

# SEA-HA RUNNER

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## HOUSING PAYMENT PICK UP AVAILABLE

Housing payment pick up is available for elders and people with a disability. Call CIHA to schedule a payment pick up at (541) 888-6501.

COMMUNITY DUMPSTERS WILL BE ON TRIBAL LANDS FROM FRIDAY, FEB. 14TH THROUGH MONDAY, FEB. 24TH. THE DUMPSTERS ARE FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE OF **KILKICH RESIDENTS.**

Items **NOT** allowed in the dumpsters include, but are not limited to:

- anti-freeze
- appliances
- batteries
- digital devices
- electronics
- motor oil
- paint
- solvents
- tires

If you are unsure if an item can be discarded in the dumpster, contact CIHA at (541) 888-6501.

Please recycle items that can be recycled. Current recycling rules allow **ONLY** the following items in the recycling dumpster.

- Flattened, clean, brown corrugated cardboard, cut down to 36" square
- Bottleneck plastics, clean and rinsed, #1 and #2 only
- Clean paper, magazines, newsprint, and packing paper
- Tin and aluminum cans, clean, no food waste or liquid



## February CALENDAR

14	HAPPY Valentine's DAY
14	← Dumpsters Arrive
17	CIHA Office Closed for Presidents' Day
24	Dumpsters Leave →

Mark your calendars for Coffee and Cocoa with a Cop on March 15th



On Saturday, January 11th, the State of California requested Coos County to send a strike team to assist with the fires in the L.A. area. Included in the team was our Tribal Police Officer Crystal Walling who is also a firefighter with the Greenacres Fire Department.



**Coos/Curry Strike Team 16**

The team works 24-hour grueling shifts, much of which is focused on extinguishing hotspots that are still smoldering. They make sure nothing kicks back up when the winds return, which has been daily, and they help to increase containment on the Palisades fires. The Santa Ana winds make the Southern Oregon coast winds look like a gentle breeze.

Crystal explained “When trees burn it can burn underground in root wads and spark back up even weeks later. One spark and we could be at a different location.” Along the Pacific Coast Highway, all you see is miles and miles of houses burnt to the ground.



Jay Leno showed up and gave out meals to those fighting the Palisades Fire at the staging area where Crystal waits for their next assignment. He served hot food as opposed to the ‘boxed lunches’ that many first responders have been consuming while battling the fires. “We got a big barbecue going,” Leno said.

Oregon sent a total of 21 strike teams consisting of 370 firefighters. As of Sunday, January 26th, the strike teams are safely back home. Thank you all for your dedication and hard work.

**If you’d like to donate to the victims of the California fires that caused so much damage and loss you can go to one of these trusted organizations:**

[www.redcross.org](http://www.redcross.org)

[www.calfund.org/funds](http://www.calfund.org/funds)

[www.humanesociety.org](http://www.humanesociety.org)

**Hello everyone,**

**Just as a friendly reminder from your Public Safety Team, dumping animal carcasses on Kilkich after a successful hunting season is not permitted. Leaving the carcass to decompose, especially next to streams and wetlands, impacts our local wildlife and water quality. Tribal Officer Matt Parrish is working toward finding a suitable solution for next year's big game season to alleviate any confusion and inconvenience.**

**Thank you for taking care of our forests!**

**Bobbie Collier - Conservation Officer**

# PREPARE *in a year*

## 3. Water



**W**ater quickly becomes a precious resource following many disasters. It is vital that all household members learn how to shut off the water at the main house valve so that you don't lose clean water which you could use. The effects of gravity may drain the water in your hot water and toilet tanks unless you trap it in your house by shutting off the main house valve (not the street valve in the cement box at the curb – this valve is extremely difficult to turn and requires a special tool).

Label this valve with a tag for easy identification, and make sure all household members know where it is located.

In addition to storing water, be aware of your surroundings and where you can find other sources of water. Available water sources include hot water heaters, toilet tanks, streams, lakes, rivers, etc. **Consider adding a water filter to your kits so that you can safely use water you find.**

### How much water should I store?

For your household, we recommend at least two weeks' worth of water. That's one gallon per person per day to take care of drinking, cooking and hygiene needs. You might need less depending on your cooking methods and if you're using wet wipes for hygiene. Plan to drink at minimum one quart of water per person per day. Remember to have water for your pets, too!

### Which containers should I use?

Plastic containers with a screw-cap lid, such as two-liter soda pop bottles or food-grade plastic jugs, work great.

Don't use glass bottles or old bleach bottles (or any container that has held a toxic substance).

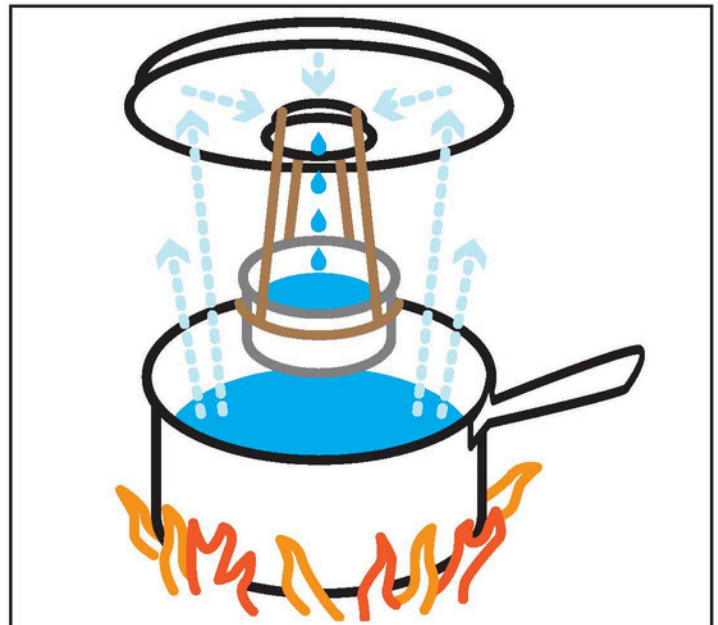
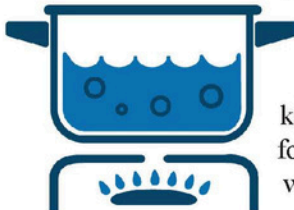
Avoid the use of plastic milk jugs. (They are difficult to seal tightly, and their plastic becomes very fragile and brittle over time).

### Storing Water

We know storing 14 gallons per person is difficult, especially for large families. Having food that will not use water is one way to minimize water storage.

Consider multiple locations to store water, especially if in an apartment or small house. Thoroughly rinse out the container and the lid with water and fill it to the very top of the container. For extra safety, thoroughly rinse the container with a weak solution of liquid chlorine bleach (8-10 drops in two cups water). Empty this solution out and fill the container right to the top with fresh water.

- Seal the container tightly.
- Label it "Drinking Water" and date it.
- Store it in a cool, dark place.



**Distillation** – One method of purification in addition to filters and purification tablets

1. Fill a pot halfway with water.
2. Tie a cup to the handle on the pot's lid so that the cup will hang right-side up when the lid is placed upside-down on the pot (make sure the cup is not dangling in the water).
3. Boil the water for 20 minutes. The water that drips from the lid into the cup is distilled.

This method allows the vapor resulting from boiling water to collect in the cup. This condensed vapor will not include salts or other impurities.

### Is adding liquid bleach recommended?

The Food and Drug Administration and the Environmental Protection Agency says that tap water does not need anything added to it before it is stored because it has already been chemically treated. Commercially purchased water does not need anything added to it. Keep it in its original, sealed container. It is recommended that stored tap water be rotated every 6 months. Commercially sealed water is safe for up to two years; some are labeled for longer storage. The only thing that should be used to purify water is liquid household bleach containing 6 percent

sodium hypochlorite and no thickeners, soaps or scents.

Boiling water kills bacteria, viruses, and parasites that can cause illness. Treating water with chlorine bleach kills most viruses, but will probably not kill bacteria. Therefore, boiling and then adding chlorine bleach is an effective water purification method.

# What's happening at The Mill Casino?



## SUPER SUNDAY VIEWING PARTY AND DRAWINGS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH

The Mill Casino will be hosting a viewing of the long-awaited football game of the year! Game will be played at Caesars Superdome in New Orleans, Louisiana, and shown on the big screen in Warehouse 101. Kendrick Lamar is set to take the field this February to headline the 2025 halftime show. Arrive early for a seat, take some friends, have an ice-cold beverage and enjoy some delicious food while you cheer on your favorite team!

Doors open at 11 AM.

A special Super Bowl Viewing Party promotion with \$29,000 in possible cash prizes available!



## VALENTINE'S DAY SPECIALS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14TH & SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15TH

Celebrate love with The Mill Casino's special Valentine's Day dining options.

Timbers Café | 4 PM - 12 AM

Lobster and Sun-dried Tomato Striped Fettuccine | \$48

Surf and Turf | \$59



## COMEDY NIGHT FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST

Comedy is back at The Mill Casino. Join your friends one Friday each month, from January to May, for a night of laughs featuring two nationally touring comedians! This month is Dustin Wood and Trenton Davis.

7 PM show | Doors open at 6 PM | 21 & up | GA seating

**For more information on any of these events, call The Mill Casino Hotel & RV Park at (541) 756-8800 or visit their website at [www.themillcasino.com](http://www.themillcasino.com)**