Government-to-Membership Consultations Meetings Prove Promising...

Klamath Tribal General Council votes to move forward with the process-
The next steps for the KBRA (Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement) and now the KHSA (Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement) will be a referendum vote to the Klamath Tribal Membership.

By Taylor R. David-Klamath News

Pursuant to their commitment of government-to-membership tribal consultation and in keeping with a 2008 General Council motion, (which approved the Tribe to move forward with the the KBRA -Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement), several Klamath Tribal officials and staff held informational meetings in Portland, Eugene, Beatty, Klamath Falls, and Chiloquin, during the month of August, to provide notice regarding the KBRA, the AIP, Senate Bill 76, the FERC process, and the KHSA, which combined, will provide for Dam Removal, Salmon Reintroduction to the Klamath Basin, Land Return, Waterway/River Restoration, Economic Business Opportunities, Additional Tribal Funding, and much more. The public meetings were for the purpose of distributing information and answering any questions the tribal membership had regarding this long and complicated process.

The August meetings wrapped up on August 29, 2009, at the main administration headquarters in Chiloquin, Oregon (see picture right). Due to the fact the KHSA has not been finalized, the membership was not able to vote on the final agreement. Therefore, (after a lengthy discussion) the following process was voted and approved by the Klamath Tribes General Council. "Draft" minutes of that General Council meeting- are available outside the Secretary's office at 501 Chiloquin Blvd. And following their approval at the November General Council meeting, they will be posted to the tribal website.

(Page Two features the approved voting process and meeting information)...
The voting process printed below was approved by Klamath General Council on August 29, 2009, in Chiloquin, Oregon.

Klamath Tribal Council's Proposed Public Review and Voting Process for the Klamath Klamath Hydroelectric Settlement Agreement (KHSA) and the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA)...

*Final versions of each agreement will be released by the negotiating Parties for review by Tribal members as soon as negotiations on the few remaining issues are completed. This is expected, but not guaranteed, to be in September or October.

*Tribal Council expects that the KHSA will be the first agreement released for review, followed by the KBRA within a few weeks.

*Each agreement will immediately be made available for review by Tribal members

- On the Klamath Tribes Website: www.klamathtribes.org
- By making copies available at the request of tribal members

*Tribal Council recommends that one or more call-in forums be established (if funding is available to support such forums) so that Tribal members can get their questions answered.

*Tribal Council proposes that a mail-out ballot voting process be used to ensure that all Tribal members have a voice in deciding whether to sign on to these settlement agreements.

*Tribal Council proposes that the mail-out ballot process should begin no earlier than 15 days following the release of the last agreement to be released, which we expect will be the KBRA.

For more information please contact the Tribal Negotiating Team at (541) 891-5971 or (541) 783-3081
The Long Road to Salmon Recovery... Our Ancestors fished in the Klamath Basin for Salmon and with the success of the HYDRO Agreement we will see this mighty fish here again... Several meetings was attended by membership and staff in August 2009.

Klamath tribal employees bow their heads in prayer on August 5, 2009 before the KBRA/Hydro Agreement presentation. The plan, in part, is part of the largest dam removal project in the world. Future direction of the plan will effect not only tribal members, but the staff, the basin and abroad.

Klamath Tribal members, Aaron Lee Crume, Jeanna Ridenour, Anna Bennett, and EJ Miller, take the time out of their busy lives to travel to the Eugene meeting at the University of Oregon Long House. They understand the importance of this monumental decision for the Klamath Tribes and what it means to our future generations of the Tribes and the community.

E.J. Miller says, "I was pleased with the presentation of the Agreement, there was a lot of good information. I hope our peoples questions can be answered so their minds can be put at ease to accept this settlement." He adds, "Because I'm really excited to be doing some salmon fishing in the future."

Klamath Tribal members like Dr. Tom Ball, Danita Herrera, and her daughter Aletha Barlowe, also take the time to listen to the lengthy presentation. They will do as many others and discuss this with family, friends, and tribal officials if they have further questions. It is a choice for every tribal member.

Beatty meeting attendance was low. Thank you goes out to tribal members Bert Lawver and Teeter Hess for coming to the meeting. Was a great opportunity to spend some one on one time with each.
A personal view on the Klamath Basin Restoration & Hydro Agreements

August 28, 2009

My view on the Klamath Basin Restoration & Hydro Agreements is one of complete optimism. I think to myself that this is our chance to make our tribes whole again and to bring honor for the Klamath Tribes and our children and future generations of Klamath tribal members. At the crux of these agreements lies the very meaning of our ability to exist in our homeland for millennia; the water and the quality therein. If we wait for the water adjudication process to finalize we stand to lose more than what we perceive to retain now.

No one needs me to tell them how important water is to them individually or to the lives of our animal brethren. Nor to the plants that have nurtured both of us. These agreements do not increase or diminish the quantity of water to the tribes relative to our subsistence needs in the upper basin; instead they will increase the quality of water. We cannot survive off of bad water. No person, animal, or plant can.

It has come to my attention that there are some tribal members that don’t see things the way I do with regards to this issue. That is their right. I get an impression that some people think that our water rights are a tangible resource to them individually.

It has come to my attention that there are folks who would rather see us relinquish what little of the gifts from the creator we have left for a monetary gain. I am acutely aware of the reality of these rights. They are not for us to use as a monetary gain. They were implemented as a guarantee to the livelihood of our subsistence rights. From what I have learned, there is a belief amongst some that do not see a value in our subsistence rights and would have them turned over to the powers that would rather see the Aboriginal nations do as they do and believe as they do. These agreements do not include relinquishing these rights. The state of Oregon would love nothing more than us to sell our subsistence rights. In my opinion, if that notion to “sell” those rights became a reality there would no longer be a Klamath Indian nation and we would become just as foreign to this land as a meteorite from Mars.

As an additional benefit from these agreements we could regain from the United States government a portion of our homeland. This to me is just as important as assuring safe, clean water for life in this basin other than cattle. This to me is the key to the future for our following generations of tribal members. By regaining the Mazama Tree Farm, we could show the US government that we are capable of caring for this land by proper management of the Mazama Tree Farm. This could lead to us regaining the rest of our former reservation. I seriously doubt that the US Government would even consider returning to us the former reservation without some proof we could manage it. This land has provided for us even without the deeded title to the land but if we can regain even a portion of our former lands I am all for that and will dedicate my life to that endeavor. My political ambitions are nil. I am purely speaking as a tribal member who is a little befuddled that there are some who would give away what little we have left for personal monetary gain. I believe that as a unified body we can bring our fish back home and in my remaining lifetime have the pleasure of seeing a yet-to-be-born member of our tribe slinging a salmon over their shoulder to pack home. I am voting in favor of these agreements to go forward. Lastly, I would like to sincerely thank all the folks who have worked diligently on behalf of the Klamath Tribes to make these agreements a possibility.

Randy Henry
**Notice**

**Member Benefits Department**

This is public notification as required by The Klamath Tribes Revenue Allocation Plan Section 50.14 (k), listing the names of all eligible persons who have not picked up their per capita checks and for whom the Klamath Tribes have no valid mailing address.

**2008 and 2009 Returned Checks**

Beard, Amanda Lynette  
Cook, Brandon James  
Foster, Jr., Ronnie Lee  
Holden, Jennifer Jo  
Foster, Andrew Lee

**2009 Returned Checks**

Barney, Theodore L.  
Beard, Amanda Lynette  
Biss, Avery Van  
Cook, Brandon James  
David, Randolph Arlen  
Dumore, Daniel Duane  
Dumore, Dayton Duane  
Dupont, Sharlene Lee  
Fields, Teshenah Lashawne  
Foster, Jr., Ronnie Lee  
Foster, Andrew Lee  
Holden, Jennifer Jo  
Heglund, Elmer Lee  
Heglund, Inez Irene  
Herrick II, Leslie Ray  
Hill, Gerald Leroy  
Hill, Shana Mackenzie  
Holden, Jennifer Jo  
Huitt, Buck A  
Jackson, Angelica Jeanette  
Kenyon, Rodney Michael  
King, Keith Justin  
Kirk, Lauren Tena  
Macedo, Laura Lynnette  
McGonagill, Eileen Marie  
McNair, Carlos Luis  
Jimi Jodene McNair  
Parmentier, Dean Curtis  
Perrins, Benyamin Nachama  
Oglesby, Lynda Marie  
Rangisith, Bonnie Louise  
Rank, Rebecca K.  
Saunders, Crystal Lynn  
Terminello, Bertina Wihamina  
Vigil, Johnathan David  
Weekly, Kelley Lea  
Weeks, Bryon James Garcia  
Williams, Jeri

Please call for or come in to pickup your unclaimed check. If you come in person, please bring proper identification. Please request and complete an Address Update form. One form per each enrolled individual (adults and minors) is required. Address change deadline is May 15, 2010 in order to receive your 2010 per capita check without delay.

Info: (541) 783-2219 and ask for Mary Gentry at ext 195, or Jeannie McNair at ext 203.

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**Attention All Klamath Tribal Staff, Tribal Members and Chiloquin Community Members, 18 years of Age and Older.**

The Klamath Tribal Courts Planning Grant needs your participation to Collect Data about a Tribal Justice Facility.

You are being asked to go to the link listed here and complete the survey on-line at: [www.klamathtribalcourts.com](http://www.klamathtribalcourts.com)

If you have ANY questions email julie.godwin@klamathtribalcourts.com or call her at: 541-783-3020 ext. 106

**Deadline for the Survey is September 28, 2009 @ 5:00 p.m.**

If you provide your information on the survey you will also be eligible for a drawing.

Note: You can also "Paper Print" the survey and put them in a Drop Box at the following locations:

- Klamath Tribal Court, 116 E. Chocktoot Street, Chiloquin, OR 97624
- Klamath Tribes Administration, 501 Chiloquin Blvd., Chiloquin, OR 97624
- Klamath Tribes Health & Wellness Cntr., 330 Chiloquin Blvd., Chiloquin, OR 97624
- Kla-Mo-Ya Casino, 34333 Hwy. 97 North, Chiloquin, OR 97624
- Klamath Tribal Health & Family Services, 3949 South Sixth Street, Klamath Falls, OR
- Chiloquin Community Center, 140 South First Avenue, Chiloquin, OR 97624

**Also a Public Meeting will be held to provide information regarding this Project and Survey Distribution on**

September 23, 2009 @ 5:30 p.m.,
Chiloquin Community Center, 140 South First Avenue, Chiloquin, OR 97624

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**Tribal Care Provider Recruitment**

The Children and Family Services program continues to actively seek applicants to serve as foster care providers for Klamath tribal children.

The need is significant as we seek to keep tribal children in our community with relatives or extended family members.

We are also seeking on-call child care providers.

If you are interested in being certified by the Tribes as a care provider, you may contact Candi Kirk at (541) 783-2219 ext. 187, or send for an application to: Klamath Tribes Social Services Department, attn: Candi Kirk, PO Box 436, Chiloquin, OR 97624.

Children Today…… Leaders Tomorrow!
Community Notice

Tribal Elders 60 and older residing in Klamath County

Community Services has been funded to provide 50 Tribal Elder individuals/families that live in the Tribes Service area of Klamath County, with three cords of wood. If you are an Elder, heat with wood and need it, please contact the Klamath Tribes Community Services Department.

Wood orders will be filled in the order that the applications are received. Get your application in as soon as possible. Wood cutters will begin filling orders beginning in September.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call Norma Cummings at (541) 783-2219 Ext 138 or stop by the Community Services Department in the Tribal Administration Office at 501 Chiloquin blvd, in Chiloquin, Oregon.

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Attention Tribal Hunters

Chronic Wasting Disease

The Klamath Tribes’ Natural Resources Department is conducting a study to determine the presence or absence of chronic wasting disease in our local mule deer. The study is part of the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services’ surveillance program. The disease has not previously been detected in Oregon.

To test for the disease, lymph nodes are removed from the throat and analyzed at a lab. No test currently exists to detect the disease within living animals. It is important, therefore, that we collect as many samples from hunter killed animals as possible. **We are seeking help from hunters to voluntarily bring their animals to the tribal administration building to have the lymph nodes removed.** It is a quick 5 minute procedure. Hunters may also choose to just bring in the head.

Also, if anybody sees a road killed deer within the historic reservation boundary, please contact us as those deer can also be used for the analysis. In both cases, the lymph nodes must be removed within 1 day of death to prevent the tissue from rotting.

If you have any questions, if you want to report a road killed deer, or to ensure staff is available to remove lymph nodes, please contact David Speten (pictured here), Tribal Wildlife Biologist at 541-783-2219 x154.

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ELDERS Wild Plum Jam Making Session

Elders 60 & Up come join the fun of making Wild Plum Jam with the Community Services Department. All you need to do is RSVP and bring yourself for a full day of Wild Plum Jam making. You will have a fun day and will be able to take a jar of plum jam home. Limited transportation available, please call and reserve a space on the bus.

**Lunch and drinks will be provided.**

**WHEN:** Thursday, October 15th

**WHERE:** Chiloquin Congregate Meal Site

**TIME:** 9:00 am until jam is completed

**RSVP:**

Call Michelle Carson at 783-2219 ext. 122 to reserve a space to attend this activity.
In early September, the Klamath Tribes Community Services Department hosted a Defensive Driving Class through Tactical Response Academy for full time staff, and drivers who wanted to attend. There were four hours of classroom training and one hour of Simulator training. A total of 23 employees attended this event. The training is part of the on-going driver safety course that Community Services Department must complete. The response to the course was very favorable in that it was very helpful and went to the next level of defensive driving.

![Traveling Simulator known as the Tactical Response Academy](image)

Tribal employee, Todd DeGarmo, shows off his driving skills on the driving simulator, while instructor, Brian Bowe, from Tactical Response looks on and assists.

Just another way our programs are working to protect you the membership.

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Back-2-School mini Powwow
October 10, 2009 1pm-5pm
Chiloquin Elementary School

Raffle Tickets are 1 ticket for $1 or 6 for $5
(All proceeds are given to the drums)

Hosted by the Klamath Tribes E/E-JOM, the Klamath Tribes Social Services Department and the Don’t “Meth” with us project

For more information contact: Will Riddle @ (541)783-2219 or email will.riddle@klamathtribes.com

CHS 2009 Project Graduation Raffle Winners Announced

The Chiloquin High School Seniors - Project Graduation - would like to thank all supporters, sponsors, donors, and winners of the raffle held May 1st.

The winner of the 1986 Nissan Pickup was Kim Say.

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Other sponsors included the Klamath Tribal Council, Dr. Neil Walle, Sherm’s Thunderbird, Albertson’s, Fred Meyer, Nibbley’s on the Green, Itsy Bitsy Florals, Wal-Wart, and Clyde’s Fairway Market.

A big thank you to all parents who volunteered their time and resources to make this year’s Project Graduation a success.
On Tuesday, September 2, 2009, the Klamath Tribes Economic Development Corporation paired up with PNE Corporation to build a Travel Center complete with a convenience store and truck stop at the Hwy 62 Crater Lake Junction on the same site as the Klamath Tribes Kla-Mo-Ya Casino. Tribal officials, Economic Development Corporation Board members, and PNE Delegates breakground on the new project.

Spencer, from PNE Corporation spoke about the long process to get to such an amazing and satisfying accomplishment. He said their company was thrilled to be doing business again in Indian Country and was looking forward to assisting the Klamath Tribes with their second economic venture.

Gilbert Jackson is a part of the Steiger Butte singers that came to help honor the project with a song. His great niece, Jocelyn Wilson, helped out too.

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William Ray, Jr., Klamath Tribes Economic Development President, is pictured here with his parents, Karen and Billy Ray. The day represented not only hard work and determination, but dedication to future generations of the tribes.

Klamath Tribal Elder, Betty Blackwolf, provided the prayer and blessing for the ground-breaking ceremony.

For more information regarding the Travel Center project please contact EDC President, Willy Ray, at 541-892-3024.

Lil’ Sean Wilson drums for the ceremony with his family.
23rd Annual Restoration Celebration... *Fun in the Sun!*

Hoops Miller

Fancy Dancer Doug Skofield

Leta Unive and Her Boys

The Kates Family make a Day of it

Ruben Sanders Honors the Circle at the Powwow

Norma & Billy at the Bobby David Memorial

Taylor and Misty workin at the Rodeo... Good Times!

Fun Run Winners Enjoy the Competition!

Shawn Jackson bombs one over the fence at the Memorial Co-Ed Tourney

Two year old Trusten dances in his regalia for the first time at the 2009 Restoration Powwow

Bobby David memorial

Over 700 participate in the 2009 Fun Run

Sam says, "Babies make the world go round!"

"Babies make the world go round!"
Aaron Lee Pettis  
Del Norte High School  
Cresent City, CA.

Alethea Brown-David  
Chiloquin High School  
Haskell University, Kansas

Chad Ryan Rich  
Chiloquin High School  
Lane Community College

Charise Riley Rich  
Chiloquin High School  
Klamath Community College/OIT

Garrett Lee Totten  
Mazama High School  
Klamath Falls, OR.

Hazen Allen Miller  
Chiloquin High School. Son of Rachel and the late Elwood Miller Jr.

Jack Dillon Bravo  
Chiloquin High School. Grandson of Tribal Elder, Barbara Kirk.

Jade Martinez  
Chiloquin High School  
Gates Millennium Scholarship

Tahshina Fe Munk  
Albert M. Lawry High School  
Winnemucca, Nevada

Vanisha Shuey  
Culver High School  
C OCC in Bend, Oregon

Bradley Allen Parrish  
Heritage University, Toppenish WA.  
Natural Resources Science


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Congratulations goes to Souner Crain for completing his GED. I am very proud of you and all the changes you are making. Love Angie
Klamath Native Graduates — Class of 2009

Coby James Crume
Mazama High School
All Conference in Football

Derek B. Gallagher
Mazama High School. Son of Late Yvette Gallagher & Joe Elizarraras

Devin LeLand Staton
Chiloquin High School. Son of Veronica and Charles Staton

Ethan J. Weiser
Arlington High School
Arlington, Oregon

Junior Crume
Mazama High School
Your Family is so Proud of you!

Martin Bettles
Graduate of Nixyaawii School
Umatilla Reservation, Pendleton OR.

Raquel "Rocket" Smith
Klamath Union High School
Daughter of Aaron & Gwen Smith

Spayne Martinez
Chiloquin High School
Gates Millennium Scholarship

Celia Delaney
Bachelor of Arts, Philosophy
Portland State University

Derek Kimbol
A.A. Transfer Degree from LCC
Now Attending U of O in Eugene, OR.

Natalie Ball: BA UofO & Master's in Maori and Indegenous Visual Arts,
Massey University, New Zealand

Virgina Ann Quell Barney
Concord Medical School Graduate
Portland, Oregon
Using Food Stamps

How much do you know about the Food Stamp Program (FSP)? Did you know how much effort goes into getting people to apply and use the benefits they qualify for?

The FSP started in 1939 with eligible people buying stamps at 50¢ on the dollar. Some stamps could be used only to buy government surplus food.

In Oregon, the Department of Human Services runs the FSP. On both the national and state level, changes have simplified the program.

Applying is easier than ever.
- Applications can be mailed to and from the local office.
- The DHS worker can get much of the verification needed on-line.
- Interviews are often done by phone.
- Most offices interview applicants the same day they apply.
- Find local offices at http://www.oregon.gov/DHS/localoffices/locations.shtml

Benefits stay open longer.
- Most people get approved for 12 months.
- With simplified reporting, only two changes have to be reported.

Food stamp benefits help in many ways.
- Food stamps help the economy — every $5 of food stamp spending creates $9.20 of total economic activity, as groceries and farmers pay their employees and suppliers, who in turn shop and pay their bills.
- The payment amount has gone up — the maximum is $200 for a single person, $668 for a family of 4.
- Food stamp eligibility qualifies households for help with their monthly phone bill (OTAP), free school lunches and WIC.

These common beliefs are all WRONG:
- Working people aren’t eligible.
- You can’t qualify unless you are also getting TANF or SSI cash assistance.
- Everyone will know you are using food stamps.
- All the money you get counts against your benefits.

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- You can’t qualify unless you are also getting TANF or SSI cash assistance.
- Everyone will know you are using food stamps.
- All the money you get counts against your benefits.