

SOUTH FORK INDIAN RESERVATION

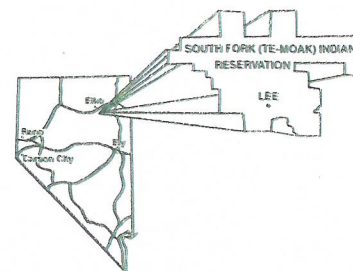
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SOUTH FORK BAND COUNCIL OCTOBER 2012 TO PRESENT PROGRESS REPORT

EVENTS/PROJECTS COMPLETED THAT ARE SIGNIFICANT

ROAD CONSTRUCTION

The South Fork Band was awarded a construction contract to finally repave our only badly paved roadway in South Fork in the amount of \$4,200,000. This project is mostly completed, just clean-up parts need finishing . . . that's Phase I. Phase II is completing the road paving from Jiggs turnoff to boundary of our land, the 2U ranch on Woods Lane, a \$4,900,000 proposal.

SOUTH FORK LAND EXPANSION

A House of Representative LAND BILL (HR-2455 Nevada Native Lands Act) is still active and being considered, adding 29,000 acres to South Fork land base, with favorable predictions of success. This will be a first for South Fork.

SAGE GROUSE INITIATIVE

The South Fork Band Council entered into a collaborative agreement with the Elko Commissioners for control of predator species adversely impacting the Sage Grouse which is currently being considered for listing on the Endangered Species Act.

SOUTH FORK ROADWAY SIGNS

Finally we completed street signs for our major roadways within South Fork. This will greatly assist "first responders" (police and emergency vehicles) and other vendors and Utility companies entering our lands for business.

INTERNAL STRENGTHENING - ALL INTERNAL FINANCIAL AUDITS COMPLETED

For the first time in over a decade all financial audits are completed and up-to-date. We now have an approved indirect rate of 25.73% for 2015 and 2016.

COORDINATED SEPTIC TANKS CLEAN-UP

All homeowners, that advised us their septic tanks were in need of being serviced, have been cleaned at a good savings because this activity was coordinated for the first time.

LAW ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM

We have a community member, Trevor Sneed that has passed the POST academy and is a full-fledged Police Officer in May.

BROKEN BRIDGE

In the BIA - Western Region, a 3-state area of Nevada, Arizona and Utah, of the Five Bridge projects we are # 1 in priority! An actual schedule of when construction will begin will be posted, about \$400,000 for design only.

FENCING SOUTH FORK BAND PROPERTY

We have fenced of all the Shoshone Allotments! On this matter we will be implementing a Range Management Plan that has procedures for trespassing.

COMMUNITY HOOP HOUSE PROJECT

The South Fork Band Council has collaborated with other tribes to acquire funding and have constructed two hoop houses to produce locally grown nutritious vegetables. Inspections have proven ours is the best one within the four Bands. Next year it is promised another hoop house, only much larger.

ROAD GRADER

Barrick Gold donated a Road Grader, in much better shape than our old one, with good brakes!

DEWAR DITCH PROJECT

Major construction work on the Dewar ditch is being funded in the amount of \$299,000 from NRCS. These refurbishments of one of our major ditches have not been accomplished in the recent past. The project is currently underway with completion in October.

CATTLE GUARDS

The installation of cattle guards (replaced gates) at roads to homes / assignments has been accomplished.

DISENROLLMENT OF TE-MOAK TRIBAL MEMBERS

South Fork representatives to Te-Moak council voted to reinstate the disenrollment of Te-Moak Tribal members and successfully reinstated members that in the recent past were disenrolled by mistake, one of the first controversial items for this council to take on at the first Te-Moak council meeting. South Fork Band Council has always been against the disenrollment and passed an opposition resolution at that time in 2006.

FURTHER ACTIONS AT THE TE-MOAK COUNCIL MEETINGS WERE,

Voted to create a new Te-Moak Housing Commission, voted to create an Appeals Court through ITCN, introduced the Tribal Employee Rights Ordinance (TERO) that several other tribes have and the Te-Moak Tribe was overdue to create such an ordinance.

SHOSHONE REUNION

We have 10 members travelling to Oklahoma for the Shoshone Reunion.

THE FUTURE – CONTINUING PROJECTS

ELDER WELLNESS FUNDING

In the years of 2012 and 2013 energy assistance was obtained in the amount of \$500 per household. We are currently working on our 2014 request.

REFURBISHING OUR COMMUNITY BUILDING

We have obtained a \$257,000 grant from Barrick to refurbish our Community building; our kitchen especially needs this to pass any inspection.

HOOP HOUSE PROJECT

Our hoop houses have been completed and we are promised a couple more. The Hoop monitoring team is well pleased with the progress of the gardens planted, and is interested in how long we can grow produce before it is not feasible because of weather. Another monitoring visit will happen as soon as the cover crops are done. We were advised to be proud of this accomplishment.

SUMMER YOUTH JOB FUNDING

We are continuing our Summer Youth employment with funding from Barrick Gold Company donating the funds.

BARRICK SUMMER YOUTH INTERNS

For two years the Council has supported South Fork community youth with gainful employment during the summer.

SPRING WATER DEVELOPMENT

Major developmental projects for our environmental and wildlife improvement will be accomplished on; Chimney Creek natural spring water, Hawthorn Spring water development, and the Gravel Pit natural spring water development.

DIP VAT CLEAN UP

The land assignment held by Dennis Malotte was cleaned of toxic toxaphene pollutants through remediation cells constructed by the Bureau of Reclamation.

RAMPS FOR ELDERLY AND HANDICAPPED MEMBERS

Six handicap ramps have been requested, made possible through a Barrick Gold Mine donation.