



- July**
- Wednesday, July 17 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
 - Wednesday, July 31 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
 - Wednesday, July 31 – Tribal Council Candidates Forum, 6 p.m., Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
- August**
- Wednesday, Aug. 7 – Family Night Out, 4:30 p.m., Tribal campus, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2034.
 - Thursday, Aug. 8 – Vocational Rehabilitation Culture Day, 10 a.m., Employment & Services Building Rooms 118 A & B, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-4535.
 - Wednesday, Aug. 14 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.
 - Friday, Aug. 16-Sunday, Aug. 18 – Grand Ronde Contest Powwow at úyxat Powwow Grounds, 9600 S.W. Hebo Road.
 - Wednesday, Aug. 28 – Tribal Council meeting, 5 p.m., Governance Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road. 503-879-2304.

Elders Marketplace scheduled

The Elders Marketplace will be held at Spirit Mountain Casino, 26820 S.W. Salmon River Highway, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 16, through Sunday, Aug. 18.

For more information, contact Julie Little at 503-689-5005 or Penny DeLoe at 971-241-0864. ■

Official Tribal Facebook pages

- **Smoke Signals:** www.facebook.com/SmokeSignalsCTGR/
- **Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde:** www.facebook.com/CTGRgov
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Council:** www.facebook.com/TheConfederatedTribesOfGrandRondeTribalCouncil
- **Grand Ronde Health & Wellness:** www.facebook.com/GRHWC
- **Spirit Mountain Community Fund:** www.facebook.com/SpiritMountainCommunityFund
- **Youth Education:** www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthEducation
- **Grand Ronde Station:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeStation
- **Grand Ronde Royalty:** www.facebook.com/CTGRRoyalty
- **Community Garden:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeCommunityGarden
- **Food Bank:** www.facebook.com/GrandRondeFoodBank
- **Youth Council:** www.facebook.com/CTGRYouthCouncil
- **Social Services Department:** www.facebook.com/CTGRSocialservices/
- **Children & Family Services:** www.facebook.com/CTGRCFS/
- **Grand Ronde Higher Education:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Higher-Ed
- **Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Tribal-Police-Department
- **Grand Ronde Cultural Education:** www.facebook.com/Grand-Ronde-Cultural-Education



Election Office opens July 22

The Election Board office has a new schedule for 2019. It will be open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from July 22 through Aug. 30. Office hours are from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. with lunch from noon to 12:30 p.m. The Election Office is located in the Tribal Community Center, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, and the phone number is 503-879-2271.

For convenience, blank signature verification forms will be placed in a hanging basket outside the Elections Office door. Completed forms with a notarized signature or legible copy of ID, including your signature (driver's license, member ID card, passport, etc.) attached need to be mailed to the Election Board for processing. The form will not be processed unless it has been notarized or includes a legible copy of ID and your signature attached.

Ballots will be mailed to voters with verified signatures on July 24. Tribal members may submit a verified signature card at any time up to and including Election Day on Saturday, Sept. 7. The Grand Ronde post office is no longer open to accept your ballots on Saturday, Sept. 7.

For our members' convenience, there will be a ballot box in the Governance Center during the election season and also on Election Day we will have a box in the Community Center where completed ballots can be cast. We will have ballots available, as we have done in the past, for those members who want to come in and vote in person.

It is the voters' responsibility to ensure the ballot is received by the Election Board on Election Day – be sure to allow adequate time for the ballot to reach the Election Board by Sept. 7. ■

Need something notarized?

Tribal Court staff is available at no charge for notaries 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday with the exception of noon to 1 p.m.

Please be sure to bring a photo ID with you. If you have any questions, contact the court at 503-879-2303. ■

Public hearing to be held July 17

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home to flour, saw and woolen mills, tannery operations, foundries, city waterworks and a power plant.

“Numerous environmental investigations performed on the property documented concentrations of polychlorinated biphenyls, petroleum hydrocarbons and their byproducts, dioxins and metals present in site soil above human screening levels,” states a request for comments released by the department on Monday, July 1.

If the purchase goes through, the Tribe will be liable for initial and continuing obligations.

Initial obligations would include site stabilization, high priority cleanup actions, cleanup of soil through removal or capping, and preparation of a work plan and public outreach.

Continuing obligations would include ongoing cleanup activities as redevelopment occurs, such as abating hazardous building materials, handling contaminated materials properly and providing DEQ staff access to monitor cleanup efforts.

“(The Tribe) plans to redevelop the 23-acre property through place-making and redevelopment into a culturally accountable and economically viable benefit for the region,” the request for comments states, including a Riverwalk that would provide access for the public to view Willamette Falls.

The Tribe held a \$17 million supplemental budget hearing during

the Wednesday, July 10, Tribal Council meeting regarding its possible purchase of two properties in Clackamas County, including the Blue Heron Paper Mill site.

According to a Scope of Work also released by DEQ on July 1, the Tribe “intends to conduct investigation and remediation utilizing cleanup standards most applicable to the type of development, and in a phased approach over the course of the property's future redevelopment and reuse.”

High priority remedial actions include cleaning up a waste pile beneath a bleach plant, two catch basins and a leaking underground storage tank.

After signing a consent order with DEQ, the Tribe will have 60 days to prepare an initial summary report, a year to create an “overarching” work plan, 18 months to start work on the high priority remedial actions and two years to start working on other potential remedial actions.

The order of consent lists Tribal Engineering and Public Works Manager Jesse White as the project manager.

After the July 17 public hearing, DEQ will consider public comments before making a final decision as to whether it will enter into a proposed consent order with the Tribe.

For more information regarding the project, visit <https://www.deq.state.or.us/Webdocs/Forms/Output/FPController.aspx?SourceId=4811&SourceIdType=11>.

If you do not have access to the Internet, contact Cheryl Grabham at 503-504-7906. ■

