



Navajos agree to coal-power plant extension

PHOENIX (AP) – The Navajo Nation has reached an agreement in extending a lease for a coal-power plant that would give the tribe a substantial boost in annual payments.

The proposed agreement, posted Friday on the tribe's website for public comment, is for a 25-year lease that will expire in 2044 and will increase lease payments from \$3 million a year to \$45 million a year to the tribe.

The original lease allows the owners of the power plant to extend it without the approval of the Navajo Nation, but plant operator Salt River Project said it wanted to gain the tribe's support before taking the lease extension to the U.S. Department of the Interior.

"It's an agreement we think

still makes economic sense for the plant and obviously also benefits the nation going forward," SRP spokesman Scott Harelson said Saturday.

Navajo Nation spokesman Erny Zah said the tribe took advantage of the negotiations as a way to gain more favorable terms. He said the additional money the tribe would receive each year could be invested in finding other energy sources.

"This is probably the best deal we can muster right now," he said.

The Navajo Nation Council has not scheduled a vote on the proposal. However, council committees can start considering the legislation starting Feb. 20.

The Interior Department also will have to sign off on the extension, following an

environmental review that SRP said could take up to five years.

"It's obviously very important. It's very key," Harelson said. "It's one of the many things going on surrounding the plant."

The federal government created the power plant to ensure a low-cost water supply for the Central Arizona Project, which delivers Colorado River water through a series of canals to Arizona's major metropolitan areas. It also fuels the economies of the Navajo and Hopi tribes and fulfills water settlements with other American Indian tribes.

Original lease signed and became effective in fall of 1969. It is set to expire in December 2019.

Meanwhile, a recent pro-

posal from Environmental Protection Agency said the power plant needs to reduce haze-causing nitrogen oxide emissions by 84 percent, or 28,500 tons per year within 10 years. EPA said its proposal will help improve air quality at national parks, like the Grand Canyon, and wilderness areas.

But the plant's owners said upgrades could cost more than \$1 billion and may be economically unfeasible if they cannot first secure the extension of the site lease with the Navajo Nation and other right-of-way agreements. Environmentalists say the coal plant is dirty, want owners to transition off coal. They have praised EPA's proposal on pollution controls, saying it will improve air quality and health.

Oneidas to buy uniforms for former Redskins team

COOPERSTOWN, N.Y. (AP) – The Oneida Indians say they would help buy replacement school sports jerseys if the Cooperstown Redskins change their nickname.

Students of the combined middle and high school in this picturesque village 150 miles north of New York City voted this month on names to replace the Redskins nickname that goes back to the 1920s. The vote was prompted by students who found the nickname offensive to American Indians.

"You have announced a standard that recognizes that mascots which are known to dehumanize and disrespect any race of mankind have no place in our schools, or our great country," Oneida Nation Representative Ray Halbritter wrote to Cooperstown Central School students this week. "We understand that your courageous decision also comes with a financial consequence and, unfortunately, potential backlash from those who somehow claim that ethnic stereotyping is a vic-

timous crime."

Cooperstown is best known as the home of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, but it was also the hometown of James Fenimore Cooper, who wrote "The Last of the Mohicans." The top vote-getters among students for a new nickname include Deerslayers, Hawkeyes and Pathfinders – each name a nod to Cooper's works.

The Oneida Indian Nation, whose current territory is about 50 miles northwest of Cooperstown, would be honored to help buy the district new athletic jerseys, Halbritter said. He added that the tribe also would help set up a fund for other schools that get rid of ethnically insensitive mascots.

The local school board is seeking input from the community before it makes a final decision. District superintendent C.J. Hebert said a name change would cost \$5,000 to \$10,000, and they would take the Oneidas up on their offer.

New Navajo jail faces staffing shortage

TUBA CITY, Ariz. (AP) – The Navajo Nation opened a new jail last week designed to ease a chronic shortage of jail beds that frequently results in people spending little, if any, time behind bars on the country's largest Indian reservation.

The four-story facility in Tuba City nearly triples the

amount of beds available across the reservation, but the public celebration over the expansion didn't specifically mention the fact that tribal officials still don't have the money to fully staff the jail.

The \$58 million jail will open in phases while the tribe largely looks to the federal

government for help, said tribal corrections director Delores Greeyes. She couldn't say how much the tribe needs but noted that funding provided under contract by the BIA isn't enough.

"Navajo has never had the money," she said.

The Navajo Nation has a population of 300,000

people, more than half of whom live on the 27,000 square-mile reservation that stretches across three states. But the tribe has struggled with only 50 jail beds, which results in people rarely spending more than a few hours in jail, even for offenses such as breaking-and-entering and assault.



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Tribal jobs

See Amelia Tewee in the personnel department to submit an application, or call 541-553-3262. View full descriptions and apply online at www.ctws.org.

Day Care Health Coordinator.

Education in Early Childhood certificate or related field. Salary Range DOE. Jon Smith 553-3228. Closes 2/22

Head Start Bus Driver.

Provide safe and supervised transportation for children and families to and from school on fixed route. Nurture and guide children in a manner that fosters positive development. Communicate program information between parents, teaching staff. Physical fit for assisting children off and on the school bus and dealing with emergency situations. Salary Range DOE Kirstin Hisatake 553-3242.

Fire Management (2) Squad Boss/Fuels Full Time.

The Squad Boss is responsible for supervision of five (5) crew members in various work projects; carries out the planned work schedules and makes adjustments in work-load to meet the needs; plans for and picks up supplies and equipment; prepares the items for readiness; and inspects for safe use on all projects. Salary Range \$13.41 Hr. Brad Donahue 553-1146.

Fire Management: Fire Fighter/Fuels (15) Seasonal.

Main duties are using power tools to remove juniper and brush, and will be required to fight fire under stressful conditions with hand and power tools from 8-16 hours. Salary Range \$11.95 Hr. Brad Donahue 553-1146.

Fire Management (IHC) Wildland Fire Fighter (5).

Fights fire under stressful conditions with hand and power tools from 8-16 hours. Must be able to pass medical exam and fitness test. Salary

Range \$11.95 Hr. To \$13.41 Hr. Gary Sampson 553-1146. Closes 3/15.

Community Health Services: Medical Social Worker.

Provides comprehensive clinical social work services to community members, including; crisis intervention, psychosocial support, case management, coordination of care, outreach and education within the community. Salary Range \$40,731. Yr. To \$55,393. Yr. Tammy Wilson 553-2459.

Wildlife, Parks and Enforcement Conservation Enforcement Ranger.

Represent the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon as a commissioned Law Enforcement Officer. Salary Range \$25,000. Yr. To \$35,000. Yr. Doug Calvin Larry Holliday 553-2043553-2040.

Place for KidsBoys & Girls Club Program Coordi-

nator Part time.

Must have a High School Diploma or equivalent. At least one year experience working with diverse youth 5 years of age and older. Ability to organize and implement daily activities for club members. Must like Children. Provide appropriate and positive guidance and supervision for all youth members. Motivate youth and encourage positive interactions. Must have good communication skills with co-workers, parents, community members and community partners. Ability to take direction well and must pass a criminal history and background check. Salary Range \$9.00 Hr. June Smith 553-2323.

Planning Transit Bus Driver.

Transport persons around the Warm Springs community and into Madras on specific routes and on individual transports as arranged by supervisor. Driver must possess a valid Oregon Driver's License/Commercial Driver's

Help wanted: Tree planters

Wanted: Tree planters on the Warm Springs Reservation. Pay starting at \$10 per hour to \$15 per hour, depending on experience.

Work begins the first week of March and could last through June. The company is North Pacific Inc.

Call Eloy or Salvador Perez at 503-763-1964.

License-Class C. A High School Diploma or equivalent is required. Must be physically fit for assisting persons off and on the bus and dealing with emergency situations. Attend and participate in training, workshops, conferences, etc. Must conduct and monitor daily bus maintenance checks and refer maintenance needs. Salary Range DOE. Lonny Macy 553-3509.

Sergeant of Corrections.

High school diploma or equivalent, D.P.S.S.T certified corrections officer, minimum of 3yrs corrections/law en-

forcement experience, must be 21 yrs of age. Salary Range Min-36,082yr Max-42,000yr Lt. Priscilla Whittenburg 553-3272.

Police Officer.

High School Diploma or equivalent. Salary Range \$29,675. Yr. To \$37,689. Yr. Lt. John Webb553-3272.

Comp & Benefits Coordinator.

Entry level accounting skills. Two year office experience. Tribal Member Preference. Salary Range \$22,026. Yr. Lupe Katchia 553-3498.

In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Veronica Redfox/Jose Alvarez, Respondent; Case No. JV51-10. TO: Veronica Redfox/Jose Alvarez:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Review Hearing has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 21st day of March, 2013 @ 9:00 am, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court.

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Hattie Hart/Vernon Sampson, Respondent;

Case No. DO139-10. TO: Hattie Hart/Vernon Sampson/Doris Lewis/Paulette Henry:

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Aurolyn Stywer-Pinkham, Petitioner, vs. Allen Pinkham, Respondent; Case No. RO15-12.

TO: Allen Pinkham:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Restraining order has been filed with the Warm Springs Tribal Court. By this notice you are

summoned to appear in this matter at a hearing scheduled for the 21st day of March, 2013 @ 11:00 am, at the Warm Springs Tribal Court.

Legal Aid offers free service

Legal Aid Services of Oregon provides free assistance to low-income Oregonians in many civil cases. Phone Legal Aid Services of Oregon to schedule an appointment to speak with an attorney on the first Monday of the month (excluding Holidays) at the Warm Springs Community Action Team building, 1136 Paiute Ave., Warm Springs. Call (541) 385-6944 on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday mornings between 10 a.m. and noon, or on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons between 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

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