



# SPOKANE TRIBAL EMERGENCY SERVICES

## EMS/FIRE SERVICES

### INTRA-OFFICE MEMORANDUM

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**DATE:** OCTOBER 25, 2022

**TO:** JONI WYNECOOP, ACTING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

**CC:**

**FROM:** RONALD D. SAMUELS, DIRECTOR

**RE:** BI-WEEKLY REPORT

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#### ELT BI-WEEKLY REPORT – October 11, 2022

#### SPOKANE TRIBAL EMS/FIRE

##### Scheduled Meetings:

- **INDIAN HEALTH-TRIBAL COLABORATION MEETING:** I am removing this meeting from my schedule as it has been several months since there was actually a meeting with the parties initially involved. The main reason is because of job transfers from IHS staff.
- Will be attending the Spokane Tribal General Council Meeting now scheduled for 11-12-2022 at the Pow Wow Grounds.

##### Scheduled Trainings:

- October there will be training for EMS staff on Monday 10-24-2022 instead of the last Monday as normally scheduled due to Halloween falling on that day. The topic for this class has yet to be determined.
- Fire Training need to resume in the training in the very near future, to refresh individuals knowledge of previous trainings.

##### Tribal Business Council Awareness:

- No Significant matters to report to Business Council.

##### Projects Completed/Deliverables:

- According to Media reports, there will be a cutback on the reporting of active COVID-19 cases through the Center Disease Control (CDC) daily reporting of active cases will stop around 10-24-2022 and will transition into weekly reports. One of the reasons provided is the use of home testing and those not being reported.
  - This may be something that the Tribe consider.
- Did receive information from local clinic concerning current COVID active cases. These numbers have been in the low single or zero for the past few weeks. Which is better for the community at least from the surface. The concern that needs to be considered is the fact that some people may be using the home test and testing positive, yet they do not report that information to the clinic, making it under reporting.

##### Ongoing Projects:

- Day to Day operations to ensure smooth operations.
- Communication with outside entities on matters that relate to the operations of these emergency services.

- Have contact Stevens County Fire Commissioner Daniel Lee in an attempt to discuss the mutual aid agreement between the Spokane Tribe and Stevens County fire districts. Attempting to schedule meeting next month.

**Community Issues:**

- The Department is planning to have an Emergency Medical Technician class to start sometime in February 2023 for local residents and at this point it is in the planning stages as to offering these classes. Please look for the fliers in the community closer to the end announcing the actual dates so people can plan around the dates.
- There is one more Football game locally this coming Friday, October 28 at 1400, EMS will be there again.
- The Department has had representative at the Fun Run/Walk as well as representative at the Heath Fair that was orchestrated by the JROTC program at the Wellpinit High School.