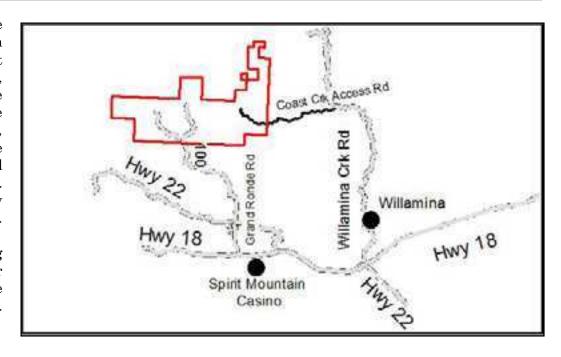
14 SEPTEMBER 1, 2017 SMOKE SIGNALS

2017 Tribal hunting tag

Notice – The first and second season elk applications in the Aug. 1 edition of Smoke Signals had incorrect season dates. The dates posted on the applications in this edition are correct.

As previously announced, on Sept. 5, 2014, the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife Commission approved the Tribal Fish and Wildlife Management Plan. The approval delegated authority to the Tribe, regaining sovereignty over natural resources on the Tribal Reservation and trust lands. An administrative rule was developed as part of the approval process, which provides additional hunting tags to the Tribe outside of the state-issued regular and ceremonial hunting tags already allocated to the membership. The new tags will be valid on the Reservation only as identified by the red line in the figure to the right.

The Fish & Wildlife Department will hold the **tag drawing** for these new Tribal Tags (black-tailed deer and Roosevelt elk) on **5 p.m. Monday, Sept. 18,** at the Natural Resources Department facility, 47010 S.W. Hebo Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347.



APPLICATION RULES:

- Tribal hunting licenses are required <u>before</u> submitting applications with the exception that Tribal members 11 years of age may apply. However, <u>they must turn 12 and have their Hunter's Safety Certificate submitted to the Natural Resources Department before a tag will be issued. Under no circumstances will a tag be issued without the <u>Hunter's Safety Certificate on file.</u> If a license is not obtained before the submitted application, all applications will be voided.</u>
- Incomplete or duplicate applications will be voided. Applications must be legible and signed in all designated spaces
- Tribal members 17 and under must possess a valid Hunter's Safety Certificate.
- Tags are non-transferable.
- Tribal members must successfully complete a one-time **mandatory educational tutorial** discussing tag rules, regulations, applications and reporting as well as receive associated tutorial materials before awarded tag can be picked up. Hunters drawn for tags will be notified of tutorial course dates and times. If you have previously completed the tutorial, you will not have to attend one in 2017. Please contact Tribal Wildlife Biologist Lindsay Belonga at 503-879-2387 for more information. Under no circumstances will a tag be issued without the hunter having completed said tutorial.

TRIBAL LICENSES are issued at the Natural Resources Department. Call ahead of time to schedule an appointment to obtain your license. Tribal Enrollment Cards are required at the time of licensing and, in addition, Hunter's Safety Certificates are required for youth 17 and under.

ONLY ONE APPLICATION PER CATEGORY! Multiple applications will result in ALL APPLICATIONS being voided for that hunter. Categories are as follows:

o DEER

- BOW ONLY
 - Coastal Buck Bow Season: Nov. 18 to Dec. 3.
 - Hunters may apply for both deer and elk bow hunts.
- FIREARM ONLY
 - Coastal Buck Centerfire Firearm Season: Sept. 25 to Sept. 29.
 - Any Deer (Hair Tag) Muzzleloader Rifle Season: Nov. 18 to Dec. 3.
- Hunters may apply for both hunts.

o ELK

- BOW ONLY
 - Bull Elk Bow Season: Nov. 18 to Dec. 3.
 - Hunters may apply for both deer and elk bow hunts.
- FIREARM ONLY
 - Bull First Season: Nov. 4 to Nov. 10.
 - Any Elk (Hair Tag) Second Season: Nov. 15 to Nov. 17.
 - Hunters may apply for only one hunt.
 - DO NOT APPLY FOR BOTH 1st and 2nd season, or all applications will be voided.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15, 2017

Applications may be mailed, faxed, e-mailed or hand-delivered to one of the following:

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde

47010 S.W. Hebo Road Grand Ronde, OR 97347

Mailing address: 9615 Grand Ronde Road

E-mail NRD@grandronde.org

Office: 503-879-2424 Fax: 503-879-5622

All tags will be available for issue on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 2017.

A Grand Ronde Tribal Hunting and Fishing License will be required to be shown at time of tag pickup. Tags will not be allowed to be picked up for other hunters. No exceptions to either of these rules.

- Under no circumstances will a tag be issued without all of the proper documentation.
- Lost tags will not be replaced. It is the hunter's responsibility to keep all tags in a safe and secure place.



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