



COQUILLE INDIAN TRIBE

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RESOLUTION CY23061

APPROVAL OF DRAFT CLIMATE RESILIENCE TASK FORCE GOVERNING PROVISIONS

- WHEREAS,** the Coquille Indian Tribe ("Tribe") is a federally recognized Indian tribe pursuant to the Coquille Indian Restoration Act of June 28, 1989, 25 U.S.C. § 715, et seq. ("the Act"); AND
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe is governed by the Coquille Tribal Council pursuant to the Tribal Constitution adopted by eligible voters of the Tribe on August 27, 1991, and approved by the Secretary of the Interior on September 9, 1991; and the Tribal Council is empowered to establish Tribal policies, enact Tribal laws and act for the Tribe; AND
- WHEREAS,** at the January 14, 2023, and March 11, 2023, General Council meetings, Tribal members approved Advisory Recommendations for the Tribal Council to establish a task force to support the Tribe's response to climate change; AND
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe's Core Values include: Promoting the health and well-being of Tribal members and our community; considering the impacts to our people, land, water, air and all living things; and practicing responsible stewardship of Tribal resources; AND
- WHEREAS,** the Tribe is extremely concerned with the growing impacts of global climate change on Tribal government continuity, Tribal member family welfare, Tribal community safety and the Tribe's ability to perform its obligations related to subsistence, natural resources stewardship, Tribal culture restoration and preservation, economic development and generally to meet Tribal members' needs; AND

WHEREAS, the Tribe wishes to gather interested Tribal members and Tribal government staff to participate on a task force to gather information and make recommendations on how the Tribe, Tribal members and the Tribal community might adapt over time to climate change; NOW

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council approves of the draft Climate Resilience Task Force Governing Provisions, attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution; AND

THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that these draft Climate Resilience Task Force Governing Provisions shall be posted for at least thirty days for Tribal Member comment and review, and that after such period expires the Tribal Council shall consider any comments received and decide whether to adopt final Governing Provisions; AND

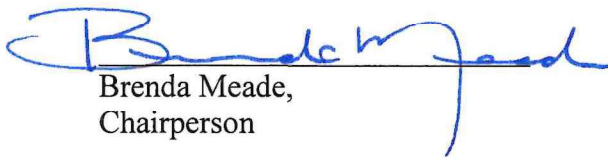
THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council directs the Executive Director to recruit interested Tribal Members and identify appropriate staff to participate on this task force should it be formed; AND

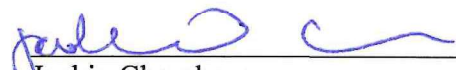
THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that the Tribal Council Chairperson or in her absence or unavailability, the Tribal Council Vice Chairperson, shall have the authority to sign all documents needed to give this resolution full force and effect.

CERTIFICATION

The foregoing Resolution was duly adopted at the Tribal Council Meeting held on the Coquille Indian Tribe Reservation in North Bend, Oregon, on June 16, 2023, with the required quorum present by a vote of

6 For; 0 Against; 0 Absent; 0 Abstaining.


Brenda Meade,
Chairperson


Jackie Chambers,
Secretary-Treasurer

Cc: Mark Johnston

Exhibit A

Climate Resilience Task Force Governing Provisions

1. **Membership.** There will be seven members. Two members will be Tribal government staff and five will be Tribal members. At least two of the Tribal members serving on the Task Force must reside (or attend higher education) outside of the Service Area.
2. **Appointment and Term.** The Tribal Council shall have the power to appoint or remove individuals to the five Tribal member positions, and to prescribe terms for each member that they appoint. The Tribal Executive Director shall have the authority to appoint or remove staff as needed to address the needs of the Task Force and Tribal government. Executive Director appointees to the Task Force shall count as Tribal government staff members of the Task Force even if they are Tribal members. The Tribal Council anticipates that staff members of the Task Force will change over time due to the subject matter being considered and other factors relevant to attainment of the Task Force's Primary Objectives described below.
3. **Leadership.** This group will be led by the Tribal Executive Director or their designee. The Executive Director may authorize persons to facilitate task force meetings.
4. **Voting and Conflicts of Interest.** The Task Force will make decisions and take actions by Majority Vote, as defined in CITC Chapter 140. The Conflict-of-Interest provisions of CITC Chapter 160 and its regulations shall apply to the Task Force.
5. **Attendance.** Meetings shall be open only to Tribal Council members, Task Force members, Tribal members and guests (including but not limited to subject matter experts or contractors) invited by the Task Force or the Tribal Council. Authorized attendees may view meetings either in person or by using an electronic system that allows meeting participants to speak and be heard by all attendees in real time. The Task Force will endeavor to invite Tribal member input but may also have portions of Task Force meetings focused exclusively on deliberation and discussion among Task Force members and invited guests. Every Task Force meeting will include an agenda item for Tribal member comment.
6. **Notice.** At least seven days advance notice of meetings must be provided by the Tribal Executive Director or their designee to each Task Force member and the Tribal Council. Such notice must include the date, time, place, log on or conference call information (if applicable) and a proposed meeting agenda.
7. **Quorum.** A majority of serving members shall constitute a quorum, which shall be required for the conduct of meetings and business.

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8. **Minutes and Recording.** The Tribal Executive Director shall ensure that minutes of each Task Force meeting and action are kept. Meetings may be recorded and made available to the Tribal membership.
9. **Reimbursement.** The Tribe will reimburse Task Force members for reasonable expenses incurred for official meetings and related duties, including travel expenses. Reimbursement is subject to the availability of funds Tribal Council appropriates for this purpose and the requirements of any applicable grants or contracts. All reimbursement must have prior approval and Task Force members will endeavor to minimize such travel expenses. By resolution, the Tribal Council may authorize stipends for Task Force members and establish a stipend rate. Persons serving on a Task Force within the scope of their contracted services or employment shall be ineligible for a stipend.
10. **Access to Tribal Resources.** Under the supervision of the Task Force Leader, the Task Force may have reasonable access to and use of Tribal facilities, office equipment and office supplies, but only to the extent necessary to perform its official duties and on the condition that such use does not disrupt other Tribal Government operations. In addition to any funds appropriated by the Tribal Council, the Tribal Executive Director shall have the discretion to use the Executive Director Contingency Fund to cover expenses of the Task Force. Subject to appropriations, the Executive Director may authorize educational opportunities, programs or conferences for Task Force members.
11. **Grant Funding.** The Task Force may make recommendations to the Tribal Council regarding grant funding resources that help achieve the Task Force's objectives or other Climate Resilience (defined below) goals prescribed by the Tribal Council.
12. **Primary Objective.** The Coquille Indian Tribe recognizes that the climate of their traditional and historical homelands is changing. These changes may have disproportionate impacts on Coquille Tribal people. Climate change and its consequences may threaten Tribal and Tribal member lifeways and subsistence practices and may pose risks to the Tribe's natural resources, land rights, future growth, cultural restoration / preservation / continuity, social resources, and financial resources. Therefore, the Tribal Council has directed the creation of a taskforce to make recommendations to Tribal Council for how the Tribe will adapt to and mitigate the impacts of climate change. The desired outcome of these adaptation and mitigation efforts is referred to as "Climate Resilience."

The Tribe has unique rights, culture, and economic interests that may be vulnerable to climate change impacts. While preventing climate change is an important global issue, the Tribal Council directs the Task Force to focus its efforts on:

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- a. Defining the specific climate change challenges and issues facing the Tribe, including but not limited to the cost and budget implications of those challenges and issues.
 - b. Developing strategic climate resilience recommendations to the Tribal Council.
 - c. Prioritizing its recommendations based on cost, level of effort and resource allocation, level of impact, and any other criteria developed by the task force.
 - d. Identifying its recommendations as short-term, medium-term or long-term.
 - e. Coordinating their problem definition and solution recommendations with the Master and Strategic Plan efforts so that their work can be included in the Master and Strategic Plan work, balanced against other Tribal obligations, goals and priorities.
13. **Additional Objectives.** Based on Tribal Council direction, and feedback the Task Force will participate in planning efforts to identify, scope out and prioritize Climate Resilience objectives.
14. **Reporting.** The Task Force shall report to and serve at the pleasure of the Tribal Council. The Tribal Council may from time-to-time request meetings and updates from the Task Force. The Tribal Council Chairperson shall be the Task Force's point of contact to coordinate and schedule reports to Tribal Council.
15. **Staff Direction.** The Task Force shall have no authority to direct staff.
16. **Term.** The Task Force will continue in effect for three years from its formation, at which time it will automatically retire, provided that the Tribal Council may by resolution change the date when the Task Force is retired.
17. **Advisory Groups Ordinance.** It is possible that, during the term of this Task Force, the Tribal Council will adopt an ordinance governing task force activities. Any such ordinance will also govern the operation of this Task Force.