



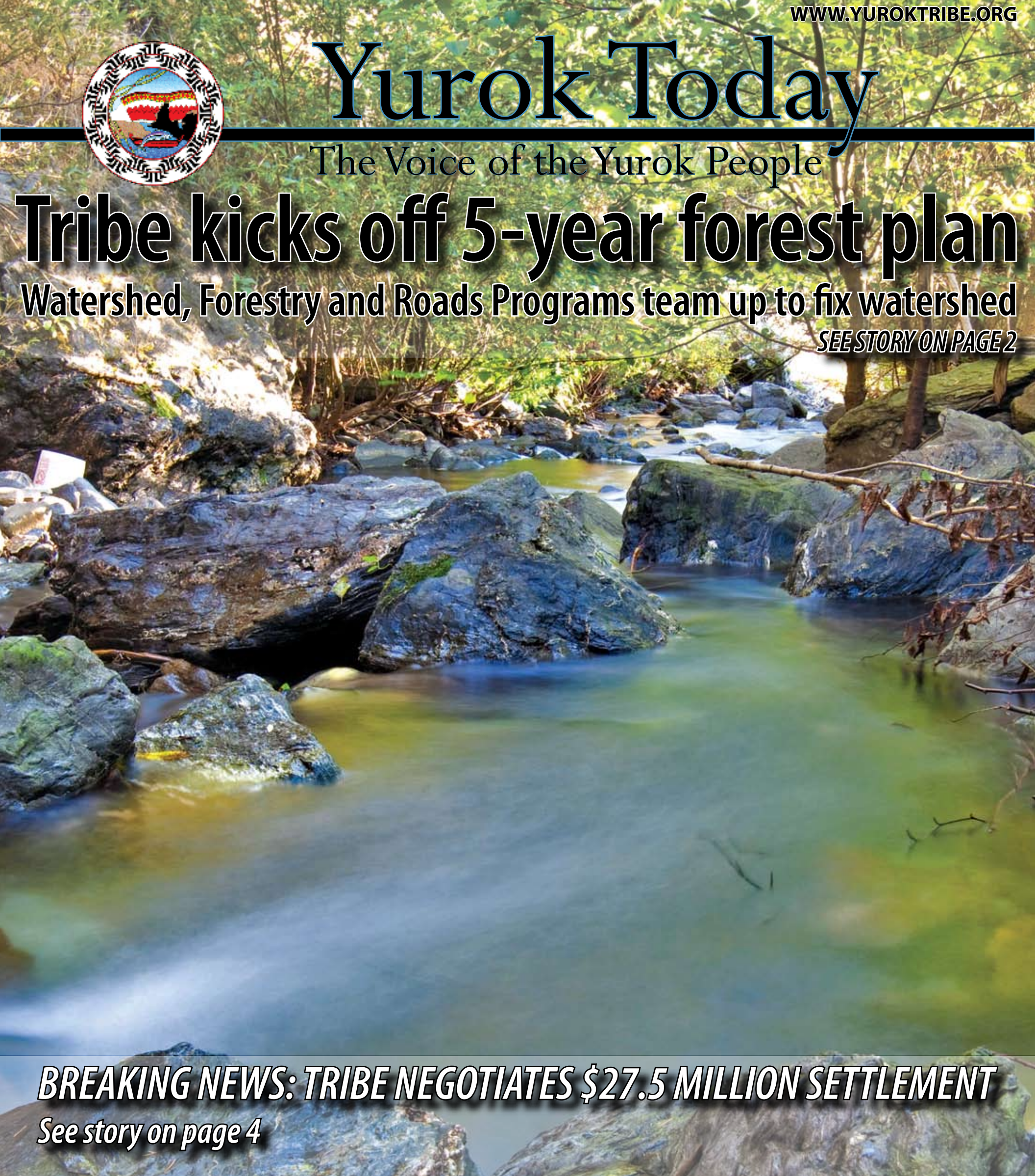
Yurok Today

The Voice of the Yurok People

Tribe kicks off 5-year forest plan

Watershed, Forestry and Roads Programs team up to fix watershed

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BREAKING NEWS: TRIBE NEGOTIATES \$27.5 MILLION SETTLEMENT

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Road work connected to fish, wildlife health

property. took place at the top of the creek. The Pecwan watershed is a



summer months. Pecwan Creek also plays a vital role in the

“We share a common sense of respect and responsibility to take years.

“OUR ROADS, FORESTRY AND WATERSHED PROGRAMS ARE UNITED BY THIS HOLISTIC APPROACH.”

FRANKIE MYERS • WATERSHED RESTORATION PROGRAM - NRCS COORDINATOR

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On The Cover

Pecwan Creek is an important Klamath River Tributary.

Photo Courtesy of Western Rivers Conservancy



Todd Golder. "The Tribe makes the decisions on what's important as far as what resource concerns to address. All of the projects

sediment into the Klamath and its tributaries. The thick silt

take root.

the dirt path will wash over the road uniformly instead of down a creeks.

In order to purchase the Phase I property the Yurok Tribe as

completed on the Phase I property was done in accordance with

healthy riparian areas.

replacements and other improvements to the Pecwan watershed.

please remember to respect the land. It is ours and we have

If you own private property and would like to do improvements like the ones mentioned in this article or other Forestry/ Road-related improvements, please contact Frankie Myers @ 530 625 9232 or Richard Nelson @ 707 482 0439 ext. 1801. ✘





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only. **All ballots must be received in the Klamath Post Office by February 20, 2013.** A
to approve the proposal outlined in the referendum for it to pass it.

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For additional information, please contact your Tribal Council Representative or Chairman Thomas O'Rourke Sr..

Cobell settlement information

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SAMPLE BALLOT

**YUROK TRIBE
OFFICIAL BALLOT
SPECIAL ELECTION**

**BALLOTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY
February 20, 2013**

Distribution of Funds
Vote for One

To distribute the *Nez Perce Tribe, et al, vs Salazar, No. 06-cv02239-TFH* fund to all enrolled Yurok Tribal Members, as of January 9, 2013, as follows:

Members Ages 60 and Older receive	\$4,500 (\$2,965,500)
Members Ages 18 to 59 receive	\$3,500 (\$13,002,500)
Members Ages 0 to 17 receive	\$1,000 (\$1,432,000)
Total Distribution	\$17,400,000

The remaining funds (\$10,136,000) from *Nez Perce Tribe vs Salazar* fund to be used for the Tribal Hotel/Casino, attorney fees, expenses for filing, prosecuting, negotiating and finalizing this case.

Yes _____ ↵ □
No _____ ↵ □

member is an heir of an IIM account holder or individual

recently approved payments to certain Indian individuals
Cobell funds.

If you think you or a family member might be a class member eligible for payment, please go to <http://www.indiantrust.com/claim>. That website provides an online claim

does not mean that you will receive a payment.

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additional information, please visit the official Cobell plaintiffs' website at <http://www.indiantrust.com/index> or call 1-800-961-6109. ✱ I M



Dave Hillemeier voted Yurok Tribe's Employee of the Year!

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'Politics is really ultimately about people'

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THE DAILY NIGHTLY

The enemy within: Soldier suicides outpaced combat deaths in 2012

Never too late: seniors find love online

Full buses bring 'excited' Sandy Hook students to new school

Plenty of historical fires in the new 112th Congress

Rising above the violence to pursue a career in health care

Dave Hillemeier does an interview for NBC's Nightly News with Brian Williams piece about the Tribe's work to remove four Klamath dams and restore the Klamath River's fish population. With nearly nine million views every evening, Nightly News is the most watched news show in the United States.

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River as Home" exhibit begins February 2

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20YUROK TRIBE STAFF 12 ANNUAL MEETING



1. Walt Lara Sr. and James Gensaw Sr. have a laugh at the annual meeting.
2. Yurok Executive Director Troy Fletcher recognizes employees celebrating 5, 10, 15 and 20 year anniversaries serving the tribal membership.
3. (Center) Retiring Fiscal Director Doris Timm listens to Zuretti Goosby speak about her dedication to the tribe.
4. Joyce Gensaw won \$100 for coming second place in the vote for Employee of the Year.
5. Yurok Legal Secretary Rhonda Wright won a stack of cash in the Yurok Head Start's 50-50 raffle.
6. 30 employees were acknowledged for their service.
7. Former Executive Director Zuretti Goosby tells the story of Doris Timm's hiring.



The Yurok Tribe's Staff Annual Meeting was held on Friday December 14, at the Blue Lake Casino. Retiring Fiscal Director Doris Timm was honored at the event for her 20 years of service to the Yurok Tribe. Zuretti Goosby, the Tribe's first Executive Director and an honored guest at the meeting, told the story of how Doris Timm was first hired. The staff selected Yurok Fisheries Manager Dave Hillemeier, also a long time employee of the Tribe, as the "Employee of the Year." He was nominated by Senior Fisheries Biologist Mike Belchik. Thirty employees received recognition for their 5, 10, 15 and 20 year anniversaries working for the Tribe. A fun time was had by all.

Review assessment plan

Eureka resident and Yurok tribal member

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Attn: Ken Fetcho Yurok Tribe Environmental Program PO BOX 1027 Klamath, CA 95548.



YUROK TRAILS AND WATERWAYS MASTER PLAN

PLEASE JOIN US FOR AN OPEN HOUSE

LEARN about the Trails and Waterways Master Plan;
SEE preliminary trail inventory maps; and
SHARE information about:

- > trail locations;
- > the uses and values of trails; and
- > any concerns related to safety, maintenance and privacy.

Yurok Tribal members, local businesses, community members, state and Federal agencies are invited to an Open House to share ideas and refreshments.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 23RD, 2013
NOON - 4:00 PM

Two Locations:

- Weitchpec Yurok Tribal Office, Hwy 96, Weitchpec, CA
- Klamath Yurok Tribal Office, 190 Klamath Blvd., Klamath, CA

Light refreshments will be provided.

For more information, please contact:
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Isaac Kinney, Transportation Planner, Email: ikinney@yuroktribe.nsn.us
Phone: (707) 482-1350 Klamath and (530) 625-4130 Weitchpec



THE YUROK TRIBE



Tribe lands grant to increase safety

Team formed to focus on violence against women and offender concerns

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Yurok Tribe will now have a nearly complete toolkit to deal with “We will decrease the number of violent crimes
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“WE WILL DECREASE THE NUMBER OF VIOLENT CRIMES COMMITTED AGAINST NATIVE WOMEN.”

STEPHANIE WELDON • SOCIAL SERVICES DIRECTOR



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Wellness Coordinator Anthony Trombetti addresses the packed house at the Wellness Gathering.



Karuk comedian Robert Super keeps it light at the Wellness Gathering.

Timm retires after 20 years of service

Fiscal head recounts career that began as the Tribe became formally organized



(left) General Ledger Marilyn McCovey, Patti O'Neal, Bookkeeper Kim Obie, Fiscal Director Doris Timm and Fiscal Clerk Edward Garcia celebrate Timm's departure at the 2012 Staff Annual Meeting.

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One of her most memorable moments was when the Tribe secured the loan to buy back thousands of acres of Yurok ancestral territory.

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The vast majority of Timm's professional career was spent

“ SHE ALWAYS WENT ABOVE AND BEYOND WHAT WAS EXPECTED OF HER. ”

THOMAS P. O'ROURKE SR. • CHAIRMAN OF THE YUROK TRIBE



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Terk-terk (mallard), pintail and northern shovelers relax on O Ket'-oh (Big Lagoon). The waterfowl are making their way south for the winter before heading back to Alaska and northern Canada. The Pacific Flyway ranges from Alaska to Patagonia. The flyway boasts more than 350 bird species and millions of individual birds, ranging from slight song birds like yellow warblers to large Canada geese.