

November 30, 1990

RONDEAU NAMED PLANNER

Mike Rondeau has been appointed to the position of tribal planner as of November 26, 1990.

Rondeau's past involvement with the tribe has included Sanitation, Housing, and Adult Vocational Training. He currently serves as a tribal representative and Viceof Umpqua Corp., the esident Umpqua Indian √evelopment tribes's economic development board. He has been appointed to the Constitution Development Comm., and was appointed by the Doug. County Commissioners to the Historic Resource Review Comm., as well as various other tribal committees.

Mike will continue his responsibilities with AVT and HIP while serving $\frac{1}{2}$ time in the planning position.

MATURE TRIBE STATUS

The Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians will be submitting a resolution to the Bureau of Indian Affairs, enabling the tribe to have mature tribe status.

This status is only given to tribe's that have maintained unquestioned dits for three consecutive years.

This significant step means all contracts will automatically be renewed with the BIA, and is an accomplishment and honor for the tribe and the Administrative staff.

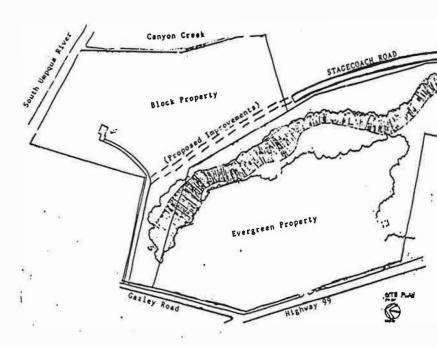
PROPOSED ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

Jack Builderback, Area Design Engineer from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, made a site visit to the tribe's reservation land in Canyonville on Nov. 27, 1990, with Sherri Shaffer, Administrator and Planner Michael J. Rondeau.

The purpose of the site visit and concurrent reservation plan meeting was to secure Bureau funds for road improvements on the reservation.

After surveying the property and site plans for development, Mr. Builderback committed to improving the road on the lower portion of the property connecting the proposed tribal center, Block House and Gazley Rd. to Stagecoach Rd.

The improvements are shown on the map below.



ELDERLY ASSISTANCE

The interest from the Elderly Assistance fund (administered and invested by the BIA) this year was sufficient to make the \$5,000 payments to eight tribe members this year. They are:

Berdene Yurgalevicz
Clementine Rice
Betty Berg
Elzer Bochart
Dorothy Yeust
Louella Michaels
James Perdue
Thomas W. Rondeau

CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

At the Nov. General Council meeting, a Constitutional Committee was formed to review the constitution and make recommendations for any changes that might be in order. The committee members are:

Buster Rondeau
Tim Rondeau
Gary Jackson
Carla Swanson
Sue Shaffer
Mike Rondeau
Sherri Shaffer
Clem Rice
Naomi Gould

The committee will coordinate with the BIA and a workshop will be set up with Bureau officials within the next few weeks. A target date for starting the constitutional election will be Feb. 1, 1991.

INDIAN HISTORY LECTURES

In observance of American Indian Heritage Month, Chairman Sue Shaffer gave lectures at both the Forest Service and the BLM. The lectures were given at the invitation of both gencies to update their personnel on Indian history, the meaning of tribal sovereignty and the government-to-government relationships of tribes and the U.S. Government.

EVERGREEN PROPERTY

Extensive clean-up has been done on the Evergreen property. The green house has been rented, however, before the new aters can move in, various repairs still are required, such as broken doors and windows need replaced.

BUREAU REORGANIZATION UPDATE

As a result of the Senate Special Investigative report and at the urging of tribal leadership, language was included in the appropriations bill passed in the last session of Congress that mandated the reorganization of the BIA. Further, it required tribal consultation. Recently, the chairman particiapted in a working group to set up guidelines for formation of a Task Force.

NEW PROGRAM ANNOUNCED

Kelly Farmer has joined the tribal Administrative staff as the Community Health Representative.

Kelly will be doing home visits to the elderly, as well as monitoring the chronically ill, tribal members with diabetes and hypertension, well baby checks, etc., and assisting the field health nurse in other areas.

STRESS MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP

The Cow Creek Drug and Alcohol Program will be offering a mini stress-management workshop in the near future. The workshop will be open to tribal members and their families.

Topics will include understanding and recognizing symptoms of stress, prevention and/or treatment of stress, and development of survival/coping skills necessary for good health in our stress filled society.

Please call or write the tribal office if you are interested in attending the workshop, and if you have suggestions for days and/or times, for the workshop. Please let the tribal office know by Dec. 31, 1990.

ICWA UPDATE

At present, the tribe does not have an Indian Child Welfare program. The grants to establish programs are very competitive, and are based on tribal needs. The money is provided by the BIA through the grant application process. Although the tribe has applied for several years for an ICW grant sufficient need has not been established.

Tribal members have inquired about using ICW monies to hire attorneys in custody disputes. ICW guidelines are specific about how the money can be spent, and it can't be used in domestic cases. Funds would be available for an attorney, if the child is eligible under the ICWA.