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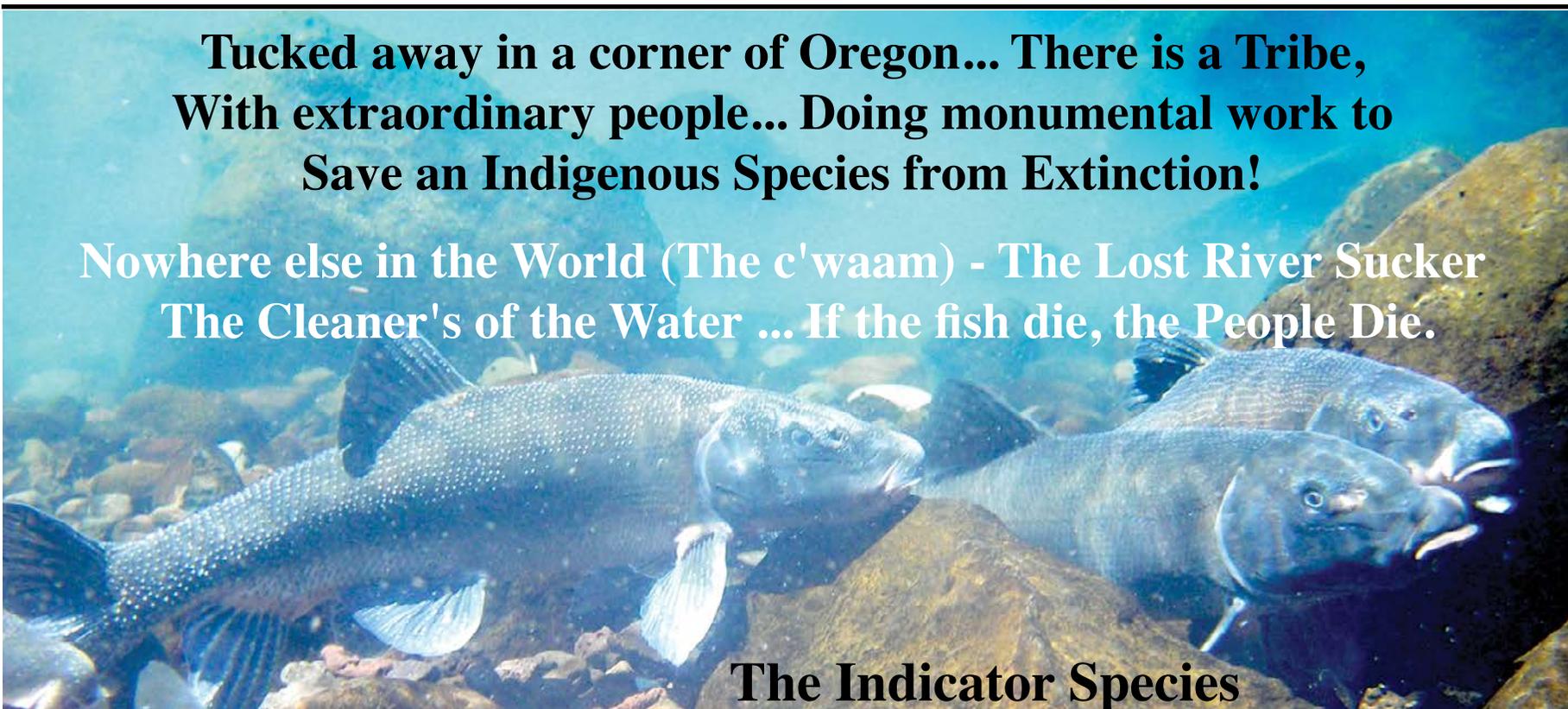
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With extraordinary people... Doing monumental work to
Save an Indigenous Species from Extinction!**

**Nowhere else in the World (The c'waam) - The Lost River Sucker
The Cleaner's of the Water ... If the fish die, the People Die.**



The Indicator Species

THE KLAMATH TRIBES AQUATICS PROGRAM

The Klamath Tribes Aquatic Program is within the Natural Resources Department and employs 18 permanent staff and a few seasonal interns and temporary workers. The program is housed at the Research Station located four miles east of Chiloquin, Oregon at the historic Braymill site. In 1988, the Research Station began as a small research hatchery and fish rearing ponds located across the road from the current Research Station along the Sprague River. At that time, the entire Natural Resources Program included only five full time employees including Don Gentry, Craig Bienz, Jacob Kann, Larry Dunsmoor, Elwood (Cisco) Miller, and a couple of seasonal technicians.

Currently, the Research Station consists of two large buildings and parking lot. One building contains staff offices, a water chemistry laboratory, wet lab, fish hatchery, and shop. The second building has

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Klamath Tribes Research Station

more employee offices, and a warehouse for equipment and vehicle storage. Our facility also includes large fish rearing ponds along the Sprague River across the highway from the Research Station.



Dr. Alex Gonyaw and Jimmy Jackson collecting junevile c'waam at the rearing ponds



Chemist
Travis Bartholomew



Chemist
Ben Harris

SRWQL
Sprague River
Water Quality Lab

The Aquatics Program has six major functional activities: Sprague River Water Quality Lab (SRWQL), Hydrology, Water Quality, Fisheries, Habitat Restoration, and Water Rights.

The SRWQL has been in operation since 2006 and is supported by two chemists including Travis Bartholomew (left top photo) and Ben Harris (left bottom photo), a 15 year employee of the Tribes.

The SRWQL utilizes state-of-the-art water quality analyzers and uses environmentally friendly methods that employ chemicals that are less toxic to the environment. The lab is fully accredited and performs analyses on water quality samples collected by our staff and many other agencies and clients.

We have four employees that conduct water quality monitoring on Upper Klamath Lake (UKL) and tributaries including the Sprague, Williamson, and Wood Rivers. Kenny Knight is the lead Water Quality Technician and most senior employee at the Research Station with 29 years experience. Other Water Quality Technicians include: Irvin Kirk Jr., Charles Jackson, and Darrell Black. Water quality sampling has been conducted since 1990 on Upper Klamath Lake and in the tributaries since 2001. Data collected includes physical measurements like temperature, flow, depth, turbidity and oxygen. Water chemistry samples are tested for nutrients, sediment, chlorophyll, and algal toxin. When sampling UKL, the water quality crew also samples zooplankton and phytoplankton (microscopic plants and animals found in the water). The water quality crew samples the rivers year round and UKL from May through October.

Water quality and biological data collected by staff are provided to tribal contractors that analyze the data and prepare reports. Dr. Jacob Kann with Aquatic Ecosystem Sciences and a former 10-year Klamath Tribes employee is our main contractor for water quality data analysis. Another major contractor is Phycotech who identify and quantify the zooplankton and phytoplankton collected from UKL. The Tribes' 29 year database for UKL has been extremely useful in understanding seasonal and yearly trends in water quality and was analyzed to provide the technical basis for the Tribes' water claims for the Klamath Basin Adjudication.

This has been necessary because over the last 20-30 years the C'waam (Lost River Sucker) and Koptu (Shortnose Sucker) have steadily declined and there have been few juveniles surviving to adults.



The Research Station operates a fish hatchery and rearing ponds. The hatchery constructed in 1995 was used for over 20 years to rear endangered suckers for a variety of research studies to better understand factors affecting their growth and survival. **Starting in 2018 our hatchery changed its focus from research to raising fish for release into UKL (Upper Klamath Lake).**



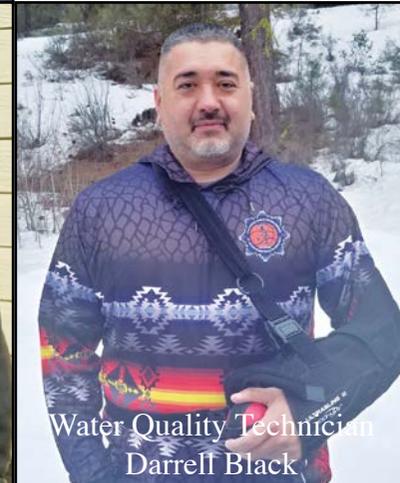
Water Quality Technician
Kenny Knight



Water Quality Technician
Irvin Kirk Jr.



Water Quality Technician
Charles Jackson



Water Quality Technician
Darrell Black



Kylee Witcraft student intern taking flow measurement of Williamson River



This has been necessary because over the last 20-30 years the C'waam (Lost River Sucker) and Koptu (Shortnose Sucker) have steadily declined and there have been few juveniles surviving to adults. Wild sucker larvae are captured from the Williamson River during the spring and reared for 2-3 years before release. Our goal is to rear up to 100,000 fish per year until we observe good survival of juvenile fish and frequent natural recruitment of fish into the adult population. We currently are rearing about 8,000 2-8 inch suckers in the hatchery. This spring most of these fish will be returned to outdoor ponds to continue to grow in more natural conditions. Our first release of reared suckers is scheduled for spring 2020. Dr. Alex Gonyaw, our Fisheries Biologist with over 20 years of experience, leads our Fisheries and hatchery rearing activities. He is assisted by Jimmy Jackson and Keegan Riddle, Aquatic Resource Technicians.



Dr. Gonyaw, (left), Jimmy Jackson (Aquatics Technician), Keegan Riddle (Aquatics Technician), and Faryn Case (Biologist) and other

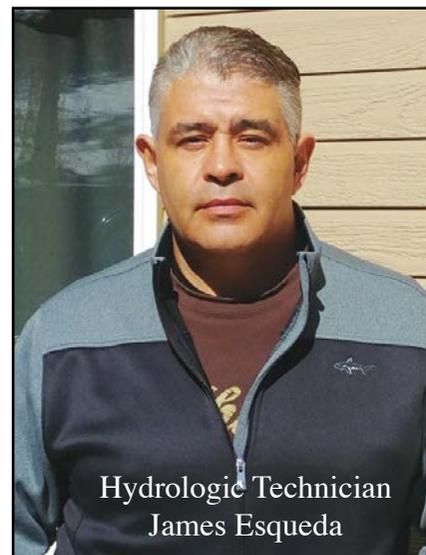
staff conduct fish and other aquatic species monitoring in waterways of the former reservation and provide technical support for reviewing state and federal government agency documents and plans that potentially affect tribal treaty aquatic resources.

Another major project we are currently working on in collaboration with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is a salmon reintroduction plan for the Upper Klamath Basin to be implemented after four Klamath River dams are removed in 2021.

When the administrative phase of the Klamath Basin Adjudication was completed in 2013, the Klamath Tribes' determined senior water rights were affirmed. The Oregon Department of Water Resources (OWRD) has been enforcing and regulating Tribal water right calls since that time. Because OWRD has been challenged to adequately monitor and enforce the Tribes' senior water rights, the Tribes' Water Rights Specialist and Hydrologic Technicians have been monitoring stream flow in claim reaches during the irrigation season. When stream flows are near or below the Tribes determined claim, we report back to the local OWRD Watermaster's Office for follow-up.

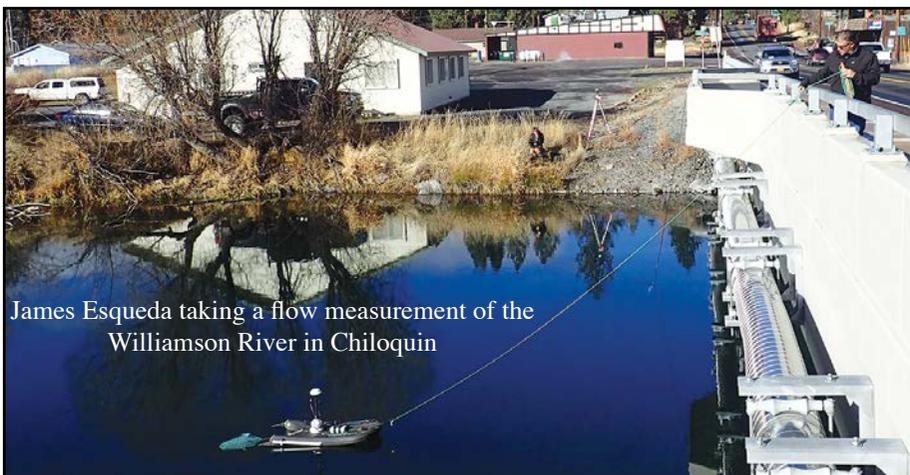


Water Rights Specialist
Brad Parrish

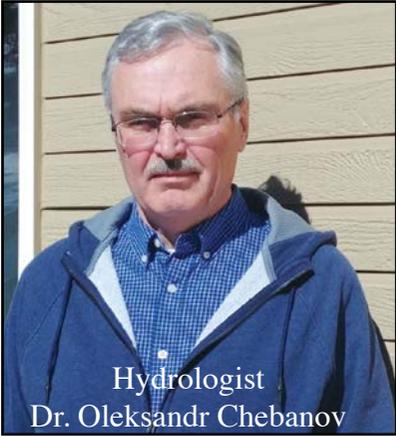


Hydrologic Technician
James Esqueda

The Tribes' flow monitoring efforts have aided OWRD in more efficiently enforcing and regulating water rights. Further, our staff have provided additional eyes on the ground to identify potential violators. Staff are currently working with OWRD to develop interim groundwater regulations. Brad Parrish is our Water Rights Specialist and is assisted by James Esqueda, Hydrologic Technician.



James Esqueda taking a flow measurement of the Williamson River in Chiloquin



Hydrologist
Dr. Oleksandr Chebanov

Oleksandr Chebanov, our Hydrologist with over 25 years of hydrology experience is conducting surface water flow monitoring and hydrologic modeling focused on the Upper Williamson River watershed. This monitoring and hydrologic modeling effort has been driven by recent data showing that Klamath Marsh water levels and Upper Williamson River flows are much lower than the Tribes determined claims. Ultimately, the goal of the hydrology work is to develop a water availability model and identify opportunities to achieve tribal claim water levels. Steven Escobar, our newest employee is a Hydrologic Technician assisting Dr. Chebanov.



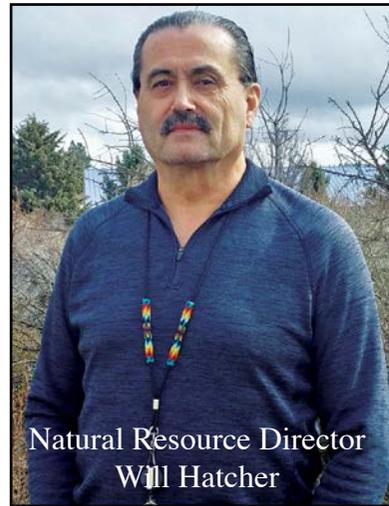
Hydrologic Technician
Steven Escobar

The Aquatics Program in 2017 expanded its functional capacity to include habitat restoration. The Klamath Tribes have a responsibility to restore and steward tribal treaty resources in the former reservation. We have been developing partnerships with private landowners to conduct riparian and aquatic habitat restoration work. Our Restoration Project Manager, Tim Burnett works collaboratively with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, US Fish and Wildlife Service, Trout Unlimited, Klamath Watershed Partnership, The Nature Conservancy, and other entities to identify, design, and implement projects. Projects include: installing instream fish structures, spawning gravel placement, riparian fencing, off-stream cattle watering systems, fish screens, riparian vegetation planting, and noxious weed control. Since 2017, we have completed six habitat restoration projects on private property within the former reservation costing over \$200,000.



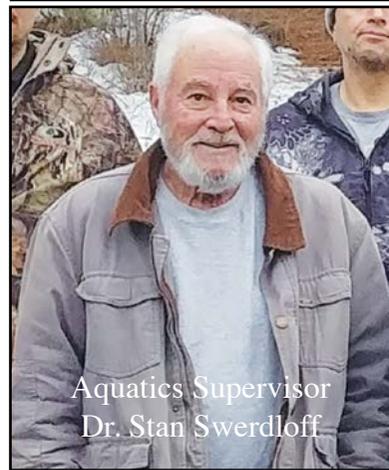
Restoration Project Mngr.
Tim Burnett

Dr. Oleksandr Chebanov collecting water level data on the Williamson near Little Wocus Bay



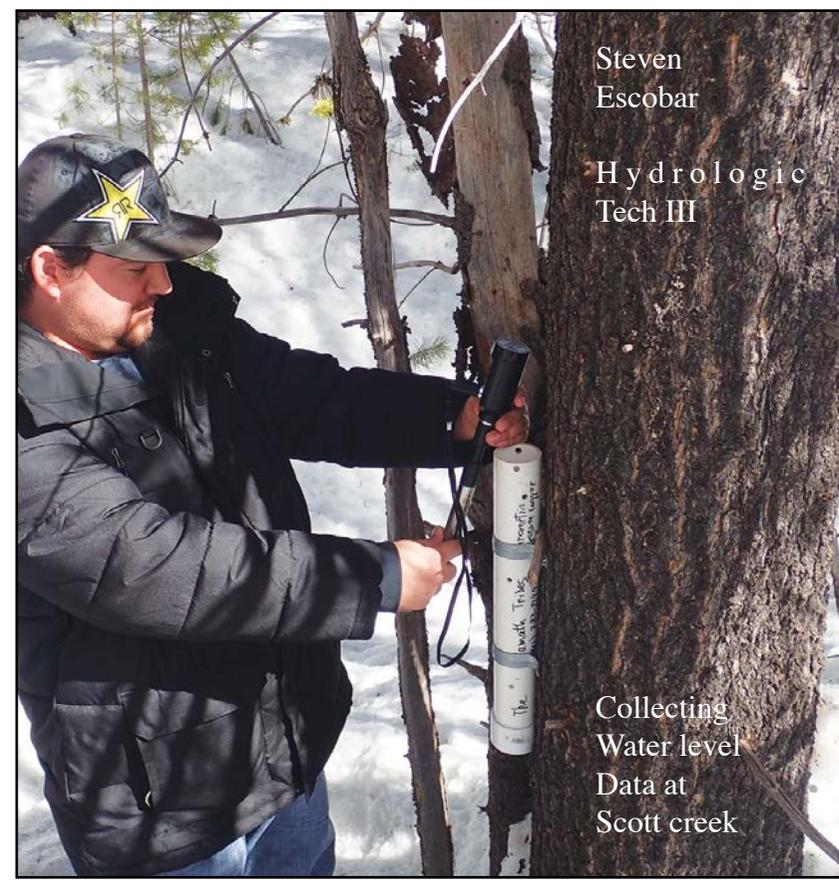
Natural Resource Director
Will Hatcher

Will Hatcher, longtime Director of the Natural Resources Department oversees the Aquatics Program and Forestry and Wildlife Programs. The Aquatics Program is led by Dr. Stan Swerdloff, Aquatics Supervisor, with over 50 years of experience in aquatic ecosystem science. He has led the program for the last three years. Mark Buettner, Environmental Scientist, (not pictured - unavailable at time of photo shoot) a former 30 year federal employee with extensive experience in the Klamath Basin is the supervisor for the Water Quality and Habitat Restoration groups. Both Stan and Mark, not satisfied with retirement life, accepted the challenge of helping the Klamath Tribes restore and steward their tribal trust resources. Mark and other staff have been heavily involved in



Aquatics Supervisor
Dr. Stan Swerdloff

an Endangered Species Act consultation process for the Klamath Irrigation Project. Last year, the Tribes sued the Federal Government over its operation of Upper Klamath Lake. The Aquatics Program staff also work collaboratively with natural resource staff from the Yurok, Karuk, and Hoopa Valley Tribes on important resource issues in the Klamath Basin.



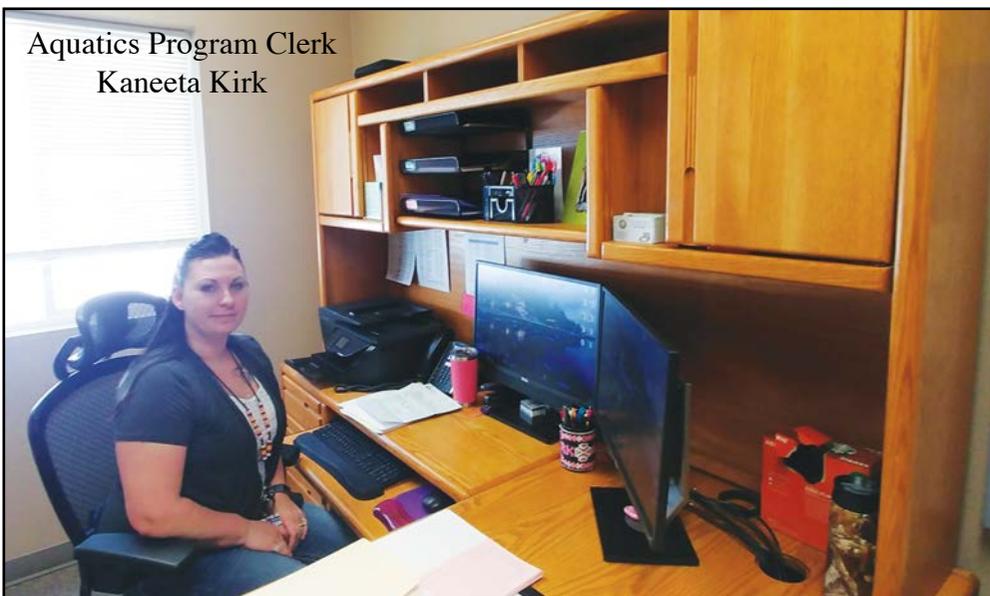
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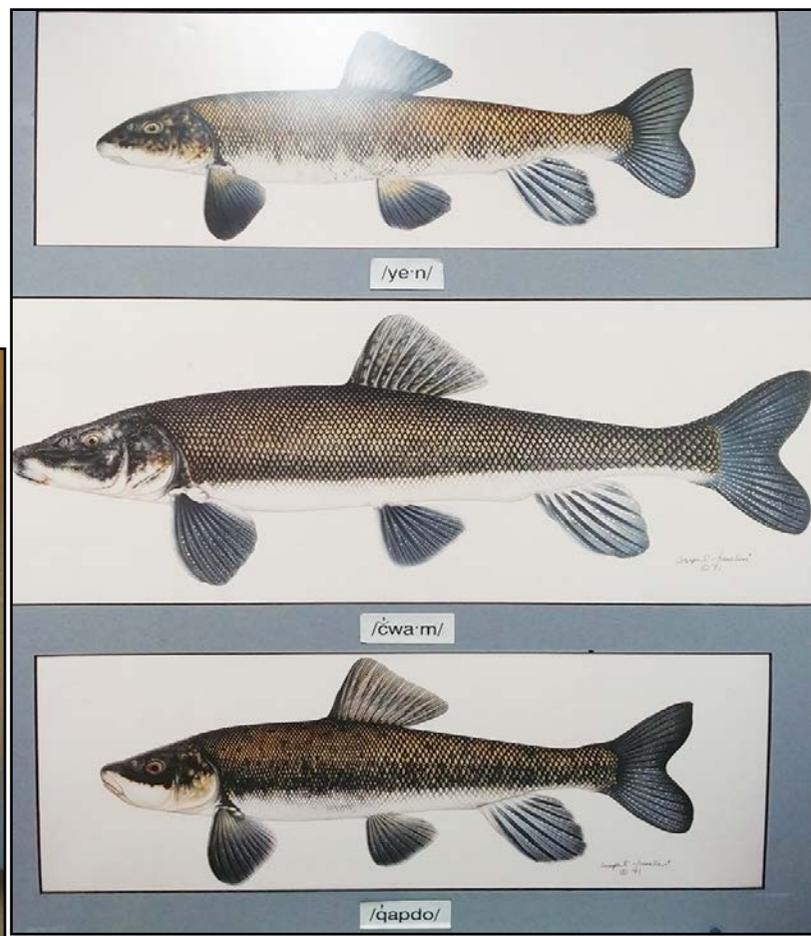
Collecting Water level Data at Scott creek

The Aquatics Program staff have also been working with consultants and cooperators to develop the Klamath Basin Watershed Action Plan (WAP). The WAP is a science-driven plan that guides and prioritizes future habitat restoration projects. This plan is scheduled to be completed by July 2019. It is intended to be accessible by agencies, restoration practitioners and landowners and is sensitive to the needs of landowners to sustain their operations and ways of life.

Betty Case, Natural Resources Administrator (not pictured) and Kaneeta Kirk, Program Clerk, are the administrative staff that keep the Aquatics Program functioning smoothly and taking care of all the critical contract and financial duties. The Aquatics Program operates entirely on Grant funding from the US Bureau of Indian Affairs, US Fish and Wildlife Service, National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, US Environmental Protection Agency, US Bureau of Reclamation, and Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board.



Aquatics Program Clerk
Kaneeta Kirk



We welcome visitors to the Research Station to see our facilities and meet with the dedicated staff working every day to protect and restore the Tribes Treaty aquatic resources. We are some of the extraordinary people at the Klamath Tribes... Doing monumental work to
Save an Indigenous Species from Extinction!

Oregon Senator Jeff Merkley used his position on the Senate Appropriations Committee to Successfully Fight for Funding for Sucker propagation efforts, irrigation modernization.

“To have support of Senator Merkley not only helps to bring us together, it gives us the ability to actually come up with a long-term solution that benefits us all. Thank you, Senator.”

KLAMATH FALLS, OR – Oregon’s U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley, joined by representatives from Klamath-area irrigation districts and the Klamath Tribes, announced in February, significant investments in the Klamath Basin were included in the 2019 spending bills that recently were passed by Congress and signed by the President of the United States.

“These big national bills often seem far removed from the concerns of life on the ground here in Oregon. But included in the spending package were bipartisan agricultural investments that are having real, lasting, on-the-ground impacts in rural communities throughout our state—including right here in the Klamath Basin,” Merkley said. “As the top Democrat on the Agriculture and Rural Development Subcommittee, and the only member of the Oregon delegation in either chamber to serve on the appropriations committee, I will continue to

work to ensure that programs critical to Oregon’s farmers, ranchers and tribes are funded, and that those in the Klamath Basin and agricultural communities across our state have the resources and support that they need to thrive.”

February 23, 2019

“I thank Senator Merkley for bringing folks in the Basin together to look at the real issues affecting Klamath Lake and the fish that are so important to us,” said Don Gentry, Chairman of the Klamath Tribes.”



“We, the Klamath Tribes, thank him for holding the Sucker Recovery Summit in November 2018 and for the \$4 million in federal support for our propagation projects. We are committed to continuing to move things in the right direction to improve water quality and the health of the C’waam and Koptu (the endangered fish).”

Tricia Hill spoke with *Klamath Falls News* (Brian Gailey) following the press conference and provided this statement: “When it comes to the Klamath Project we’ve been using the lake elevations for the last twenty years to try to recover the species, and the species are in a far worse situation now. By continuing to allocate significant numbers of resources in any way shape or form to the lake levels, we don’t think it is going to get us there. When we think about the definition of insanity - doing the same thing over and over again, expecting different results - we need to take our financial resources, our emotional resources, our mental resources, and really turn it to looking to other potential solutions. That was one of the reasons why the Senators Sucker Recovery Summit was such a great thing for the community.”

When asked about, what are the sane steps we could take to promote sucker recovery and what impact may those have on Klamath Ag, Hill responded: “The water quality piece is going to be a huge thing. We obviously have - what I like to think of as - a legacy issue in the lake when it comes to water quality. This is something that’s been changing over a hundred years. We need to be thinking creatively on how we are going to deal with that. There are some components of water quality likely coming from the Upper Basin. There is components that have to do with the changes of marshlands and grasslands of the lake as we developed it for agriculture. The system we have now, we can make it better if we focus on how to deal with those problems. Water quality effects not only the species but effects recreational opportunities in our community as well.”



Dr. Mason Terry, Oregon Institute of Technology, Department Director of the Oregon Renewable Energy Center, and Board Member of the Modoc Point Irrigation District. “Irrigation modernization is crucial for the Klamath Basin to recover the endangered sucker, pave the way for the return of the salmon and provide water predictability for farming families so all can thrive. Senator Merkley has been working hard for our farms, the Klamath

Tribes and habitat. He has secured over \$75 million in the last three years with \$25 million in the last year for irrigation modernization” He added, “Let’s honor his hard work by doing what each of us can to protect the environment, help our basin’s economy and come to a sustainable solution to the crisis upon us.”



“Stability for our farms, survival of the species and success of our community all hinge on addressing the issues in collaborative, creative ways,” said Tricia Hill, owner of Gold Dust & Walker Farms.

Merkley is the only Oregon member of Congress from either chamber since Senator Mark Hatfield to serve on the Appropriations Committee, considered to be one of the most powerful on Capitol Hill. As the top Democrat on the Agriculture and Rural Development Appropriations Subcommittee, Merkley helped write the Agriculture and Rural Development bill, securing billions of dollars of investments to help rural communities across Oregon and across the country, including funding to help address water resource issues in the Klamath Basin.

We must focus on addressing Klamath Basin resource problems Through a 'coalition of the doing'



Featured Story: Commentary by Don Gentry - Chairman Klamath Tribes
Published February 2019 Photo by: Herald and News

"Apparently, the Klamath Tribes, the senior water rights holder in the Klamath Basin, is the only party given pre-conditions in order to be able to participate in the current discussions of the "Coalition of the Willing." The Klamath Tribes is not invited according to Alan Mikkelsen. He confirmed this on February 3rd in an article in the Herald and News. Klamath Tribes is being held to a different standard than the other participants. Why?"

The Klamath Tribes acknowledge the efforts, facilitated by the Department of Interior, to provide opportunity to develop solutions to the Klamath Basin's ongoing water and fisheries battles. It is our understanding that recent discussions have been focused on basin-wide resource issues including fisheries, water quality, agriculture, and recreation by identifying actions that the local communities are able to implement and maintain.

Principles identified for these discussions include: provide for self-sustaining fish populations that will lead to delisting of ESA listed species, harvestable levels for Tribes, support commercial, subsistence, and sport fisheries; provide for sustainable agriculture and other uses to reduce crisis management; and provide a sustainable economy.

The Klamath Tribes support the overall principles of these discussions.

Protecting and providing for our Treaty fisheries and other natural resources has driven the Klamath Tribes' actions. Past actions and ongoing efforts by the Tribes have included cooperative efforts with state and federal agencies, tribes, private landowners and non-governmental organizations, litigation, and settlement agreements.

Unfortunately, the status of our endangered fisheries and the political environment has changed significantly which limits opportunities for a comprehensive solution to the problems facing our Treaty resources and the Klamath Basin.

It is clear by our actions the Klamath Tribes have been and are very interested in continuing to coordinate with tribes, federal, state, and private entities to address water quality and other problems affecting our Treaty resources.

We have been proactive and are engaged in recent collaborative efforts to address natural resource issues in the Upper Klamath Basin.

The Tribes worked closely with Senator Jeff Merkley and his staff to convene the Sucker Recovery Summit held at OIT in November. The purpose of the summit was to provide participants current science on the endangered suckers and identify short-term actions and pilot projects to help sustain and recover the species. Several viable recommendations emerged from the summit and are now being considered for funding and implementation.

The Tribes have also been collaborating with state agencies, landowners, tribes, and other partners during the last year to identify and implement measures to reduce nutrient loading from major human-caused sources around Upper Klamath Lake.

Some landowners have been very cooperative and supportive of implementing best management practices identified including treatment wetlands. Just this week, another cooperative effort was initiated to address a major source of nutrient loading in the Wood River Valley. A short-term strategy was identified that can be implemented within a year and a longer term holistic solution within five years.

We have been participating in an irrigation and energy efficiency and aquatic habitat restoration planning effort for the Modoc Point Irrigation District. The Tribes funded a preliminary irrigation efficiency and modernization assessment that was completed this spring and has met with the District and other partners since then to move forward with actions.

Current Department of Interior discussions have been focused on fisheries and resource management issues. We believe it is evident that the process is hoped to eventually culminate in water settlement similar to the Klamath Basin Restoration Agreement (KBRA) and the Upper Klamath Basin Comprehensive Agreement (UKBCA).

Both of these settlements were developed and supported by the Klamath Tribes and a majority of affected stakeholders but were not supported by Congressman Walden, Congressman LaMalfa, and key local entities which resulted in their eventual termination. At this point we have serious doubts and do not see the benefits of engaging in what appears to be a similar time intensive and costly process that would result in a failed agreement.

The Klamath Tribes have made it clear that we are not interested in engaging in water settlement discussions. However, we are very interested in discussions that will protect and enhance our treaty resources.

In addition to the reasons communicated above, due to the seriously declining populations and projected dire status of the endangered C'waam and Koptu in Klamath Lake, it is necessary that we continue to be focused on improving water quality and providing needed tributary flows and Upper Klamath Lake water levels. Maintaining and advancing the Tribes' standing in the Klamath Basin Adjudication is a priority that will also protect and provide for our fisheries and other Treaty resources.

Apparently, the Klamath Tribes, the senior water rights holder in the Klamath Basin, is the only party given pre-conditions in order to be able to participate in the current discussions of the "Coalition of the Willing." The Klamath Tribes is not invited according to Alan Mikkelsen. He confirmed this on February 3rd in an article in the Herald and News.

Klamath Tribes is being held to a different standard than the other participants. Why?

The Department of Interior-led discussions appear to be another opportunity to address Klamath Basin resource problems. The Klamath Tribes are willing to participate if there is opportunity for development of constructive activities that actually result in substantive improvements for our priceless resources.



The Klamath Tribes
Tribal Council

Special General Council Agenda
Saturday, April 6, 2019 – 10:00 am
Administration Auditorium, Chiloquin, OR

- I. Call to order, quorum count, opening prayer
- II. Discussion & Planning for Reburial of Ancestral Remains
- III. Adjourn

Remembering and honoring the true history of the indigenous people of California/ Oregon and what took place in 1872-1873.

Editor's Note:

The following letter was presented to Oregon Senator Fred Girod (District 9) after he drafted and proposed Senate Resolution 12 - regarding the Commemoration of the Modoc War 1872-1873 into Legislation on March 27, 2019, in Salem, Oregon, with the Eighteenth Legislative Assembly. The resolution honors all those who fought in the war and lost their lives and way of life. Mr. Girod drafted the legislation after he watched the Modoc War (OPB Documentary) in which, the Klamath Tribe's, Cheewa James (Modoc Tribal Historian and Author), and many others collaborated on that Modoc War documentary in 2010/2011.

**The documentary can be viewed on Utube: Modoc War (Oregon Experience).*

The following letter was submitted to Senator Girod by the Klamath Tribes (Klamath, Modoc, and Yahooskin Piauete People) 1864 Treaty



The Klamath Tribes Tribal Council

March 26, 2019

Senate Committee on Veterans and Emergency Preparedness
900 Court Street NE, Room 357
Salem, Oregon 97301

RE: Klamath Tribes of Oregon (Klamath, Modoc and Yahooskin Paiute) support of SCR 12

Honorable Chair Olsen and Committee Members,

On behalf of the Klamath Tribes, the Klamath, Modoc and Yahooskin Paiute people, I hereby express our overwhelming support of Senate Concurrent Resolution 12 commemorating the Modoc War of 1872-1873, all those who lost their lives during the costly conflict, and expressing regret over the execution of Captain Jack, Schonchin John, Black Jim and Boston Charley in 1873, and for the expulsion of our Modoc relatives from their ancestral homelands to Oklahoma Indian Territory.

It is important to communicate that I, as Chairman of the Klamath Tribes, do not represent our Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma relatives. Though we may share many of the lasting traumatic and devastating effects of the Modoc War and the acts of genocide that occurred before and afterward, they have lived and survived through adversity that the Modoc people who were allowed to stay in Oregon on the Klamath Reservation never faced.

Acknowledging the truth of wrongs done is a critical first step towards healing those affected. In regards to the Modoc War, I believe that passage of Senate Concurrent Resolution 12 is a step towards healing the wounds of our respective Modoc peoples, and towards reconciliation of the broken relationships between all of the tribes and people groups involved.

Respectfully,

Donald C. Gentry, Chairman
The Klamath Tribes

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Notice! Seeking Volunteers!

The Klamath Tribes Emergency Management program is forming a Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) for our local community.

The CERT program educates volunteers about disaster preparedness for the hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as: fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization, and disaster medical operations.

CERT offers a consistent, nationwide approach to volunteer training and organization that professional responders can rely on during disaster situations, which allows them to focus on more complex tasks. Through CERT, the capabilities to prepare for, respond to and recover from disasters is built and enhanced.

Proposed trainings to begin in June, 2019, and will be held at the Tribal Administration Headquarters in the evenings, in Chiloquin, Oregon.

If this sounds like something you would be interested in or if you would like more information about CERT, please contact:



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February 28th

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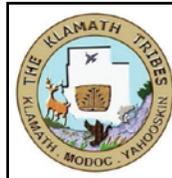
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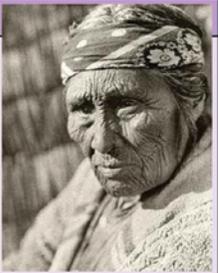
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- Assistance for Tribal grandparents (55+) raising their grandchildren
- Medical Lending Closet (walkers, shower chairs, grab bars, etc.)

Meal Site Staff (541) 274-1684 for:

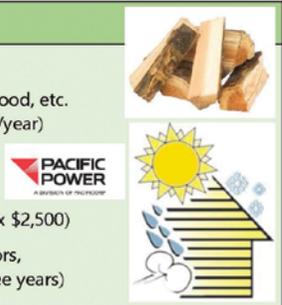
- Elders Meal Site & Home-Delivered Meals; rides available Tu/F (in Chiloquin M/W/F and in Beatty Tu/Th)



ENERGY ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Energy Assistance Coordinator (541) 783-2219, ext. 186 for:

- Elders EA – Payments for electricity, natural gas, propane, firewood, etc. Must be a Klamath Tribal Elder (60+) & no income limits (\$350/year)
- ❖ LIHEAP – Payments for your electricity, natural gas, propane, firewood, etc. for low-income households (\$250 to \$550)
- ❖ Emergency furnace, wood/pellet stove repair/replacement (max \$2,500)
- ❖ Home Weatherization, repairs, or replacement of windows, doors, floors, roof, insulation, appliances, stoves, etc. (max \$3,500/three years)



SUPPLEMENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Commodities Warehouse (541) 883-2876:

- ❖ Food Distribution - Large Food Packages (delivery offered)

School Clothes Vouchers (541) 783-2219, ext. 134:

- ❖ For students K-12, beginning August 2019

Administrative Assistant (541) 783-2219, ext. 174 for:

- ❖ Goodwill Vouchers for clothes, shoes, housewares, etc. (\$25 to \$75)
- Employee Sponsored Emergency Fund (max \$100/year)

Transit Program Manager (541) 783-2219, ext. 175 for:

- Quail Trail Public Transit (free & open to everyone)
- Non-Emergency Medical Rides (Translink & OHP+ Rides)



Community Services Department
Gross Income Limits

Program Name	LIHEAP & Goodwill Vouchers	Weatherization	Commodities Foods	School Clothes Vouchers
Effective Dates	10/1/2018 to 9/30/2019	1/1/2019 to 9/30/2019	10/1/2018 to 9/30/2019	10/1/2019 to 9/30/2020
Funding Agency	US DHHS & Goodwill Industries	US DHHS	USDA	US DHHS
Time Period	ANNUAL	ANNUAL	MONTHLY	ANNUAL
Household Size				
1	\$24,550	\$24,980	* \$1,968	\$15,613
2	\$32,103	\$33,820	* \$2,418	\$21,138
3	\$39,657	\$42,660	* \$2,868	\$26,663
4	\$47,210	\$51,500	* \$3,331	\$32,188
5	\$54,764	\$60,340	* \$3,818	\$37,713
6	\$62,317	\$69,180	* \$4,306	\$43,238
7	\$63,734	\$78,020	* \$4,756	\$48,763
8	\$65,150	\$86,860	* \$5,206	\$54,288
9	\$66,566	+ \$8,840/person	* + \$450/person	\$59,813
10	\$67,983			\$65,338
11	\$69,399			\$70,863
12	\$70,815			\$76,388
13	+\$1,416/person			\$81,913

NOTES

This year, we are offering stand-up fans and air conditioners; available Spring 2019.

This year, we will Weatherize at least 10 homes.

Director may submit a waiver after April 1, to request funding increase to Weatherize at least 16 homes.

*Assuming the household receives standard deduction for earned income and rent/utility expense.

There are more deductions available, contact Commodities staff for more information.

New Program to begin August 2019.

Anticipating at least 70 vouchers will be available.

ROGUECLIMATE FIRE

BLOCK THE PIPE PARTY

APRIL 5TH, 6-9 PM

ROSS RAGLAND THEATER

THE LNG PIPELINE IS WRONG FOR OREGON, BUT WE CAN ONLY FIGHT IT TOGETHER!

FREE ADMISSION! FREE MOVIES!
 FREE HOT DOGS! FREE

ATTENTION!
QUAIL TRAIL RIDERS
 Starting February 1, 2019

Through a collaborative effort between The Klamath Tribes, Community Services Department & Basin Transit Service (BTS), **All-Day BTS Passes are now available.**

Ask the Quail Trail Driver for an All-Day BTS ticket. If you do not need an All-Day Pass, tell the Driver and they will give you a One-Way ticket.

BTS Tickets are free of charge to all Quail Trail riders!

The Quail Trail is open to the public and free of charge.

If you have any questions, call Michelle at (541) 783-2219, Ext. 175

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Free Eye Exams –Casey Eye Institute, OHSU

June 3, 2019

Location to be announced

Chiloquin, OR

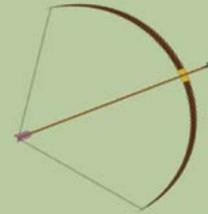
* Free Eye Exams offered to Adults 18 years old and up, This event is open to the community.

Contact Aislyn Ukpik KTHFS DM Program Coordinator to scheduled an appointment:
541-882-1487 X304



TRIBAL MEN'S HEALTH GOLF RETREAT

SAVE THE DATE



Friday June 7th 8:30 am



Shield Crest Golf Course
3151 Shield Crest Dr.

Questions? Call Lynda Daniel
at 541-882-1487 xt 226

Beatty Mini Health Fair

Save the date

-June 4th



Irwin Weiser Memorial Community Center

Beatty, OR

9am–5pm

June 4, 2019

 KTHFS Dental Exams—Tribal Members call for scheduling a dental exam: 541-882-1487 option 2

Casey Eye Institute- Schedule free eye exam (open to all adults 18 and older) contact:

 Aislyn Ukpik 541-882-1487 X304

APPLICATIONS DUE JUNE 17, 2019

RAINBOW YOUTH GOLF EDUCATION PROGRAM INC. ANNOUNCES FOR THE 19th YEAR ITS YOUTH GOLF PROGRAM

Dates: June 19, 2019 to July 24, 2019
Time: Every Tuesday from 8:15 AM to 09:30 AM
Ages: 7-18, Girls and Boys
Location: Chiloquin, OR, DMOLO Golf Facility 36705 Agency Lake Road

Transportation will be provided from Chiloquin at 8:00 AM. Golf clubs, balls, instruction and green fees will be provided.

The program has 25 openings. Selection for the 25 openings are on a 1st Come, 1st Serve Basis. Priority placement will be extended to the youth who participated in the 2017 and 2018 programs.

If you are interested in learning how to play golf, please fill-out the application and return the completed application to:

William Ray, Jr., Executive Director
Rainbow Youth Golf Education Program Inc.
36563 Agency Lake Road
Chiloquin, Oregon 97624
Telephone Number: (541) 892-3024

Name: _____ Age: _____ Sex: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____

Tribal Enrollment: _____

Legal Guardian Signature: _____

If selected, you will need to make a firm commitment to attend and be an active, respectful participant for the entire program. Your attendance every week is mandatory to learn the game of golf.

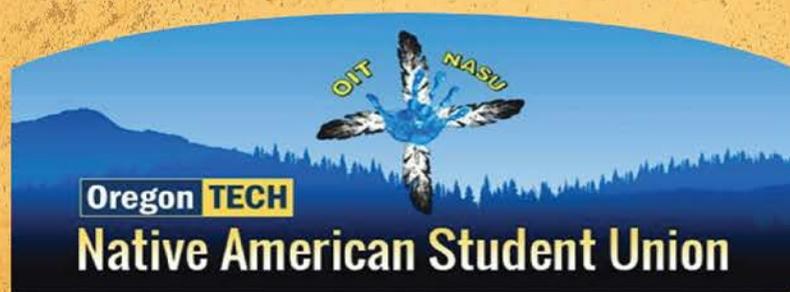
Adults: If you would like to volunteer, please contact William Ray, Jr.

The Rainbow Youth Golf Education Program Inc. is a tax-exempt non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.

Klamath Tribes Youth Summit

SAVE THE DATE

July 23-25



**Open to high school and
Jr. high school students**

**Hosted at Oregon Tech
Registration Deadline: June 21st**

For more information contact: will.hess@klamathtribes.com