



2011 Report of Government to Government Activities with Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes

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

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Agency Programs that Impact Tribes:

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

1. Business Development Programs:

Business Oregon delivers its business development programs through professional field staff (aka business development officers, BDO's) who work on a day-to-day basis with local governments, including tribal nations. Members of the business development staff have provided technical assistance to Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes as follows:

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw: Business Oregon staff participated in a meeting of Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians in Coos Bay. The subject presented was project development and financing.

Coquille Indian Tribe: Staff of Business Oregon, including a BDO, Regional Coordinator and Public Finance Officer met with the Coquille Economic Development Corporation (CEDCO). The meetings were regarding the development of the former Weyerhaeuser Mill Site in North Bend for the development of the mill site for the Perpetua Power joint venture.

The proposal for funding from the Coquille Tribe was reviewed from the Forest Energy Program.

Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde Community: Met with Tribe on 8/18/11 to discuss a variety of topics including:

1. Future directions for the Tribe's construction company and gravel operation;
2. The timber/land management on Tribal land;
3. The EB5 initiative and how to attract international investors to Tribe opportunities; and
4. Economic development and diversifying the Tribe's income stream

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation: Worked with the Tribe on two on-going recruitment projects. Project Sweet Treat and Project Peace. Both projects are on-going with no specific time for a decision. Employment for both projects would total around 15-20. Project Peace would have the added benefit for the Tribal farm being able to supply raw product. Both projects may lead to an opportunity for business finance support.

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs: Assisted Tribe on their proposed Unmanned Aviation Vehicle (UAV) testing areas.

All Tribes

Most Tribes attended the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians in Coos Bay, as well as Tribes from other Northwest areas.

Business Finance & Minority Certification Programs: Business Oregon administers several business finance related loans and loan guarantee programs, as well as the Office of Minority Owned, Women Owned, Emerging Small Business Certification.

Members of the program assisted the Confederated Tribes of the Grande Ronde, Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians and the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation last year with certification of companies for the MBE and DBE programs. The MBE program is evaluated on a three year basis and the DBE annually. There was no service provided to the Tribes for these programs this year.

Oregon Broadband Advisory Council (OBAC): Business Oregon provides staff support and is home to the Council. The mission of the Council is to encourage coordination and collaboration between organizations and economic sectors to leverage the development and utilization of broadband for education, workforce development, government and healthcare, and to promote broadband adoption by citizens and communities. The council members represent Oregon's cities, counties, telecommunications service providers, tribes, educators, economic development organizations, public safety agencies, healthcare providers, e-government, the Public Utility Commission, the State House of Representatives and the State Senate.

Lonny Macy of the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs sits on the Council and represents statewide tribal interests and issues related to broadband telecommunications. The Warm Springs Telecommunications Company (WSTC) was recently awarded a \$5.4 million federal grant to build a telecommunications network to provide broadband services to the

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation. For more information:
www.broadband-oregon.org

Warm Springs Telecommunications Company: The Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs was awarded a \$5.4 million federal grant to build a telecommunications network to provide broadband services to the Warm Springs Reservation. Business Oregon attended the ground breaking ceremony for the project in Warm Springs on April 11, 2011. For more information: www.warmspringstelecom.com.

Oregon Broadband Mapping Project: Business Oregon is working with the Public Utility Commission of Oregon and the Oregon Department of Administrative Services on a federally funded project to map the served, underserved and unserved areas of Oregon.

The broadband service availability on tribal lands was surveyed. Broadband Community Summit meetings were held in 2011 on the Warm Springs Reservation and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde www.broadbandsummits.com. Broadband service coverage is displayed on the map for all Tribal lands in Oregon and providers and services can be searched by tribe at www.broadband.oregon.gov.

Oregon Connections Telecommunications Conference: Business Oregon is one of the sponsors of this statewide conference and chaired the event's planning committee. The 2011 conference included the session, *the Power of Adoption for Tribes* exploring the benefits of the adoption and utilization of broadband by Tribes. Speakers on the conference program represented the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs, Warm Springs Telecommunications Company, EnerTribe, the Mescalero Apache Tribe and the Coeur d'Alene Tribe. Rio Networks owned by the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, was an exhibitor at the conference. For more information: www.oregonconnections.info.

5. Infrastructure Finance Programs:

Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes are eligible entities for the department's infrastructure finance programs. While there was not direct funding for tribal projects in 2011, the IFA staff met with the following tribes and provided technical consultation on projects under consideration: Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians, Coquille Indian Tribe, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation and the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community.

6. Arts Commission & Cultural Trust Programs:

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

The Oregon Cultural Trust can award an annual Cultural Participation grant to cultural coalitions organized in Oregon's nine federally recognized tribes.

Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw
In FY11, a \$6,064 Cultural Participation Grant was awarded to the tribe.

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians

Kimberly Howard, the Oregon Cultural Trust Manager, provided technical assistance to the Tribe to finalize a cultural plan, which when complete will make the Tribe eligible to receive a Cultural Participation grant for fiscal year 2012.

Coquille Indian Tribe

In FY11, a \$6,062 Cultural Participation Grant was awarded to the tribe.

The Oregon Cultural Trust and its funded partners provided grant technical assistance at the Coos Casino of the Coquille Indian Tribe.

Confederated Tribes of Grande Ronde Community

In FY11, \$6,353 Cultural Participation Grant was awarded to the tribe.

Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

FY11 Arts Services Grant of \$6,000 to Crow's Shadow Institute on the Umatilla reservation: To support the center for traditional and contemporary native arts, including public workshops and printmaking residencies, led by master printer Frank Janzen, for emerging and established artists. The center offers its printmaking studio to Nixyaawii high school students.

Because Crow's Shadow received this funding from the Arts Commission, it is included in the monthly teleconferences of all arts services providers that promote networking and information sharing among all of the grantees.

In FY11, a \$6,191 Cultural Participation Grant was awarded to the tribe.

Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs

In FY11, \$6,191 Cultural Participation Grant was awarded to the tribe. The Tribes cultural coalition Washanaksha received an award of \$6,326.

Carol Leone, Director of the Museum at Warm Springs, participated as a grant panelist for the review of FY12 Arts Services grant applications.

Art Services Grants

Technical services and grants of \$25,000 were awarded to the Oregon Folklife Network (OFN). Located at the University of Oregon, the OFN is re-establishing the traditional arts and apprenticeship program and the folk arts in education residency program which had been discontinued during the past three years.

Cultural Tourism Grant

The Coastal Communities Cultural Center in Lincoln City received a \$3,500 award to support the development of activities, demonstrations and events at the cultural center to celebrate Native American traditions during Lincoln City's designated Native American Heritage Month in November. The celebration, now in its second year, aims to be known as a "travel to learn" for visitors to the coast at the same time the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz holds its Restoration Pow Wow and a tribal member-only craft show at the Chinook Winds Casino Resort.

Communication between Agency and Oregon's Nine Federally Recognized Tribes:

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

The cluster held four meetings this year:

- January 20, 2011- Hosted by Oregon Business Development Department
- May 12, 2011- Hosted by the Oregon Business Development Department
- August 25, 2011- Hosted by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz
- November 14, 2011- Hosted by the Confederated Tribes of Siletz in conjunction with the Annual Governors Summit meeting