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**YUROK TRIBAL COUNCIL  
PLANNING/ACTION MEETING  
WEDNESDAY, MAY 18, 2022  
<https://zoom.us/j/92549693537>**

**ROLL CALL:** 10:10am

**PRESENT:** Joe James, Chairman; Frankie Myers, Vice Chairman; Sherri Provolt, Orick District; Ryan Ray, Requa District; Lori Hodge, East District; Phillip Williams, North District; Toby Vanlandingham, Weitchpec District.

**ABSENT:** Mindy Natt, Pecwan District; Lana McCovey, South District

**STAFF:** Don Barnes, Executive Director; Taralyn Ipiña, Chief Operations Officer; Dawn Baum, Office of Tribal Attorney; Georgiana Gensaw (recorder).

**QUORUM:** 7 present, 2 absent, quorum present.

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

**REVIEW AGENDA/ADDITIONS/APPROVAL:**

**Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve agenda with additions YHHS22-045, THPO22-006, and P22-011. Motion carries by consensus.**

**REVIEW CALENDAR/ADDITIONS:**

FISH22-034, Condor Aviation Planning Session Request  
Submitted by Barry McCovey Jr.

**Motion to the Fisheries Department requests a planning session to discuss the proposed Airborne LIDAR and Mapping Tribal Enterprise Condor Aviation. Council consensus to set June 8, 2022 to review and discuss this item.**

CA22-122, Work Session on Fiscal Responsibility

Submitted by Councilmember McCovey

**Motion to schedule a work session with appropriate staff to discuss Fiscal and Tribal process in regard to policy/procedures for; receipt of goods, receipt of mail, receipts, inventory, disbursement; deposits/withdrawals, official address, fees, responsible persons, and anything that may come up in the discussion. Required personnel, should be Executive Director, and all the Deputy Directors, Fiscal Director, and designated inventory clerk. Council consensus to set this work session for June 21, 2022.**

June 10- Requa District Meeting

July 3- Yurok Arts and Craft Fair

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44 **INTRODUCTION OF NEW EMPLOYEE(S):**  
45 Gabe Hanson OTA; Jordan Maiser, OTA Intern.  
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47 **COUNCIL CHECK IN:**  
48 Councilmember Vanlandingham: Pass.  
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50 Councilmember McCovey: Not present.  
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52 Councilmember Williams: I just wanted to remind people in the 5<sup>th</sup> District to vote. We need to  
53 have our voices heard. That's it I just wanted to remind everyone.  
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55 Councilmember Hodge: Thank you everyone for being here. I was going to say the same thing,  
56 to make sure you vote on June 7<sup>th</sup>. The sample ballots are out. Be sure to vote. Thank you  
57 everyone, have a good day.  
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59 Councilmember Ray: At the last NCIDC Meeting, we approved the application for the  
60 scholarships program. We are getting the scholarships applications completed. There will be  
61 some funds for Part-Time Students in the amount of \$1,000, and for Full time or Vocational  
62 Training programs, \$2,000. I'll get the flyer out as soon as possible. Hoping to start by  
63 September.  
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65 Councilmember Natt: Not Present  
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67 Councilmember Provolt: Pass.  
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69 Vice Chair Myers: Pass.  
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71 Chairman James: I just want to thank the tribal membership that participated in-person and on-  
72 line Town Hall meetings regarding the draft referendums. Good discussion, especially when we  
73 get feedback from our tribal member directly, so thank you. We will be rescheduling South  
74 Districts Town Hall meeting as soon as we can.  
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76 **TRIBAL MEMBER COMMENT:**  
77 Veronica Van Mechelen: This is Veronica Van Mechelen from Requa District. I have a question,  
78 I'm not sure if you're going to answer but I'd like to know who is responsible for oversight of the  
79 tribal entities like the tribal companies. There are a bunch of rumors going around about  
80 problems with the Telecommunication Company that was newly formed, and possible misuse  
81 of funds. I just have one more comment about that. I know when you guys make a statement,  
82 it's kind of pretty blank. It would be really nice if you guys provided something that tells if  
83 something did happen, and how you're going to stop it from happening again. Thank you.  
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85 **EXECUTIVE SESSION:**  
86 Personnel (Hodge)  
87 Legal (Ray)  
88 Litigation Update (OTA)

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**CONSENT ITEMS:**

**Environmental**

YTEP22-018, Grant Submission Approval  
Submitted by Louisa McCovey, Environmental Director

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to allow Environmental Department to apply to the California 100 Innovative Projects Grant for approximately \$300,000 over two years, with indirect costs fully allowable and no match required. Motion carries by consensus.**

YTED22-019, Food Sovereignty Grant  
Submitted by Louisa McCovey, Environmental Director

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively allow the Environmental Department to submit an application to the USDA Local Food Purchase Assistance grant for a total of \$1,180,202 with full indirect allowable and no match required. Motion carries by consensus.**

YTED22-020, Retroactive Grant Submission  
Submitted by Louisa McCovey, Environmental Director

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively allow the Environmental Department to submit an application to the US Environmental Protection Agency Pollution Prevention Grant for a total of \$800,000 with full indirect allowable and no math required. Motion carries by consensus.**

**Fisheries**

FISH22-031, Flow West Support Letter  
Submitted by Barry McCovey

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively authorize Chairman’s signature on the attached letter in support of Flow West and their Klamath River Fisheries database proposal. Motion carries by consensus.**

FISH22-032, Oregon State Support Letter  
Submitted by Barry McCovey

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively authorize Chairman’s signature on the attached letter in support of Oregon State University and their Klamath Basin Fish Health Studies proposal. Motion carries by consensus.**

FISH22-033, Shasta River Comment Letter  
Submitted by Barry McCovey

**Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Hodge to retroactively authorize Chairman’s signature on the attached comment letter regarding the Shasta Valley Groundwater Sustainability Plan. Motion carries by consensus.**

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

133 *Tribal Council*  
134 **Council**  
135 CA22-061, Candidate presentations  
136 Submitted by Taralyn Ipina, Council Operations Director

137 **Motion to Council to hear presentations from local candidates running for office. No one**  
138 **present.**

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140 *Administration Division*  
141 **Human Resources Department**  
142 HR22-04, Personnel Policy Planning Day  
143 Submitted by Rose Sylvia

144 **Motion to set a planning day in March or later to review Personnel Policy Modifications.**  
145 **Council to give Council Operations direction on a new/adjusted timeline. Item tabled for 30**  
146 **more days.**

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148 **Ner-gery 'Oohl Division**  
149 *Health & Human Services*  
150 YHHS22-022, TANF Facilities Needs Planning Session  
151 Submitted by Madison Green

152 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to request 30-minute**  
153 **planning session with Mr. Glenn Basconcillo, TANF evaluator, to provide a presentation**  
154 **regarding Yurok Tribe TANF Program facility's needs. Presentation provided to Council on**  
155 **May 17, 2022. No action.**

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157 YHHS22-038, TANF Organization Structure  
158 Submitted by Madison Green

159 **Motion to approve 30-minute planning session with Mr. Glenn Basconcillo, TANF evaluator,**  
160 **to provide a presentation regarding TANF organizational structure for the Yurok Tribe**  
161 **program. Presentation provided to Council on May 17, 2022. No action.**

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163 **Community Development**  
164 *Planning Department*  
165 P22-014, Indian Health Services MOA  
166 Submitted by Sofia Lay

167 **Motion to approve and authorize the Chairperson to sign Indian Health Service MOA CA 21-**  
168 **M96 and all amendments associated with this MOA. Previously completed on May 5, 2022.**

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170 *10:39 Councilmember Natt arrives*

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172 *Education Department*  
173 EDU22-022, Yurok Language Wellness Project  
174 Submitted by Victoria Carlson

175 **Meeting set for Yurok Language Program Manager to bring in guest speaker Dr. Mneesha**  
176 **Gellman with Emerson College to provide a presentation on her findings from Phase 1.**

177 **Additional update will be provided on Phase 2 of the Yurok Language Project. Discussed and**  
178 **reviewed presentation. No action.**

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180 CA22-125, Re-Opening of Head Start Programs  
181 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

182 **Motion to get an update on Head Start shorten hours & plan for extending hours for working**  
183 **families, and to get an update on what services are planned for families during summer**  
184 **months. Discussion only. No action.**

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186 **BREAK: 11:25am-11:39am**

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188 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

189 **Natural Resources Division**

190 *Environmental*

191 YTEP22-016, US Army Corps of Engineers

192 Submitted by Louisa McCovey, Environmental Director

193 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to request Council to**  
194 **approve and the Chairman to sign a letter the US Army Corps of Engineers requesting**  
195 **technical and planning assistance to conduct the Lower Klamath Watershed Inventory and**  
196 **Assessment, with edits. Motion carries by consensus.**

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198 YTEP22-017, Partnership Approval  
199 Submitted by Louisa McCovey, Environmental Director

200 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to allow the Environmental**  
201 **Department to partner with the Point Blue Foundation to request funding from a private**  
202 **anonymous donor totaling \$150,000, with full indirect charges allowable and no match**  
203 **required. Motion carries by consensus.**

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205 *Fisheries*  
206 FISH22-030, State Coastal Conservancy  
207 Submitted by Barry McCovey, Jr.

208 **Motion by Vice Chair Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to authorize the Fisheries**  
209 **Department to accept the State Coastal Conservancy offer to start construction and incur**  
210 **costs at the Orick Mill Project prior to executing the 2022 agreement. Roll call: Vice Chairman**  
211 **Myers-Yes, Councilmember Hodge-Yes, Councilmember Ray-Yes, Councilmember**  
212 **Vanlandingham-Yes, Councilmember Provolt-No, Councilmember Natt-Yes, Councilmember**  
213 **Williams-Yes, Councilmember McCovey-Np. Yes-6, No-1, Abstaining-0, Not present-1. Motion**  
214 **carries.**

215 For the record: Councilmember Provolt votes “pa” as there is no contract developed and  
216 incurring costs prior to any executed contract is risky.

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218 *Forestry*  
219 FOR22-007, Approval of Intertribal Timber Council  
220 Submitted by Dawn Blake

221 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Dawn Blake,**  
222 **Forestry Director as the primary delegate to represent the Yurok Tribe for the Intertribal**  
223 **Timber Council and Talbert Alvarado, Forestry Field Coordinator as the alternate. Motion**  
224 **carries by consensus.**

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226 FOR22-008, State Forest Inventory  
227 Submitted by Dawn Blake

228 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Vanlandingham to allow Yurok Forestry to**  
229 **request Cal Fire to send 2-3 contracted crews to collect Forest Inventory Analysis on 3 data**  
230 **plots in 2022. Motion carries by consensus.**

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232 YHHS22-045, Approval for Chairman's Signature  
233 Submitted by Madison Green

234 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve Chairman's**  
235 **signature to allow Madison Green, Client Services Director, and Springwind Marshall,**  
236 **Administrative Manager as WDTIP Access Coordinators, and MEDSLITE Access Coordinator for**  
237 **Yurok Tribal TANF Program. Motion carries by consensus.**

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239 **LUNCH: 12:00pm – 1:00pm**

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

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243 **AGENDA ITEMS:**

244 **Office of Tribal Attorney**  
245 OTA 22-030, Recording Condor Aviation Fictitious Business  
246 Submitted by Associate General Council Annie Perry

247 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to record "Condor**  
248 **Aviation" as a fictitious business name for the Yurok Tribe Construction Corporation and to**  
249 **direct the Office of the Tribal Attorney to issue a Certificate of Fictitious Business name to the**  
250 **Yurok Tribe Construction Corporation with edits, contingent on OTA receiving no objections.**  
251 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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253 ***Tribal Council***  
254 **Council**  
255 CA22-126, Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail  
256 Submitted by Councilmember Provolt

257 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Williams to set meeting with Tsurai**  
258 **Ancestral Society to discuss repairs needed to the Axel Lindgren Memorial Trail. The City of**  
259 **Trinidad and Coastal Conservancy had/will obligate funds to repair this trail per Tsurai**  
260 **Management Plan recommendations. Meeting to be set prior to July 15, 2022. Council set**  
261 **planning session for June 22, 2022. Motion carries by consensus.**

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263 CA22-127, Aawok Ada Charles Emergency Center update  
264 Submitted by Councilmember Ray

265 **Motion to have staff give Council an update regarding the Aawok Ada Charles Emergency**  
266 **Center Update. Discussion only, no action.**

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268 THPO22-006, Funding from the SHPO for CAL THPO/SHPO Summit  
269 Submitted by Rosie Clayburn

270 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to approve budget and**  
271 **funding agreement with the State of California Office of Historic Preservation in the amount**  
272 **of \$25,000 to support APG video to do the livestreaming of the CAL THPO/SHPO summit.**  
273 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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275 P22-011, Laretta Holmes Land Dedication Agreement  
276 Submitted by Michael Gerace

277 **Motion by Councilmember Hodge/Councilmember Williams to review, approve, and**  
278 **authorize Chairman to sign and Secretary to attest the Laretta Holmes Land Agreement.**  
279 **Motion carries by consensus.**

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281 BREAK: 2:07pm-2:17pm

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283 **EXECUTIVE SESSION: 2:20pm-3:30pm**

284 Personnel (Hodge)  
285 Legal (Ray)  
286 Litigation Update (OTA)  
287 FIN22-006, Tribal Court budget

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289 **Out of Executive Session:**  
290 CA22-130, Travel to Boise, ID to retrieve our new Fire Engine  
291 Submitted by Councilmember Williams

292 **Motion by Vice Chairman Myers/Councilmember Vanlandingham to suspend the rules and**  
293 **add CA22-130 to today's agenda, and to approve travel for Councilmember Williams travel to**  
294 **Boise, ID to go pick up our new fire engine on or about May 30 & 31, 2022. Motion carries by**  
295 **consensus.**

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297 FIN22-006, FY22 Tribal Court Budget  
298 Submitted by Jill Mix

299 **Motion by Councilmember Ray/Councilmember Vanlandingham to transfer \$225,312 from**  
300 **Morgan Stanley Title One Settlement Funds as approved in Action Item ExDir21-06 FY22**  
301 **Tribal Government Budget. Motion carries by consensus.**


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

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305 **CLOSING PRAYER:** Provided by Councilmember Ray.

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307 **ADJOURN:** 3:39pm

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309 **MEETING MINUTES APPROVED ON:** **July 6, 2022**

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**Sherri K. Provolt, Secretary**

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