

# Land Buy-Back Program

## Umatilla Land Buy-Back Program Update:

### Background:

Through a cooperative agreement under the Department of Interior Land Buy Back Program (LBBP), The Board of Trustees Resolutions 12-074 and 13-047 provided guidance of the prioritization of acquisition for 400 out of the +1,300 allotments on the Umatilla Reservation. Mineral rights were, at one time, separated from the surface ownership (land).

The Office of Appraisal Services (OAS) receives reports from DOI, Office of Minerals Evaluation (OEM) to determine any potential market value of mineral rights (basalt, sand, or gravel) in order to determine current, fair market value of Mineral Only allotments.

Priorities areas were categorized by:

- Access to CTUIR's fee property
- Culturally sensitive areas and access to cemeteries
- CTUIR's ownership +50%
- Future development, public utilities or public use
- +20 owners defined as "Highly fractionated"
- +20 non-CTUIR owners
- Willing sellers
- 232 Mineral Only allotments (Mineral rights are below the ground)

In May 2014 the Umatilla Tribal Land Buy Back Program started the implementation of scope of work for conducting the following three (3) components:

- Outreach
- Land Characteristics (Mapping)
- Appraisals

The DOI LBBP will be conducting the 4<sup>th</sup> component managing offer packages/acquisitions

### Appraisal Process:

Umatilla Tribal Land Buy Back Program will be completing the appraisals on the **400 allotments** in three (3) waves. The appraisals will be completed and submitted to Office of Special Trustees Office of Appraisal Services (OAS) for review.

	Wave 1:	Wave 2:	Wave 3:	Total:
# of Allotments:	150 allotments	150 allotments	100 allotments	400 Allotments
Status of Appraisals:	Offers Mailed out 9/11/14	Appraisals to OAS on 9/15/14 * Offers mailed out approx. Nov. 2014	Appraisals due 12/31/14	* allotments targeted may be subject to change
Purchase Offers:	<b>Due &amp; Postmarked by 10/31/14</b>	TBA	TBA	

### Important Tips for Completing Purchase Offer Package:

- Check that your legal name is correctly listed for accuracy
- **DO NOT SIGN** Deed until you are with a Notary Public to witness your signature
- Return Original Deed, Purchasable Interests Inventory Detail AND Purchasable Interests Inventory Summary (keep a copy for your records)

«««» See Complete Instructions in Offer Package «««»

### What happens to my land if I choose to sell?

Selling your land on the Umatilla Indian Reservation will assist CTUIR to develop a stronger land base for Tribal use in: farming, expansion of wildlife or riparian areas, Tribal preservation, access to Tribal fee property, food resources, etc. thereby creating opportunities to make CTUIR lands more productive for the Tribe and the community. Any land interest you sell remains in trust with ownership will be transferred to CTUIR to:

- Reduce highly fractionated ownership on allotments
- Increase CTUIR land ownership
- Increase CTUIR sovereignty and self-determination

Willing sellers will be compensated with a **Fair Market Value** for their land based upon their ownership interest in the allotment

- If you do **not** want sell your fractionated interests of allotment on the Umatilla Indian Reservation you do not need to do anything. You will have **45 days to complete and return notarized paperwork contained in the offer to DOI**. The lack of response will indicate that you are not interested in selling.

The CTUIR Inheritance Code approved Board of Trustees Resolutions 08-028 (4/7/08); Approved by BIA 5/16/08. The CTUIR declares its intend to exercise its rights to prevent the transfer of trust lands within the Umatilla Indian Reservation to a person named in a will who is not an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes. Please reference CTUIR Inheritance Code at: <http://ctuir.org/InheritanceCode.pdf>.

### Indian Education Scholarship Fund: → Toll Free 1-(800) 776-3863

- For each land sale, a percentage of the proceeds (up to \$60 Million) to the Indian Education Scholarship Fund for American Indian and Alaska Native students. Funds do not come from your land sale proceeds. American Indian College Funds will administer. Indian Education Scholarship Holding Fund. Please refer to <http://www.collegefund.org>

### Office of Special Trustee (OST) → Toll Free 1-(888) 678-6836:

- Quarterly Statements of Individual Indian Monies (IIM). The statement will include the quarterly income as well as a list of your Real Property Assets, an inventory report of your holdings.
- If you need assistance on reading the quarterly statement contact the Umatilla Office Of Special Trustee at the Umatilla Bureau of Indian Affairs Agency 541-278-3786 or TBBC

### Trust Beneficiary Call Center (TBBC) → Toll Free 1-(888) 678-6836:

- If you own property on other reservations, you will need to discuss your options for selling those interests by contacting the Trust Beneficiary Call Center or the Tribal Land Department where the land is located.
- Make sure your contact information is up-to-date by calling the TBBC or your local OST office @ 541|278-3786.

### Umatilla Tribal Land Buy-Back Program → Toll Free 1-(855) 359-7434:

- Contact Center : Mon-Thurs 10:00-6:00pm|Sat 10:00-4:00 (PST) **(855) 359-7434**
- Andrea Hall, Umatilla Tribal Land Buy Back Program Coordinator: **(541) 429-7490**
- Leslie LeCornu, Acquisition & Disposal|Conveyance: **(541) 276-3792**

### Wave 1 Offers: Postmarked by October 31, 2014

537	1121	C69	C230-F	UM115	WW91
553	1122	C80	C257	UM122	WW92-A
555	1128	C100	C299	UM124	WW92B
612	1129	C105	C304	UM126	WW96
627	1131	C113-A	C307	<b>UM131</b>	WW124
676	1135	C114-B	C312	UM141	WW128
677-B	1140	C116	C315	UM143	WW131-A
678-A	1152	C133	C330	UM156	WW147
678-B	1264	C134-A	C343	UM161	WW148
<b>679</b>	1269	C139B	C344	UM172	WW151
681	1275	C165	<b>C369</b>	UM202	WW162
730	1287	C166	C371	UM206	WW168
747	1318	C167	C372	UM207	WW168-A
825	1339	C168	C373	WW21-B	WW168-B
866	C3	C169	<b>C396</b>	WW26B	WW173
867	C15	C177	UM8	WW37	WW178
894	C25	C178	UM15-A	WW44C	WW455
984	C41	C179	UM15-C	WW46	WW456
1015	C42	<b>C184</b>	UM19	WW48	WW457
1050	C44	C194	UM23	WW52	WW459
1052	C45	C195	UM29	WW53	WW460-A
1055	C51	C208	<b>UM43</b>	WW56-D	WW472
1057-B	C58	C210	UM72	WW85	WW479
1066	C60	C211	UM81	<b>WW86</b>	WW481
<b>1070</b>	C68-B	C213	<b>UM98</b>	WW89	WW483

**Note:** 9 Allotments denoted above have been removed from consideration. For more information, please contact the Office of Special Trustee at 541|278-3786.

### Important Notice:

The CUJ inadvertently omitted 65 parcels that were listed on Wave 1 totaling 150 allotments. The September edition only listed the first 85. Our apologies for the confusion this may have caused. Thank you for your patience with this matter.

### Wave 2:

«««» Appraisals submitted to OAS for review September 15, 2014 «««»

510	1034	C135	C297	UM53	WW65
535	1041	C139-A	C305	UM60-C	WW66
564	1044	C142-B	C306	UM61	WW68
573	1060	C144	C308	UM62	WW70
575	1091	C145	C322-A	UM76	WW71
626	1123	C147-E	C322-B	UM100-A	WW73
634	1188B	C150-A	C323	UM104	WW111
657-A	1261	C150-B	C325	UM112	WW113
659	1282	C151-A	C328	UM158-A	WW118
661	1285-B	C155-A	C331	UM160	WW120
675	1291	C172	C345-B	UM173	WW133
688	1309	C173	C378-C	UM174	WW142-C
748	1326	C187	C379	UM212-A	WW146
762	1345	C192-A	C392	UM214	WW150
810	1422	C197	C395	WW1	WW160
823	2001	C199	C396-A	WW3-A	WW161
868	2006	C201	C396-C	WW17	WW164
907	2017	C204-C	C405	WW28	WW165
908	2097	C207	C408-A	WW29	WW177
914	C46-A	C230-E	C412	WW44-D	WW179
943-A	C92	C241	UM4	WW50	WW180-C
984A	C101	C242	UM39	WW55	WW458
985	C112	C248-B	UM41	WW56A	WW461
1000	C116-A	C256-A	UM50	WW56-C	WW474
1025	C134	C289	UM51-A	WW64	WW479-B

### «««» NOTICE TO LANDOWNERS «««»

You are being provided with a replacement Land Buy Back Program Purchase Offer Package **for Wave 1** because your original Package contained incorrect maps. Nothing else has changed in the package and the return date remains the same.

If you have already completed and returned your original documents, **you do not need to do anything else. Do not return a second set of documents;** your original documents will be processed.

Please call the Trust Beneficiary Call Center at **1-888-678-6836** if you have any questions.