but there are other aspects as well. For instance:

The dental program, which is in need of more room, would expand into the area that is now the adjacent optometry department.

The optometry department, which is also crowded, would move into new building addition.

The clinic warehouse and storage facility are greatly in need of more space, and this would be addressed by the expansion.

Another part of the plan is to develop a family room next

to the urgent care room. This would eliminate the situation where family members have to wait in the hallway while a loved one is receiving urgent care. Tribal elders will be asked to help design the family room, said Alger.

Some other reasons why the clinic expansion and remodeling are needed:

The medical files containing patient information have multiplied over the years to the point where the records department is running out of room. Managed care and the business office need additional space.

Doctors and others at the clinic share small offices located back by the warehouse

area. The optometry department, because of limited space, is not convenient for people with handicaps.

There are many instances that demonstrate the need for more room, said Alger.

The clinic expansion and remodeling would be the first such project at the clinic since its opening in 1993.

Alger said that his hope is that this will not be the last. Looking five or so years into the future, Alger said that one day he would like to see the development by the clinic of a prevention center, including a large swimming pool, a gymnasium, and other health-related facilities.

Smoke visible from burn areas

Notice to the public: Fire Management will be conducting two burns during the next three weeks. The crews started march 25. Smoke will be observed for several weeks in the burn areas.

They will be burning along Highway 9, on the Island, and on Miller Flat approximately two miles south of County Line Road.

Any questions, please contact Fire Management at 553-1146.