

Truck stop: study shows great business opportunity



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Truck stop development site at the Madras Industrial Park, formerly used by W.S. Forest Products Industries.

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The Gaming feasibility study shows the truck stop as an obvious business opportunity for the tribes.

About 1,000 people work at the Madras In-

dustrial Park, and many more travel by on Highway 26. The stop would be a destination for long-haul truckers, and other drivers looking for the best gas prices.

The truck stop could be in operation by the summer

of 2016. During the first full year of operation, the revenue projection is close to \$2 million. The following year the net income is over \$2 million.

The Council action on Tuesday also approved an

improvement plan for Kah-Nee-Ta Resort and Spa.

The resort has not seen significant improvement in about 12 years, while the resort industry standard is about half that time.

Sea lions: HB 564 would provide some control

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Sea lion abundance in the lower Columbia River has seen a tenfold increase over the last three years, increasing from about 200 to nearly 2,500 this spring, according to CRITFC research.

Predation in the Bonneville dam tailrace in 2015 was over 8,000 salmon and steelhead, more than double the average from the last several years.

In 2014, state Fish and Wildlife estimated that sea lions below Willamette Falls consumed 8 percent of the

wild, endangered Willamette River spring chinook run, and 13 percent of the wild, endangered steelhead run.

“We know from experience that unchecked sea lion predation can wipe out an entire run of fish, as they did to Lake Washington winter steelhead,” said Warm Springs Councilman Carlos Smith, Chairman of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission.

“We simply can’t allow that to happen in the Columbia Basin,” he said. “This prob-

lem can be addressed, but we need the right tools. Congress can provide some of those tools by passing H.R. 564.”

Fifteen years ago it was extremely rare to see a sea lion at Bonneville Dam or Willamette Falls, said Bruce Polley, vice president of the Coastal Conservation Association Oregon.

“The huge influx of sea lions entering the Columbia and Willamette, and the resulting impacts on our fish populations is an unnatural and unprecedented threat,”

he said. “We appreciate Congressman Schrader’s leadership on H.R. 564, and urge the rest of Oregon’s Congressional Delegation to support this needed legislation.”

H.R. 564 is called the Endangered Salmon and Fisheries Predation Prevention Act of 2015, and had immediate bi-partisan backing when introduced in late January by Reps. Kurt Schrader (D-Ore.) and Jaime Herrera-Beutler (R-Wash.).

It has since garnered support from other representa-

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9. A motion was made by Kahseuss adopting Resolution No. 12,015 authorizing 2014 budget savings for immediate expenditure in the calendar year 2015; Second by Reuben; Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 2/out of the room, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

10. A motion was made by Scott to table Resolution No. 12,016 (transfer between categories of the annual budget for 2014 operation budget); Second by Carlos; Carlos, come back with back up where the money is allocated and what it's for. Kahseuss, Ordinance 67; Joseph/no, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/abstain, Alfred/yes, Raymond/abstain, 5/yes, 1/no, 2/abstain, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

11. A motion was made by Carlos to table the last two resolutions for Tribal Council review; Second by Scott; Question; Chairman: the motion was made to table the resolutions for the process set in place for review; Joseph/no, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/no, Alfred/yes, Raymond/abstain, 5/yes, 2/no, 1/abstain, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

12. The Resolution for the Chemawa Board Appointment is on hold until further discussion is held amongst the Education Committee.

13. A motion was made by Scott (regarding Punch Bowl Falls) to do everything they can in their power to purchase that property to utilize; Second by Reuben. Funding is from BPA. Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 2/out of the room, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

14. The federal legislative update call is rescheduled to next week.

15. State legislative update call was given.

16. motion was

made by Scott adopting Resolution No. 12,017 enrolling three individuals to the Tribes; Second by Reuben; Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 2/out of the room, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

17. A motion was made by Scott adopting Resolution No. 12,018 relinquishing enrollment of a minor child, so she can be enrolled into the Confederated Tribes & Bands of the Yakama Nation with her grandmother; Second by Reuben; Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 2/out of the room, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

18. A motion was made by Scott adopting Resolution No. 12,019 relinquishing enrollment of an individual, to enroll in the Lummi Tribe in Washington State; Second by Reuben; Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 0/abstain, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

19. A motion was made by Carlos adopting Resolution No. 12,020 relinquishing enrollment of an individual, to enroll in the Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho; Second by Scott; Question; Joseph/yes, Carlos/yes, Kahseuss/yes, Scott/yes, Reuben/yes, Delvis/yes, Alfred/out of the room, Raymond/out of the room, 6/yes, 0/no, 0/abstain, Chairman not voting; Motion carried.

20. A motion was made by Scott approving Tribal Council members to attend Willamette site tour where Governor Kate Brown will be in attendance; Second by Carlos; Question; Motion carried with no objections.

21. With no further discussion the meeting adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Public Notices

East Beaver Time Sale

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Branch of Natural Resources-Forestry will be seeking tribal member input on the 2017-2019 East Beaver Timbersale Project.

There will be 2 Public Scoping meetings. The first will be on June 17, 2015, at the Agency Longhouse, from 1-

4 p.m.

The second will be on June 18, 2015, at the Simnasho Longhouse, 4-7 p.m.

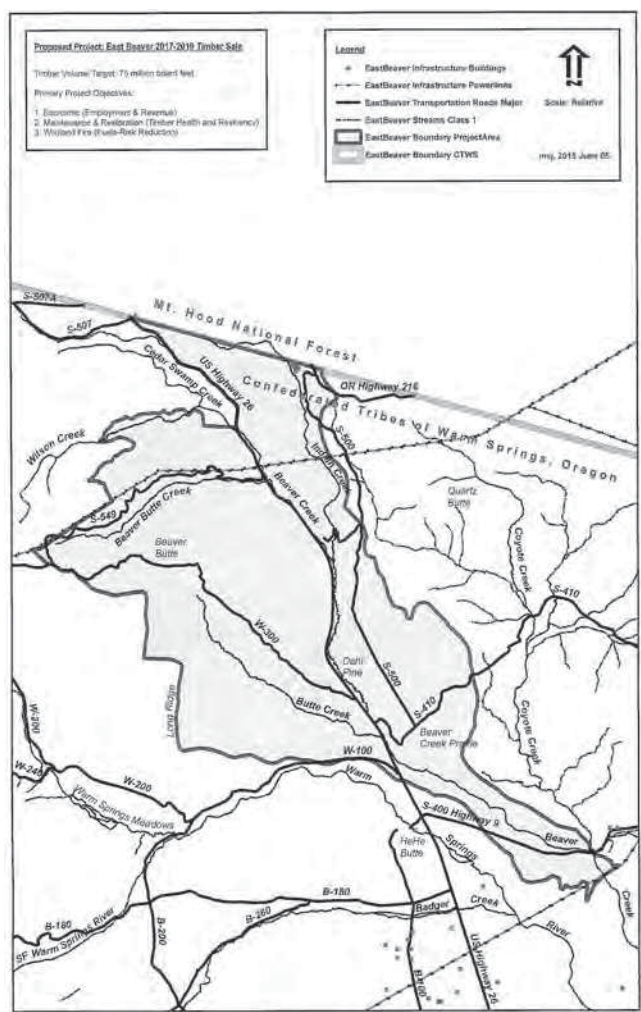
Light meal and beverages will be provided. All tribal members are encouraged to attend, and give input on the project area.

Any questions, please contact Branch of Forestry 541-553-8200.

The FY 2015 Indian Reservation Roads Transportation Improvement Program (IRRTIP) for Warm Springs Indian Reservation, Oregon

The 2015 Indian Reservation Road Transportation Improvement Program for the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs is available for public review and comment at the Warm Springs Planning Department located at 1233 Veterans Street in Warm Springs. Written comments can be mailed to the Planning Department at P.O. Box C, Warm Springs, OR, 97761. The Transportation Planner will be available, in person, at the Planning Department from 2 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, June 16th, to present information, answer questions and take comments on the proposed project list. Comments should be received before close of business on Friday, June 19th, 2015. For more information, call the Planning Office at 541-553-3509.

The Warm Springs Eagle Academy reminds parents that there will be a **kindergarten and first-grade acceleration camp** with a focus on literacy and math, August 17-28. Applications are now available at the Academy, and also at Warm Springs Early Childhood Education Center. The applications are due back before the end of June.



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