



Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation

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Yard Vegetation Abatement Assistance Program (YVAAP)

Date _____

Member's Name _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Physical Address _____

Type of Yard Maintenance Requested _____

Requested by _____

Signature _____

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Policy Description

The Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation Maintenance Department is available to provide yard vegetation abatement for Tribal Elders. The properties that may be eligible for assistance reside in the Maintenance service area owned by the Tribal Elder. The following policy will describe the eligibility requirements for yard maintenance assistance. This policy only applies to properties that are not owned by the Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation. Time of abatement depends on the department's resources available in accordance to their work schedule, when the elder does not have a household member or current resident of the property (other than the Tribal Elder) who is capable of performing the yard vegetation abatement services.

Definitions

Maintenance Service Area – For purposes of this policy, Maintenance Service Area is defined as the geographic area located within, or adjacent to, the following borders:

Crescent City, Brookings and Gasquet.

Yard Vegetation Abatement – Typically consists of mowing lawns, trimming of hedges and removal of excess vegetation. Yard maintenance does not include any form of trash removal or disposal.

Tribal Elder – Enrolled TDN Tribal Member who has attained the age of 65 or a medically verified physical handicap, disability, or illness that prevents or makes it unreasonably difficult to perform yard maintenance.

Eligibility – Property

- 1) Property must be located within the Tribal Maintenance Service area.
- 2) Tribal Elder must be the primary owner and current resident of the property.
- 3) Portion of property to be maintained cannot exceed ¼ of an acre approximately (100' X 100') and must be inclusive to the residence.
- 4) Property must be reasonably accessible for maintenance personnel and their equipment.

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Request for Assistance

- 1) Request can be made at the Guschu Tribal Office in person, by phone, or by filling out an YVAAP request form. The request will be logged and forwarded to the Facilities Manager.

Scheduling and Availability of Assistance

- 1) Scheduling for YVAAP services will be subject to availability of resources as determined by the Facilities Manager in a timely fashion.
- 2) Once a date and time is determined the Facilities Manager will confirm appointment time with Tribal Elder.
- 3) In the event that maintenance resources cannot accommodate all requests for assistance then the Facilities Manager will prioritize and allocate available assistance with physical need of the Tribal Member being the highest priority.

Denial of Assistance

- 1) The Facilities Manager will report any denial of assistance to Tribal Elders under this policy to the Tribal Administrator.
- 2) Tribal Elder may be denied if unsafe conditions exist on the property such as animals, toxic waste, etc.
- 3) Any verbal or physical threat to Tolowa Dee-ni' Nation employees shall result in denial of services.