

# Resolutions of Tribal Council

## Water systems

**Whereas** the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon is a federally-recognized tribe with responsibilities to its members, lands and resources; and

**Whereas** the tribe wishes to enter into three contracts to assist in the funding of a series of Warm Springs water and wastewater system upgrades:

1. Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIN) grant contract no. C2020651 with the state of Oregon acting by and through its Oregon Business Development Department for Water System Improvements (exhibit A to this resolution);

2. Grant agreement number C2020522 with the state of Oregon acting by and through its Oregon Business Development Department for Emergency Board Allocation for Water System Improvements—Water Infrastructure Improvements for the Nation Act (WIN), Small and Disadvantaged Communities Drinking Water Program match (exhibit B to this resolution); and

3. Grant agreement number C2020650 with the state of Oregon acting by and through its Oregon Business Development Department for Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Water and Wastewater System Improvements (exhibit C to this resolution); and

**Whereas** the grant contracts—exhibits A, B and C—contain limited waivers of tribal sovereign immunity; and

**Whereas** the purpose of the limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity is so that the grant contracts would be judicially enforceable in a court of proper jurisdiction; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has been advised by the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO that the limited waiver of tribal sovereign immunity is necessary in order to complete the grant contracts; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council believes that the grant contracts are in the best interests of the tribes and its members; now therefore,

**Be it resolved** by the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article V, Section 1(f), (l) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution and by-laws, and pursuant to Warm Springs Tribal Code section 30,004(l) that the Tribal Council hereby approves the grant contracts—exhibits A, B and C to this resolution—including the limited waivers of tribal

sovereign immunity set out in the grant contracts; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Tribal Council hereby authorizes the Tribal Chair, Vice Chair, or Secretary-Treasurer/CEO to sign and execute the grant contracts on behalf of the tribe, and authorizes these authorized representatives or their designate to take or cause to be taken all acts, including but not limited to execution of all certificates on behalf of the tribe to perform and carry out the grant contracts. (*Resolution 12,757 - December 18, 2020*)

## Health services

**Whereas** the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon operate programs pursuant to the Indian Self-Determination Agreement with the Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Indian Health Service; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has historically augmented a number of programs that could or would be authorized under the agreements, through the use of tribal revenues due to the lack of adequate funding available under the agreements; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council recognizes that tribal revenues are inadequate to finance programs and services at the level identified within the 2020 year budget, and for the year 2021 at current budget level; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council desires that those programs and services that may be continued through 2021 by making planned allocation of Health Services Fund collections ('third party billing'); now therefore,

**Be it resolved** by the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council, pursuant to Article V, Sections (l), (a), (d), (l) and (u) of the Tribal Constitution and by-laws, that the Secretary-Treasurer/CEO is hereby authorized and directed to take such actions as are necessary to provide for the allocation of Health Services Fund collections (third party billings) for the calendar year 2021 as indicated in the exhibit A to this resolution; and to program such savings as are expected at the end of calendar year 2020 for the one-year budget plan for the year 2021. (*Resolution no. 12,756 - December 18, 2020*)

## Seniors Fund

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has established the Warm Springs Senior Distribution Fund for the purpose of providing payments to tribal members who have attained the age of 60; and

**Whereas** it is the stated policy of the Tribal Council that the fund be managed with the objective of being self-sustaining; however, has failed to do so in previous years due to distribution being in excess of earnings; and

**Whereas** the Tribal Council has reviewed the Senior Distribution Fund and the estimated amounts needed to provide for distribution payments in the future; and

**Whereas** the recommended benefit payments for calendar year 2021 be \$300 per month to all seniors reaching the age of 60; and

**Whereas** the approximate amount of \$2,052,000 is recommended for expenditure for the purpose of providing such pension payments to approximately 570 tribal members for calendar year 2021; and

**Whereas** the recommended approximate expenditure of \$2,052,000 from the fund is not consistent with the long-term objectives of the fund and is projected to be fully expended during 2021 if new revenue is not generated to sustain the program; now therefore,

**Be it resolved** by the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article V, Section 1(f) of the Tribal Constitution and By-laws as amended, that an amount not to exceed \$2,052,000 is hereby authorized for expenditure from the Senior Distribution Fund for Calendar Year 2021. (*Resolution no. 12,750 - December 11, 2020*)

## Forestry

**Whereas** the Forest Management Deduction Funds from timber sales available for intensive forest management activities is estimated at \$559,058 for the calendar year beginning January 1, 2021 and ending December 31, 2021; and

**Whereas** the Branch of Natural Resources has presented a budget for the Warm Springs Intensive Forest Management Program for the period stated above; and

**Whereas** the Forest Management Deduction Funds contains carry-over dollars each year, and these dollars are reprogrammed in the next calendar year's Forest Management Deduction Budget, and for 2021 the carry-over amount is estimated to be \$330,000; and

**Whereas** the Forest Management Deductions Funds available for intensive forest management activities in 2021 consists of the estimated Forest Management

## Snowpack close to normal

Snowpack levels in Oregon are close to normal, though may not be enough to stave off drought. A recent report says winter has brought plenty of snow to Oregon's mountain ranges.

However, early-season gains in snowpack likely won't make

up for a very dry year in many parts of the state. More than two-thirds of Oregon is experiencing severe drought or worse heading into 2021.

The Natural Resources Conservation Service will publish its first water supply report of the year on January 1.

## Opportunity for W.S. youth

Heart of Oregon Corps is now accepting applications for winter 2021. AmeriCorps begins in February.

Heart of Oregon AmeriCorps is a three-month program designed to engage young adults ages 17-24. Members learn leadership and conservation skills through natural resources projects in Central Or-

egon. Members must be able to commit to five days a week.

Deadline to apply is February 1. Youth from Warm Springs are welcome and encouraged to apply, as many young people have done successfully in the past. For information call 5431-633-7834. For YouthBuild questions call 541-526-1380. And see heartoforegon.org

## Fatal wreck in Jan. closed highway for hours on reservation

A long stretch of Highway 26 on the reservation was closed for more than five hours, following a fatal motor vehicle accident.

Thirty miles of the highway were closed for five and a half hours, as traffic was redirected to highways 216 and 197/97. The accident happened at milepost 77.

Tribal emergency responders and Oregon State Police were on the scene. The investigation found that a 33-year-old Lake Stevens,

Washington man was killed: Ryan Ranson was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Two other vehicles were involved. The nine people in the other vehicles were not injured.

According to the investigation, Mr. Ranson was heading east when he sideswiped an oncoming SUV driven by a Beaverton man, then collided with an oncoming pickup driven by another Washington state man.

Deductions of \$229,058, plus the estimated \$330,00 carry-over dollars for an estimated total of \$559,058; for the 2021 Forest Management Deduction Funds available; now therefore,

**Be it resolved** by the Twenty-Eighth Tribal Council of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, pursuant to Article V, Section 1(d) of the Tribal Constitution and by-laws as amended, that the amount of \$559,058 is approved for funding of the Warm Springs Intensive Forest Management Program, as shown on exhibit A to this resolution; and

**Be it further resolved** that

such funds shall be reimbursed from timber sales no later than quarterly to the Confederated Tribes from Forest Management Deduction account; and

**Be it further resolved** that expenditures for intensive forest management activities pursuant to the exhibit shall:

Be consistent with the tribes' Intensive Forest Management Fund Policy; and

Be in compliance with Public Law 1C1-630, the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act; and Not exceed 7 percent of gross timber sale income or revenue. (*Resolution no. 12,751 - December 11, 2020*)




All Classes  
FREE & Virtual


## Jefferson County Community Learning Center Enrichment Classes Session 2- Beginning January 11th

Register by Calling  
(541) 475-0388 or  
<https://bit.ly/3iAmyVc>





**Darek Staab**  
Upper Deschutes Home Rivers  
Initiative Project Manager



**Jenna Keeton**  
Middle Deschutes Watershed Council  
Coordinator

### STREAM Connections

Darek Staab (Trout Unlimited) and Jenna Keeton (Middle Deschutes Watershed) will be collaborating on Watershed Education classes for 3rd-5th graders.

**Tuesdays 4-5pm**



**Kristina McElroy**  
Mental Health Specialist

### Wellness Workshop


Ms. Kristina will be offering Workshop will introduce students to new skills that enhance their personal, academic, and social well-being.

**Monday- Thursday (Date/Time depending on Age Group)**

### Caldera Arts

Kevin Ball will be offering Caldera's Art and Mentorship program to middle schoolers.

**Thursdays 4:30-5:30pm**





**Kevin Ball**  
Central Oregon Middle School Mentor

### ESPORTS


Mr. Gallagher is offering Esports to practice computer science skills and sportsmanship for middle schoolers.

**Mondays & Tuesday 4:00-6:00pm**





**Karen Gentry**  
Education and Volunteer Program  
Director



**Becky Yaeger**  
Conservation Education Specialist

### Discover Your Forest

Students in 3rd-5th grade will take a deep dive into the animal kingdom.

**Thursdays 4-5pm**



### Imagination Station

K-2 students participate in LIVE exercises and games, designed to inspire and cultivate an active imagination!

**Wednesdays 4-5pm**

### Online English Class

We will be providing Adult English Classes as Second Language for all our 509J families and community.

Register here: <https://bit.ly/2Ksk4Md>

### Barre Above

Barre Above fuses the best of pilates, yoga, aerobics, and strength training. Classes include modifications for any fitness level!

Register here: <https://bit.ly/2Ksk4Md>

### Cooking Dreams

A beginning cooking course designed for kids!

Meal kit provided.  
**Must sign up 1 week before meal kit pick up.**

<https://bit.ly/216zyVn>

### SMART Reading

Book distribution (2 books a month) and Virtual Read Alouds to students in K-1.

