

1 **YUROK TRIBAL COUNCIL**  
2 **PLANNING/ACTION MEETING**  
3 **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2021**  
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6 **ROLL CALL:** 10:00am

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8 **PRESENT:** Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman; Sherri Provolt, Orick District; Mindy Natt,  
9 Pecwan District; Ryan Ray, Requa District; Lori Hodge, East District; Lana  
10 McCovey, South District; Phillip Williams, North District; Toby  
11 Vanlandingham, Weitchpec District.

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13 **ABSENT:** Joe James, Chairman (vacation)

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15 **STAFF:** Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Council Operations  
16 Director; Maggie Poffenbarger, Office of Tribal Attorney; Georgiana  
17 Gensaw (recorder)

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19 **OPENING PRAYER:** Provided by Councilmember Williams.

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21 **REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:**

22 **Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to accept the agenda with**  
23 **additions of YHHS21-59, YHHS21-60 and FISH21-84. Motion carries by consensus.**

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25 **RATIFICATION OF POLL VOTES:**

26 FISH21-083, 2018 Disaster Relief Grant acceptance  
27 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

28 **Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to ratify a poll vote on**  
29 **November 5, 2021 to authorize Chairman's signature on the attached 2018 Klamath River**  
30 **Fishery Disaster Relief Grant allowing the Tribe to accept funding. Motion carries by**  
31 **consensus.**

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33 CA21-212, Return of Funds from CDFI to the Yurok Tribe  
34 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

35 **Motion made by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to ratify a poll vote**  
36 **conducted on November 5, 2021 to acknowledge the return of American Rescue Plan Act**  
37 **funds in the amount of \$2 million from the Yurok CDFI and designate the funds to support**  
38 **purchase of equipment and other upfront costs planned for water infrastructure project(s) for**  
39 **Yurok Tribe Construction Corporation as originally obligated by the Yurok Tribal Council. See**  
40 **attached letter. Motion carries by consensus.**

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42 CA21-213, Funds Transfer to Yurok Tribe Construction Company  
43 Submitted by Councilmember Hodge

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44 **Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to ratify a poll vote conducted**  
45 **on November 5, 2021 to transfer funds directly from Yurok Tribe to the Yurok Construction**  
46 **Corporation in the amount of \$2 million (see CA21-108 previously approved on June 24,**  
47 **2021.) Motion carries by consensus.**

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49 **REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:**

50 EDU21-037, Promised Neighborhood Planning Session Request  
51 Submitted by Jim McQuillen

52 **Council consensus to set for December 15, 2021 for the Education Department to discuss the**  
53 **development of the Promise Neighborhood Grant, requesting 90 minutes for presentation.**

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55 YEDC21-023, YEDC Quarterly reporting to schedule  
56 Submitted by Sara Barbour

57 **Council consensus to set December 29, 2021 to have all Corporations reports ready to present**  
58 **to Council.**

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60 YHHS21-064, YHHS-Tobacco Presentation

61 **Council consensus to set December 15, 2021 for YHHS Tobacco Presentation.**

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63 **COUNCIL CHECK IN:**

64 Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass

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66 Councilmember McCovey: I have been attending many meetings. I would like to report that Liz  
67 Lara-O'Rourke is the new CEO of United Indian Health Services. We are looking at Purchase  
68 Referred Care funding for our area and seeing how we can increase this rate based on  
69 population served, giving people an option to use PRC with the clinic they use, not just base on  
70 where they live.

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72 Councilmember Hodge: I had my district meeting and the membership brings up that there  
73 needs to be housing developed that are not necessarily for income eligible tribal members.  
74 There is a Two Feather virtual conference on mental health set for November 15-19 and I  
75 encourage folks to attend. It's a very good conference for everyone.

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77 Councilmember Natt: Pass

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79 Councilmember Williams: I would like to highlight that Veterans Day is tomorrow and I will be  
80 handing out gifts to veterans at UIHS to recognize the people who served. I am also on the  
81 UIHS Cultural Committee and we talked about the upcoming eeling season. We need to follow  
82 traditional laws. We don't eel until after the winter solstice, and we don't eel after we have lost  
83 a life on the river. We need to pass these traditional laws.

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85 Councilmember Provolt: Pass

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87 Councilmember Ray: NCIDC still has funding available at \$20 an hour to pay for interns. Maybe  
88 we could use this money to help as a Contact Tracer, or if other departments have a need, the  
89 money is there. YHHS gave a presentation at my district meeting, and want to thank them for  
90 that. The disc golf course is still being worked on. NCIDC will provide \$100 food card to  
91 members who qualify. They just need to go on the website and fill out the form. Also, for the  
92 Klamath OES building, we are hoping to get the contractors back to work on December 2, 2021  
93 for the project to be completed by April 2022. We need to clean out the stored PPE's. There  
94 will be a firewood cutting day on Saturday at the Arrow Mill Site, we will be working to get  
95 firewood out to elders.

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97 Break: 10:30am-10:40am (to fix technical issues)

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99 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT**

100 Elizabeth Davis: Good morning. This is Elizabeth Davis. I have a comment regarding elder  
101 services and an idea. I'd really like to see some sort of a program for checking and helping  
102 elders. I had an elder drive all the way from Hoopa to ask for help to put in batteries on her  
103 remote so she could use her heater. These are classic examples of elders that don't have  
104 anyone to help them. I think we really need to have year-round crew or one man, two man  
105 crew that goes out to elders and helps them with little things that they can't do. We have  
106 another elder that when the power goes out here, she is unable to start her generator. I want  
107 to suggest this idea because I know there's elder funds sitting there. If we could possibly have  
108 somebody call and check on them, especially those that don't have anybody, any family that  
109 lives with them. Just an idea that I have. Thank you.

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111 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

112 Willow Creek Building (Hodge)  
113 Personnel & Finance Director Hiring (Provolt)  
114 Exclusion Update & Fentanyl Issues (Vanlandingham)  
115 FISH21-084, Letter to Department of Interior

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117 **CONSENT ITEMS:**

118 YTEP21-056, Setting the Table Grant  
119 Submitted by Louisa McCovey

120 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to allow the YTEP Food**  
121 **Sovereignty Division to apply to the First Nations Development Institute, Setting the Table**  
122 **Grant totaling \$35,000 for one-year, full indirect expenses are allowable, and no match is**  
123 **required. Motion carries by consensus.**

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125 YTEP21-057, Fruit Tree Planting Foundation  
126 Submitted by Louisa McCovey

127 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to allow the YTEP Food**  
128 **Sovereignty Division to apply to the Fruit Tree Planting Foundation Fruit Tree and Orchard**

129 **Donation Grant, which if selected will result in the donation of fruit trees and tree**  
130 **maintenance supplies to support the Klamath Food Village, with no tribal expense to accept**  
131 **the donation. Motion carries by consensus.**

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133 FISH21-082, Comment Letter to California’s Natural Resources Agency  
134 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

135 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to retroactively authorize**  
136 **Chairman’s signature on the attached comment letter regarding the California Climate Smart**  
137 **Strategy and Beaver Dams. Motion carries by consensus.**

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139 **INTRODUCTION OF STAFF:**  
140 Executive Director introduced new staff including Julie Chow, Deputy Executive Director for  
141 Community Development Division, and Dixie Martin and Sheila Davis, ICWA/Title IV-E Program.

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143 Break: 12:00pm-12:10pm

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145 **AGENDA ITEMS (PRESENTATIONS)**  
146 **Office of Tribal Attorney**  
147 OTA21-094, Stanford law Presentations (2 hours)  
148 Submitted by Dawn Baum

149 **Two-hour slot for students from Stanford Law School to present to Council on projects**  
150 **selected with Office of Tribal Attorney. Discussion and presentation only. No Action.**

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152 **LUNCH:** 1:04-2:20pm

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154 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.

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156 **Health & Human Services**  
157 YHHS21-053, TANF Program Evaluation  
158 Submitted by Annelia Hillman

159 **Pulled from agenda, set for December 1, 2021.**

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161 **AGENDA ITEMS:**  
162 **Fisheries**  
163 FISH21-081, Letter to Pacific Fisheries Management Council  
164 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

165 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Natt to authorize Chairman’s signature on**  
166 **the attached letter to the Pacific Fisheries Management Council regarding the Harvest Control**  
167 **Rule to be adopted for Southern Oregon/Northern California Coastal Coho Salmon. Motion**  
168 **carries by consensus.**

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170 **Health & Human Services**

171 YHHS21-051, Youth Opioid Response  
172 Submitted by Alita Redner

**Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Youth Opioid Response budget modification including salary adjustments. Motion to approve indirect shortfall to base project 8201. Motion carries by consensus.**

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177 YHHS21-059, Title IV-E  
178 Submitted by Valarie Ryles

**Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Williams to approve Title IV-E Budget for Fiscal Year 2022 (July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022) on an expedited time sensitive basis. Motion carries by consensus.**

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183 YHHS21-060, TANF Learn Community Nomination  
184 Submitted by Madison Green

**Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Provolt to approve the nomination of Annelia Hillman as the representative for the Yurok Tribe TANF Program to participate in the newly launched TANF learning community (TLC). Motion carries by consensus.**

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189 **Tribal Court**

190 TC21-016, Employee Training to Prevent Suicide  
191 Submitted by Bessie Shorty

**Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve tribal employees' mandatory participation in a 1-2 hour Question, Persuade, Refer (QPR) Intervention Training to decrease suicide among coworkers, friends, and family. Motion carries by consensus.**

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197 TC21-017, Suicide Prevention Community Assessment  
198 Submitted by Bessie Shorty

**Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Hodge to approve and support the Native Connections Youth at Risk Projects Community Assessment and Suicide Prevention Action Plan. Motion carries by consensus.**

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203 **Wildlife**

204 WILD21-025, Great Basin Institute Condor Intern Agreement  
205 Submitted by Tiana Williams-Claussen

**Motion by Councilmember Vanlandingham/Councilmember Natt to approve the attached Memorandum of Agreement with the Great Basin Institute to partner in developing and implementing an internship program for the Yurok Tribe Condor Restoration Program and to approve any necessary Chairman's signature. Motion carries by consensus.**

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211 **Planning**

212 P21-063, Approval of Indian Health Services MOA CA-D37

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213 Submitted by Sophia Lay

214 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve an authorized**  
215 **Chairman to sign Indian Health Services MOA CA21-D37 and any associated minor and**  
216 **amendments to the project. IHS to provide water and wastewater assistance to 14 tribal**  
217 **households. Motion carries by consensus.**

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219 P21-067, Approval of Indian Health Services MOA CA20-E9  
220 Submitted by Don Daines

221 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve and authorize**  
222 **Chairman to sign Indian Health Services MOA CA-E92 and all amendments associated with**  
223 **this MOA. The MOA provides funding to locate and conduct a hydraulic analysis of the water**  
224 **mains on Gensaw and Brooks Roads in Requa. Motion carries by consensus.**

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226 P21-071, Approval of Indian Health Services MOA CA21-F05  
227 Submitted by Don Daines

228 **Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve and authorize**  
229 **Chairman to sign Indian Health Service MOA CA21-F05 and all amendments associated with**  
230 **this MOA. The agreement provides the supplemental funds in the amount of \$1,842,155 to**  
231 **complete the Kenek Community Water System Improvement Project. Motion carries by**  
232 **consensus.**

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234 P21-073, Contract Approval Kepel Intake  
235 Submitted by Don Daines

236 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve and authorized**  
237 **Chairman to sign the contract agreement with Whitson, Inc. to perform construction services**  
238 **on the 10-M47 Kepel intake protection including rehab for piping an existing concrete intake**  
239 **structure with installation of new 4-inch ductile iron pipe along Hwy 169 on McKinnon Hill.**  
240 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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242 P21-081, Drinking Water Tribal Set-Aside  
243 Submitted by Don Daines

244 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve an authorized**  
245 **Chairman to sign the attached letter providing supplemental tribal government endorsement**  
246 **of the proposal being submitted by Indian Health Services seeking funding under the Drinking**  
247 **Water Tribal Set-Aside (DWTS) Grant Program, and authorize a tribal contribution of \$57,800**  
248 **from project code 50. To be reimbursed by noneligible households or other funds to be**  
249 **determined. Motion carries by consensus.**

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251 **Redwood Hotel Casino**  
252 Submitted by David Hernandez  
253 RHC21-01, Resolution 21-119 Advanced Security Waiver

254 **Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember McCovey to approve Resolution # 21-119**  
255 **Limited Waiver of Sovereign Immunity for contract between Advanced Security Systems and**  
256 **Redwood Hotel Casino. Roll call; Vice Chair-chairing, Councilmember Hodge-yes,**  
257 **Councilmember Ray-yes, Councilmember Vanlandingham-yes, Councilmember Provolt-yes,**  
258 **Councilmember Natt-yes, Councilmember Williams-yes, Councilmember McCovey-yes. Yes-7,**  
259 **No-0, abs-0, np-0. Motion carries.**

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261 **Council**

262 CA21-205, Orick District Committee Appointments

263 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember McCovey Pursuant to Article IV, Section 1**  
264 **of the Yurok Tribe Constitution, Councilmember Provolt nominates Yurok Health and Human**  
265 **Services Advisory Committee delegate Patty McCovey, alternate Justin Woods to serve on**  
266 **Tribal Advisory Committee. Chairman James appoints committee members with advice and**  
267 **consent of the Tribal Council. Motion carries by consensus.**

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269 CA21-206, Council Delegates & Liaison list

270 Submitted by Taralyn Ipiña

271 **Council to review delegate/ liaison list and determine appropriate changes if any. Council**  
272 **consensus to table.**

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274 CA21-214, Meeting UIHS CEO

275 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

276 **Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember McCovey to request the new Chief Executive**  
277 **Officer of United Indian Health Services attend a Yurok Tribe Council meeting for**  
278 **introductions and to set up reoccurring quarterly meetings to provide updates on UIHS**  
279 **services. Motion carries by consensus.**

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281 CA21-215, Per-geesh Construction Certificate of Good Standing

282 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

283 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Williams to retroactively approve**  
284 **Certificate of Good Standing dated November 2, 2021 for Per-geesh Construction Corporation**  
285 **to update the SAM registration and to approve Secretary to make available a Certificate of**  
286 **Good Standing on a quarterly basis provided quarterly financial and programmatic reports**  
287 **are provided to Council. Note the last Certificate of Good Standing was issued on February 3,**  
288 **2021. Motion carries by consensus.**

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290 CA21-216, Yurok Tribal Headquarters Flooring

291 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

292 **Directive to Executive Director to work with all appropriate departments to seek bids on**  
293 **replacing carpet in administrative offices in Klamath and Weitchpec for hallways and offices**  
294 **with either new carpet or laminate flooring.**

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296 CA21-217, Thanksgiving Celebration for Staff  
297 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

**Directive to Executive Director to discuss options for a Thanksgiving meal and event for staff.  
Executive Director to work with Roberta Lindgren.**

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301 CA21-218, Trinidad Coastal Land Trust  
302 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

**Motion by Councilmember Natt/Councilmember Provolt to discuss requests from Trinidad Coastal Land Trust to set up a meeting with representatives from the Yurok Tribe, Trinidad Rancheria, Trinidad Coastal Land Trust, and Green Diamond regarding Strawberry Rock.  
Motion carries by consensus.**

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308 CA21-220, October 26-28, 2021 Council Meeting minutes  
309 Submitted by Georgiana Gensaw

**Motion by councilmember Natt/Councilmember Williams to approve with edits and corrections meeting minutes for October 26, 2021 Gaming/ Installation, October 26, 2021 Council Finance, October 27, 2021 Council Planning, and October 28, 2021 Council Action meeting. Motion carries by consensus.**

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315 CA21-221, Aawok Bonnie Green Office Site  
316 Submitted by Councilmember McCovey

**Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Williams to have staff develop a budget and scope of work for the \$2,000,000 previously allocated by Council Action CA21-197 on Tuesday, October 26, 2021 for site evaluation/ renovation/ new build and to provide a copy to Council by the Council Planning session on December 1, 2021. Motion carries by consensus.**

321  
322 CA21-222, Eureka 3rd Street Development  
323 Submitted by Councilmember McCovey

**Motion by Councilmember Williams/Councilmember Ray to have staff develop a budget and scope of work for the \$250,000 previously allocated by Council Action CA21-197 on Tuesday, October 26, 2021, and to provide a copy to Council by next Council session. Motion carries by consensus.**

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329 CA21-223, Funding Opportunity for South Area  
330 Submitted by Councilmember McCovey

**Motion made by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Provolt to have staff apply for the EDA Indigenous Communities funding for the South Area; i.e. Eureka 3<sup>rd</sup> Street., Aawok Bonnie Green Site. Motion carries by consensus.**

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335 **BREAK: 4:39pm-4:50pm**

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337 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 4:50pm-5:53pm**

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338 FISH21-84 (Barry McCovey)  
339 Willow Creek Building (Hodge)  
340 Personnel & Finance Director Hiring (Provolt)  
341 Exclusion Update & Fentanyl Issues (Vanlandingham)  
342 Litigation Update (Amy Cordalis)

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344 **Action out of Executive Session:**  
345 FISH21-084, Letter to Department of Interior  
346 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

347 **Motion by Councilmember Provolt/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize Chairman's**  
348 **signature on the attached letter, with OTA edits, to Interior Secretary Haaland regarding the**  
349 **Trinity River winter flow variability environmental assessment. Motion carries by consensus.**

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351 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:** None provided.

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353 **CLOSING PRAYER:** Provided by Vice Chairman Myers.

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355 **ADJOURN:** 5:57pm

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357 **MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON:**

**December 16, 2021**

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361 **Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

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**Date**