New FAA regulations help UAS program

New regulations by the Federal Aviation Administration are good news for the Confederated Tribes' unmanned aerial systems program.

The FAA released new regulations that change the process by which a person can become a certified commercial drone pilot.

Warm Springs Ventures administers the tribes' UAS program. Ventures summarizes the recent FAA regulation change as follows:

"Instead of having to acquire a traditional pilot's license and getting a special case-by-case permission from regulators, drone operators now need to pass a new certification test and abide by various flying restrictions (and be older than 16)."

This means the process by which a person can become a commercial drone pilot is much simpler and quicker. For instance, to acquire a traditional pilot's license can take years, and can be expensive.

The new regulations allow for a process that may take a matter of several days or weeks, and would be much less expensive.

The Confederated Tribes are developing a UAS training center at Kah-Nee-Ta. The facility will be state-ofthe art, and is scheduled for completion this fall.

The new FAA regulations mean that many more people will be interested in acquiring a commercial drone license, said Aurolyn Stwyer, Ventures business and marketing director.

Growth industry

The following is additional information in a recent report from the Ventures UAS program:

The FAA estimates that 20,000 drones are currently registered for commercial use. The new FAA regulations are expected to produce a 30-fold increase in a matter of months.

The FAA forecasts there could be as many 600,000 unmanned aircraft used commercially during the first year following the recent adoption of the new regulations.

Small unmanned aerial systems are estimated to be a \$127 billion industry in 2020.

Tribal program

Regarding the potential for the reservation and the Confederated Tribes:

The infrastructure is coming together for the Warm Springs training center at Kah-Nee-Ta in time for pilot certification at this FAA approved site.

The Warm Springs training center and the Kah-Nee-

Ta drone park are an expansion of the features for the resort customers. The training center will allow tribal members to take the four-day class and the 3-hour exam for pilot certification.

So far, a number of tribal employees have taken a preliminary course in preparation of the new regulations. They include:

Three employees with Fire Management, one with GeoVisions, three with Fisheries and Habitat Restoration, one with Wildlife biology, and one with Ventures.

The Warm Springs UAS training center will feature new business partnerships with industry experts for power line and other infrastructure inspection, natural resource protection, and wild land fire fighting. There will be internship opportunities with the tribal UAS program as well.

Hands Across the Bridge

Community Counseling will host a Hands Across the Deschutes Bridge and Motorcade this Saturday, Sept. 3. This will be at the bridge by the Eagle Crossing Restaurant. For more information contact Aldo at 541-777-1627. Or Sarah at 541-553-3205. The event is in recognition of September as National Recovery Month.

Hunters meeting Thursday

A public hunters meeting is coming up this Thursday, Sept. 1, at the Warm Springs Fire Management office meeting room. The meeting will begin at 6 p.m.

Seniors to hold can, bottle drive

The Madras High School senior class will hold a bottle and can drive on Saturday, Sept. 10, beginning at 9 a.m. in the Erickson's Thriftway parking lot.

They are raising funds for a graduation trip to Six Flags. You can call 541-550-8278 for pick up.

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Program at the Health &

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Walk-in appointments are

available between 1 and 5

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Warm Springs Community Calendar

Thursday, September 1

On today's fitness schedule: at noon there is Functional Fitness class in the Community Center social hall, Turbo Kick class in the Aerobics room, and volleyball in the Community Center gym.

Guiding Butterflies & Mighty Warriors classes meet today from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Prevention room at Community Counseling. The class is for adults to participate in cultural-based teachings, crafts and activities.

Warm Springs **jurors** will need to check-in at 9:30 this morning at Warm Springs Tribal Court.

There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting today at noon at Community Counseling and a Narcotics Anonymous meeting this evening at 6 at the Shaker p.m. Services include screening, assessment, crisis intervention, referrals to mental health, medical, substance treatment, or other community resources. Children, adolescents and adults are welcome.

Saturday, September 3

There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting this morning at 10 at Community Counseling.

Sunday, September 4 The Warm Springs Food

Bank is located at the Presbyterian Church. They are open today from 11:30-1:30. All food banks and pantries do take donations of nonperishable food or cash

Monday, September 5

Today is Labor Day, and the tribal organization is closed. for intakes is at 1:30. This is the first step for anyone wanting to begin counseling services. There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting at 7 p.m.

There is a **Childbirth Education Refresher** class, to review current information on labor and delivery, is today at the Family Resource Center. This class is for mothers with babies due by the end of November. To register, contact Janet or Arlena at 553-2460. This class is not for first time parents. Ask about the next six-week Childbirth Education classes which are best for new parents.

Fitness Opportunities today include: Water Aerobics at 9:15 at the Kah-Nee-ta Village Pool. At 10 there is Senior Fitness Class at the Senior Center. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Funcin the Prevention room at Community Counseling. The class is for adults to participate in cultural-based teachings, crafts and activities. Warm Springs **jurors** will

need to check-in at 9:30 this morning at Warm Springs Tribal Court.

There is an **Alcoholics Anonymous** meeting today at noon at Community Counseling, and a **Narcotics Anonymous** meeting this evening at 6 at the Shaker Church.

The Warm Springs Outdoor Market is every Friday from 10am to 2pm next to the Re-Use It Thrift Store by Warm Springs Market. Contact the Warm Springs Community Action Team to find out about setting up as a vendor.

Friday, September 9

Fitness Opportunities today include: Senior Fitness class at the Senior Center at 10:45. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Functional Fitness class in the Aerobics room. And at the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates Yoga class is at noon.

The Warm Springs Outdoor Market is today from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. next to the Re-Use It Thrift Store by Warm Springs Market.

The Community Counseling Center will have a **walkin group for intakes** today at 1:30. It is open to anyone needing to start counseling services.

The Community Health

Madras Campus UPCOMING for the month ahead

Church.

There is a **Financial Skills for Families** class today from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Warm Springs Community Action Team office.

The Warm Springs **Back to School Barbecue** and backpack/school supply giveaway is on Thursday, September 1st from 4-6pm at the Warm Springs K-8 Academy.

Friday, September 2

Fitness Opportunities today include: Senior Fitness class at the Senior Center at 10:45. At noon there is basketball in the Community Center gym, and Functional Fitness class in the Aerobics room. And at the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates Yoga Class is at noon.

The Recreation Program is having its **Back to School Yard Sale** today in front of the community center. Set up begins at 8 a.m., and the sale is from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tables are limited, you should call 541-553-3243 to reserve a table.

The Warm Springs Outdoor Market is every Friday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. next to the Re-Use It Thrift Store by Warm Springs Market. Contact the Warm Springs Community Action Team to find out about setting up as a vendor.

The Community Counseling Center will have a **walk-in group for intakes** today at 1:30. It is open to anyone needing to start counseling services.

The Community Health Program at the Health & Wellness Center has a **Behavior Health Clinic** today, walk-in appointments are available between 1 and 5

Tuesday, Septembre 6

On today's **fitness sched-ule:** At noon there is Functional Fitness class in the Community Center social hall, Turbo Kick class in the Aerobics room, and volleyball in the Community Center gym.

Today at Community Counseling: There is an Alcoholics Anonymous meeting at noon. Adult Alcohol Education class is at 1:15 and the Veterans group meets from 1:30-2:30.

The Jefferson County Food Bank is located at 556 SE Seventh Street. They are open for distribution this afternoon. All food banks and pantries do take donations of non-perishable food or cash.

The Warm Springs **Vocational Rehabilitation program** has orientation today at 3 p.m. at Community Counseling. You can reach them at 541-553-4952.

Powwow, hoop dance and drum practice for beginners and anyone who would like to practice is today from 5:30 to 7 at the Community Center aerobics room.

AGLOW weekly **Bible study** is this evening from 6-7:30 at High Lookee Lodge. It is open to all and a light snack is provided.

A **Pathways Home class** is this evening from 5:30-7:30 at the Tribal Credit Building.

Wednesday, September 7

Little Miss Warm Springs meetings are held Wednesdays from 6-7:30 at the Community Center. All interested girls and parents are welcome.

Today at Community Counseling: A walk-in group tional Fitness in the Aerobics room. And at the Health & Wellness Center, Pilates Yoga Class is at noon.

Today is the **first day of school** for most students in the 509-J district. Older students at the high school and academy start on Thursday.

Thursday, September 8

On today's **fitness sched-ule:** at noon there is Functional Fitness class in the Community Center social hall, Turbo Kick class in the Aerobics room, and volleyball in the Community Center gym.

Guiding Butterflies & Mighty Warriors classes meet today from 1 to 3 p.m.

Have you been thinking of going to college?

Are you interested in taking classes at COCC?

Attend the next Getting Started Session on **September 6 at 2 p.m**.

For more information, visit **cocc.edu/getting-started**

For More Information 541.550.4100 cocc.edu/madras



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