

Featured on OHA billboard campaign

Scott Kalama is featured on the Oregon Health Authority full-sized billboard campaign promoting the safety measure of wearing a mask. Because of its prominent display, "My first thought when I saw the billboard in Madras was 'Oh, Man!'" Scott says. The billboards can also be seen in Klamath Falls, Eugene, Portland, and at the Oregon Coast.

Scott is the underage drinking prevention coordinator for Warm Springs Health and Human Services. The Oregon Health Authority earlier this year advertised for people to apply to be featured in the billboard campaign.

Scott applied and won the competition. "I encourage people to apply for these kinds of things," Scott says, "because they do choose people from Warm Springs and Central Oregon."

He adds, "I decided to apply because I felt like it would be a good opportunity for me to gain more experience, and help with the Masks Save Lives campaign. And it was a fun opportunity."

Scott worked with Weeble Mountain Casting on the project. You can see their webpage at weeblemountain.com

"If you're interested in acting or modeling, I encourage you to apply at this talent agency for upcoming opportunities," Scott says.



Scott Kalama, the tribes' Prevention underage age drinking coordinator, featured on the highway billboard in Madras.

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Tribal youth work program accepting applications

The 2021 Student After-School Work program is now open. This is a chance for young people to gain work experience, and earn high school credits. Some of the terms

of the program: The student must have a recommendation from a high school counselor, have good attendance, and be on track to graduate. The

program is open to youth ages 14 to 21. College students, between ages 18 and 24, may apply.

Work placement will be determined based on the student's future and current career goals. Work sites are on the reservation, or in Jefferson, Deschutes, Crook or Wasco counties.

Apply online at the Confederated Tribes job portal. Call WEDD to complete the intake.

Other terms: Provide tribal identification, Social Security card, proof of residency; and a letter that the youth is available and allowed to work. All students need a resume. Males of age must be registered with Selective Service.

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On the Tribal Council agenda for March

The following are items coming up on the Tribal Council agenda for the rest of March, subject to change at Council discretion:

Wednesday, March 10

9 a.m.: Finance position discussion with Alfred Estimo, department director.

10: Self-governance Finance discussion with Robert Brunoe, Vernon Wolf and Alfred Estimo.

11: Cares Act Funding discussion with Michele Stacona, Secretary-Treasurer; and Alfred Estimo.

1:30 p.m.: Memorandum of understanding with St. Charles Medical and Warm Springs Behavioral Health with Laura Dawkins and Caroline Cruz.

2:30: Master's research project discussion with Casandra Moses.

Monday, March 15

9 a.m.: Deschutes Basin habitat conservation and North Unit Irrigation District discussion with Robert Brunoe and Josh Newton.

1:30 p.m.: Treaty Rights emerging issues with John Ogan.

3:30: Karnopp attorneys contract discussion with Ellen Grover and Josh Newton.

4: Integrated Resource Management Plan update with the Branch of Natural Resources.

Thursday and Friday, March 18 and 19: Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission meeting via Zoom.

Monday, March 22

9 a.m.: Secretary-Treasurer update with Michele Stacona.

9:30: April agenda and review minutes with Michele.

10: Legislative update calls.

11: Covid-19 update and School District 509-J update.

1:30 p.m.: Enrollments with Lucille Suppach-Samson of Vital Stastics.

2: Cannabis Commission update with Ronald Roome.

2:30: Appeals Court update.

3: Development update with Bruce Irwin.

3:30: Tribal Employment Rights Office update with the TERO

Commission.

Tuesday, March 23

9 a.m.: Human Resources update with Cheryl Tom.

9:30: Finance update with Alfred.

10: Governmental Affairs update with Louie Pitt.

10:30: Managed Care update with Michael Collins.

11: Administrative Services update with Michele.

1:30 p.m.: Procurement update with Libby Chase.

2: Tribal Court update with Chief Judge Lisa Lomas.

2:30: Public Safety update with Carmen Smith.

3:30: Natural Resources update with Robert Brunoe.

Wednesday, March 24

9 a.m.: Health and Human Services update with Caroline Cruz.

9:30: Education update with Valerie Switzler.

10: Public Utilities update with Travis Wells.

1:30 p.m.: TERO update with Wendell Jim.

2: Gaming Commission/Surveillance update with Josephine Johnson.

Items for future consideration: Kah-Nee-Ta update. Permit, Warm Springs wastewater treatment plant.

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