



**2023**  
Government-to-Government  
Agency Report

**Oregon State Police**

# Introduction

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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 calendar year 2023.

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 primary 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.

As of July 1, 2023, the Oregon State Fire Marshall's Office and Oregon State Police have separated and will no longer collaborate in this report.

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## **Oregon State Police Gaming Bureau -Tribal Gaming Section/Tribal Liaison**

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. Also housed in the Gaming Bureau is the Tribal Liaison program which is responsible for collaboration with Oregon's nine Federally recognized Tribes as well as Tribal persons residing within Oregon.

### **Oregon State Athletic Commission (OSAC)**

Oregon State Athletic Commission (OSAC) regulated four events in cooperation with two Oregon Tribes. OSAC regulated three MMA events at Chinook Winds Casino, and one event at Seven Feathers Casino. OSAC is currently planning to conduct three events for 2024 at Chinook Winds and two events at Seven Feathers in 2024.

### **Criminal Investigations**

During 2023, Detective Madsen investigated a potential cheating crime at the Chinook Winds Casino. The investigation involved a suspect who appeared to be "bet capping." "Bet capping" is a cheating method in which a player will add a late wager to the original wager after knowing the outcome of the game. The investigation determined that casino staff quickly became aware, removed the player after a few hands were played, and no money was gained by the player.

On September 7th, the Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission hosted training at Chinook Winds Casino with Oregon Department of Justice on human trafficking intervention. The keynote speaker was Human Trafficking Intervention Coordinator, Amanda Swanson from Crime Victims and Survivors Services Division - Oregon Department of Justice. The participants consisted of law enforcement, first responders, public assistance service providers, behavioral health providers, health care providers, and educators. The goal was to provide basic awareness training and identify the steps to take for the proper reporting of human trafficking.

In November, Captain Tim Fox presented on active threat situations and steps utilized to mitigate the possible threat/risk to the staff of the Siletz Community Health Clinic and Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission.

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 prevention and detection of criminal related activity at casinos.

During 2023, OSP Detectives attended 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 2023, 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. Six new vendor background investigations were conducted this year at the request of the Tribes.

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 which are approved to provide services and products to Tribal Class III gaming facilities in 2023.

### **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 Governmental Auditors that perform regular monitoring activities for the eight Tribal casinos in Oregon.

### **Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Gaming Commission**

*Three Rivers Casino Resort – Florence, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
  - Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Three Rivers Casino and Resort completed in July 2023.

### **Coquille Gaming Commission**

*The Mill Casino – North Bend, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at The Mill Casino completed in October 2023.

### **Cow Creek Gaming and Regulatory Commission**

*Seven Feathers Casino Resort - Canyonville, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
- OSN Training (Casino Cryptology) held at Seven Feathers Casino Resort in August 2023.
- GLI University Training (Slots 101) held at Seven Feathers Casino Resort in October 2023.

### **Grand Ronde Gaming Commission**

*Spirit Mountain Casino – Grand Ronde, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.

### **Klamath Tribal Gaming Regulatory Commission**

*Kla-Mo-Ya Casino - Chiloquin, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.

### **Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission**

*Chinook Winds Casino Resort – Lincoln City, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at Chinook Winds Casino Resort completed in April 2023.
- Human Trafficking Training held at Chinook Winds Casino Resort in September 2023.

### **Confederate Tribes of Umatilla Gaming Commission**

*Wildhorse Resort & Casino - Pendleton, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Compact Compliance Review jointly planned and conducted onsite at the Wildhorse Resort & Casino completed in January 2023.

## **Warm Springs Gaming Commission**

*Indian Head Casino – Warm Springs, Oregon*

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- Onsite monitoring activities.
- Assisted Department of Justice and Oregon Governor's Office with Compact negotiations.

### **OSP Tribal Liaison**

Glendon N. Smith, a Tribal member of the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Indian Reservation of Oregon was selected and began working as the OSP Tribal Liaison June 20, 2023.

During 2023 Glendon Smith, Captain Kevin Markey and/or Captain Tim Fox, met with the following groups to introduce the new Liaison position:

- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians
- United States Department of Justice Attorney, Tim Simmons
- Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians
- Director for Legislative Commission on Indian Services Director, Patrick Flanagan
- Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission Law Enforcement Committee
- House Representative, Tawna Sanchez
- Burns Paiute Tribe
- Coquille Indian Tribe
- Klamath Tribe
- Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

Glendon Smith participated in the parade for the Pi-Ume-Sha Celebration of the Treaty of 1855 as the OSP Tribal Liaison representative at Warm Springs in June 2023.

## **Oregon State Police Criminal Investigations Division**

The Criminal Investigation Division (CID) Missing Person Clearinghouse Manager (MCCH) tracks unresolved Missing Person Cases in Oregon. The Oregon missing persons list is updated daily and posted on the Oregon State Police Missing Person Clearinghouse webpage. As of November 13, 2023, the number of missing persons identified as Native American/Alaskan, as reported to Oregon law enforcement agencies, and uploaded to the OSP Missing Person Clearinghouse list, represent 3% (three percent) of all missing person cases in Oregon. CID continues to seek out investigative coordination efforts with Tribal partners. In October 2023 OSP CID was contacted regarding possible cremated remains in a location near the Smith Homestead of Tillamook County. The cremated remains were discovered by Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) and reported to the Legislative Commission on Indian Services then



forwarded to OSP for follow up to determine if may be Tribal/criminal in nature. CID Major Crimes at Northwest Region HQ investigated and through coordination with Tribal partners and the Oregon State Police Forensic Anthropologist, were able to determine the bones were not human and that cremation is not common in Native American practice prior to the twentieth century.

## **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 (LCIS), the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW), other State natural resource agencies, Oregon Department of Justice, Governor's Office, and the Oregon State Legislature on issues related to fish and wildlife and other cultural and natural resources.

Throughout 2023, Fish and Wildlife Troopers investigated various cultural resources 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 OSP and LCIS. Fish and Wildlife Troopers responded to the inadvertent discoveries to secure the remains and conduct investigations with the assistance of LCIS and Tribal representatives. In some instances, the ancestral remains were repatriated to the appropriate Tribe for their care. In other instances, ancient human remains were unlawfully being advertised for sale at auction sites and estate sales. Investigations were conducted and the remains were recovered and placed into safekeeping in evidence and will be returned to Tribes upon adjudication of the investigation.

### **Northwest Region**

Trooper Reeder investigated a report of a male subject with a valid late season cow elk tag for the Wilson Wildlife Management Unit who had located a herd of elk on a dairy farm in the Nehalem area. The subject was on a list of persons who were allowed to hunt on the dairy property. The subject shot several times into the herd from the paved roadway on Tideland Road, wounding multiple elk. He singled out one of the wounded elk, killed it and tagged it, leaving at least three additional injured elk in the area. Trooper Reeder responded to the scene and assessed the injuries to the remaining elk, euthanizing a second cow that was badly injured. The next day, Trooper Reeder was accompanied by Trooper Miller, Trooper Jerome, Senior Trooper Boeholt and Sergeant Plummer to assess the herd again. A bull elk was euthanized at that time due to the extent of its injuries. One additional wounded elk was not euthanized because it could not be safely separated from the herd. The initial subject was contacted and admitted shooting from the roadway. He stated he became excited and admitted he had "elk fever" during the incident. He was cited criminally for Hunting Prohibited Method: Shooting from Roadway, Take/Possession of Antlerless Elk, and Take/Possession of Bull Elk. A .308 rifle and empty shells recovered from the scene were seized as evidence. The tagged elk was also seized from the hunter. The tagged elk and one of the euthanized elk were donated to the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, and the remaining elk was donated to the Tillamook County Jail.

Senior Troopers Jerome and Boeholt responded to a hunter self-reporting having killed a spike elk on his LOP cow tag near Grand Ronde. Troopers assisted the inexperienced hunter with field dressing and skinning the elk. The hunter was ultimately warned, and Troopers processed and donated the elk to the Grand Ronde Tribe.

Senior Trooper Jerome received a report from Grand Ronde Tribal Police that a subject outside Willamina had killed a bull elk on a damage cow tag. Upon arrival it was determined that one hunter in the group lawfully harvested a cow, but a second subject shot when the elk were on the move and killed a 4x4 bull elk with a misplaced shot. The group self-reported to the Grand Ronde Tribal Police Chief. The group handled all field dressing and processing of the elk and transported to Grand Ronde Natural Resources for donation. The subject was warned for Unlawful Take: Bull Elk.

Trooper Turner and Senior Trooper Jerome responded to the report of two cow elk down outside of Forest Grove. One subject shot two cow elk and then called a second subject to use his tag on the second elk. Upon Troopers arriving, the subject admitted he shot both accidentally but wanted his brother to use his tag for the second one. Through the investigation, Troopers also determined the subjects were hunting outside the boundaries of their General Season Antlerless Damage Tags. Both elk were seized and later donated to the Grand Ronde Tribe. Both subjects were criminally cited for Unlawful Take and the shooter's rifle was seized as evidence.

Senior Trooper Jerome, assisted by Lieutenant Shugart, provided Wildlife Enforcement Decoy (WED) "Train the Trainer" training to Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde (CTGR) Law Enforcement personnel. The course included several hours of classroom training followed by field training. As part of the field training, CTGR LEO demonstrated their knowledge by locating areas for WED operations and explaining what considerations they had considered when choosing these locations. The training was well received and CTGR PD is well prepared to stand up their own WED operation program.

Sergeant Van Meter responded to an inadvertent discovery of human remains in Yachats State Park in a documented historical site and shell midden. The remains appeared to be human and were initially confirmed as such by the State Medical Examiner's office. Due to the perceived age of the remains, they were believed to be ancestral. OSP assisted the State Physical Anthropologist, State Parks Archaeologist, and representatives from the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians and Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians with the investigation. The reporting party, who found the remains while digging for rocks and agates, was very cooperative throughout the investigation and was educated on the laws pertaining to culturally sensitive sites.

Recruit Galusha received information from a State Physical Anthropologist on an estate sale that was selling Indian artifacts of the funerary nature. Recruit Galusha contacted both the seller and the owner. Both were apologetic on the matter. The owner stated the items were bought 20 years prior from a rock show by her father who

was unaware of their origin. The Indian artifacts were seized and placed into evidence for safe keeping until the rightful Tribe can be identified. The seller received a warning for Sell Native Funerary Object/ Indian Artifacts. The owner received a warning for Possess Funerary Object Taken from Burial Site.

Senior Trooper Jerome took a call of a subject self-reporting having killed a cow elk on his antlerless deer tag near Timber, OR. The subject was confronted by another hunter who stated he would be turning him in as well. The elk was shot from within 100 yards, with good visibility, and in fog free daylight. With no mitigating factors the subject was issued a violation citation for Unlawful Take of Cow Elk despite self-reporting. The elk was seized and donated to the Grand Ronde Tribe.

## **East Region**

Lieutenant Schwartz served on the Lower Deschutes River Managers Group throughout the year. The group consists of members of various agencies responsible for management of the Lower Deschutes River, including 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 Lane Magill once again orchestrated the annual Lower Deschutes River Law Enforcement Coordination meeting in April of 2023. Law enforcement members of the Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division, Bureau of Land Management and Wasco County Sheriff Department met and discussed enforcement concerns and operations related to the Lower Deschutes. Invitation was extended to Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Natural Resources Enforcement, but the officer was unable to attend.

Sergeant Timko worked with an Oregon State Police evidence technician to donate seized meat to the Burns Paiute Tribe for a Ceremonial Gathering.

Senior Trooper Juzeler received a call from a landowner in the Pendleton area who reported a neighbor witnessed an individual shoot a deer on private property. The deer was retrieved, and the suspect(s) left the area. Senior Trooper Juzeler was not far away and notified Tribal PD as the vehicle left in the direction of the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR). There was a blood trail on the private property and the reporting party was sure it was a mule deer doe that was killed. Tribal PD located a truck matching the suspect description, with blood all over the back, as it pulled into a driveway on the reservation. There were four adults and a juvenile in the truck, all Tribal members. One subject admitted to shooting the deer and said it was for ceremonial reasons. Senior Trooper Juzeler contacted the Tribal F&W officers who were both in Montana. They called the Tribal Department of Natural Resources. The Tribal biologist said no ceremonial permits had been issued and they would never issue one for a mule deer since the population is so low. The Tribal biologist and Tribal F&W officer agreed that the deer was illegally taken. Tribal PD seized the firearm and deer and transferred them to Senior Trooper Juzeler. The subject who had shot the deer was issued citations for Take Mule Deer Doe Closed Season and Criminal Trespass II by OSP, through Tribal PD. Further charges were forwarded to the Umatilla County District Attorney on additional CTUIR members.

Senior Trooper MacKenzie was contacted by a Warm Springs Conservation Officer regarding a possible poaching incident on PGE property. Further information was obtained that revealed, the suspect, a PGE employee and enrolled Tribal member had harvested an elk.

The Mid-Columbia Fish and Wildlife Team coordinated with Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Natural Resources Officer O'Reilly throughout 2023 regarding property issues and investigations spanning reservation and ceded areas.

Sergeant Gunderson along with Senior Trooper Ocheskey and an Inter-Tribal Officer conducted a follow up at Celilo Village regarding the unlawful sale of Chinook salmon during a closed season from earlier in the year. It was learned that a non-Tribal man had purchased two Chinook salmon from a woman associated with Celilo Village in mid-May for \$100.00. Upon contact, the woman said that it was probably her that had conducted the transaction, but that she sells so many fish, that she couldn't recall that exact exchange. She was photographed and later identified as the suspect. Sergeant Gunderson ultimately cited and released her for the Unlawful Sale of Chinook Salmon Closed Season x2.

## **Southwest Region**

Trooper Gordon met with Tribal Game Enforcement Officers from the Klamath Tribes to do follow up in Chiloquin regarding a tip they received involving a non-Tribal member shooting a bull elk. The investigation was closed due to insufficient evidence.

Sergeant Tague, Senior Trooper Niehus, Senior Trooper Rice, Recruit Trooper Dykstra (Patrol), and Recruit Trooper Gray were working with the SW Region Pilot to locate Travel Management Area (TMA) violations and then spotlighting as the night closed in. Senior Trooper Niehus was able to contact two subjects who were observed on Crump Lake, which is closed to all access. The subjects were actively seeking archaeological artifacts on foot when they heard Senior Trooper Niehus approaching them. They ran to their ATV and attempted to leave the area but stopped when the red and blue lights were activated. Both subjects had backpacks, wire cutters, headlamps and over a dozen replacement batteries. One subject had nine artifacts on his person. Charges were referred for Criminal Trespass and Remove Archaeological Object Without Permit.

Senior Trooper Rice was conducting Oregon State Marine Board shore patrol on the Williamson River. He contacted an individual actively angling (river was closed). The subject advised he was a Tribal member. Further investigation showed that he was an Alaskan Native and not a member of the Klamath Tribes. He was not on the Tribal roll and did not have Tribal identification. The subject was also found to be using bait and a treble hook, both violations. A warrants check showed that he had a warrant for DUII. He was cited for Angling Closed Stream and issued a criminal citation for the warrant. His girlfriend responded to drive him and his vehicle home as his driving status was also suspended.

Sergeant Tague, Senior Trooper Gosse, Trooper Gordon, Trooper Cantrell, and Trooper Ellis assisted the USFS with two search warrants in Shady Cove and Eagle Point related to an Archeological Resources Protection Act investigation. A large amount of evidence was collected.

Sergeant Tague and Senior Trooper Niehus participated in a Rule Advisory Committee meeting regarding Crump Lake closure in drought years. The permanent rule went into effect November 1, 2023. This will assist in enforcement and protection of archeological resources.

Senior Trooper Rice received information about a subject trying to sell salmon. The reporting party only had a name and phone number that could not be located in all databases. The subject was eventually identified and had recently reported his vehicle stolen. The subject has never had an Oregon fishing license, a commercial fish dealer license and is not a member of the Klamath Tribes. Attempts were made to contact the subject at his residence and were not successful. Several days later, the subject was contacted at this residence. His fish supply was inspected and was commercially packaged and labeled. He had a corresponding invoice for the purchase. The Marine Fisheries team was contacted and advised of the case. There ultimately ended up being no violations.

Senior Trooper Rice was conducting shore patrol of the Williamson River. He located three juveniles fishing from the bank. One was a member of the Klamath Tribes and in compliance. The next juvenile was not a member of the Klamath Tribes. He did not know that he needed a youth angling license. Senior Trooper Rice assisted him setting up an account. The third juvenile was found hiding in the bushes. He was also without his youth angling license and was afraid of getting in trouble at home. Senior Trooper Rice also assisted him with purchasing his license. Both were warned.

Senior Trooper Rice responded to the Lakeview Office to facilitate the return of ancient Native American remains to the Klamath Tribes. The items were seized during an investigation in 2021 when an individual contacted OSP about surrendering the items. Senior Trooper Rice returned the ancestral remains to the Klamath Tribes.

Sergeant Tague and Senior Trooper Rice responded to an inadvertent discovery of human remains at a construction site near Sprague River. Resources from the Klamath County Sheriff's Department had responded the previous evening and determined that the human remains were likely not modern and referred the incident to OSP Fish and Wildlife. The State Physical Anthropologist from the Legislative Commission on Indian Services, and members from the Klamath Tribes responded as well. The remains were confirmed non-modern, and the incident was deemed an inadvertent discovery (non-criminal). OSP assisted with the recovery of the remains and returned the ancestral remains to the Klamath Tribe.

Sergeant Harris responded to Charleston for an ODFW report of a couple who had retained four adult salmon and a jack salmon from a fishing trip on the Coos Bay Bar. The subjects had mistaken three of the fish for Chinook, but they were actually wild Coho, which was currently closed. Due to some extenuating circumstances, including the wife's recent diagnosis with a cognitive disorder, the subjects were warned for Illegal Take. The fish, along with one seized earlier in the day on the ocean patrol, were donated to the elders of the Coquille Indian Tribe.

Trooper Jamison was contact by Trooper Hurdman (Patrol Division) about a deceased bird of prey at MP 12 on HWY 234 in Sam's Valley. Trooper Jamison determined the bird to be a juvenile bald eagle. The eagle was collected and placed into evidence to be transferred to USFWS/the local Tribes for use in constructing ceremonial items.

Sergeant Tague received notification of suspected ancient human remains found in Lakeview. The next day, Sergeant Tague and the State Physical Anthropologist responded to the site. The remains located on the surface were recovered and taken to the Lakeview office for safekeeping. Sergeant Tague later conducted a site visit with several Oregon and California Tribes in response to the human remains found near Lakeview. The remains were reinterned the following week. Tribes plan to assist the landowner in securing the hillside to prevent further erosion is in the works.

Sergeant Tague received a report of suspected human remains on an excavation site. All work was stopped and the inadvertent discovery plan was followed. Remains were determined to be non-human and site was released for further excavation. The Klamath Tribes were contacted and responded to scene to assist.

Senior Trooper Keeler investigated a trespass and wounding of a buck deer just outside of Coos Bay city limits. The landowner observed a subject shoot and wound a 2x2 buck deer within 40 yards of his residence. The landowner was unable to identify the subject. The deer had one front leg shot off and the other front leg broken so the landowner dispatched the wounded deer. Senior Trooper Keeler contacted the surrounding neighbors, but all denied shooting the deer. The landowner was not able to provide any details on the trespasser. The deer was donated to the Coquille Indian Tribe.

Sergeant Tague received notification of suspected ancient human remains in Agency Lake. The required parties were contacted, and the Klamath Tribes agreed to reintern the remains immediately. Due to the location, Klamath County Sheriff's Office assisted in getting the Tribe to the location by airboat.

From July to October the Oregon State Police Southwest Region Fish and Wildlife Division assisted the Klamath Tribe with planning for the 2023 Eclipse. Several thousand Eclipse goers were expected to attend this event. Troopers had several meetings with the Klamath Tribe to determine the impacts to their area and offered assistance. During the event, several Troopers were sent to the area, protecting multiple vulnerable historical and ceremonial sites during a 4-day period.

Sergeant Tague attended a meeting on protecting and improving Spring Creek. The meeting included many agencies, landowners, and Klamath Tribal Leadership. Sergeant Tague briefed the group on enforcement and regulations and a request for an action plan was received.

## **Oregon State Police Patrol Command Areas**

### **Patrol Services Division Staff**

Assisted Warm Springs Tribal Police with the investigation/reconstruction of one fatal motor vehicle crash.

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

### **Southwest Region**

#### **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 of the 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 backup is needed. Our Troopers, during emergencies, respond to the Kilkich 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 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 Chief's and Sheriff's meetings to discuss various issues that arise with the Chief's, Sheriff's, District Attorney's 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.

#### Klamath Falls Area Command:

The Klamath Falls Area Command assisted in the preparation of the solar eclipse event that occurred in October 2023.

#### 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 Indians 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 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.

During the Memorial Day Weekend (May 26<sup>th</sup> through May 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023), Troopers from The Dalles Area Command conducted a traffic safety enforcement operation on US-26. During the operation, 6 Troopers conducted 212 traffic stops. Several vehicles were stopped going over 100 mph with the highest speed being 115mph in a 55mph zone. Due to this enforcement operation, no fatal crashes were reported on this section of US-26 during the holiday weekend.

On July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at approximately 3:30 PM, Troopers from The Dalles Area Command responded to a two-vehicle collision on US-26 near milepost 79. A gray 2021 Subaru Crosstrek was traveling westbound when it collided head-on with an eastbound white 2011 GMC Savana van towing a white 1997 Wells Cargo utility trailer. Both operators were declared deceased on scene. Two adult passengers from the van were transported by ground ambulance to an area hospital for medical evaluation and treatment. A juvenile passenger from the van was transported by Life Flight to a Portland area hospital for medical evaluation. US 26 was closed for about 4.5 hours while members from the OSP Collision Reconstruction Unit processed the scene. OSP was assisted by Warm Springs PD, Warm Springs Fire and EMS, Life Flight and ODOT.

On October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at approximately 1:40 PM, Sergeant Shimer stopped a vehicle for traveling 89mph in a 55mph zone on US-26 near milepost 96. The driver was found to have multiple warrants for his arrest. He was placed under arrest and transported to jail. The driver was also cited for the speed, driving uninsured and expired registration stickers.

## **Northwest Region**

For the past 18 months Captain Cord Wood has been a Commissioner on the Not Invisible Act Commission working towards reducing the instances of missing, murdered and trafficked individuals in Indian Country. The commission just completed and forwarded our report and recommendations to Congress for consideration. The report should be public in the near future.

Captain Cord Wood has also continued to participate in the District of Oregon Missing and Murdered Indigenous People work group facilitated by the US Attorney's Office.

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 nine recognized Tribes in the state.

Captain Wood will be conducting a presentation and conversation on Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons to the Lane County Public Safety Coordinating Council in late November.

## **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 oftentimes 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.

# **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 user account configuration and “pick list” updates for the Tribal Gaming Section DAE application and Laserfiche work, including updating licenses and answering security questions in support of gaming operations.

### **Central Records Section:**

Central Records assisted in six requests for Tribal partners. These reviews provide relevant law enforcement information to be used in hiring decisions and investigations.

- 01/27/23: Tribal First (provided OSP documentation for insurance claim)
- 02/01/23: Coquille Indian Tribe
- 03/06/23: Confederated Tribes of Coos Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Indians
- 05/22/23: Coquille Tribal Police Gaming Commission
- 10/27/23: Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
- 11/01/23: 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. The CJIS Division consists of the following program areas: Computerized Criminal History (CCH), Law Enforcement Data Systems (LEDS), Automated Biometric Identification System (ABIS), the Firearm Instant Check System (FICS), and Sex Offender Registration (SOR). The CJIS Division provides criminal justice information to local, state, Tribal and federal law enforcement agencies for enforcement and criminal justice purposes via LEDS. Additionally, this access is allowed to authorize non-criminal justice agencies for some licensing and employment needs. The Oregon CJIS division is the designated entity for the exchange of Oregon criminal offender information statewide and nationally via the FBI’s Identification Division. Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) 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 access, services and support, and training and outreach are provided to all Tribal agencies.

CJIS held its annual statewide training conference in August of 2023, the following Tribal representatives attended:

- Umatilla Tribal PD
- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Enforcement

- Coquille Indian Tribe Gaming Commission
- Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
- Klamath Tribes Gaming Regulatory Commission
- Warm Springs Tribal PD
- Cow Creek Tribal PD

Additionally, the CJIS training unit provided training events remotely during this reporting period via video conferencing and the following Tribal representatives participated in these trainings:

- Warm Springs Tribal Police Department
- Warm Springs Tribal Gaming Commission
- Grand Ronde Tribal Police Department
- Cow Creek Tribal Police Department
- Coos Confederated Tribal Police Department
- Coquille Gaming Commission
- Oregon State Police – Tribal Gaming Commission
- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Enforcement
- Confederated Tribes of Umatilla Gaming Commission

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 2023, audits were conducted with the following Tribal agencies:

#### Criminal Justice Audits

- Cow Creek Tribal Police Department
- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Police Department
- Umatilla Tribal Police Department
- Umatilla Tribal Court
- Umatilla Tribal Prosecutor

#### Information Technology Audits

- Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Tribal Gaming Commission (Scheduled 11/16/2023)

#### Non-Criminal Justice (Applicant/Regulatory) Audits

- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Gaming Commission
- Grand Ronde Tribal Gaming Commission
- Cow Creek Gaming Commission
- Coquille 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 2023, the LEDS Help Desk team processed eight requests for assistance in the OERS system and 28 LEDS Help Desk Tickets from the following Tribal agencies:

- Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fisheries Enforcement
- Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua & Siuslaw Police Department
- Siletz Tribal Gaming Commission
- Umatilla Tribal Police Department
- Coquille Indian Tribe
- Cow Creek Gaming Commission
- Grande Ronde Tribal Police Department
- Klamath Tribal Health and Family Services
- Klamath Tribes Gaming Regulatory Commission
- Warm Springs Tribal Police Department
- Warm Springs Tribal Gaming Commission

In 2023, the Oregon Uniform Crime Reporting (UCR) Unit assisted the following Tribal agencies regarding their reporting of crime statistics:

- 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 CCH Unit is responsible for ensuring that information received for criminal arrest and dispositions are 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 Program area has as-needed contact with Tribal Police agencies to correct any errors that may be noted on submissions. Likewise, the ABIS Program area has occasional contact with Tribal agencies for any hard copy or electronic fingerprint submission issues that may arise 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 to support their efforts toward problem resolution.

The following Tribal submissions were received for entry into the Oregon CCH repository from November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023:

Arrest Fingerprints: 267  
CJIS Security Fingerprints: 102  
Court Dispositions: 226

ABIS, as part of their regulatory functions, 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 November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023:

Gaming: 2291  
Housing: 0  
Health & Family Services: 116  
Human Resources: 31

### **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 2023, 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 (USMS) follow-up work, the OSP Research Analyst 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.

## **Firearms Instant Check System**

The Oregon FICS program did not have any Tribal government contacts during the November 1, 2022, through October 31, 2023, period.

## **Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office**

In 2023 the Oregon State Medical Examiner's Division (SMEO) 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 year proved challenging to the State Medical Examiner's Office and adherence to program standards, as our limitations in death investigation services continues to affect aspects of our collaboration with the nine federally recognized Oregon Indian Tribes.

Specifically, we recognize inequitable distribution of professional death investigation services in many areas of the state. This is especially prominent in rural and Tribal lands. We are committed to developing equitable access to these services and increasing resiliency in all Oregon communities. As a first step towards resolving the existing challenges facing Oregon's medical examiner system and its stakeholders, and a longer-term goal of significantly improving overall structure and service delivery, the Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office initiated a statewide workgroup in September 2023. The workgroup's purpose is to produce a report detailing challenges within Oregon's medical examiner structure alongside proposals for systemic solutions. All nine federally recognized Tribes of Oregon have been invited to contribute to the workgroup to ensure Tribal concerns about the availability of medical examiner services are heard and addressed. Two of our fifteen workgroup participants are Tribal members, providing direct representation of their Tribes.

Dr. Nici Vance, the State Forensic Anthropologist for the SMEO continues to be a liaison to Oregon Native American Tribal members. She is responsible for (in part) investigating, analyzing, and respectfully storing indigenous ancestral remains when in the stewardship of the Medical Examiner's Office during the repatriation process. In addition, collaboration with Dr. Elissa Bullion, the new State Physical Anthropologist employed by the Legislative Commission on Indian Services, has been extremely successful. State medical examiner resources are scarce and our capacity to assist in the physical examination of non-contemporary remains has been limited. Dr. Bullion

continues to assist in the determination of discovered human remains as forensic or non-forensic, and both subject matter experts work together to determine if non-forensic remains are indigenous ancestral remains or non-indigenous historical remains. This partnership has streamlined the process of repatriation and provided a strong voice articulating the needs and requests of our Tribal partners.

In September 2023, staff from the Medical Examiner's Office had the opportunity to train law enforcement agency personnel and county employees in the annual Oregon Medico-Legal Death Investigation Certification training course held at the State Medical Examiner facility in Clackamas. A substantial portion of this training includes information on the nine federally recognized Oregon Tribes, their cultural history, maintaining transparent lines of communication while adhering to ORS 97.745, and the Medical Examiner's commitment to following proper protocol when a possible Native American gravesite or possible indigenous ancestor remains are discovered. The individuals who received this training in 2023 are now equipped to return to their communities with a better understanding of how the Medical Examiner's Office operates, how ORS 97.745 is interpreted, their duties and responsibilities as death investigators, and the respectful actions we must take to protect heritage sites and indigenous human remains. This type of training will continue, and all efforts will be made to provide this education in the future.

For the second year, the Oregon Chief Medical Examiner and the State Forensic Anthropologist have participated in the US Attorney's District of Oregon Missing and Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) Working Group. The Working Group consists of representatives from every federally recognized Tribe in Oregon, and federal, state, and Tribal law enforcement. The MMIP Working Group coordinates 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 SMEO is honored to participate in this important endeavor.

The Human Identification Program continues its efforts to resolve cold unidentified remains cases, and our hope is to 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, this individual best matches a genetic mixture of European and Indigenous/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. The case was also profiled in a briefing held with Parabon NanoLabs, a contract genetic genealogy laboratory that provided the ancestry results in the case. The briefing included several members from the District of Oregon MMIP Working Group, the SMEO, and Linn County



investigators. The genetic genealogist from Parabon made some promising initial conclusions in that this individual's heritage is most likely from an Alaskan indigenous Tribe in the Knik, Alaska region. Outreach to the populations in that area have begun, and genetic research continues 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.

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. We also welcome and look forward to working with Glendon Smith, the new Oregon State Police Tribal Liaison.



# DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

## STATE-TRIBAL GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

<b>Effective Date:</b> October 28, 2016	<b>Supersedes Date:</b> September 8, 1999	<b>Policy Number:</b> <b>500.11</b>
<b>Reference/Laws/Statutory Authority:</b> Office of the Governor, Executive Order #96-30; ORS 190.110		
<b>Applies to:</b> <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		
<b>Issuing Authority:</b> Superintendent of State Police		<b>No. Pages</b> <b>4</b>

### 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 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

Tribal Gaming  
Department Policy &  
Procedures

Gaming Enforcement Division Director  
Chair of Policy & Procedures Advisory  
Committee

Local Issues:

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua  
Tribe

Area Commander-Roseburg

Confederated Tribes of  
Warm Springs

Station Commander-Bend

Confederated Tribes of  
Umatilla

Station Commander-Pendleton

Burns Paiute Tribe

Station Commander-Ontario

Fort McDermitt Paiute Tribe

Station Commander-Ontario

Coos, Lower Umpqua &  
Siuslaw Tribes

Station Commander-Coos Bay

Coquille Tribe

Station Commander-Coos Bay

Confederated Tribes of  
Grand Ronde

Station Commander-McMinnville

Confederated Tribes of  
Siletz

Station Commander-Newport

Klamath Tribes

Station Commander-Klamath Falls

- 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.