



2022
Government-to-Government
Agency Report

Oregon State Police

Introduction

In 2001, the Oregon State Legislature passed Senate Bill 770. Section I through Section IV required state agencies in Oregon to report annually to the Governor on activities pertaining to the relationship between the State Government and Tribal Governments.

This report, from the **Department of State Police**, contains those activities that are directly related to the Tribal/State relationships during the calendar year 2022.

Attached is a copy of the Oregon State Police Policies, Rules, and Procedures, Chapter 500.11, State-Tribal Government-to-Government Relations, in accordance with the requirements of ORS 182.164.

The purpose of this policy is to formalize the government-to-government relationship that exists between Oregon Indian Tribes and the Oregon State Police. The policy also establishes a process to assist in the resolution of potential conflicts, maximizes key intergovernmental relations, and enhances the exchange of ideas and resources for the greater good of all of Oregon's citizens, whether Tribal members or not.

The above-referenced policy identifies 'key' contacts within the Department of State Police by position. This report contains a current key contact list of the names and telephone numbers of these individuals.

This report contains a summary of the various interactions between Tribal Governments and the representatives of the Oregon State Police.

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Oregon State Police Gaming and Business Services Bureau -Tribal Gaming Section

The Oregon State Police Gaming and Business Services Major is designated as the agency's Key Tribal Contact. Part of the Major's duties in 2022 is to provide oversight to all agency members to ensure effective and collaborative relationships with Oregon's 9 sovereign Tribes. In 2022 the respective Majors attended the quarterly Tribal-State Public Safety Cluster meetings, the State-Tribal Summit, Regional Agency Head meetings wherein Tribal Police Chiefs attend, Oregon Association of Indian Gaming Commission quarterly meetings and participated in Gaming Compact negotiation with the Oregon Department of Justice, the Governor's Office, and the Grand Ronde Tribe.

Major Turner attended and assisted during several training sessions at the Spirit Mountain Casino instructed by the Oregon Department of Justice and the US Attorney's Office to Oregon State Police Sworn members on Public Law 280 (PL280).

On August 17th, 2022, Major Turner responded to the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla and Wildhorse Casino for an officer-involved shooting at the Casino. Major Turner assisted in helping to coordinate the state's response and investigative assistance efforts.

In October 2022, Major Turner met with the Coquille Indian Tribe-Tribal Historic Preservation Officer on Oregon State Police response to the inadvertent discovery of tribal remains as well as investigative efforts and response to the possession and sale of culturally significant Tribal artifacts.

In November 2022, Major Turner facilitated the Oregon State Police Business Services Section seeking consultation from the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde, Confederated Tribes of Siletz, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe, and Klamath Tribe regarding native vegetation and landscaping that can be installed as part of the Oregon State Police Central Point Office remodel.

In November 2022, Major Turner and Captain Thomas met with the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Police Department to coordinate enforcement efforts.

The role of the Oregon State Police (OSP) Tribal Gaming Section is to ensure all Class III Tribal gaming is conducted with fairness, integrity, security, and honesty in accordance with the Tribal-State Gaming Compacts. The Tribal Gaming Section staff comprised of OSP Detectives, non-sworn Governmental Auditors, and professional administrative support staff, has daily interaction with the eight Oregon Tribes currently operating a Casino in Oregon.

Criminal Investigations

During 2022, OSP Tribal Gaming Section (TGS) Detectives conducted various criminal investigations relating to gaming and non-gaming crimes at casinos and tribal properties throughout Oregon. These investigations included criminal cases of identity theft, cheating, and computer crime. TGS detectives also assisted outside law enforcement agencies with investigations in which suspects and or victims had visited a tribal casino.

Detective Park investigated a potential cheating crime at the Chinook Winds Casino. The investigation involved an out-of-state suspect who appeared to be “bet capping.” “Bet capping” is a cheating method in which a player will add a wager to the original wager after illicitly knowing the outcome of the game. The investigation was completed and submitted to the Lincoln County District Attorney’s office for review.

Detective Madsen completed a case involving “Spearfishing” at the Kla-Mo-Ya Casino. Spearfishing is a type of computer crime used to deceive a victim into providing valuable information or something of value. This investigation was submitted to the Klamath County District Attorney’s office for review.

On August 2, 2022, The TGS in conjunction with the Oregon Surveillance Network and Oregon Department of Justice Crime Victims and Survivors Services Division conducted a joint training at the Seven Feather’s Casino. The event was hosted by the Cow Creek Gaming Commission. The participants consisted of law enforcement, casino surveillance, security personnel, and hotel employees. The presentation focus was on the commercial sex trafficking aspect of human trafficking and was structured for casino surveillance, gaming commission, hotel, and security personnel.

The goal was to provide basic awareness training and identify the steps to take for the proper reporting of human trafficking. Captain Tim Fox presented active threat situations and steps utilized to mitigate the possible threat/risk. Detective Park presented a case study regarding a possible threat that took place in 2018 at the Mill Casino and the investigative process used. In total (32) Tribal casino security and surveillance staff attended the training.

On October 4, 2022, a second training was conducted at the Wildhorse Casino in Pendleton, Oregon. The Tribal Gaming Section in conjunction with the Oregon Surveillance Network. The event was hosted by the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Gaming Commission. The focal point of this training was active threat education by Captain Fox and suspicious activity mitigation by Detective Park. The Oregon State Police bomb squad provided training regarding identifying suspicious explosive devices and conducted an outdoor demonstration of several different explosives. There were approximately (130) attendees for the training.

The attendees consisted of mental health professionals, school district employees, members of the department of human services, law enforcement, emergency management, fire department personnel, Tribal Gaming Commissioners, Tribal casino personnel, and members from various Oregon Tribes.

Detectives continue to conduct and review background investigations and background waiver requests by the Tribal Gaming Commissions on employees working in sensitive areas at tribal casinos.

OSP Detectives maintain regular contact and continue to foster partnerships with Tribal Police, local law enforcement agencies, federal agencies, and tribal gaming commissions in the course of their work. These partnerships continue to provide Oregon Tribes with the latest intelligence information and resources available to assist in the prevention and detection of criminal-related activity at casinos.

During 2022, OSP Detectives attended and hosted the Oregon Surveillance Network (OSN) meetings. These meetings, scheduled every other month throughout the year, are a place where information can be shared with the various tribal casino surveillance directors. Membership and trends of mutual interest relating to the casino industry are discussed and addressed.

Vendor Investigations

During 2022, the OSP Vendor Investigation Section detectives completed multiple vendor background investigations on companies contracting with Oregon Tribes for Class III gaming products and services. Vendor background investigations allow for an evaluation by the tribes of the competence, integrity, background, character, and nature of the true ownership of vendors or contractors desiring to provide Class III products and services to Oregon Tribes. Twelve new vendor background investigations were conducted this year at the request of the Tribes, a number well above average.

The Vendor Investigation Section also attended bimonthly meetings with the Oregon Association of Indian Gaming Commissions to discuss vendor licensing topics relevant to their casinos. The Vendor Investigations Section provides Oregon Tribes with vendor investigation reports and an updated list of those vendors who are approved to provide services and products to Tribal Class III gaming facilities in 2022.

Regulatory and Technical Compliance

As reflected in the respective Tribal-State Compacts, the relationship between the State and the Tribe rests on mutual trust and the recognition that each has a duty to protect the gaming public through separate, appropriate responsibilities during the life of current and future Compacts.

The OSP – Tribal Gaming Section (TGS) continues to work with the Tribal Gaming Commissions coordinating onsite monitoring for activities as related to Class III gaming at the gaming facilities. TGS currently has five Government Auditors that perform regular monitoring activities for the eight Tribal Casinos in Oregon.

HIGHLIGHTS

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Gaming Commission *Three Rivers Casino and Resort – Florence, Oregon*

- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Completed Minimum Internal Control Standards update (appendix to Tribal-State Compact)

Coquille Gaming Commission *The Mill Casino – North Bend, Oregon*

- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Completed Minimum Internal Control Standards update (appendix to Tribal-State Compact)

Cow Creek Gaming and Regulatory Commission

Seven Feathers Casino and Resort - Canyonville, Oregon

- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Seven Feathers Casino and Resort, completed in July 2022.

Grand Ronde Gaming Commission

Spirit Mountain Casino – Grand Ronde, Oregon

- Assisted the Department of Justice and Oregon Governor’s Office with Compact negotiations.
- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Spirit Mountain Casino, completed in September 2022.

Klamath Tribal Gaming Regulatory Commission

Kla-Mo-Ya Casino - Chiloquin, Oregon

- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Kla-Mo-Ya Casino, completed in January 2022.

Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission

Chinook Winds Casino and Resort – Lincoln City, Oregon

- Onsite monitoring activities.

Confederate Tribes of Umatilla Gaming Commission

Wildhorse Resort and Casino- Pendleton, Oregon

- Onsite monitoring activities.

Warm Springs Gaming Commission

Indian Head Casino – Warm Springs, Oregon

- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Indian Head Casino, completed in March 2022.

Oregon State Police Criminal Investigations Division

The Criminal Investigations Division (CID) Missing Person Clearinghouse Manager (MCCH) attended several pieces of training such as Unresolved Missing Person Cases in Indian Country. MCCH participated in the 5 State Tribal Outreach for AIIC meeting. A survey from the MMIP Federal Work Group for the district of Oregon was completed showing OSPs stats for missing and murdered indigenous person cases. We were also privileged to have the Chief of the Tribal Police for one of our Tribes attend our missing person event in the courtyard of the State Capitol on National Missing Children's Day, May 25th. In addition, the Explosives Section of the Criminal Investigations Division presented training on explosives and suspicious objects at the Wildhorse Casino in Pendleton, Oregon. A live explosives demonstration was also provided. CID and the OSP Northern Command Center Director are currently in discussions with the Project Coordinator for AMBER Alerts in Indian Country for NCJTC at Fox Valley Technical College, working to update/discuss our efforts to communicate with the Tribes in Oregon about AMBER Alerts.

Oregon State Police Training Section

As a part of the OSP's sworn In-Service training at Grand Ronde's Spirit Mountain Casino, the Training Division provided 4 (four) hours of instruction led by the Oregon Department of Justice and the US Attorney's office, on PL280 during the 2022 calendar year.

Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division

The Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division (OSPFWD) coordinates with tribal representatives, the Legislative Commission on Indian Services, the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), other State natural resource agencies, the Oregon Department of Justice, the Governor's Office, and the Oregon State Legislature on issues related to fish and wildlife and other cultural and natural resources.

On June 13th, 2022, Oregon State Police leadership met with the Coquille Indian Tribe (CIT) and the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) at the Coquille Tribal Administrative offices. The goal of the meeting was to establish relationships and address questions/concerns related to law enforcement under the terms of the draft hunting agreement between ODFW and CIT. The ODFW Commission voted at its June 17th, 2022, meeting to adopt the new Cooperative Management Agreement between ODFW and CIT. OSP will continue to coordinate and communicate with both CIT and ODFW on any enforcement issues or concerns relating to the ongoing agreement.

Throughout 2022 Fish and Wildlife Troopers investigated various cultural resource violations, such as damage to archaeological sites, illegal sale of artifacts, and unlawful possession of artifacts.

Additionally, multiple inadvertent discoveries of ancient human remains were reported to Lieutenant Craig Heuberger (GHQ) who is OSP's agency representative and contact person

for inadvertent discoveries. Troopers responded to the inadvertent discoveries to secure the remains and investigations were coordinated with the assistance of regional Lieutenants, Sergeants, and Tribal representatives. Some remains were not inadvertent discoveries but instead, the remains were unlawfully being advertised for sale at auction sites, estate sales, and yard sales. In all instances, Fish and Wildlife Troopers were able to contact the responsible party and recover the remains to be returned to the appropriate Tribe.

Northwest Region

A Grand Ronde Tribal representative advised OSP of an auction house near the Portland area that was set to auction off several Native American artifacts. Senior Trooper Reel reached out to the Tribal representative to discuss the artifacts in question. Senior Trooper Reel and Sergeant McLeod responded to the auction house just before the start of the auction and took possession of the artifacts. The investigative report was referred to the District Attorney.

Lieutenant Shugart and Sergeant Van Meter attended the Siletz Tribe Annual Meeting via Zoom, along with ODFW personnel. ODFW and the Siletz Tribe provided updates regarding wildlife, fisheries, and marine resources. There was a robust presentation by ODFW regarding shellfish. Lieutenant Shugart and Sergeant Van Meter provided an OSP update.

Trooper Jerome and Senior Trooper Boeholt attended the annual Grand Ronde tribal hunting coordination meeting. Also present were several ODFW employees, Grand Ronde natural resources employees, and several members of the Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department.

Sergeant Plummer investigated a vehicle crash on Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians' property. A Mazda pickup had left the roadway, rolled onto its top, and into a tree. The tree prevented the pickup from going over a steep embankment and into a large canyon. There was no one around the vehicle upon Sergeant Plummer's arrival. Further investigation revealed that the crash had been investigated by the Lincoln County Sheriff's Office approximately a week earlier, but the vehicle had not been removed. At the request of the Siletz Tribe, Sergeant Plummer contacted the registered owner of the vehicle and ensured that he retrieved the pickup.

East Region

Lieutenant Schwartz and Senior Trooper Newby served on the Lower Deschutes River Managers Group and the Lower Deschutes Interagency Implementation Team throughout the year. Both groups consist of members of various agencies responsible for the management of the Lower Deschutes River, including the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, Bureau of Land Management, Oregon State Parks, Wasco County, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, and Oregon State Marine Board.

Lieutenant Schwartz and Wasco County Sheriff Magill teamed up and organized the Lower Deschutes River Enforcement Coordination Meeting in May of 2022. This was the 3rd annual meeting of this group and included enforcement members of the Oregon State Police Fish & Wildlife Division, Wasco County Sheriff's Department, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs, and the Bureau of Land Management. The group discussed enforcement efforts regarding the Lower Deschutes River, and agency resources and conducted a "meet and greet" with guides/outfitters who operate on the Lower Deschutes River.

Senior Trooper Burke and Trooper MacKenzie responded to the report of vandalism at the bull trout sanctuary near Monty Campground. Vandalism was observed on Confederate Tribes of the Warm Springs property and information was sent to their conservation officer. A camera was set in the area to help identify future violators.

Sergeant Sater assisted OSP Patrol Division from La Grande and Pendleton with a pursuit. The suspect was wanted for kidnapping and aggravated assault charges out of Utah. The suspect evaded spike strips on several occasions, hit a patrol vehicle head-on, and finally left the freeway, entering fields. Sergeant Sater and Umatilla Tribal Police Department officers were able to continue the pursuit of the vehicle which was traveling cross country. The vehicle came to a stop in a dry creek bed, resting on the passenger side. Sergeant Sater and two Tribal PD officers took the suspect into custody without incident.

Sergeant Sater received information from the Umatilla Tribal police regarding a wolf that had been shot on the Umatilla Reservation in early February. Thanks to a photo analysis conducted by Senior Trooper Burt, tribal police were able to locate the wolf's carcass, which had its head and tail removed. The case is ongoing with the Columbia Basin Team ready and willing to assist as necessary.

Trooper MacKenzie conducted a patrol upon the Metolius Arm of Lake Billy Chinook when he located two vehicles on the road with no occupants. An area search revealed five juveniles standing on Warm Springs reservation ground, with two actively fishing in the bull trout sanctuary. The juveniles (14-16yo) were called back over to the adjacent property. None of them were tribal members. Their parents were contacted, and the juveniles were escorted back to a residence where they were released to their parents. All juveniles admitted to fishing in the sanctuary and were violation cited for angling in a closed area. Information was forwarded to a Warm Springs conservation officer for follow-up.

Lieutenant Schwartz attended virtual meetings with members of the US v Oregon Regulatory Coordination Committee, and members of the Columbia Basin Law Enforcement Council, regarding fishing regulations upon the Columbia River, Zone 6. The group discussed ways in which to align fishing regulations as well as river mouth sanctuary boundaries.

Lieutenant Schwartz and Senior Troopers Newby and Walters took part in a field trip with members of the US v Oregon Regulatory Coordination Committee, and members of the Columbia Basin Law Enforcement Council. The group also included members of the Confederated Tribe of the Warm Springs, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla, Nez Perce, and Confederated Tribes of the Yakama Nation. The group toured two river mouth sanctuaries upon the Columbia River, including the Deschutes and Klickitat River mouths, to align sanctuary boundaries. The group outlined specific sanctuary boundaries which were presented to the US v Oregon Policy Committee in October.

Senior Trooper Frazier, Senior Trooper Newby, Senior Trooper Zistel and an officer from Inter-Tribe performed a joint boat patrol on the Columbia River between Rowena and Cascade Locks. Sport anglers were checked at the mouths of the Klickitat, Hood River, White Salmon, and Eagle Creek. Thirteen sport boats were checked with a total of 43 anglers. Three citations were issued for Fail to Immediately Validate Harvest Card as well as multiple marine board and angling warnings. Several commercial boats were checked. One warning was given for failing to carry tribal ID. Two commercial nets were located after the season closed and both nets

were seized. Inter-Tribe took the net with no ID. The net seized by OSP contained five deceased Chinook salmon which were placed into evidence. The investigation is continuing.

Southwest Region

Sergeant Tague interviewed a subject regarding a human skull returned to Oregon State Police. The skull was confirmed to be non-modern and of ancient native ancestry. The subject was 12 years old when she had taken the skull with her parents in 1965. A general area it was collected was determined and Sergeant Tague is working with the Klamath Tribes to repatriate the skull. United States Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) Law Enforcement assisted on the investigation.

Sergeant Tague, Senior Trooper Rice, Recruit Williams and USFWS Officer Gonzales went to the Klamath County Museum to look for literature from a subject who stated she turned in items to the museum. Officers also toured the large collection of Native American history and artifacts on display at the museum. The museum was very helpful and very educational. No records were found related to the subject.

Sergeant Tague assisted the Burns Paiute Tribe and other Paiute Tribes in the reinternment of human remains. The human remains had been found and confirmed to be non-modern and of ancient native ancestry.

Senior Trooper Niehus and Sergeant Tague responded to an inadvertent discovery of Native American remains on private property east of Adel. The site was protected, and the Burns Paiute Tribe was contacted. The Burns Paiute Culture and Heritage Department Director responded and was working with the landowner to repatriate the remains.

Trooper Gordon and Recruit Williams investigated a complaint of vandalism to a Native American ceremonial site. There are no suspects at the time.

Sergeant Tague and Recruit Trooper Gray conducted a patrol of several archeological sites. No new disturbances were discovered.

Sergeant Tague and Recruit Trooper Gray presented at the Klamath Tribes Cultural Resource Training on archeological laws and inadvertent discovery procedures.

Trooper Koell and Sergeant Harris were contacted regarding a report of suspected non-contemporary human remains unearthed at a work site in North Bend. After some measurements were taken of the partial femur bone fragment, experts determined it was most likely from a black bear, which quickly concluded the investigation.

Sergeant Andrews and Senior Trooper Mathews contacted a subject that was in possession of a human skull. During the investigation, it was determined the skull had been removed from the Warner Valley in Oregon. OSP consulted with the Burns Paiute Tribe and was able to return the skull to the Tribe for repatriation.

Senior Trooper Rice was patrolling rural eastern Klamath County. He observed two subjects (a mother with a young son) walking across a dry lakebed on private ranch land. They were carrying rakes and bags. They were wandering across the landscape, staring at the ground, and appeared to be looking for artifacts. Senior Trooper Rice located their vehicle on Bureau

of Land Management (BLM) land. They were contacted and during the interview admitted that they were looking for “Indian rocks” and “pedestals.” They had approximately 10 rocks that appeared consistent with their statements. A picture of the suspicious rocks was sent to the Klamath Tribes’ cultural resource expert, Perry Chocktoot. Mr. Chocktoot advised that the rocks appeared natural and were not of interest to the Tribes. The subjects were warned and educated about regulations regarding artifacts. Due to low lake levels, they were able to walk on ground that would normally be underwater and did not realize they were on private property (no fence or signage).

Senior Trooper Stone and Trooper Kercher assisted ODOT and Cow Creek Tribal Police with posting for the cleanup of approximately 15-20 transient camps along the South Umpqua River. Numerous campers were contacted and there was extensive resource damage, including underground bunkers, trash, needles, and human excrement. According to ODOT, the cleanup would be lengthy, challenging, and hazardous.

Sergeant Bowersox and Senior Trooper Baimbridge conducted Fish and Wildlife enforcement training for the newly established Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians Tribal Police. In attendance were the police chief, five officers, and the evidence technician/professional staff member. Historically, members of the Roseburg team have assisted the tribe on numerous fish and wildlife investigations on tribal lands with only the tribe’s wildlife biologist.

Senior Trooper Rice assisted the Klamath County Sheriff’s Office (KCSO) with a human remains investigation in eastern Klamath County. County employees had inadvertently discovered a skeleton along the banks of the Sycan River. Investigation revealed the remains to be ancient. The Klamath Tribes also responded to recover and repatriate the remains.

Sergeant Harris was dispatched to a reported archeological site disturbance at Bullards Beach State Park. The disturbance was likely inadvertent. The investigation is in progress.

Sergeant Tague and Senior Trooper Niehus met with the Klamath Tribes’ new Public Safety Department Chief and Wildlife Officers for a formal meet and greet. Several topics were discussed and plans for future joint operations.

Oregon State Police Patrol Command Areas

Patrol Services Division Staff

Assisted Warm Springs Tribal Police with the investigation/reconstruction of three fatal motor vehicle crashes.

Assisted the Umatilla Tribal Police with an Officer Involved Shooting investigation.

Captain Wood is serving on the Not Invisible Act Joint Commission on Reducing Violent Crime Against Indians. This is a joint venture by the US Department of the Interior and USDOJ.

Captain Wood also serves as a member of the Missing Murdered Indigenous Persons workgroup for the District of Oregon. This is a collaborative work group with membership from all 9 recognized tribes in the state.

Southwest Region

Central Point Area Command:

Nothing to report

Coos Bay Area Command:

There are two recognized Oregon Indian Tribes on the south coast within the Coos Bay Area Command. They are the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians, and the Coquille Indian Tribe. While we interact with both tribes often, we seem to interact more often with the Coquille Indian Tribe.

Both tribes have their own, independent Tribal Police Departments; each employing four DPSST-certified police officers. The Troopers from the Coos Bay Area Command interact with the Tribal Police Officers from both agencies on a frequent basis during a variety of investigations, during local training opportunities, and while serving together on various local committees.

The Coos Bay Office and Coquille Tribal Police provide reciprocal assistance during times when the backup is needed. Our Troopers, during emergencies, respond to the Killich tribal housing area until one of the tribal officers can arrive. The housing area is adjacent to State Route 240 (HWY 540) Cape Arago Highway.

The Confederated Tribes Qaxas (KA-HAS) reservation housing is located five blocks away from the Coos Bay Area Command office. In the past, the Coos Bay Area Command Troopers have responded to assist The Confederated Tribes Police Department and the North Bend Police Department with calls for service on the Qaxas tribal housing property.

The Coquille Tribe has timber holdings on Highway 42, east of Myrtle Point. Fish and Wildlife Troopers have responded to this location at the request of the Tribal Police to investigate Fish and Wildlife crimes. The Confederated Tribes are also planning to manage some timberlands on the south coast, if it's not already in place, and Fish and Game Troopers will also be available to respond to these areas upon request for assistance.

A Coos Bay Area Command Detective serves on an interagency Major Crimes Response Team, and attends investigator meetings with Tribal Police Officers, sharing information that may be pertinent to ongoing criminal cases. OSP Fish and Wildlife Troopers have assisted both tribes with criminal investigations involving the theft of cultural artifacts from tribal ancestral areas in the recent past.

The Coos Bay Lieutenant, Sergeants, and the Gold Beach Worksite Sergeant attend monthly south coast Chiefs & Sheriffs meetings to discuss various issues that arise with the Chiefs, Sheriffs, District Attorneys and other federal, state, county, and local law enforcement partners including the Coquille Tribal Police Chief and the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Police Chief.

Grants Pass Area Command:

Nothing to report

Klamath Falls Area Command:

Nothing to report

Roseburg Area Command:

There is only one recognized Oregon Indian Tribe in the Roseburg Area Command. It is the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians. Over the past year communication has increased with the implementation of the Tribal Police for the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians. Seven Feathers Resort and Casino has its own security, Tribal Police and contracts with the Douglas County Sheriff's Office for Law Enforcement services.

Police Chief, Brett Johnson, (formerly of Medford PD), has been in the position for two years and has hired four Tribal Police Officers. It should be noted that Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians is considered a non PL280 Oregon Tribe.

Springfield Area Command:

The Springfield Area Command and Florence Worksite have supported local tribes by sending Troopers with the Oregon State Police Honor Guard to the Mill Casino, operated by the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw during a Flag Ceremony where Tribal leaders, Agency Command Staff, Legislators and the Governor were in attendance.

The Springfield Area Command and Florence Worksite have supported the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw by fostering a law enforcement partnership with Tribal Police by providing support and assistance with calls for service at the Mill Casino.

East Region

Bend Area Command

Monthly Central Oregon Law Enforcement meetings with the Chief of Police when he was available. Discussions centered around crime on the reservation and drug investigations.

OSP had a cooperative construction work zone on Highway 26 going through the reservation. We would dedicate a trooper to work the construction zone throughout this last year on the reservation on the highway only.

The Dalles Area Command

Troopers stationed at The Dalles Area Command routinely assist The Dalles City Police and Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries (CRITF) Officers with disturbances at the In-Lieu and Treaty Fishing site located on the east end of The Dalles. Troopers also routinely assist Wasco County Sheriff's Deputies and CRITF Officers with disturbances and other calls for service at the Celilo Village Native American community located east of The Dalles in Wasco County. While

assisting with these disturbances and other events, Troopers open lines of communication with Tribal Elders on topics such as traffic safety and tactics to reduce occurrences of theft and vandalism.

The Dalles Area Command is responsible for patrolling and responding to events on US-26 from the 216 Junction to the Jefferson County line, which encompasses several miles of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation. Due to the high volume of driving complaints and other events on Interstate 84, Troopers stationed in The Dalles are rarely available to patrol this section of US-26. When Troopers are available to patrol the section, they are productive. On June 11th, 2022, at approximately 10:18 PM, Trooper Jonathon Swiger stopped a white Honda Civic for a speed violation near MP 90 on US-26 in Wasco County. During the stop, Trooper Swiger observed indicators of impairment in the driver and could see a bottle of whiskey on the front passenger seat. The driver consented to perform Standardized Field Sobriety Tests (SFST) and was ultimately arrested for Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII). After the arrest, the driver invoked his right to remain silent. Trooper Swiger applied for and was granted a search warrant for a blood sample. While attempting to execute the warrant at Mid-Columbia Medical Center in The Dalles the driver attempted to escape from custody. Trooper Swiger was able to apprehend the driver and eventually execute the blood draw. After the blood draw the driver was lodged at NORCOR for DUII, Escape 3, and Resisting Arrest.

On October 15th, 2022, at approximately 1:31 PM, Troopers from The Dalles Area Command responded to a two-vehicle double fatal crash near MP 77 on US-26 in Wasco County. Scene evidence showed a white Ford sedan left its lane of travel for unknown reasons and crashed head-on into a blue Hyundai sedan. Both drivers sustained fatal injuries and were pronounced deceased at the scene. A dog survived the crash and was fostered by a good Samaritan. Troopers were assisted at the scene by ODOT, Barnett Towing, and Bel-Air Colonial Funeral Home.

La Grande

Nothing to report for the La Grande Area Command.

Ontario

On October 12, 2022, in Hines, Oregon a tenant found their 44-year-old Native American relative deceased in their apartment. The victim was thought to be a transient, although he did have relatives on the reservation and in the Burns/Hines area. Oregon State Police was requested to take lead on this case. The victim had a suspicious bump on his head and other injuries. An autopsy revealed he died of blunt force trauma to his head and the manner of death is currently undetermined. OSP CID Ontario is working with area partners and is continuing this investigation.

Pendleton Area Command / Criminal

On February 23rd, 2022, Troopers from the Pendleton Area Command responded to the Wildhorse Casino regarding a report of shots fired in the Casino parking lot. The report was the victim was possibly held up in a room of the casino. Troopers assisted Tribal PD in securing the

area and securing the hotel room in question. No subjects were located, and Tribal PD officers were continuing their investigation. Responding OSP divisions were Patrol and Fish & Wildlife.

On August 17th, 2022, Troopers from the Pendleton Area Command responded to the Wildhorse Casino regarding a report of an armed robbery in progress with shots fired. A total of nine OSP personnel responded to assist the Umatilla Tribal Police Department with the incident. The incident involved a Umatilla Tribal police officer engaging the armed robbery suspect at the Casino exit, resulting in an officer-involved shooting. OSP assisted with securing the scene and coordinating of resources to perform the investigation. FBI and Hermiston PD were the lead agencies on the investigation. Responding OSP divisions were Patrol, Fish & Wildlife, East Region Captain, and GHQ Major.

On September 18th, 2022, State Police detectives assisted the FBI with an officer-involved shooting on the Confederated Tribes of Umatilla. One tribal officer and one Pendleton police officer were involved in the use of deadly force against a tribal member. Detectives processed the officers involved by collecting uniforms and duty weapons. They also conducted a round count on the involved officer's ammunition. All the evidence was later turned over to the FBI ending state police involvement.

Northwest Region

McMinnville Area Command

The McMinnville Area Command continues to foster a good working relationship with the Grand Ronde Tribal Police. We occasionally provide backup assistance to Tribal officers when requested and where we may be the closest assistance. We frequently provide patrol coverage on Highway 18 in the area of Spirit Mountain Casino. Tribal officers are often the first to arrive at a crash scene in the area and can be counted on to provide valuable assistance at those scenes.

Newport / Tillamook Area Command

The Newport Area Command continues to work closely with the local law enforcement agencies to respond to calls for service at Chinook Winds Casino and Resort and PL-280 land for the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians. During the OSP In-Service training conducted at the Grand Ronde Casino, all Troopers assigned to the Newport Area Command received 4 (four) hours of PL-280 training from the US Attorney's office and Oregon Department of Justice.

Portland Patrol Area Command

Nothing to report for the Portland Area Command

Albany Area Command

Throughout 2022 all members of the Albany Area Command attended OSP In-Service training at Spirit Mountain Casino. As part of the training, everyone was instructed in four (4) hours of PL-280 training with respect to authority when investigations are on tribal lands or involve tribal members.

Oregon State Fire Marshal

The mission of the Oregon State Fire Marshal Office (OSFM) is to protect people, property, and the environment from fire and hazardous materials. The following is a summary of government-to-government interactions between the nine federally recognized tribal governments and OSFM for 2022. The information shows involvement in the following areas: planning, inspections, meetings, education, and consultations.

- OSFM attends the monthly Pacific Northwest Wildfire Coordinating Group (PNWCG). The PNWCG is established to further interagency coordination of wildland fire and fuels management for local, tribal, state, and federal agencies to enhance firefighter safety and protect life, property, and natural resources. PNWCG has several working groups which inform priorities, policies, and actions.
 - Members of the OSFM participated on the Communication, Prevention and Investigation Working Committee to best address wildfire investigation, public information, and risk reduction efforts in lands throughout Oregon.
 - OSFM staff participated in the Incident Business Working Group to discuss best practices and determine shared policy to address when multiple agencies are responsible for costs related to wildfire suppression.
 - OSFM staff participated in the Training Working Group, which works to determine which wildfire and incident management courses will be offered within the state as well as makes student selections based on nominations from all geographic regions within the country.
 - OSFM staff participated in the Incident Commander Council to help guide incident management within the region.
- One tribe supported their employees' participation on OSFM's Incident Management Teams and provided OSFM resources for large fire suppression through standing agreements. OSFM met and worked with a second tribe to draft an intergovernmental agreement to allow their participation in large fire suppression.
- OSFM's Regional Mobilization Coordinators reached out to the tribes within their assigned regions to begin discussing issues relative to large fire mobilization, fostering strong relationships with both our office and their mutual aid partners.
- OSFM's Emergency Response Planner attended at least six Tribal Emergency Preparedness Coalition meetings in 2022, to share information and develop program connections among staff from several state agencies and the emergency management and public safety staff members of the nine federally recognized tribes.
- OSFM's Emergency Response Planner attended one Legislative Commission on Indian Services (LCIS) Public Safety Cluster meeting to discuss agency changes and connections with other cluster members.
- OSFM's Emergency Response Planner also conducted trainings and provided technical assistance for several other OSFM staff members on government-to-government

relations, including Regional Mobilization Coordinators, the Grants Coordinator, and Fire Prevention Education Unit staff.

- OSFM had a significant increase in involvement with Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde and Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs Indian Reservation. Not only did Fire Prevention Education Unit (FPEU) staff attend several events, but staff also provided materials and training that included fire agencies who serve tribal communities. Events attended:
 - April 15th, 2022- Warm Springs K-8 Career Fair
 - April 23rd and 24th- Ag Fest; Members of Grand Ronde Fire joined our efforts as volunteers at the fire prevention booth.
 - August 2nd, 2022- Summer Event at Grand Ronde
 - August 20th, 2022- Grand Ronde Pow-Wow
 - September 1st, 2022- Warm Springs Back to School Event; FPEU provided prevention materials.
 - FPEU fulfilled a request from Warm Springs Fire for youth fire reporting materials in response to youth misusing fire in their community.
 - Wildfire Awareness Month and defensible space education banner displayed in Warm Springs and Grand Ronde.
- Through an OSFM grant, tribes were awarded items including iPads, Otterbox cases and Logitech crayons. The Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde received five iPads, Umatilla Tribal Fire Department received five iPads and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs received four iPads. The Siletz Fire District, which includes the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians and the City of Siletz, receive two iPads. Grant awards were provided through the Analytics and Intelligence (A&I) Unit.
- OSFM met with Tribal leaders on October 3rd to begin conversations to develop a sustainable funding arrangement with each tribe to assist with wildfire prevention and fire suppression efforts to protect tribal lands, members, and communities.
 - OSFM is arranging in-person consultations with all nine federally recognized tribes in November, December, and January to formalize funding arrangements.
- Additionally, OSFM welcomed Oregon tribes to apply for the 2022 Defensible Space Incentive Grant, focusing on ember intrusion mitigation and surface area debris mitigation.
- Tribal members attended two-day Assessing Structural Ignition Potential (ASIP) course offerings hosted by OSFM around the state.
- District work conducted by OSFM's Community Risk Reduction Unit (CRRU) included:
 - District B
 - Coordinated with the Grand Ronde and Siletz Tribes Fire and Emergency Management agencies.
 - Attended outreach events with both tribes.

District C

- Regularly coordinated with the Cow Creek Band of the Umpqua Tribe Emergency Manager on wildland urban interface fire risk reduction.
- Working to establish relations with other tribes in the district.

District D

- Coordinated with the Warm Springs Tribal Fire Chief and Emergency Manager on OSFM outreach and support.

District E

- Regularly coordinated with the Warm Springs Tribal Fire Chief.
- Attended career fair and back to school events with Warm Springs.
- Warm Springs is engaged in the Central Oregon Fire Prevention Cooperative.
- Coordinated with the Warm Springs Tribal Fire Chief and Emergency Manager on Community Wildfire Protection Plan.

- OSFM's Fire and Life Safety Services Unit participated in multiple activities with the tribes outlined below:

Burns Paiute Tribe

- 07/26/2022 Burns Paiute Tribal inquiry into establishing fire department

Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde

- 01/06/2022 Conversation with Grand Ronde Tribal Fire for events of area and contracting of West Valley Fire District
- 01/21/2022 Access and water supply conversation with Grand Ronde Fire Chief Steve Warden and communication with West Valley Fire District for mutual aid between districts
- 03/15/2022 Meeting with Chief and Deputy Chief Grand Ronde inspection for access water supply assist
- 04/07/2022 Headstart Preschool fire inspection of two modular and school
- 05/13/2022 Grand Ronde Headstart re-inspection

Confederate Tribes of Siletz Indians

- 06/30/2022 Assisted Grand Ronde Fire Chief with access and water supply
- 08/19/2022 Code question from Siletz Valley Tribe regarding exit egress width
- 09/07/2022 Wildfire in Siletz Fire District on Siletz Tribal Property; three burn complaints

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

- 03/23/2022 Fire investigation at water treatment plant. The entire Warm Springs community lost access to water that included automatic fire sprinkler systems. Ongoing conversation with fire chief with questions concerning fire watch until water supply repairs were finalized.
- 08/04/2022 Inspected Warm Springs Kindergarten-eight grade Academy

- 08/11/2022 Inspected High Looke Lodge on Warm Springs reservation Conversation with Warm Springs fire chief with unmonitored fire alarm control panel
- 8/16/2022 Meeting with Warm Springs fire chief. Discussed plan for High Looke Lodge sprinkler system and local alarm. Kah-Nee-Ta (unoccupied building) utility concerns
- 09/01/2022 Attended the 'Back to School' event with Community Risk Reduction Heather Miller and Fire Chief Spaulding
- 09/07/2022 Investigated leaking fuel pump complaint at tribal-owned Plateau Travel Plaza in Madras. Assisted local agency having jurisdiction with the compliance engine and fire alarm control panel and sprinkler records
- 09/19/2022 Reinspected High Looke Lodge in Warm Springs. Ongoing conversation with fire chief and tribe to maintain fire service features in a licensed facility
- 09/26/2022 Assisted Warm Springs fire chief with consultive inspection at the Warm Springs Tribal Courthouse
- 10/16/2022 Fire investigation of a structure fire on Warm Springs Reservation
- 10/24/2022 Two lead fire investigations on Warm Springs Reservation and one structure fire investigation in Antelope

11/08/2022 Scheduled inspections for Indian health services with Chief Spaulding

Public Safety Services Bureau

Dispatch:

NCC/SCC provides the dispatch center support to the Area Command activities:

- Assist Tribal Police criminal investigations and serious motor vehicle crashes.
- Provider/and or received back-up assistance from Tribal Police when necessary.

Information Technology Division:

The IT Division completed some user account configuration for the Tribal Gaming Section DAE application which took approximately 1 hour, and also some work for Laserfiche including updating licenses and answering security questions which took approximately 2 hours.

Central Records Section:

Central Records assisted in 12 name scans for Tribal Partners. These reviews provide relevant law enforcement information to be used in hiring decisions and investigations.

02/17/22: The Confederated tribes of Grande Ronde children & Family services

05/31/22: Grand Ronde Tribal PD

04/20/22: Cow Creek Tribal Police

04/20/22 Coquille Tribal PD
07/11/22: Coquille Tribal PD
10/07/22: Coquille Tribal PD
03/31/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
05/22/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
06/06/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
08/30/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
10/07/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
10/17/22: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission

Criminal Justice Information Services Division:

The Criminal Justice Information Services (CJIS) Division is responsible for the state repository of criminal justice record information and the Oregon Sex Offender Registration program as of July 2021. The agency provides criminal justice information to local, state, tribal, and federal law enforcement agencies for enforcement and criminal justice purposes via the Law Enforcement Data System (LEDS). Additionally, this access is allowed to agencies authorized for non-criminal justice licensing and employment needs. CJIS is the designated agency for the exchange of Oregon criminal offender information statewide and nationally via the FBI's Identification Division. Uniform Crime Reporting by all law enforcement agencies is required through OSP for compilation and use within our state and for nationwide crime stat purposes.

CJIS Systems Access/Training/Audit/Uniform Crime Reporting:

LEDS system access, services and support, and training and outreach are provided to all tribal agencies.

Due to the Coronavirus pandemic, the CJIS Division did not hold its annual statewide training conference. However, the CJIS training unit was able to provide regional training events remotely via video conferencing where the following tribal representatives participated:

- Coquille Indian Tribe Gaming Commission
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Police Department

LEDS Auditors conduct audits in cooperation with the federally recognized Tribes within the State of Oregon. The audit process not only encourages compliance, but also provides instruction to users regarding the proper use and protocol of the LEDS system. In 2022, audits were conducted (remotely) with the following tribal agencies:

Criminal Justice Audits

- Bureau of Indian Affairs
- Warm Springs Tribal Court
- Warm Springs Tribal Police Department

- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Police Department
- Paiute Tribal Police Department

Information Technology Audits

- Coquille Tribal Police
- Coquille Tribal Gaming Commission
- Umatilla Tribal Gaming Commission

Non-Criminal Justice (Applicant/Regulatory) Audits

- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, Siuslaw Gaming Commission (Was a continuation of the audit started in December of 2021)
- Klamath Gaming Commission
- Warm Springs Gaming Commission

The LEDS Help Desk team provides user assistance on proper access and entry of information, such as protection orders into the LEDS system, as well as record validations. In 2022, the LEDS Help Desk team processed 10 requests for assistance in the OERS system and 85 LEDS Help Desk Tickets from the following tribal agencies:

- Burns Paiute Tribal Police Department
- Chehalis Tribal Police
- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Police Department
- Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians
- Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Police Department
- Coquille Indian Tribe
- Cow Creek Gaming Commission
- Grande Ronde Tribal Police Department
- Klamath Indian Tribe
- Warm Springs Tribal Police Department

In 2022, the Oregon Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Unit assisted the following tribal agencies regarding their reporting of crime statistics:

- Coquille Tribal Police Department
- Cow Creek Tribal Police Department
- Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department
- Siletz Tribal Police Department

Criminal Justice Arrest/Disposition Reporting and Non-Criminal Justice Background Check Services:

CJIS provides criminal arrest and applicant fingerprint-based services to Tribal Police agencies and Tribal Gaming Commissions. Contacts with these agencies are intermittent and generally deal with record reporting, error resolution, or answering questions they may have regarding any of our services.

The Computerized Criminal History (CCH) Unit is responsible for ensuring that information received for criminal arrests and dispositions is entered into the Oregon criminal history repository for all law enforcement agencies statewide. The information on these cards is used to populate the criminal history files in both LEDS and the National Crime Information Center (NCIC). The CCH Unit has as-needed contact with Tribal Police agencies to correct any errors that may be noted on submissions. Likewise, the ABIS Unit has occasional contact with Tribal agencies for any hard copy or electronic fingerprint submission issues that may arise in order to assist in resolution. The OSP Livescan Coordinator will provide periodic notices throughout the year for record table revisions for agency livescan and/or record management systems updates and offers assistance when needed regarding livescan vendor or equipment issues in order to support their efforts toward problem resolution. The following tribal submissions were received for entry into the Oregon CCH repository through November 1, 2022:

Arrest Fingerprints: 215
CJIS Security Fingerprints: 85
Court Dispositions: 207

The Regulatory Unit processes non-criminal justice agency applicant fingerprint-based background checks for employment and licensing related purposes. Typical contact includes returning rejected fingerprints, calling livescan operators regarding questions or errors that may require resolution on an as-needed basis and calling agencies regarding billing for fingerprint-based background checks. The following tribal applicant background checks by category were processed from January 1 – November 1, 2022:

Gaming: 2420
Housing: 0
Health & Family Services: 69
Human Resources: 21

Sex Offender Registration:

The Sex Offender Registration (SOR) Section supports tribal jurisdictions directly by providing education and technical assistance related to OSP's Sex Offender Registration Mobile (SORM) software application for registration, investigative, and as an ad hoc enforcement tool, coordination and research related to compliance enforcement operations ("sweeps"), as well as reaching out to and receiving calls from individual Tribal Police Officers regarding compliance enforcement on individual offenders.

SOR provides indirect support by pulling reports of offenders who live or may work on Oregon Tribal Land and are suspected of being out of compliance in one or both jurisdictions,

researching potential whereabouts, and following up with partners at the US Marshals Service for coordination with Tribal law enforcement authorities.

In 2022, SOR staff worked primarily with Warm Springs Tribal Police Department, Grande Ronde Tribal Police Department, and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation Police Department in the areas noted above.

OSP is continuing to follow up and research offenders from the April 2021, Warm Springs Tribal Police Department-led sweep operation. As part of the US Marshal follow-up work, OSP Research Analyst Elizabeth (Beth) Gordon assisted by performing a data comparison of offenders who were registered with Warm Springs to those in the Oregon Registry, conducted an audit of both rosters and provided research results, including: identification of non-compliant offenders for Oregon and Warm Springs, updated records for offenders who were in the Oregon Registry based on non-compliance status. Requested compliance checks, updated registration forms and assisted with instructing offenders to update their Oregon registration status. Coordinated assistance from USMS with contacting specific offenders regarding their International Megan's Law fail to report history. Offenders who were given warnings during the April 2021 sweep to update their registration and have not completed this action, the SOR Research Analyst gathers this information and contacts the US Marshall's office and or Warm Spring Tribal Police Department for assistance with performing compliance checks, updating registrations and or taking enforcement action. At the same time, we update those offenders' records to show as non-compliant in the State of Oregon Sex Offender Registry.

Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office

During 2022, the Oregon State Police Medical Examiner's Division (OSME) continues to work closely with tribes regarding the inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains and the subsequent repatriation of these remains to the appropriate tribal members.

The Medical Examiner's Division is maintaining transparent lines of communication and is deeply committed to adhering to ORS 97.745. The year proved challenging to the State Medical Examiner's Office and adherence to program standards, as the COVID-19 pandemic continues to affect aspects of our interaction and in-person collaboration with the nine federally recognized Oregon Indian tribes.

The State Forensic Anthropologist for OSME continues to be a liaison to Oregon Native American tribal members. She is responsible for (in part) investigating, analyzing, and respectfully storing Native ancestral remains when in the stewardship of the Medical Examiner's Office during the repatriation process. However, a dedicated physical anthropology position has been greatly needed over the past years, as state medical examiner resources are scarce and our capacity to assist in the physical examination of non-contemporary remains has been limited. With that said, the OSME is happy to welcome and support the new State Physical Anthropologist, hired under the Legislative Commission on Indian Services. This individual will assist in the determination of discovered human remains as forensic or non-forensic, and the determination of non-forensic remains as Native American or as non-Native American. The Oregon State

Medical Examiner's Office is eager to collaborate with this subject matter expert and will provide assistance and a medico-legal death perspective to achieve success in these new duties.

In October 2022, staff from the Medical Examiner's Office had the opportunity to virtually train law enforcement agency personnel in the annual Oregon Medico-Legal Death Investigation Certification training course held on the Microsoft Teams platform. This was the second time the class was held remotely, as the in-house training was canceled in 2020 and 2021 due to COVID-19 restrictions. A substantial portion of this training includes information on the 9 federally recognized Oregon tribes, their cultural history, and the Medical Examiner's commitment to following proper protocol when a possible Native American gravesite is discovered. The individuals who received this training in 2022 are now equipped to return to their communities with a better understanding of how the Medical Examiner's office operates, how the law is interpreted, and the respectful actions we must take to protect these heritage sites. This type of training will continue, and all efforts will be made to provide this educational opportunity in the future.

The Oregon Chief Medical Examiner and the State Forensic Anthropologist were invited to join the US Attorney's District of Oregon Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) Working Group in October 2022. The Working Group consists of representatives from every federally recognized tribe in Oregon, and federal, state, and tribal law enforcement. The MMIP Working Group will coordinate this multi-agency collaborative effort in support of MMIP case review and investigation and will use a comprehensive strategy to prevent and respond to violence against Native Americans. The OSME is honored to participate in this important endeavor.

In 2019, the State Medical Examiner's Office was awarded a National Institute of Justice-sponsored grant under the DNA Laboratory Efficiency Improvement and Capacity Enhancement Program to work toward identifying unidentified "cold" human skeletal remains cases. This in turn is expected to reduce the backlog of missing person cases throughout Oregon and the nation. In 2022, the grant funds have been used consistently to extract DNA material from older skeletal remains in storage and use innovative techniques to produce investigative leads for law enforcement agencies. Because these grant funds can be used on both older and newer unidentified person cases from all over Oregon, our hope is to possibly resolve missing and murdered Native American women cases that may reside in the state ME facility.

One particular cold case, listed in the National Missing and Unidentified Persons System (NamUs) under Unidentified Person #7765, is a young female discovered in Linn County off Highway 20 near Sweet Home, Oregon. Based on DNA phenotyping of the remains, the genome for this individual best matches a genetic mixture of European and Native American ancestry. This information was immediately provided to tribal representatives so they could reach out to their communities and generate possible leads to the woman's identity. Analysis is ongoing on this case and others, and results are pending on numerous cases held at the Medical Examiner's office, some as old as 40+ years since initial recovery. The grant concludes on December 31, 2022.

Lieutenant Craig Heuberger continues to be the Oregon State Medical Examiner's liaison to the nine federally recognized Native American tribes in Oregon. Lieutenant Heuberger communicates with the tribes regarding repatriation issues and the continued implementation of Oregon Revised Statutes dealing with the inadvertent discovery of Native American human remains and artifacts.



DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

STATE-TRIBAL GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

Effective Date: October 28, 2016	Supersedes Date: September 8, 1999	Policy Number: 500.11
Reference/Laws/Statutory Authority: Office of the Governor, Executive Order #96-30; ORS 190.110		
Applies to: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All Personnel <input type="checkbox"/> All Management <input type="checkbox"/> Sworn Personnel <input type="checkbox"/> Non Sworn Personnel <input type="checkbox"/> Other <input style="width: 600px; height: 20px;" type="text"/>		
Issuing Authority: Superintendent of State Police		No. Pages 4

I. PURPOSE

The purpose of this policy is to formalize the government-to-government relationship that exists between Oregon Indian tribes and the State and to establish a process which can assist in resolving potential conflicts, maximize key inter-governmental relations and enhance an exchange of ideas and resources for the greater good of all of Oregon's citizens, whether Tribal members or not.

II. POLICY

There are nine federally recognized Indian Tribal governments located in the State of Oregon. These Indian tribes have a unique legal status as sovereign governments. The importance of recognizing the relationship that exists between the tribes and State government agencies can not be underestimated. As sovereigns, the tribes and the State must work together to develop mutual respect and trust for the sovereign interests of both parties.

- A. The State recognizes the sovereign status of Oregon Indian tribes and the Department establishes the following policy:
 1. Recognizes Oregon Indian Tribal governments are interested in development of State policy that affects Tribal interests and recognizes the desirability of dialogue between Tribal governments, the federal government as trustee, where appropriate, and the State, with regard to those State policies;

2. Identifies key personnel of the Department as "key contacts" responsible for coordination with Tribal governments.
 3. Establishes a process for the identification of those Department policies by designated Tribal representatives and key contacts.
 4. Promotes dialogue between the Department and Tribal governments on those state policies; and
 5. Advances the government-to-government relationship by notifying Department members of Executive Order #96-30.
- B. The Department of State Police will work cooperatively with other State agencies to accomplish the goals of Executive Order #96-30.
- C. This policy is not intended to create a forum for the resolution of all issues between the tribes and the Department, nor is it meant to replace presently existing lines of communications.

III. PROCEDURE

- A. The Gaming and Employee Services Bureau Commander, or a designee, shall assist the Superintendent to coordinate and accomplish the requirements of this policy and the goals of Executive Order #96-30.
1. The Gaming and Employee Services Bureau Commander will coordinate the periodic Tribal cultural training for Department representatives and designated supervisors. Each Department representative shall designate those supervisors under their command that should attend this training.
 2. The annual report to the Superintendent required by this policy shall be an Executive Summary.
- B. The statewide annual meeting will serve as a means for Department representatives to further establish contacts with designated Tribal government representatives, schedule additional meetings and develop appropriate protocols of communication on issues of mutual concern.

IV. DEFINITION

NONE

V. RULES

- A. The key contacts of the Department are those members primarily responsible for advancing the government-to-government relationships between the Department and Oregon Indian tribes and for coordination with Tribal governments on

agency policies.

1. The following position is designated as the primary Department representative for Oregon Indian tribes:
 - a) Primary contact: Gaming and Employee Services Bureau Commander.
2. The following positions are designated as Department representatives based upon local service area or specialized service responsibility:

Statewide Issues:

Fish & Wildlife/natural resources	Fish and Wildlife Division Director
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Tribal Gaming Department Policy & Procedures	Gaming Enforcement Division Director Chair of Policy & Procedures Advisory Committee
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Local Issues:

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe	Area Commander-Roseburg
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Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs	Station Commander-Bend
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Confederated Tribes of Umatilla	Station Commander-Pendleton
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Burns Paiute Tribe	Station Commander-Ontario
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Fort McDermitt Paiute Tribe	Station Commander-Ontario
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Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Tribes	Station Commander-Coos Bay
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Coquille Tribe	Station Commander-Coos Bay
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Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde	Station Commander-McMinnville
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Confederated Tribes of Siletz	Station Commander-Newport
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Klamath Tribes	Station Commander-Klamath Falls
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- B. The listed Department representative, or a designee, shall communicate with Oregon Tribal governments that are located in their individual service areas for the purpose of working together to achieve mutual goals, identify policy issues and to discuss issues of mutual concern or interest.
 - 1. In the development of issues of mutual concern, the Department representatives shall make reasonable efforts to design solutions and develop programs to achieve mutual goals in relation to Department policy.
 - 2. Department representatives shall consider the use of cooperative agreements with Indian Tribal governments as provided for in ORS 190.110 or other tools to achieve mutual cooperation when it is appropriate to do so.
 - 3. Department representatives and designated supervisors shall attend periodic training in Tribal culture, relations, and legal status designed to create an awareness of the unique nature of the Tribal governments and an understanding of, and sensitivity to, Native American Issues.
- C. The Gaming and Employee Services Bureau Commander shall provide annually to the Superintendent a report on the Department's accomplishments and achievements derived from the advancement of Executive Order #96-30. A copy will be provided to each of the Tribal public safety key contacts.
- D. All members of the Department will consider impacts on Oregon Tribal governments when developing policy and if appropriate shall consult with Tribal representatives to discuss issues.
- E. Area Commanders designated as Department representatives shall establish mutually agreeable meeting schedules with local Tribal representatives.