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Yuki: "One Word"

November 2019

MISSING

Khadijah Rose Britton



Age: 23 years old
Sex: Female
Race: Native American
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
Weight: 150
Details: Khadijah was last seen in Covelo, CA on February 9th, 2018.
Family believe she is in possible danger.

**IF YOU HAVE INFORMATION
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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT RUSS

Non-profit California Trout, the County of Humboldt, Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, and Sonoma County Water Agency signaled to the Federal Energy Regulation Commission (FERC) in June that they are exploring options for the future of the Potter Valley Project. These organizations, along with the Round Valley Indian Tribes, entered into a Planning Agreement to advance shared objectives that set water users in both the Eel and Russian River basins on a path toward economic and environmental sustainability.

The Potter Valley Project is a hydropower project on the Eel and Russian Rivers just northeast of Ukiah. Project features include Lake County's Lake Pillsbury, which is impounded by Scott Dam; Van Arsdale Reservoir, impounded by the Cape Horn Diversion Dam; and a tunnel that diverts Eel River water into the Russian River's headwaters. Diverted water flows south, out of the Eel and into the Russian River, where it is stored in Lake Mendocino to provide water for drinking, agriculture and industry in Marin, Mendocino and Sonoma Counties.

The Planning Agreement parties came together after PG&E withdrew its FERC application to relicense the project. Citing the high costs of keeping the project running and upgrading the facility as a likely condition of relicensing, PG&E walked away. The utility's decision created the opportunity for a region-wide solution that would better serve the people and wildlife in the Eel and Russian River basins than the current project.

The Planning Agreement partners have high hopes they will identify a way forward, but this process is still in an early stage. The partners are committed to undertake a feasibility study to determine possibilities for the project's future. The study will explore options for forming a regional entity to take over operations and for pursuing a potential licensing proposal for the project. Partners plan to have a draft feasibility study completed by January and to finalize it by April 2020.

Exactly what the Potter Valley Project will look like in the future is not set in stone. The Planning Agreement parties are committed to identifying solutions that meet the needs of the communities and wildlife affected by the project's operations.

Here's what we do know. The Planning Agreement partners are committed to shared objectives rooted in the concept of a "Two-Basin Solution" that will meet the needs of water users in both watersheds. The principles that underpin the two-basin concept are an outgrowth of an ad hoc committee process that was convened by Congressman Jared Huffman, which began the work of developing baseline scientific data to inform the best way forward. These principles include minimizing or avoiding adverse impacts to water supply reliability, fisheries, water quality and recreation in the Russian and Eel River basins, including improving fish passage and habitat on both rivers to help recover native migratory fish like salmon and steelhead.

These groups are committed to using the best available scientific and engineering studies when considering options for restoration, water delivery and power generation. Planning Agreement partners are pooling resources to fund the necessary studies.

Residents who rely on water supplies affected by the Potter Valley Project should take comfort in the broad range of stakeholder interests represented in the Planning Agreement group. These include voices from public agencies, irrigation districts, conservation groups and tribes. With a partnership this broad, compromise will be required to find a working solution in line with the values that underpin this partnership. By working together, we seek to identify a realistic, sustainable solution that supports a vibrant future for water users and wildlife alike throughout the region.



TRIBAL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR



Patty Henry is a member of the Shasta Tribe of California and has committed the past forty years of her life to serving tribal sovereign nations in differing administrative capacities.

Henry is a graduate of Chico State University (BA, Education) and Stanford University (Masters, Public Administration). Some of her earlier career experiences were in education, serving the Lower Brule Sioux Reservation as well as the Chief Leschi School (Puyallup, WA). Henry's dedication to empowering and protecting youth led her to become interested in careers outside of education.

Upon completing her stint at Chief Leschi, she became an administrator at a juvenile detention center in Western New York. This led her to eventually become employed as a director of an abuse and neglect shelter for children in Washoe County, where she serviced over 6,000 children.

Some of her other work has been more specialized in tribal human and family services. Henry has worked with many Native peoples, including the Lower Brule Sioux, Puyallup, Colville Confederated Tribes, Fallon Paiute-Shoshone tribe, and now the Round Valley Indian Tribes. Having grown up traditionally on the Klamath river, Patty Henry is proud to be serving the Round Valley Tribes as their tribal administrator and is always grateful for any opportunities she has to promote and protect tribal sovereignty.



TRED

TRIBAL REAL ESTATE DEPARTMENT

Waiting List for Tribal Land

The waiting list is updated every year. This year this list has grown to ninety-one (91) tribal members. Homesites that were once ready to be issued to the next member on the list cannot take place. The problem of our members dumping garbage as well as abandoning and burning vehicles on the existing homesites has grown to an unreasonable proportion. All the garbage and vehicles need to be removed before anyone can be issued the land as a homesite.



2019 Summer Youth Intern

We had a great summer with our intern, Kirsten Britton. Her position was funded through the Indian Land Tenure Foundation. It is designed as a ten-week program: to encourage tribal youth to learn about how the Real Estate office is involved with the overseeing of our tribal lands; interact with the different agencies that work with Real Estate; and develop the needed office skills which can carry over to other occupations. In the future one our youth interns will seek more education in this field and perhaps come home to man the department.

Landowner's Workshop

We are in the process of scheduling our annual Landowner's Workshop with the Bureau of Indian Affairs Central California Real Estate Services. We are considering January or February of 2020. Once the date has been set an announcement will be posted on the Tribal website and Facebook page.

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8:00 - 5:00



Natural Resources & Transportation Departments

The Natural Resources Department Manager is now the Department Director of all Land & Water Programs which are; EPA, NRD, THPO, Roads & Water Association. This has been a huge change for us all, but so far so good. Throughout the last few months NRD has focused on various projects. During the month of August, we hosted a Vietnamese Carbon Project Tour of 31 here in Round Valley. In September we participated in the California Indian Days Celebration by putting on the Indian Days Softball Tournament and preparing the grounds at Hidden Oaks. September is always a busy month for the tribe. We have been working very closely with Paul Mills, The Center for Applied Research, updating the Integrated Resource Management Plan (IRMP). Also, we are very excited about our meeting we had with the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) & the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) regarding 3 years of potential projects they are trying to fund for all Land & Water Programs. We have a 2-man crew working in the green house restocking and planting trees for Mill Creek Restoration project and our NRD Crew is currently at the McKay Pine Plantation Thinning Project. This project will be completed by February 2020. We currently have 16 head of buffalo and are trying to get new blood lines. For the time being we make sure they have salt blocks and are fed hay.

The Transportation Department relocated to the NRD Building in August. We are now working as a team with NRD. As a team we are here to help better our community and land. We can be reached at the NRD phone number (707)-983-8341. Our physical address is now 76600 Covelo Road, Covelo, Ca. 95428. We participated in the CA Indian Days by hosting the Mud Boggs Event. We have also been extremely busy participating in the California Indian Tribal Transportation Alliance (CITTA) Project with the BIA and other reservations throughout California and here in Round Valley. This project focused on completely repaving roads and a few overlays. Our season is slowly coming to an end and we want to prepare for the rainy season with maintenance on the dirt roads and filling potholes as much as possible.



Concow Blvd

www.rvit.org/programs/roads



McKay Pine Plantation

www.rvit.org/programs/nrd



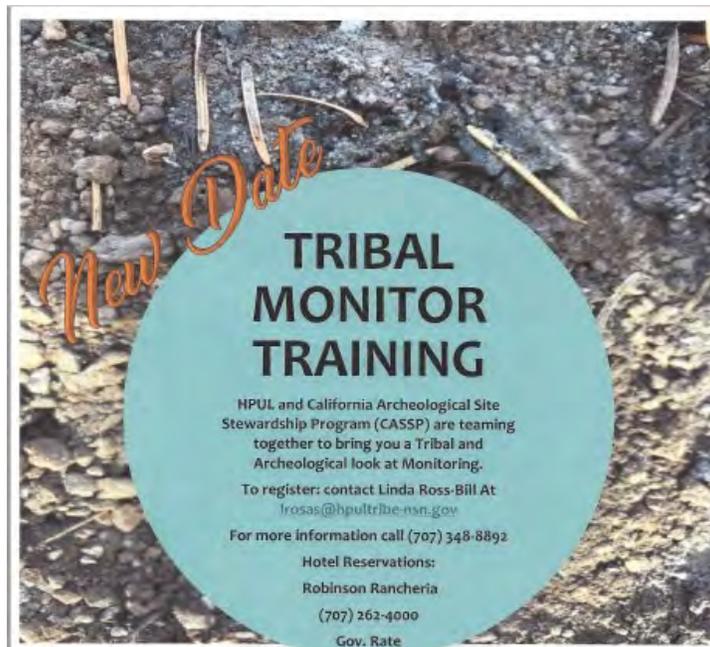
THPO - TRIBAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE

November 12, 2019

In the development of creating trained tribal monitors within the land and water departments for their on-going projects there will be a tribal monitor training hosted by the Habematolel Pomo of Upper Lake and California Archeological Site Stewardship Program (CASSP). All of the departments have been notified and will be sending a person of their choosing to participate in this training to enhance tribal monitor skills and continue the goal of having a trained tribal monitor in each department. The managers are also encouraged to attend so they can identify who within their department would best be suited to take on this role.

THPO office has arranged for FEMA Region IX, Mitigation Division to come and present to RVIT Council for the purpose of creating Hazardous Mitigation Plan.

Hazard mitigation is the effort to reduce loss of life and property by lessening the impact of disasters. Mitigation activities are most effective when implemented consistent with risk reduction priorities developed under a comprehensive, long-term mitigation plan. Hazard mitigation planning enables Indian Tribal governments to identify risks and vulnerabilities associated with natural disasters, and develop long-term strategies for protecting people and property from future hazard events.



December 5 & 6, 2019

HPUL Community Building
(9460 Main Street, Upper Lake, CA 95485)
Day #1: Classroom setting
DAY #2: Field (Dress appropriately)
Cost is: \$30 per person
Space is limited to 25 people Max

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TRIBAL POLICE

Greetings,

My name is Michael Henry, I am an enrolled member of the Tuscarora Nation, Haudenosaunee, and I am of the Bear Clan. I am the son of Gary and Lois Henry, grandson of Chief Noah Henry and Chief Clinton Rickard.

I was hired in July by the Round Valley Indian Tribes Council as the Chief of Police. From the first day I began my duty as Chief of Police, the tribe's members have made me, and my family, feel welcome. The "Valley" is one of the most beautiful places my family and I have been able to hang our hats in.

The Police Department is going through some changes, mostly in the area of training. The department's needs have not been met for quite some time. With my experience, I have been able to provide training in the unmet areas and will continue to assist the officer's as best as I can. This will provide the public with a more rounded and professional law enforcement department.

The department has lost some seasoned officers, who have either chose to better their law enforcement career or chose a different career path. The open positions allow for others to apply for a career in Law Enforcement, if you wish to make a difference in your community. To apply, contact either the Human Resources office in the Administration Building or the front desk of the police station.

Respectfully,

Michael L. Henry
Chief of Police



TEPA

TRIBAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

GAP

The object of this project is to expand the Round Valley Indian Tribe's EPA program to include hiring and training staff, developing a recycling program, and attend local environmental meetings to coordinate with other tribes and agencies.



before and after, recycling



CWA 106

The Clean Water Act grant is available for water monitoring on Tribal lands. CWA is also for educating staff and the community in order to assess and manage water quality on the Reservation.



monitoring the waters



319 Competitive Mill Creek

The purpose of this grant is to stabilize riparian areas and stream banks, as well as restore native vegetation to tribal lands in order to provide habitat for native wildlife and reduce nonpoint source pollution on the reservation.



before and after, planting

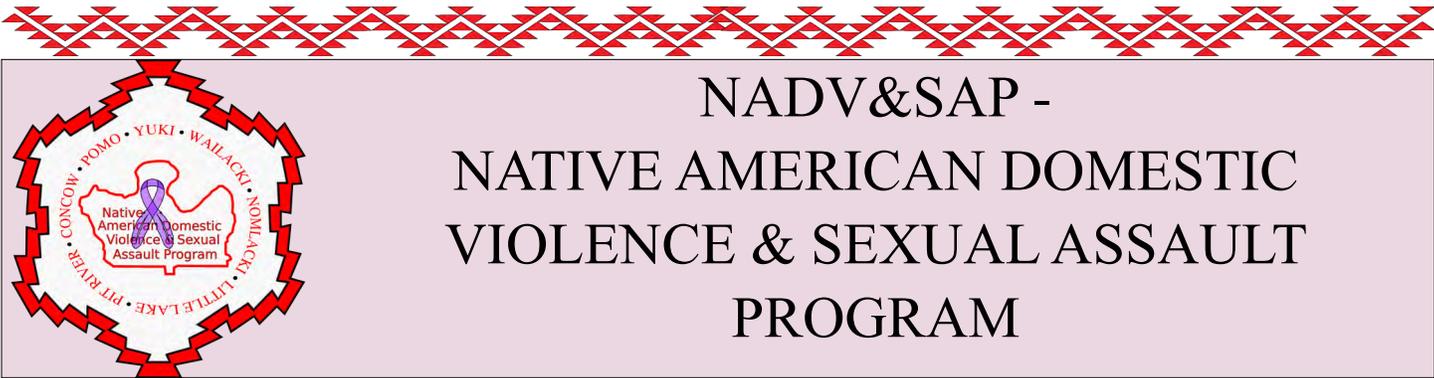


319 Base Non-Point Source

This grant is to identify Non-Point source threats to surface water and the best management practices to remediate the threats; educate the community; and conduct environmental clean-up days. These activities will help to achieve the Tribe's goal to reduce water pollution from erosion and sedimentation of the Reservation.



vehicles in the water is a NPS



NADV&SAP - NATIVE AMERICAN DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT PROGRAM

Hello Tribal Relatives and Friends,

We ladies here at the Native American Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program would like to give you a quick update and a reminder of our services.

UPDATES:

First and foremost, I want to introduce myself; I'm Renae Britton. I'm the new Advocate for NADVSAP. I am very passionate about the position; hoping to be a great advocate to anyone who seeks assistance and resources to leave a toxic situation.

At the Health Center's 39th annual Health Fair in September, NADVSAP sponsored a booth where I handed out shirts, pens, and lanyards. It was so great to see the community come together and enjoy a delicious BBQ meal.

October was Domestic Violence Awareness Month, whose trademark color for the month is Purple. Yolanda and I are looking forward to planning a special event for next year's Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

WE ARE HERE TO ASSIST WITH DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, SEXUAL ASSAULT AND STALKING

We endeavor to provide quality advocacy

Quick reminder of our program's assistance:

- Process temporary restraining orders,
- Court accompaniment, includes transportation,
- Emergency food and clothing,
- Temporary shelter, and
- Regular Domestic Violence awareness workshops.

We are emergency. on-call workers who can enter a domestic violence situation once it has been cleared by law enforcement, and our services have to be requested. We do not want to put a victim/survivor in harm's way by forcing our services on anyone. Sometimes, we will meet victims in police stations or at their homes. We can assist our client in carrying out their safety plan by providing emergency services, such as clothing, food, shelter, etc. Our office works in collaboration with Domestic Violence Programs from other areas as well as our new DV Justice Program.

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WATER ASSOCIATION

With electrical interruptions now being considered the norm, with Public Safety Power Shutoff (PSPS) events by PG&E, the Round Valley Indian Tribes Water Association is in the process of minimizing the water and sewer service impacts to our community.

The Tribes 2 biggest Water Systems, Piner and Agency, rely on storage tanks for water supply during these PSPS events. However, this storage is limited and may only provide water up to 3-5 days, depending on use. Having generators for our Water and Sewer Systems will provide some relief to our community during these PSPS events.

The Tribes has received approval for some grant funding and is applying for additional funding for our water and sewer systems during these PSPS events. The funding will be used to purchase generators for our Piner and Agency Water Systems and our 4 Sewer pump lift stations. Electrical modification will have to be made to ensure that these generators perform as intended and perform safely for all. Unfortunately, these monies most likely be available until next year.

Currently the Tribes does have one large generator. It has been used often for our Main Sewer Lift Station. Without it, sewer backups would occur to our largest populated system, our Piner System. This generator is portable but with our other systems, water and sewer, not having the correct installation set up for the generator, it could not be used. The Tribe is in the process of having our Piner and Agency Water System electrical panel refitted to fit this generator and hopefully should be able to be used soon.



Above is the generator connected to Sewer lift station?

In the meantime, during a PSPS event please use water rationally. Try not to use drinking water to flush toilets.

Other options can be pool water or water collected in barrels from roof gutters. Also, try not to flush after every urination, save the flush after a #2. A little conservation can go a long way in sustaining the water storage level.

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RVIHC

ROUND VALLEY INDIAN HEALTH CENTER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Federal Budget-

Congress was working on a new 2-year budget and spending plan this past summer. However, it went down to the wire before they took their August recess and they still had issues to resolve between the 2 congressional parties. Therefore, they approved a Continuing Resolution (CR) until the 21st of November. Now there is some talk about a government shutdown due to the congress being involved with a heated inquiry on the republican president being impeached. Hopefully, the shutdown won't happen but these issues between both houses of congress are becoming very heated and the possibility of them not agreeing on a budget or an additional CR is very real. The last time this happened it took months to get everything back up to par and running again. It had a huge effect in Indian country with all of our Indian programs.

Aside from a potential shutdown, there are still indications around both houses of congress that Indian programs will get cut sharply. They talked about it before, but they ended up approving our old budgets at the same levels, but now it is very possible that we may get hit hard with budget cuts. The President's budget is not very Indian friendly.

Proposed Legislation-

There is a proposed bill by Congresswoman Deb Haaland and Senator Elizabeth Warren respectively. The proposed bill is called the "Honoring Promises to Native Nations Act". Deb Haaland is one of the first Native women to get elected to congress and Elizabeth Warren is one of the democrats running for president in 2020. The article informing us about the bill is actually a letter from the California Tribal Chairpersons Association (CTCA) in support of this new bill.

Another piece of legislation that is still pending is the Special Diabetes Programs for Indians (SDPI). It was approved by congress for a couple years the last round with no increase in the funding. That approved time frame is up now apparently. This year they only approved part of the funds in the spending plan (appropriations) (21 Million out of the entire 150 million), but I think that is due to the November 21st deadline on the CR. Each time this bill is up for reauthorization, they always say it will be a "slam dunk" to be approved. But actually, it usually goes down the to the last wire before the congress approves it and they don't increase the appropriations.

Also, the Advanced Appropriations bill whereby we would get the total of our funding a year in advance, like most other health care funding is distributed, is back on the table for approval through both houses of congress. It is labeled as a bi-partisan bill and it is expected to be approved this round but who knows they said that previously. It was previously labeled as yet a slam dunk to be approved due to it being a bi-partisan bill, but that is not what happened clearly.



TRIBAL COURT ADVOCACY PROGRAM

The Tribal Court Advocacy program works to provide a safe environment and location for families who need supervised or the safe exchange of unsupervised visitation between residential and visiting parents/family members.

The Tribal Court assigns clients on a case by case basis.



CENSUS 2020: WHY AND HOW TO BE COUNTED AS A NATIVE AMERICAN

The decennial U.S. census begins in a few months. The government determines how to distribute millions of federal dollars to programs, grants and Native American tribes through the data collected by the U.S. Census Bureau. Filling out the form truthfully and accurately remains one of the best ways to ensure the Tribe remains vibrant and an essential part of the broader community.

The census' methods result in a habitual undercount of Indigenous people. The *Washington Post* called American Indians and Alaska Natives "one of the most undercounted minority groups in the country" with a 4.8 percent discrepancy in the 2010 census, according to the Census Bureau.

"Census takers in the past have been blasted for not doing a great job of ... assisting Native Americans in self-identifying as such if they're enrolled members of a tribe," said Citizen Potawatomi Nation Self-Governance Director Kasie Nichols. "They haven't been sensitive culturally or otherwise to collecting that information."

During the 2020 census, the bureau will distribute only short-form surveys, making it more critical to know how and why to fill out the form to give accurate data.

[Read the complete article at: <https://www.potawatomi.org/census-2020-why-and-how-to-be-counted-as-a-native-american/>]

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