

New FCC license for digital expansion

The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs is among the first tribes in the nation to receive a new kind of spectrum license from the Federal Communications Commission.

The tribes received one of the FCC's new 'Rural Tribal Priority Window' spectrum licenses. These are designed to close the "digital divide" between rural and urban areas; and to provide broadband and other advanced wireless services, including

5G to tribes.

Warm Springs was one of five Oregon tribes to receive a license. The others are the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians.

In all, across Indian Country the FCC granted 154 license applications, out of more than 400 applica-

tions.

The FCC Wireless Telecommunications Bureau granted the applications for use of the 2.5 GHz band.

By prioritizing tribal access to this mid-band spectrum, the FCC is ensuring that tribes can quickly access spectrum to connect schools, homes, hospitals, and businesses, said FCC Chairman Ajit Pai. "This is a major step forward in the effort to close the digital divide," Mr. Pai said.

Survey asks about smoking at casino

There are close to 1,000 casinos in the U.S. that are 100-percent smoke-free. Of the total, 789 have been smoke-free for some time now. Another 175 casinos—including tribal casinos such as Indian Head—re-opened this year smoke-free as a result of Covid-19.

Even with extensive ventilation measures—as has always been the case at Indian Head Casino—indoor smoking exposes people to the hazards of second-hand smoke, and spreads respiratory droplets. The respiratory droplets are a means of spreading the virus.

Indian Head Casino re-opened in August following many adjustments, and new procedures to protect guests and staff. One of the changes was implementation of no-smoking on the casino property.

The casino is now weighing whether the smoke-free policy should become permanent. To make the determination, Warm Springs Prevention has worked with Indian Head to conduct a customer survey in regard to the potential new smoking policy.

The first question of the survey is: Would you like to see Indian Head Casino remain smoke-free indoors? Of the 139 responses, 85.6 percent answered yes. Ten percent said No, while 3 percent answered 'I don't care.'

One person suggested designated smoking areas; while another answered, 'Yes! There have been pregnant tribal employees working there.'

The second question: Would you get up and move to a different machine if someone was smoking next to you? Of the 137 responses, close to 80 percent—109 people—said yes; and 15 percent said No.

The third question: Would you let someone know that you didn't want them to smoke next to you while you were gambling? Most people—61.6 percent or 85 individuals—said No. Fifty-three people—38.4 percent—said they would let the person know.

Another question: Would you go to Indian Head Casino more if it continues to be smoke-free indoors?

A large percentage—83.2 percent—said they would go

more if it were smoke-free indoors. Seventeen people—12.4 percent—said they would not go more often.

Another question: Do you think you could get cancer from secondhand smoke? Nearly everyone—92 percent—said Yes; and 8 percent said No.

And this question: Do you think you could get cancer by chewing, smoking or vaping? Again, almost everyone—96.4 percent—said Yes.

Regarding the question, 'Does someone in your household chew, vape or smoke? Ninety-six people—69.6 percent—said No.

Another question: 'Do you wish you could stop being dependent on nicotine?' Most people—78.3 percent—responded 'I don't use nicotine.'

And finally: Do you know where you can get help to quit smoking? Seventy-four percent said Yes; and 14.5 percent said No.

At the present time there are no tribal casinos in Oregon that are smoke-free, according to a survey by the American Non-Smokers Rights Foundation.



The COCC First Nations Student Union welcomes you to join in three engaging cultural events as they celebrate Native American Heritage Month this November.



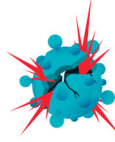
Keeping Customs Thriving

Wednesday, Nov. 4
6 to 7:30 p.m.

With Jefferson Greene

Jefferson Greene, of the Columbia River Institute for Indigenous Development Foundation, will share his presentation: *Keeping Customs Thriving*. Jefferson, who is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, was both culturally and academically educated. His vision is to keep his culture thriving through language, cultural harvesting, song, dance, and story. Please join us for Jefferson's live, virtual presentation.

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Responding to a Pandemic

Thursday, Nov. 12
5 to 6:30 p.m.

With Emily Washines & Chuck Sams

Emily Washines, Yakama Nation with Cree and Skokmish heritage, and Chuck Sams, Cayuse, Walla Walla, Cocopah, and Yankton Sioux, will share their presentation: *Responding to a Pandemic: An Indigenous Perspective*. Indigenous communities in our region have been hit disproportionately hard by the COVID-19 pandemic. Hear first-hand stories of the different ways in which tribes have responded as well as individuals and their resiliency. Please join us for Emily and Chuck's live, virtual presentation.

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Making Native Fry Bread

Wednesday, Nov. 18
6 to 7:30 p.m.

With Joie Simtustus-Chavez

Joie Simtustus-Chavez is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs. Joie will be leading us through a demonstration on how to *Make Native Fry Bread*. Joie learned how to make this traditional food from her grandmother and mother. This was her family's "recipe" handed down in the traditional oral way. Please have the following ingredients available: flour, salt, baking powder, and warm water. This will be a live, virtual presentation with pre-recorded video.

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Warm Springs Prevention Virtual Drum Making Event

You will need to pick up your kit in order to follow along during the virtual event.



Pick-up Date: November 5, 2020
Pick-up Time: 12:00 pm - 6:00 pm or distributed until all gone
Pick-up location: 1112 Wasco Street (Old school building next to the playground)

When your drum is completed please take a picture of it and send it to Joni.Wallulatum@wstribes.org

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Warm Springs Community Health Drive Up Flu Clinic—this Wednesday and Thursday, November 4-5 — 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. —Agency Longhouse parking lot.

November

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Ichishkiin snwit (Sahaptin Language)

Ichalxchaq Akłmin
REFERS TO FROST MONTH
Kikshat awawat (Wasco Language)

Nau muha
Numu (Paiute)

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