

Tribes contracting for water meter study

Tribal Council heard a report from tribal Utilities and Planning on the water meter project.

A current grant is paying for an assessment and recommendation plan for the tribes' domestic water system.

This report will then be used to apply for a larger grant that would fund the actual installation of water meters on all residential and commercial buildings that use the water system.

This project could add several years of use to the current water treatment plant, said Utilities director Don Courtney.

A major upgrade of the treatment plant will cost millions of dollars, so extending its life would mean a significant savings for the tribes, he



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The water meter project would add years to the life of the treatment plant, located on the Deschutes River.

said.

The water meter project will allow Utilities to monitor where the water is going once it leaves the treatment plant.

Some of the water is ap-

parently leaking into the ground from broken pipes, Courtney said.

A study found that the treatment plant produces about 39,500 gallons of wa-

ter per year per residential hook-up. This would be about five times the national average.

The average Warm Springs household is most likely not using this amount of water, so there must be significant leakage in the system, Courtney said.

Making the water system more efficient, and using less water, would extend the life of the treatment plant.

Roy Spino, water-wastewater engineer, said that about 200 residences in the Warm Springs area have water meters. But these are not read on a regular basis, as Utilities does not have the manpower, and the information would be of limited use.

The plan is install meters on all of the approximately

1,400 connections, and possibly implement a rate system.

The meters will show where leaks are in the system, and the rate system would encourage water conservation.

Spino said that over the summer, when the treatment plant was not at full capacity, the tribes encouraged residents to conserve water. The people responded well, giving Utilities the time to fix the treatment plant, Spino said.

Tribal Planner Lonny Macy said the tribes are currently seeking requests for proposals to carry out the water system assessment. Once this is complete, the tribes can use the report to apply for a USDA and other funding to complete the meter project.

Station, advisory board Oct. meeting

KWSO will hold a meeting with its Community Advisory Board on Friday, Oct. 23 from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., at the Media Center

There will be a report and an opportunity for feedback to help identify how to engage the community and provide public service.

Anyone interested in the Community Advisory Board can contact KWSO station manager Sue Matters at 541-553-1968; or email:

sue.matters@wstribes.org

First compliance contract with Warm Springs TERO office

by Mary Sando-Emboolah
W.S. TERO officer

The Warm Springs Tribal Employment Rights Office is moving forward, getting ready for construction work on the reservation.

The Warm Springs TERO office has signed their first compliance agreement on a contract with Walker River Construction, a Native American company located in Schurz, Nev.

Walker River Construction is doing work with the Warm Springs Fish Hatchery, replacing salmon ponds and domestic water systems.

The first compliance fees totaled over \$70,000. These fees support the TERO Office.

The main purpose of the Warm Springs TERO office is to get Native American construction workers hired for local construction projects, on or near the Warm Springs Reservation.

The office works to prevent discrimination, gain preference in contracting and subcontracting for Na-

tive Americans, and to make sure the Indian workforce on the reservation is trained and equipped for employment of their choosing.

Walker River Construction is Native American owned, and is employing Native American workers, satisfying the tribal employment requirement.

The compliance agreement with Walker River Construction is the first of many to come for the Warm Springs TERO office.

The office is gearing up for the 2016 construction season, which will include construction work on and off of the reservation.

The Confederated Tribes are in the process of finalizing an memorandum of understanding with the Oregon Department of Transportation.

Once this agreement is in place, with our TERO region determined, any ODOT road projects that fall within our region will be subject to compliance with TERO requirements.

Non-ODOT construction

work on the reservation is required to comply with TERO requirements. This includes work contracted by tribal enterprises.

Once we are ready to begin referring workers to any construction jobs, we will select workers to be dispatched to contractors using a TERO skills survey.

The Warm Springs TERO office has skills surveys available for those interested in job placement, once jobs are available. The surveys are used to match workers' skills with appropriate job opportunities requested by construction contractors.

The skills surveys will be good for one year, being re-submitted every January to keep all information current.

A sign-in sheet will also be used to track individuals interested in construction jobs on or near the reservation.

Job survey forms, construction department job applications and sign-in sheet are available at the front desk of the Warm Springs Ventures/construction office.

Also in preparation for the

upcoming construction season we have identified local training opportunities available through various tribal programs.

Warm Springs Higher Education will assist those wanting to get vocational training to learn to operate heavy equipment, to drive a truck, and get a CDL license. Higher education will fund vocational school one time.

Higher Education has a July 1 deadline for applications annually. For more information about vocational or higher education through college, contact the Higher Education at 541-553-3311.

IDA

The Warm Springs Community Action Team has the Individual Development Account (IDA) program. They currently have a five-to-one match through grant programs.

If you invest \$25, they will match it with \$125, making it easier to save to attend school, buy equipment and attend training for work placement.

The program can also help you save money to start a business or buy a home. For more information contact the Community Action Team at 541-553-3148.

WIOA

The Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act Program provides assistance to Native Americans who are unemployed, underemployed, in need of retraining due to lay-off, or those who are low income.

WIOA partners with Warm Springs Vocational Rehabilitation for the employment and life skills training academy, covering information to get participants in the workforce.

WIOA offers a variety of job and educational services to clients 17 and older. The program also provides services for youth ages 14-21. For more information, contact the Workforce Innovation Opportunity Act program 553-3324.

Voc Rehab

Warm Springs Vocational

Rehabilitation Program can provide assistance with vocational training, tools, equipment and licenses, referrals to substance abuse treatment centers, job direction and assistance in attaining job skills.

Vocational Rehabilitation has eligibility requirements. The program hosts orientation at 3 p.m. every Monday at their office at the industrial park. They also have orientation on the first Thursday of every month at the Bestcare building in Madras, and on the third Thursday of the month at the NARA outpatient building in Portland. For more information call 541-553-4952.

COIC, COCC, Madras employment services and other support services are available to assist with potential barriers to employment.

As we move closer to the beginning of the construction work season, the Warm Springs TERO office will have some trainings offered, as well as a local jobs fair. For more information stop by the TERO office, or call 541-615-0853.

In the Tribal Court of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

Toni Tail, Petitioner, vs. Julia Haskins, Respondent; Case No. DO98-15. TO: Toni Tail, Julia Haskins, Paulette Boise, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Elder Protection 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 3rd day of December, 2015 @ 10:00 AM

Toni Tail, Petitioner, vs. Charlisse Haskins, Respondent; Case No. DO97-15. TO: Toni Tail, Charlisse Haskins, Paulette Boise, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Elder Protection 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 3rd day of December, 2015 @ 9:30 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Larry A Spino II, Respondent; Case No. DO93-15. TO: Larry A Spino II:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Name Change 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 5th day of November, 2015 @ 11:30 AM

Fred M Wallulatum Jr., Petitioner, vs. Billie J Suppah, Respondent; Case No. DO92-15. TO: Fred M Wallulatum, Billie J Suppah, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Dissolution of Marriage 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 30th day of November, 2015 @ 9:00 AM

Farrell Lucei, Petitioner, vs. Clarence Bryant, Respondent; Case No. DO94-15. TO: Farrell Lucei, Clarence Bryant:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Filiation 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 3rd day of December, 2015 @ 9:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Victoria Medina, Respondent; Case No. DO176,177-06. TO: Toni Tail, Julia Haskins, Paulette Boise, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 4th day of November, 2015 @ 3:00 PM

Michelle Charley, Petitioner, vs. Allen Charley, Respondent; Case No. DO82-15. TO: Michelle Charley, Allen Charley, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Elder Protection 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 October, 2015 @ 11:00 AM

Michelle Charley, Peti-

tioner, vs. Allen Charley, Respondent; Case No. DO83-15. TO: Michelle Charley, Allen Charley, VOCS:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an Elder Protection 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 October, 2015 @ 10:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Juliene Governor, Respondent; Case No. JV73-10. TO: Juliene Governor, Delino Thomas:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Assisted Guardianship 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 25th day of November, 2015 @ 9:00 AM

Harry Hisatake III, Petitioner. TO: Harry Hisatake, Elizabeth Hisatake; Case No. DO79-15:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Conservator Guardian 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 OCTOBER, 2015 @ 10:30 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Dora Valley & Antonio Madrigal, Respondent; Case No. JV112-10. TO: Dora Valley, Antonio Madrigal, CPS and Juvenile Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 18th day of NOVEMBER , 2015 @ 4:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Dora Valley & Ralph Aguilar Jr, Respondent; Case No. JV111-10. TO: Dora Valley, Ralph Aguilar, CPS and Juvenile Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an 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 18th day of NOVEMBER, 2015 @ 3:00 PM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Tera Wallulatum, Waylon Weaselhead, Respondent; Case No. JV121-07. TO: Tera Wallulatum, Waylon Weaselhead, Susan Handsaker, CPS & JV Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 30th day of NOVEMBER , 2015 @ 11:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Sonya Stormbringer, Respondent; Case No. JV118-07. TO: Sonya Stormbringer, Alroy Zacarias Sr., Kevin & Pam Hug, CPS & JV Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 8th day of JANUARY, 2016 @ 9:00 AM

Gwendolyn Smith, Petitioner, vs. Emerson W Smith, Respondent; Case No. RO48-15. TO: Gwendolyn Smith, Emerson W Smith, VOCS:

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 29th day of October, 2015 @ 10:30 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Anotnia Wahsise, Casey Graham, Respondent; Case No. JV58-09. TO: Antonia Wahsise, Casey Graham, CPS, JV Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that an ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP REVIEW 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 6th day of JANUARY , 2016 @ 11:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner vs. Michelle Gonzales, Respondent; Case No. DO56,57-01. TO: Michelle Gonzales, Allard Thomas, Sandi Thomas, CPS & JV Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a ASSISTED GUARDIANSHIP 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 18th day of NOVEMBER , 2015 @

9:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Josiah Washington, Respondent; Case No. DO117-00. TO: Josiah Washington, Erica Munoz, Leo Washington Jr, FP & JV Prosecution:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a Modification 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 16th day of NOVEMBER , 2015 @ 3:00 PM

Tina Spino, Petitioner, vs. Jesse Greene, Respondent; Case No. JV122A-05. TO: Tina Spino & Jesse Greene:

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a SHOW CAUSE 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 18th day of NOVEMBER , 2015 @ 11:00 AM

CTWS, Petitioner, vs. Myrtle Suppah, Theodore Perez, Respondent; Case No. JV49-13, DO88-09. TO: Myrtle Suppah, Theodore Perez, CPS, JV Prosecutor:

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 13th day of NOVEMBER, 2015 @ 10:00 AM