

# Lamprey harvesting season runs through July 31

The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife has established the Pacific lamprey harvesting season as June 1 through July 31 of this year. Harvesting is allowed Fridays through Mondays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and is not allowed Tuesday through Thursday.

Harvesting is confined to the east side of Willamette Falls and does not include the horseshoe area at the peak of the falls. Harvesters should avoid these areas.

Gear is restricted to hand or hand-powered tools only. A permit is required, but Tribal members are allowed to use their Tribal enrollment card in lieu of a state-issued permit.

In addition, Tribal members may harvest for distribution to other Tribal members as long as it is done free of charge. Commercial sale of lamprey and the use of lamprey as bait in fisheries is prohibited.

A catch must be recorded on a harvest card available from the Tribe’s Natural Resources Department or by contacting the Clackamas ODFW office at 17330 S.E. Evelyn St. All harvest cards must be returned by Aug. 31.

Tribal members planning to harvest lamprey should contact Natural Resources to arrange for a packet at 503-879-2424. Due to COVID-19 protocols, an appointment is required to obtain onsite services from Natural Resources. ■




**GRAND RONDE HOUSING DEPARTMENT**  
28450 Tyee Road – Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347 – 503-879-2401 – Fax 503-879-5973

**ATTENTION ALL HOUSING TENANTS AND GUEST**  
**PLEASE SLOW DOWN IN ELDER HOUSING**  
Also, please make sure and maintain low levels of music in the Elder community.

# 2021 Annual Fish Distribution

Natural Resources  
Department  
  
Fish Lab  
  
47010 SW HEBO ROAD  
  
Grand Ronde, Oregon 97347  
  
(503) 879-2424



**When:**  
Thursday, August 26, 2021 9:00am – 5:30pm  
Friday, August 27, 2021 9:00am – 5:30pm  
Saturday, August 28, 2021 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

# Wood Village City Council creates land statement

**By Dean Rhodes**  
*Smoke Signals editor*

WOOD VILLAGE – The Wood Village City Council is continuing to read a land acknowledgement statement at its meetings, according to the agenda posted at woodvillageor.gov.

City Manager Greg Dirks said the statement grew out of a City Council retreat and the city worked with Grand Ronde Environmental Policy Analyst Torey Wakeland to craft the statement.

“This came out of our City Council retreat. We do a retreat around February time and this year, like many organizations, we were talking about equity and inclusion,” Dirks said. “That was a big part of our retreat and the council was talking not so much about what we’ve done, but what we haven’t done or acknowledged. Certainly, our partnership with the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde has put that into focus of this isn’t really our land.”

The statement reads: “The Chinookan peoples known as the Clackamas and Cascades are the indigenous people of the land now inhabited by the city of Wood Village and other areas of the Columbia River. The village of Nechacokee (now referred to as Nichagwli – “nee chalk lee”) was located near today’s Blue Lake Park. Ancestral life of these peoples included a seasonal round of resource gathering and stewardship from the wapato fields and fishing areas of the Columbia River to the cedar and huckleberry gathering areas of the high Cascades. Introduced disease from early settlers dramatically reduced the number of these people. They signed the Willamette Valley Treaty of 1855 with the United States government and were forcibly removed to the Grand Ronde Indian Reservation.

“We thank the descendants of

these Tribes for being the original stewards and protectors of these lands since time immemorial. We also acknowledge the systemic policies of genocide, relocation and assimilation that still impact many Indigenous/Native families today.

“We are honored by the collective work of many Native nations, leaders and families who are demonstrating resilience, resistance, revitalization, healing and creativity. We are honored to be guests upon these lands.”

Dirks said the statement is placed on all city agendas and Mayor Scott Harden reads it before every City Council meeting. In addition, the statement will adorn a plaque that will be placed on the new Wood Village City Hall and complement a map of the Tribes that used to live in the area.

“This isn’t for us,” Dirks said. “The point was to acknowledge how we got to where we are and what that meant for a lot of people and their future ancestors and what those impacts were.”

Wood Village is an eastern suburb of Portland with a population of approximately 4,100 residents.

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde has been working with the city since December 2015, which is when the Tribe purchased the former Multnomah Greyhound Park property. In early October 2020, Tribal Council Chairwoman Cheryle A. Kennedy announced the Grand Ronde Tribe would reassess its use of the site for a possible second casino in reaction to the Siletz Tribe’s application to the Department of the Interior to build a second Tribal casino in Salem.

In June, Tribal Council approved a supplemental budget to purchase two properties, once of which was an almost acre lot adjacent to the former Greyhound Park in Wood Village. ■

GRAND RONDE LIVING and ENROLLED TRIBAL MEMBERS

**Must show current photo I.D.**

*This year fish will be handed out in a drive through system. Please follow the signage up the hill to the fish lab, receive your fish and then follow the new exit loop road out.*

*“See Directions Above”*

We will be asking that you remain in your vehicles again this year and the fish will be brought out to you. Thank you for understanding and consideration of others during this time.

In 2021, we will continue to use the fish grading system. Each person will be given One **Grade “A”** Fillet and will have the option of **ALSO** taking multiple **Grade “B”** fish.

“See fish grading chart”



If picking up for others:  
A signed release AND **copy of Tribal ID or CIB is required!**  
No early or late pickups

Fish will NOT be mailed

August 2021 Fish Distribution Release Example

I, \_\_\_\_\_ Roll Number, \_\_\_\_\_

Give \_\_\_\_\_ Permission to pick up my fish.

Signature of Tribal Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Portland Office Fish Distribution**

When: Wednesday, September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021 at 10 am – 4:00 pm.

Fish will **ONLY** be available to those who preregister.

Preregistration is required **BEFORE Thursday August 12<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 4:30pm.**

Please contact Lisa Archuleta to preregister for pickup (503) 879-1881.