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## Siletz' North Salem casino proposal

Covid-19 case incidence by week among the tribal community.

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians is proposing a North Salem casino project that is estimated to generate 2,300 construction jobs and \$141 million in wages during construction.

The Siletz conceived the project years ago, and are still awaiting federal approval.

The Siletz are facings opposition from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, who years ago also opposed the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Bridge of the Gods Gorge casino prjoect.

The Siletz' North Salem casino is expected to generate \$185.4 million in gross revenue and bring 1,500 full time jobs in its first year of operation, and would be built on tribally owned property along interstate exit 258 to Portland.

Siletz tribes chairwoman

Delores Pigsley commented:

"This will be Oregon's first gaming facility to share revenue with eight other federally recognized tribes, the state of Oregon and local governments.

"The tribe is currently seeking a 'two-part determination' from the Secretary of the Interior that the project is in the best interest of the tribe and not detrimental to the surrounding community."

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is currently reviewing the Siletz Tribes' application, submitted in the summer of 2020.





