

## Council approves 2016 reservation hunting regs

As recommended by the Branch of Natural Resources and tribal Fish and Wildlife, Tribal Council last week approved the 2016 on-reservation hunting regulations. Here are the regulation provisions:

Due to fire activity during 2016 fire season, the Rattle Snake Fire areas of Webster flats and the Hot Springs Fire areas Kah-Nee-Ta hot springs and Warm Springs Fish Hatchery areas affected by wildfires will be closed to hunting. See Natural Resources for a map showing the closed areas.

If found hunting in closed areas, tribal members will be in violation of Tribal hunting and trapping code 350.210 subsection 18.

### Deer season

October 1–October 23.

**Legal weapons:** Centerfire rifles, .22 Caliber or larger, Rimfire rifles prohibited. Archery, 40-pound or greater draw recurve, long or compound bow. Muzzleloader, .40 caliber or larger, open or peep sights and open ignition. Shotgun, #1 buck or larger and slugs only. Tribal Code Ch. 350.210 subsection 2.

**Bag Limit:** One buck deer having not less than a forked antler, per family.

**Designated hunting:** A hunter may not possess a designated hunter tag until he/she fills his/her deer tag. A designated hunting tag will not be issued until the designated hunter returns their 2015 and 2016 season family tag hunt results to Natural Resources.

Only one designated hunting tag will be allowed per hunter. Designated hunting tags will be issued for elders and disabled persons. Follow up with elders or disabled will be conducted to confirm they received their meat. That individual must acquire the tag either in person or provide a written request for the tag to be issued to the designated hunter.

**Other recommendations:** Mandatory reporting is required for all tribal hunters. Failure to report results may lead to loss of hunting privileges for the next hunting seasons. Your participation is greatly appreciated.

### Elk season

November 1– November 20.

**Legal weapons:** Centerfire rifle, .24 caliber or larger. Archery, 50-pound or greater draw recurve, long or compound bow. Muzzleloader, .50 caliber or larger, open or peep sights and open ignition. Shotgun, slugs only. Tribal Code Ch. 350.210 subsection 2

**Bag limit:** One antlered elk per family.

**Designated hunting:** A hunter may not possess a designated hunter tag until he/she fills his/her antlered elk tag. A designated hunting tag will not be issued until the designated hunter returns their 2015 and 2016 season family tag hunt results to Natural Resources.

Only one designated hunting tag will be allowed per hunter. Designated hunting tags will be issued for elders and disabled persons. Follow up with elders/disabled will

be conducted to confirm they received their meat. That individual must acquire the tag either in person or provide a written request for the tag to be issued to the designated hunter.

**Other recommendations:** Mandatory reporting of hunter harvest. Failure to report may result in loss of hunting privileges for the next hunting season. No reservation elk tag given to members if deer results not returned! Your participation is greatly appreciated.

### Bear season

Fall: October 1 – November 20. Spring: April 1, 2017–May 31, 2017.

**Legal weapons:** Centerfire rifles, .22 Caliber or larger. Rimfire rifles prohibited.

Archery, 40-pound or greater draw recurve, long or compound bow. Muzzleloader, .40 caliber or larger, open or peep sights, and open ignition. Shotgun, #1 buck or larger and slugs only. Tribal Code Ch. 350.210 subsection 2

**Bag limit:** One bear per month per family, except cubs and sows with cubs are protected.

### Cougar season

Open season year around: January 1–December 31, 2016-2017.

**Legal weapons:** Rifle, muzzleloader and archery. Hunting cougars with dogs is permitted for tribal members only (Exception: For the assistance of Natural Resource staff dealing with problem lions or conducting research).

**Bag limit:** One cougar per month per family. It is unlawful to take spotted kittens or female cougars with spotted kittens.

**Other recommendations:** Cougars may be taken year round and hunted with dogs for human health and safety concerns, depredating livestock, pets or damage complaints. Any tribal member taking a cougar under such circumstances must notify the Natural Resources Department and provide the carcass for inspection and biological sampling within 48 hours of taking the animal.

### Bighorn sheep season

October 15 – November 13.

**Legal weapons:** Centerfire rifle, .24 caliber or larger. Archery, 50-pound or greater draw recurve, long or compound bow. Muzzleloader, .50 caliber or larger, open or peep sights and open ignition. Shotgun, slugs only. Tribal Code Ch. 350.210 subsection 2

**Bag limit:** One bighorn sheep ram. One tag will be issued to one tribal member through lottery draw.

Any prior successfully drawn bighorn sheep recipients from previous hunts are not eligible to apply for this hunt. The successful hunter must attend an orientation at the Wildlife BNR office before the hunt and present any harvested sheep within 72 hours for genetic sampling, pinning, aging and inspection.

**Other recommendations:** Mandatory reporting of hunter harvest. Failure to report results in loss of hunting privileges for the next hunting season.

## Basketball at Youth Center

There is a basketball camp going on at the Youth Center for youth ages 6-17. All skill levels are welcome.

The camp is on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5:30-7 p.m. at the youth center, and will run through late October.

Some of the highlights:

Children will participate in 1.5 hours of basketball skill building, and work towards participating in team organized sports.

Youth will focus on skill development in the areas of agility, vertical leap, footwork training, and constant enforcement of the fundamentals of basketball.

Every participant will walk away from the clinic not only filled with enhanced techniques, drills and knowledge, but will also leave with a newfound passion for the game of basketball.

For more information contact Daryle at 541-777-2770.

## Recreation hosting fall run

The Warm Springs Recreation Department will host the Kah-Nee-Ta Fall Run on Saturday, October 15. There will be a 10k and a 2-mile run/walk, beginning at 9 a.m.

You can sign up now at the Community Center. Or call 541-553-3243.

## Good funding news for Heart of Oregon YouthBuild

The Heart of Oregon Corps education program received good news recently:

Heart of Oregon heard from the Department of Labor that the YouthBuild program has received funding to continue through 2019.

Heart of Oregon YouthBuild is a program in partnership with the Jefferson County and other school districts, helping students ages 16-24.

The program helps the students to earn diplomas or GEDs, and in finding jobs and careers, or in going on to college. The youth who participate are also compensated as they earn the school credits and gain job skills.

Several young people from Warm Springs are involved in Heart of Oregon YouthBuild. One of the students, Rodger Jack of Simnasho, won the 2016 YouthBuild Americorps Outstanding Member Spirit of Service Award.

YouthBuild focuses on building houses for Habitat for Humanity. A goal of the program is to expand the work on the reservation.



YouthBuild crew cleans up Elmer Quinn Park earlier this month.

A recent event was the YouthBuild clean-up at Elmer Quinn Park. Education liaison Butch David also works with a

Heart of Oregon Corps summer youth crew.

Laura Handy, Heart of Oregon executive director, and Kara

Johnson, YouthBuild director, announced last week that the Department of Labor had awarded the program funding for the rest

of this year through 2019. In that time, the program will serve 73 youth ages 16-24 from communities in Warm Springs, Madras, Prineville, Redmond and Sisters.

The Central Oregon Heart of Oregon Corps was one of 77 YouthBuild programs funded this budget cycle. The grant is for \$1.1 million.

This is for two years of active funding and one year of support; or about one-third of the overall YouthBuild funding.

This is Heart of Oregon Corps' fourth Department of Labor YouthBuild grant since 2009.

The grant award period begins October 17. At that time the new Heart of Oregon Corps group of young people will start their Mental Toughness orientation.

The YouthBuild and other Heart of Oregon programs are 12-month programs. But the support, including help in finding employment, goes beyond.

You can learn more about YouthBuild and other Heart of Oregon Corps programs at the website: [heartoforegon.org](http://heartoforegon.org). Or call 51-526-1380.

## Resolutions of Tribal Council

### Off rez hunting

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has reviewed the attached limits, seasons and other regulations as recommended by the Branch of Natural Resources and the Fish and Wildlife Committee, and

**Whereas** Tribal Council Adopted Resolution 12,216, on August 30, 2016 The 2016 Off-Reservation Hunting Regulations, and

**Therefore be it resolved,** those hunting regulations are hereby

amended as following:

Sections: Deer, Antelope, Bear and Cougar Seasons,

Subsections: Legal weapons, of Resolution 12,216 will be changed to: Legal Weapons: Centerfire Rifle (.22 caliber or larger)

This amendment and change to the 2016 off-reservation subsistence hunting season will take effect immediately with the current off-reservation subsistence seasons. This legal weapon hunting standard is changed to reflect what is authorized within the state of Oregon

and commonly used calibers used by hunters for game species deer, antelope, bear and cougar.

**Be it further resolved** by the Twenty-seventh (27th) Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon pursuant to article V, section 1 (i) and (l) of the Tribal Constitution and the Hunting and Trapping Code Chapter 350.210, that the "2016 CTWS Ceded Lands Hunting Regulations" are amended as recommendation from the Natural Resources Branch and the Fish

and Wildlife Committee. *Resolution no. 12,222.*

### On rez hunting

**Whereas** the Tribal Hunting and Trapping Code Chapter 350 requires the Tribal Council to review the status of wildlife populations annually and set seasons and bag limits; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has reviewed the attached limits, seasons and other regulations as recommended by the Natural Resources Branch and the Fish and Wildlife

Committee; now, therefore

**Be it resolved** by the Twenty-seventh Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon pursuant to article V, section 1 (i) and (l) of the Tribal Constitution and the Hunting and Trapping Code 350.210, that the "2016 Reservation Hunting Season Regulations" are adopted as provided in the attached recommendation from the Natural Resources Branch and the Fish and Wildlife Committee. *Resolution no. 12,223.*