Meet Our Leaders of Today & Tomorrow

On October 2, 2018, in Chiloquin, Oregon, the Swearing in Ceremony was held at the Klamath Tribes Community Center. Everyone in attendance was honored to witness Tribal Council Vice-Chairwoman, Gail Hatcher, lead the ceremony. Congratulations goes to our Youth Leaders, not only are they the leaders of tomorrow, they are the youth's voice today. Pictured sitting right to left: Member, Kateri Kimbol; Vice-Chairman, Orville Schroeder; Treasurer Shayla Ochoa; Chairwoman Hannah Schroeder; Secretary, Laura Schroeder; Member, Riggs Schonchin, Member, Natahna Schonchin-Noneo; Member, Preston Lewis; and Member, Ashia Wilson.
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Purpose - Rules - and Requirements of the Youth Council:
The purpose of the Klamath Tribes Youth Leadership Council is to provide a collective voice and represent Klamath Tribal youth in all matters that concern them; to serve as a means of mobilizing and coordinating the actions of youth, other community members and organizations toward positive goals; to promote the development of future tribal leaders; to help solve problems facing tribal youth; to coordinate school and community service projects and provide opportunities for youth to interact for fun and fellowship.

Also to serve the tribal community and promote a physical and mental well-being of the tribal community and promote the culture and traditions of the Klamath and Modoc Tribes and the Yahooskin Band of Snake Indians.

Requirements:

- Must be an enrolled Klamath Tribal member or descendant.
- Between 12-24 years of age.
- Must abstain from the use of alcohol and all drugs while serving their term.
- Must commit to a term of 1 year served.
- Must maintain good academic standing, if in school.
- Must physically attend the Klamath Tribes Youth Leadership Summit & Election each summer.
- Must be able to physically attend Youth Council meetings, activities, and tribal events including but not limited to various tribal meetings, tribal ceremonies, and tribal celebrations.

Prayers of blessings and protection over our Youth Council: Left to Right: Treasurer Shayla Ochoa; Chairwoman Hannah Schroeder; Vice-Chairman, Orville Schroeder; Secretary, Laura Schroeder; Member, Preston Lewis; Member, Kateri Kimbol; Member, Natahna Schonchin-Noneo; Member, Riggs Schonchin, and Member, Ashia Wilson.

Mo dic wyta - Very Good Day!
NEWS RELEASE: Tuesday, August 21, 2018

43,000 Comments in Opposition!

A record number of comments to Oregon DEQ (Department of Environmental Quality) on Clean Water Permit for Jordan Cove LNG Export Terminal & Pacific Connector Pipeline

MEDFORD, OR- More than 43,000 comments were submitted to Oregon’s Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ), overwhelmingly in OPPOSITION to the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal and Pacific Connector fracked gas pipeline. This unprecedented number of comments ask the agency to deny the Clean Water Act permit required for the project. In the last month, thousands of comments flooded in after Oregon DEQ extended the comment period as a result of public pressure. The comment period closed on Monday, August 30. The Klamath Tribes also held a comment workshop at their tribal offices located in Chiloquin, Oregon.

The Klamath Tribes of Oregon are opposed to the Jordan Cove LNG Pacific Connector Pipeline as the Klamath Tribes stand for Treaty Right protection of water and eco-system resources, and a healthy future for the next 7 generations.

Opposition to the project continues to grow across the region. Over 200 impacted landowners, youth, tribal leaders, health professionals, and environmental and climate advocates met in Medford to ask the Oregon DEQ to deny the Clean Water Act permit for the project.

“This project would benefit a private corporation while the rest of us would bear the risks to our rivers, drinking water, climate and local economy. We need Governor Brown and our state agencies to stop this project and help our state transition to clean energy instead,” said Hannah Sohl of Rogue Climate.

Under the Clean Water Act, the state of Oregon has the authority to deny permits for projects that could harm clean water. Similar fracked gas pipeline projects across the country have been stalled or stopped completely when these permits are denied by state agencies. In 2010, Oregon DEQ denied this Clean Water Act permit for the Bradwood LNG export terminal and pipeline proposed for the Columbia River. The Bradwood project would have required far less dredging and impacted half as many waterways and wetlands as the
Jordan Cove proposal. Therefore, it’s a NO to this pipeline. We won’t let it ruin Oregon, contaminate our clean air, and our 485 waterways!

“Our state has substantial authority to stand up for Oregonians and challenge harmful projects that put our clean water and our communities at risk by denying this Clean Water Act permit,” said Stacey Detwiler of Rogue Riverkeeper.

The Pacific Connector pipeline, proposed by a Canadian corporation called Pembina, would cut through at least 485 rivers and streams in Oregon, including the Rogue, Klamath, Umpqua, Coquille, and Coos Rivers. Construction of the pipeline will require damming and diverting small streams, harming habitat for fish and increasing pollution. Under large rivers like the Rogue, the company proposes to use drilling technology prone to failure and massive releases of sediment and drilling chemicals. Additionally, the pipeline would require drilling through 12 public drinking water sources and an unknown number of private wells, putting more than 116,000 southern Oregonians’ drinking water at risk from the impacts of pipeline construction and chemical contamination.

Jamie McLeod-Skinner, attended the rally in opposition to the pipeline proposed in Oregon. Pictured here with Water Protector and guest speaker, Brook Thompson- Civil Engineering Student and Yurok & Karuk Tribal Native.

Pictured left: Water Protectors standing with Klamath Tribal Art signs, made by (Ka’ila Farrell-Smith, Asa Wright, and others)- at Rogue Climate offices in Medford, Oregon following the comment delivery.

For more information on how you too can become a Protector, or to learn more please contact Rogue Climate at:

Rogue Climate
541.840.1065
3932 South Pacific Hwy
Medford, OR 97501

http://www.rogueclimate.org
Attention Tribal Members!
Important Reminder!

Regular General Council Meeting
Saturday, November 17, 2018
10am @ Tribal Administration
501 Chiloquin, Blvd
Chiloquin, OR
For more information contact:
Council Secretary Roberta Frost
at 541-783-2219 ext. 170

CLEAN WATER PROGRESS MUST COME BEFORE ALLOCATION TALKS SAY KLAMATH TRIBES

Chiloquin, OR – The Klamath Tribes today announced that due to the dire status of endangered Cwaam and Koptu fish in Upper Klamath Lake, there is currently no flexibility to even consider water allocation negotiations until significant progress is made on improving water quality. The lake this summer once again experienced toxic algae blooms that pose health hazards for the public and create harmful conditions for the fish.

“In what can only be described as a giant step backwards, the federal government recently pulled funding for critical water quality research that could help us understand how to make the lake safer for people, fish, birds and other wildlife,” said Klamath Tribal Chairman Don Gentry.

The Tribes point to a recent decision by U.S. Department of Interior Sec. Ryan Zinke’s to withhold from the Klamath Tribes almost $500,000 in already allocated funding for water quality research in Upper Klamath Lake.

In a September 5th letter to Sec. Zinke Oregon's U.S. Senators Jeff Merkley and Ron Wyden stated “Any progress on water challenges in the Klamath Basin, either in the short or long term, will be contingent on the willingness of stakeholders to trust one another. The decision to reprogram these funds at the eleventh hour has the appearance of an overtly political decision that will undermine efforts to reach a long-term solution in the Klamath Basin.”

Progress to reduce nutrients flowing into the lake has been hampered due to a lack of funding and staffing for enforcement and to support voluntary actions. At the same time the Klamath Tribes are encouraged with the growing partnership and increased commitments by state government and local landowners to address the problem. The Tribes have been working with Oregon Dept. of Agriculture, Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality and local landowners to reduce nutrients flowing into the lake.

"The Tribes believe that the declining health of the lake and surrounding ecosystem is a community issue, one that can be solved with local collaboration to the benefit of all," said Gentry. “We stand ready for further collaboration with our Basin neighbors but do not see a way forward to even begin discussions with our tribal membership about water allocation agreements until we see measurable progress towards clean water and harvestable levels of Cwaam and Koptu. There is a basic level of trust needed that is just not there right now as it was in the recent past when the Tribes and a broad range of Basin stakeholder supported the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA), which Congress failed to approve, and the Upper Klamath Basin Comprehensive Agreement (UKBCA).”

Once the most important food-fish in the Upper Klamath Lake region, Cwaam and Koptu were available by the thousands as a mainstay of the Klamath Tribes’ diet, and were also an important non-tribal recreation fishery. In 1986 the Tribes voluntarily suspended fishing, a treaty right, and harvest just two fish every year for ceremonial purposes. They were listed on the Endangered Species List by the US Fish and Wildlife Service in 1988.

The collapse of Cwaam and Koptu fisheries has marched virtually in lock-step with the declining health of Upper Klamath Lake, the largest body of freshwater west of the Rocky Mountains. Once a major destination for boating, birding, wildlife watching, paddling, and fishing, people now avoid the lake from late Spring into Fall in most years due to severe algae blooms that not only kill fish, but prompt Oregon officials to regularly post health advisories warning against contact with toxins in lake water.

You Can Stay Connected to the Tribe thru...

Email, Facebook, Newsletter, and the Web!

Did you know...
In-between the quarterly tribal newsletter you can stay connected by getting electronic tribal updates.

Ways to help you stay connected?

1. Send your email, name and roll# to:
taylor.tupper@klamathtribes.com

2. Facebook:
Become our friend at:
www.klamathtribes.org
"click" the Facebook link on the web or find us at:
"The Official Klamath Tribes Page"

3. "What's Happening" Link on the tribal Website
Visit the Website:
www.klamathtribes.org

Click : "What's Happening" (Dwaa Nee Pqa) on the website homepage.
Meet your Klamath Tribes Child Welfare Team

The Klamath Tribes Social Services - Foster Care Program - is getting things "Winter Ready" for our tribal Foster Kids.

Pictured left to right: Candi Uses Arrow- Children and Family Services Program Manager; Casey Hicks, Children and Family Services Navigator; and Lisa Ruiz- Child Welfare Specialist. These ladies are working hard to get the foster children ready for the winter.

Manager Uses Arrow says, "Many people aren't aware that at any one-time, the Klamath Tribes can have dozens of children in care, ages newborn - up to 21 years, both within the State and Nationwide. Currently we have approximately 80 kids in care." She added, "It can be difficult with limited resources and personnel, and a shortage of certified foster families, but we are dedicated to our foster children. We encourage more people to help these children and become a foster parent today!"

The importance of foster families

Supporting children in your community can make a difference to a family and especially a child in need.

We hope you will consider becoming a foster provider today!

We are searching for certified Foster Care Providers.

If you would like to help give back to the children and provide a healthy/safe place for care, please contact:

Candi Uses Arrow at: 541-783-2219 ext 152
Well done, Klamath County on receiving the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Culture of Health Award!

Together, taking steps to Boost graduation rates, revitalizing the urban center, and helping to reduce crime. Klamath County is now working to increase access to fresh produce, and to address transportation needs along with curbing tobacco use among teens.

We are proud of the Klamath Tribes & Klamath Tribal Health for being a part of this process, as we continue to work towards better health for all!

For more information go to: https://rwjf.ws/2QN12yQ

"Mo ben dic hosIntemblek"  
(To be in good health again)
DO YOU WANT TO SHARE YOUR NATIVE SPIRITUALITY WITH OTHERS?
Volunteer with Oregon Department of Corrections' Religious Services!

We are looking for sweat lodge and spiritual leaders. The need for volunteers is great at ALL FACILITIES – especially for tribal members.

Access the application at www.oregon.gov/doc/amr/docs/pdf/volunteer_intern.pdf

For QUESTIONS or ASSISTANCE
Please contact Anita Espino (CTSI Tribal Member, Niece to Aggie Pilgrim)
Call or text at (503) 983-5783, or e-mail Anita.L.Espino@doc.state.or.us

Our elders fought to have Native religion honored in U.S. prisons, but we are currently lacking volunteers to provide those services.

CHANGE LIVES, MAKE A DIFFERENCE, VOLUNTEER TODAY!

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**Department Reoccurring Activities**

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**INDIGENOUS PEOPLES’ DAY 2018**

Oregon Tech invites Native American students from Klamath County & City high schools to join us in celebrating this important day!

♀ When: October 8th, 9:30am – 2pm
♀ Where: Oregon Tech Campus

For more information contact: multicultural@oit.edu 541.885.1828

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FREE DINNER
and Keynote Speaker

Ka’ila Farrell Smith
Klamath Modoc Artist & Activist

♀ When: October 8th, 6PM - 8PM
♀ Where: Crater Lake Complex

For more information contact: multicultural@oit.edu 541.885.1828
In Oregon, we choose Indigenous Peoples' Day!

OREGON GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS OCTOBER 8 INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' DAY! THANK YOU OREGON GOVERNOR KATE BROWN!


The date is the observed date for Columbus Day. In fall 2017, students at Chiloquin High School asked for the day associated with Columbus to be proclaimed Indigenous Peoples' Day in Klamath County. The request in Klamath County was unsuccessful, which resulted in making the request of Governor Kate Brown in 2017 and 2018.

In both cases, Governor Kate Brown provided a proclamation.

Thank you again Governor Kate Brown for recognizing our Tribal Youth and the need and respect for Indigenous Peoples' Day in Oregon!

Background below: Some of the simple reasons our Tribal Youth took this all the way to the Oregon Governor!

So what's the objection to Columbus Day, you ask?

It’s not like the holiday has been around for hundreds of years. It’s a relatively new holiday passed into law in some states as early as 1937. In states like Maryland, Columbus Day became a national holiday in 1971.

Up until then, nobody celebrated what Columbus had done … accidentally mistaking one continent for a completely different one altogether. Nobody celebrated the enslavement and rape of specific cultural groups- the Indigenous People who already lived here. Up until 1937, celebrating ineptitude and poor navigation wasn’t part of the American landscape, and neither was celebrating barbaric, inhumane acts against other human beings.

And up until 1937, how many holidays were dedicated to someone who audaciously and erroneously claimed to have discovered an entire continent when millions of others already knew about that continent’s existence … because the natives/indigenous people already lived there.

And as long as we’re reading about people claiming to have discovered this continent, for years now, there’s been growing evidence that Chinese explorer, Zheng He landed on the shores of what became North America 70 years before Columbus did.
The fossil fuel industry wants us to remain disconnected and isolated, but instead we’re building relationships and recognizing our shared struggle across the communities that would be impacted by the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal.

While many here in Southern Oregon know the Jordan Cove project would be the first fracked gas export terminal on the west coast, most of us don't have firsthand experience of how fracking in Colorado and other states impacts people’s day to day lives. That’s why a group of southern Oregonians, the Klamath Tribes, and Coloradans are taking part in an exchange to build resistance across the communities that would be impacted by the Jordan Cove LNG export terminal, Pacific Connector Pipeline, and the fracking this project would trigger.

Klamath Falls, OR. - Visitors from Colorado was on a week-long tour from Colorado and along the proposed route here in Oregon. A Canadian company, Pembina, who wants to build the Jordan Cove Energy project to export fracked liquefied natural gas (LNG) from Canada and the Rockies through southern Oregon (Malin and Klamath County) to Coos Bay and then to Asia. This will require a 229 mile Pacific Connector Pipeline across private and public land, creating a 95 foot wide clear-cut through southwest Oregon's forests, farms, and nearly 485 precious waterways (including the Klamath, Rogue, Umpqua, Coos, and Coquille rivers).

The Klamath Tribe’s and countless other land owners, tribes, fishermen, citizens, etc... OPPOSE this Pipeline and export facility. For more information and to find out how YOU can HELP contact: nolngexports.org.

Community members from Colorado and Southern Oregon met with the Klamath Tribes, community members, elders, and several others on September 18-19, 2018 in Klamath County, to learn more about fighting fracking from extraction to export.
URGENT NOTICE!

Changes to The Klamath Tribes
Quail Trail Transit Schedule, effective 10/08/2018.

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Please note: On Route 4, the Quail will stop at Sherm’s before going to the Downtown Transfer Station. During this route, the Quail will be at Sherm’s for roughly 30 minutes. Updated Quail Trail Transit Schedule brochures will be printed soon. The Quail will never leave a stop early.
We need to find a Kidney Match and we are raising funds through his GOFUNDME account.

Klamath Tribal Member, Jesse (Howard) Ochoa has an inherited kidney disease, and although he’s always been extremely active and has taken great care of himself, unfortunately the time has come where he now needs a life saving kidney transplant.

His family, friends, and the Klamath Tribes, are working diligently to help spread the word regarding this prayer and process:

**GOFUNDME.COM: Jesse Needs A Life Saving Kidney**

https://www.facebook.com/dawn.ochoa.96?ref=br_rs

These links can also be found on family Facebook of: Dawn Ochoa

or

By contacting:

Gail Hatcher
Tribal Council Vice Chairwoman
P.O. Box 436
501 Chiloquin Blvd.
Ph: 541-783-2219 ext. 102
or: 541-591-3392
gail.hatcher@klamathtribes.com

Please consider donating funds, but most importantly, if you’d like to be tested for a possible kidney MATCH (when the time comes) we appreciate your commitment and support! Jesse is currently going thru heart testing and other necessary process/steps that will put him on the path to getting a kidney. Our prayers are united in this effort!

You could be the one that saves his life!

We know and believe in our heart that Creator isn’t done with him and we mean to keep him here with us for many, many, years to come.

Our combined efforts and prayers will make this happen! We are also having ongoing fund-raiser's and a Raffle, if anyone would like to donate an item that would be a blessing. (See flyer below)

Thank you everyone!
May Creator Bless you abundantly!
PLEASE SHARE this information.
WE WILL DO THIS TOGETHER IN CREATOR’S NAME! AMEN!

Jesse says, "I am overwhelmed with the amount of prayers and support I've received. A big "Thank You" to everyone and my family and friends, for putting all this together. I am honored and blessed."

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**Fund Raiser**

Jesse Ochoa is an enrolled member of the Klamath Tribes and was previously employed with the Klamath Tribes as a youth probation officer. He currently works for OYA Oregon Youth Authority.

Jesse Inherited Polycystic Kidney Disease and needs a life saving kidney transplant. Jesse could go into surgery at any time, as soon as a kidney match is found. Jesse will be receiving his operation at OHSU in Portland, OR. he is at the end stage of this disease and will not have a lot of time with us if we can’t make this happen right away. He will need a 24/7 caregiver. They both have to have room, board and groceries. As you can imagine it is not a good health decision to eat processed food during his recovery. Diet will be crucial for a good recovery. Healthy food isn't cheap, which is why our family is doing fund raisers to help with costs.

Any donation helps at this time.

you can also donate @

www.gofundme.com/jesse-needs-a-life-saving-kidney

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**There will be 3 food Fund Raisers.**

***All 3 fund raisers will start @ noon***

*SEP. 21ST - BEEF STEW,CRY BREAD,STRAWBERRY SHORT CAKE - $7

*OCT. 19TH- SPAGHETTI, FRENCH BREAD, DESSERT - $7

*NOV.2ND- PULLED PORK SANDWICH, COLESLAW - $7

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**PICK UP PLACES - Klamath Tribes Admin.**

**CALL TO DELIVER - 541-238-4296-Dawn Ochoa**

425-239-8734-Angela Ochoa