## 2016 Report of Government to Government Activities with Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes



In compliance with ORS 182.166 (3), the Oregon Business Development Department, aka Business Oregon, is submitting its annual report of Government to Government Activities with Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes.

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Business Oregon, also known as Oregon Business Development Department, acts as the lead agency and provides staff for the Economic Development and Community Services Government to Government Cluster.

## Agency Programs that Impact Tribes:

Business Oregon has a myriad of programs that impact Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes. Primarily these programs exist in three functional areas: 1) Business Development Programs, 2) Infrastructure Finance Programs, and 3) Arts Commission/Cultural Trust Programs.

1. Business Development Programs:

Business Oregon delivers its business development programs through Business Development Officers (BDO's) who work on a day-to-day basis with businesses and local governments, including tribal nations. The technical assistance this past year for Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes includes:

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR):

- In January, Business Oregon's Recruitment team provided a "Mock Site Visit" training for the tribal Economic Development team
- The tribe participated in Select USA 2016 with the Recruitment team in June
- The tribe is also an investor in Team Oregon Food Processing and attended the Natural Products Expo West Trade Show and then participated in site selector meetings
- One of Business Oregon's recruitment projects has selected the Coyote Business Park as a finalist on a short-list of locations
- A Global Trade Specialist and Business Development Officer (BDO) met with Cayuse Technologies, a tribally owned business, and CTUIR Economic Development team on a business expansion/retention visit and facility tour
- BDO prepared and presented to the ODOT Commission an Immediate Opportunity Fund (IOF) for turn lanes to be installed on Hwy 331 in relationship with the expansion plans for the Tribe's new Yellowhawk Medical Clinic. Funding awarded: \$528,220, Type A IOF
- Director Harder and Assistant Director Cummings met with representatives of the tribe to discuss the Tribe's Economic Development activities, industrial lands, business growth and opportunities to work with Business Oregon
- Several BDO and Tribal Economic Development meetings to discuss Regional Economic Development, Regionally Significant Industrial Areas and distribution/logistics study updates
- Business Oregon responded to questions regarding taxes in an enterprise zone during the first year and the new Solar Incentivization program

## 2. Infrastructure Finance Programs:

Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes are eligible entities for the department's infrastructure finance programs.

#### Lands:

Six tribal industrial sites have been identified in the Statewide Industrial Lands Inventory, the "Readiness Assessment" project. The sites by tribe are as follows:

- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation
  - Wanapa Site
    - Coyote Business Park South
- Burns Paiute Tribe
  - Business Park
- Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon
  - Holliday Business/Industrial Park
  - Warm Springs Forest Products Site
- Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
  - o Siletz Yaquina Riverfront Industrial Site

The Wanapa Industrial Site was selected as a Regional Priority for additional readiness assessment and site action planning for 2016/2017.

#### Brownfields:

The Oregon Brownfields Conference and Awards Luncheon was held in May at Sun River. Business Oregon reached out to all nine confederated tribes in Oregon as well as tribes in Washington and California. One attendee was from the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, three attendees from Twenty-Nine Palms Tribal EPA from Cochella California and one attendee from Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe from Sequim Washington.

#### **Telecommunications:**

Business Oregon helps facilitate the deployment and utilization of telecommunications infrastructure to support innovation, create economic opportunities and build quality communities throughout Oregon. Oregon has a world-class telecommunications infrastructure extending throughout the state. Multiple fiber optic backbone networks with diverse routing provide excellent network reliability and connectivity statewide. The following sums up activities of the past calendar year.

Oregon Broadband Advisory Council (OBAC): Business Oregon provides staff support and is home to the council. The mission of the council is to encourage coordination and collaboration between organizations and economic sectors to leverage the development and utilization of broadband for education workforce development, government and healthcare, and to promote broadband adoption by citizens and communities. The Council submitted a report on Broadband in Oregon to the Legislative Assembly and the Governor on November 1, 2016 including information about broadband and the Tribes. The council members represent Oregon's cities, counties, and telecommunications service providers, Tribes, educators, economic development organizations, public safety agencies, healthcare providers, e-government, the Public Utility Commission, the State House of Representatives and the State Senate. Lonny Macy of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs has been appointed by the Governor to represent statewide tribal interests and issues related to broadband telecommunications www.broadband-oregon.org.

<u>Oregon Broadband Mapping Project:</u> Business Oregon is working with the Oregon Department of Administrative Services on a project mapping the served, underserved and unserved areas of Oregon. Data on the broadband server availability, providers, and technologies on tribal lands is displayed on the Oregon Broadband Map. The data was updated in 2016, and is searchable by tribal lands including the Burns Paiute /tribe, Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Coquille Indian Tribe, and Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes <u>www.broadband.oregon.gov</u>.

<u>Oregon Connections Telecommunications Conference</u>: Business Oregon is a sponsor and organizer of the conference. The conference presenters and attendees explored broadband enabled mobile applications and devices, and the impact of mobility technologies on how we live and work, and the status of broadband in Oregon The 2016 conference was attended by representatives of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs www.oregonconnections.info.

<u>FirstNet:</u> Worked with FirstNet, a nationwide federal wireless broadband public safety network, on outreach to Oregon's tribes and with project information. A briefing on FirstNet/National Public Safety Broadband Network and FirstNet in Oregon was presented to the Oregon Tribes at the March 18 meeting. <u>www.firstnetinoregon.org</u> / <u>www.firstnet.gov</u>

#### 3. Oregon Arts Commission & Oregon Cultural Trust Programs:

The Arts Commission and Cultural Trust advocate for arts and culture as cornerstones of community and civic life, and the work is focused on providing Oregonians wide access to the arts and their benefits, assisting arts organizations to develop skills and resources to offer high quality programs across the state, providing better access to quality arts learning opportunities, and assisting Oregon's artists in developing their skills and careers.

- Chuck Sams III, Director of Communication for the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation (Cayuse) is a member of the Trust Board of Directors; the Board meets quarterly and guides Trust policies. Chuck has played an active role in guiding Trust policies and engagement with tribal communities
  - Tribal members served on Cultural Development Grant review panels:
    - o Chuck Sams, Communications Director CTUIR (Cayuse); facilitated the Capacity Panel
    - Elizabeth Woody, Oregon Poet Laureate (Warm Springs); Access Panel
    - o Andre Bouchard, Native Arts & Culture Foundation (Kootenai, Ojibwe); Creativity Panel
    - o Julia Willis, Spirit Mountain Community Fund (Grand Ronde); Access Panel
    - o David Harrelson, Director Culture Resource Department (Grand Ronde); Preservation Panel

## FY17 Cultural Participation Grants

Direct, annual grant funds to tribal cultural coalitions to redistribute in accordance with their community cultural plan.

- 1. Burns Paiute Tribe: \$6,344\*
- 2. Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw: \$6,421
- 3. Confederated Tribes of Siletz: \$6,768\*
- 4. Confederated Tribes of Umatilla: \$6,623
- 5. Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs: \$6,863
- 6. Coquille Indian Tribe: \$6,411
- 7. Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians: \$6,488
- 8. Klamath Tribe: \$6,823\* \*Pending completion of cultural plan

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# FY17 Cultural Development Grants

Competitive grant awards for projects that serve tribal communities/audiences

- Chetco Historical Memorial Committee, Brookings (Preservation): \$15,428 Native American Historical Site Preservation: To support Oregon's cultural heritage by preserving the remains of a prehistoric Native American site at the Port of Brookings Harbor, Oregon.
- Confluence Project, Hood River (Access): \$21,303 Confluence Oral History Project: To reconnect generations of Native people to place, each other and the broader community through the power of storytelling and art making.
- Oregon College of Art and Craft, Portland (Access): \$18,739 Susana Santos Journeys in Creativity: To support the A. Susana Santos Journeys in Creativity program for Native American communities, primarily high school students, throughout Oregon.
- Wisdom of the Elders, Inc, Portland (Access): \$20,950 Documentary Film Series: To support a documentary film series with cultural arts of Oregon tribes, including storytelling, music and dance, carving and basket weaving.
- Oregon Shakespeare Festival, Ashland (Creativity): \$40,000 Off the Rails: To support the development, rehearsal, premiere and surrounding community partnerships for "Off the Rails" by Native American playwright Randy Reinholz.

## FY17 Cultural Partner Grants

Collective grant award allocated by state cultural partner agencies

- \$30,000 to Oregon Humanities to support the Oregon Poet Laureate Program, led by Poet Laureate Liz Woody (Warm Springs)
- \$20,000 to the Oregon Folklife Network to fund field work that documents traditional and folk artists and their work as well field schools for tribal youth. All data collected to form an online database for educators, artists, and diverse audiences to access local tradition keepers and artisans, particularly amongst Oregon Tribes.
- (From FY16 Cultural Partner Grant) \$25,000 contract with consultant Kathi Jaworski to plan and execute regional Cultural Coalition workshops as well as work directly with contacts at Burns Paiute, Klamath, and Siletz Tribes to finalize and submit cultural plans (a prerequisite for receiving Cultural Coalition annual grants).

## Additional Outreach:

- January, 2016
  - o Hosted site visit by NEA Chairwoman Wu to Wisdom of the Elders office in Portland, Oregon
- September, 2016
  - o Supported work with Grand Ronde Cultural Coalition transition of leadership and structure
  - Site Visit for Native American Youth Association for pending grant from the Trust; placed grant in "pending status" until close of 2016 pending project letters of support from Oregon's tribal councils

- October, 2016
  - Worked directly with contacts from Burns Paiute, Klamath, and Siletz Tribes to move cultural plan process forward; report identifying modifications to cultural planning and approval process received by Jaworski
  - Cultural Trust Board meeting hosted by Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation at the Tamastslikt Cultural Institute
- November, 2016
  - Regional Cultural Coalition Workshops
    - Participation from tribal cultural coalition liaisons from
      - Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw
      - Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
  - Meetings with Native Arts & Culture Foundation (NACF)
    - Series of phone meetings with NACF to facilitate matching funding for those tribes still working on adopting cultural plans to the Trust
- December, 2016
  - Solicitation and inclusion of prizes from Wild Horse Casino and Tamastslikt Cultural Institute for Cultural Trust's "Give Big Day" marketing effort with the Willamette Week Give Guide online donation platform
  - Trust staff presented and participated in the Legislative Commission on Indian Services Annual Summit and pre-Summit Cultural Cluster meetings in Lincoln City
  - Working with Board member Chuck Sams to review current Tribal Cultural Coalition cultural plan process. Proposals for amending process for tribal communities considered for Board adoption.

In addition to the above, Business Oregon, hosted an all-day "Working in Indian Country" training. Ten of our staff attended.

#### **Economic Development and Community Services Cluster Activities:**

The above activities indicate a significant amount of communication and collaboration between Business Oregon and Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes. Lisa Ansell, the agency's Project Manager/Tribal Relations, acts as the department's tribal liaison and provides formal staffing to the Economic Development & Community Services Tribal Cluster.

The cluster held four meetings this calendar year:

- March 18, 2016 Hosted by Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- June 3, 2016 Hosted by Hosted by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
- October 4, 2016 Hosted by Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Indian Reservation
- December 6, 2016 Hosted by Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Cluster members continue to ask for more formal presentations on programs specifically of interest to the Economic Development and Community Services cluster. The formal presentations covered a wide variety of subjects. The presentations are listed below.

- Employment in Oregon: Strong Growth; Tribal Employment Trends; Minimum Wage Graham Slater, Oregon Employment
- Apprenticeship and Oregon Talent Council and Partnerships Shalee Hodgson, Oregon Employment
- On the Job Training, Work Source Oregon Centers Redesign and Connecting at the Local Level Kristina Payne, Lane Workforce Partnership
- Native American Sovereignty Initiative Amber Schulz-Oliver, EcoTrust
- Workforce Development Opportunities with ODOT Angela Ramos, ODOT
- FirstNet/National Public Safety Broadband Network and FirstNet in Oregon Adam Geisler, FirstNet
- Greeley Heights Project Overview Scott Moses, Warm Springs Housing Authority Executive Director
- OHCS Multifamily Resources (funding the Greeley Heights project) Mike McHam, Oregon Housing and Community Services Loan Officer
- Energy and Weatherization Resources Partnering for Success Marcus L. Luke II, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Housing Director

- Housing Integrator Role Working Across Systems to Improve Outcomes Kim Travis, Oregon Housing and Community Services Housing Integrator
- Native American Direct Loan (NADL) programs Mitch Sparks, Director, Statewide Veteran Services
- USDA Rural Development Resources Vicki Walker, USDA Rural Development Director
- Regional Tribal Community and Economic Development Strategies (CEDS) Amber Schulz-Oliver, Executive Director, Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Economic Development Corporation
- Native Place Names Atlas- Bobbie Conner, Director, Tamástslikt Cultural Institute, Umatilla Tribes
- Land Acquisition and Trust Conversion Koko Hufford, Land Project Manager, Department of Economic and Community Development, Umatilla Tribes
- Farm Operation Kevin Hudson, Manager, Tribal Farm Enterprises, Umatilla Tribes
- Land Use and Planning Patty Perry, Senior Planner, Umatilla Tribes Planning Department
- State/Tribal Panel Cigarette/Tobacco Tax Agreements
- State/Tribal Panel Motor Fuels Tax Agreements