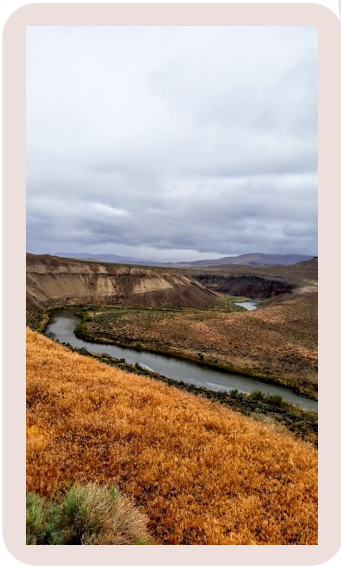


2017 Tax Commission Annual Tax Report

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The Pyramid Lake Tribal Code, Taxation Title 2 was created in 1990 by the Pyramid Lake Tribal Council. The Tribal Tax Code designates the Pyramid Lake Tax Commission as the authority under which the Pyramid Lake Tax Department collects taxes. Taxes are collected from all businesses working within the boundaries of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation. In 2017, we had 38 tax payers that contributed to our tax revenue.

The taxes we collect provide services to our tax payers as well as all our tribal communities which consists of Nixon, Wadsworth and Sutcliffe that are located on the Pyramid Lake Paiute Reservation.

The Tax Commission Annual Tax Report is distributed to inform the tax payers and community members about the taxes that are collected and distributed.

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2017 Tax Revenue

Possessory Interest Tax	\$746,275
Sales Tax	\$132,461
Mineral Severance Tax	\$126,573
Cigarette & OTP Tax	\$117,494
Transient Lodging Tax	\$41,748
Fuel Tax	\$33,022
Misc. Taxes	\$28,092
<u>Use Tax</u>	<u>\$15,274</u>
Total 2017 Revenue	\$1,240,939



* Misc. Taxes—Interest, Seller Permits, Penalties, Fines, Souvenir License Plates and Annual Slot Tax

2017 Tax Payers

A&K Earth Movers	Kim Kool Treats	Pyramid Lake Marina
AT&T-Nevada Bell	Kinder Morgan	Pyramid Lake Store
AT&T Mobility	King Construction	Renslow Heating & Air Cond.
Bike Men Rentals, LLC	Level 3 Communications	Royal Floors, LLC
Bizarre Attractions	Miguel's Painting LLC	Southwest Gas
C&C Electric	Muur Bikes	Sprint
Cemex	NV Energy	Supreme Plumbing
Crosby Lodge	Otis Bay Ecological Restoration	The Nixon Store
Dennis Griffin	Pack Construction	Union Pacific Railroad
Greystone Unlimited	PL Cultural Museum	Verizon Wireless
Hoya Deli	PL Realty	Wade & Logan
I-80 Smokeshop	Primeau's Kayak & Beach Equip Rental	Wild Thang Apparel

Tax Commissioners

Denise Shaw, Chairperson—PL Tribal Member

Tax Commissioner since 2002.

Kathleen Wright-Bryan—PL Tribal Member

Tax Commissioner since 2014

Anita Dunn—PL Tribal Member

Tax Commissioner since 2008

DaNelle Smith—PL Tribal Member

Tax Commissioner since 2010

Carla Molino—PL Tribal Member

Tax Commissioner since 2017

Tax Staff

Vernelda M. Frazier, Tax Administrator

PL Tribal Member

Alicia Querta, Tax Accounting Specialist

PL Tribal Member

Gina Wadsworth, Tax Office Manager

PL Tribal Member



In 2017 the following programs
were funded with Tax funds:



Lake Maintenance

Johnson O'Malley Program

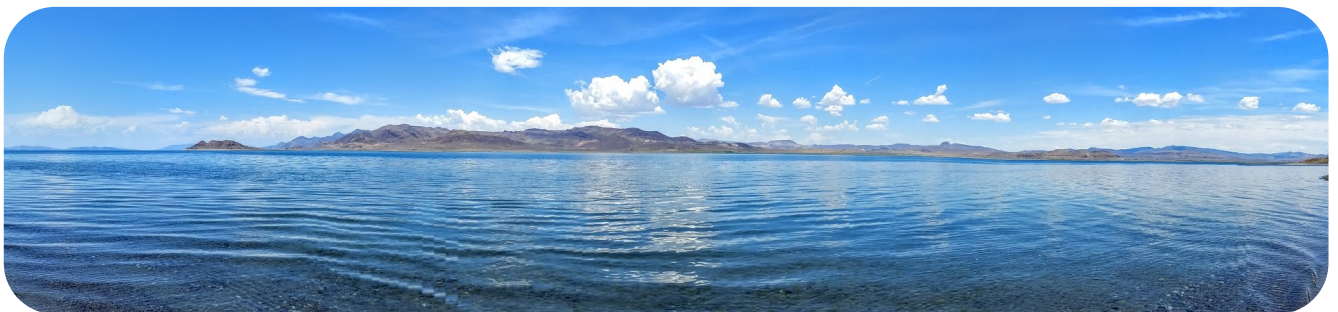
Parks & Recreation

Law Enforcement

Tribal Rangers

Nixon Gym HVAC Project

Tax Department





Law Enforcement/Tribal Rangers

In 2017, the Tribal Law Enforcement program received tax funding in order to support the Law Enforcement program and the Ranger Division. The Program's goal is to provide safety services within the exterior boundaries of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Indian Reservation; to work with all citizens, to preserve life, protect property and promote individual responsibility and community commitment.

In 2017 the police provided traffic enforcement, court and tribal security; summons service, preliminary and follow-up investigations, emergency response to traffic, medical, distressed vessels, and criminal calls for service. The department participated in various task forces and multidisciplinary teams addressing, community health and wellness, suicide prevention, drug abuse patterns and economic development. We continued to focus on the goals of community policing, organizational and community transformation in furtherance of the participative process of having the public contribute to order maintenance, safety and security. The Ranger Program is responsible for enforcing the hunting, fishing, camping, boating and day use regulations for recreational and fishing areas as well as animal control throughout the reservation.

Tribal tax dollars are essential for the operation of the Law Enforcement and Ranger departments. If tax dollars were not received the Ranger program could not exist in its present form. There would be drastic decline of all services provided to the public.

Respectfully,

Christopher T. Parsons

Chief of Police

Nixon Gym HVAC Project

In August of 2017, the Tribe applied for and received a USDA grant in the amount of \$65,000.00 to install a heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) system in the Nixon gymnasium. The USDA Rural Housing Service's Rural Development Program provided \$48,750 and the Tribal match was \$16,250.00, which came from Tax funding.

The new HVAC system consisted of two ten ton

HVAC units which were installed by ACE Heating and the electrical work was performed by Vinnie's electric.

The system provided much improved climate control in the gymnasium; the old system was in failing condition as the gymnasium was cold in the winter and hot in the summer. The Tribal staff working in the gymnasium and the community members who use the gymnasium notice the



Nixon Gym HVAC Project
Photo credit: R. Hunter

improvement and comment on how comfortable they feel.

Thank you,

Randall Hunter
Programs Officer

Pyramid Lake Tribal Recreation Program

The Tribal Recreation Program received \$79,674.00 for FY 2017. The funding was used to pay for the following: salaries, fringe benefits for full & part-time staff and on call staff, contracted services, food for day camp, R&M vehicle, supplies/materials for programming and vehicle gas.

The tax dollars received support the Tribal Recreation program and its activities. The funding helps the program meet its goals and objectives through the year.

Tribal recreation provided the following:

- ◆ Practice time and support to Youth basketball which consisted of 114 youth, once a week for one hour.
- ◆ Practice for Pyramid Lake High School Basketball and Volleyball Programs, 4 days a week for 35 youth.

◆ Assisted JOM after school program with physical education activities 2 times a week while in session.

◆ Adult Volleyball, 2 hours a week, 15 adults participated.

◆ Open gym for Adult basketball 2 hours one day a week, participation varied weekly.

◆ Family activities:

◆ Family movie nights

◆ S'more Family night at Pyramid Lake

◆ Fishing Day at Pyramid Lake

◆ Kids Christmas Craft Night

◆ Glow in the Dark Easter Egg Hunt

◆ Truck or Treat

◆ Collaborated with the Health Department which provided Yoga



Fishing Day at Pyramid Lake
Photo credit: J. Davis



Fishing Day at Pyramid Lake
Photo credit: J. Davis

Pyramid Lake Tribal Recreation Program cont.

during intersession/summer camp.

◆ Worked with the Diabetes program in providing physical education and healthy lessons during intersession/summer camp.

◆ Worked with the Native Youth and Culture fund to provide cultural activities during summer day camp.

◆ Beading class

◆ Skirt making class

◆ The Summer youth program had 95

students that were served.

The Tribal Recreation program would like to thank the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe and Tax Department for providing the funds to support the program. If funding were not received we would not be able to have any programming for the Tribal Recreation Department. We look forward to the new year of 2018.

Janet Davis



Family Craft Night
Photo credit: J. Davis



Family Craft Night
Photo credit: J. Davis

Johnson O'Malley Program

The Johnson O'Malley Program provided the following:

◇ Teacher aides for Natchez Elementary School, Kindergarten, 4th, 5th & sixth grades.

◇ After school program for assistance with homework, we are always open to assist any student that needs help.

◇ Provide educational activities during the summer.

◇ Provide cultural worksheets

◇ Nature walks

◇ Visit Terry Lee Wells Museum/Animal Ark

◇ Provide financial assistance for the Parks/Recreation end of the year summer trip

◇ Assistance to head start programs with transportation and purchasing books for the children

◇ Aid High School students who qualify for special honor classes.

◇ Provide backpacks and supplies to students

◇ Installed playground equipment and shade next to the Nixon Gymnasium

We could not do all of this without the tax dollars. Thank you and we welcome any suggestions you may have to help our children succeed in school.

Dorothy Ely
JOM Program Director

“The future depends on what you do today.”

Gandhi.



Lake Maintenance

The Lake Maintenance Department is responsible for the maintaining the beaches, the boat docks, roads, restrooms, trash and all areas around the lake.

Our services include but are not limited to detail cleaning of the PL restrooms and stocking with toilet paper, pumping of the restroom vaults, picking and hauling trash, working with the portable restroom vendor and monitoring weekly services as needed, working with the PL PUD department for 40 yard bins to assist with the holiday trash during the summer.

In 2017, the department started with the flood that washed out beaches, access roads, destroyed the boat docks causing closing of the Lake areas due to limited or no access.

There were sections of the lake that was opened until all the repairs were completed. By Memorial Day holiday, Popcorn Rock to Warrior Point was accessible.

Earth Day was April 21st., we worked with the Natural Resource department and the Natchez 5th & 6th grades to have beach clean up at the North Nets.

Three temporary workers were hired to assist with cleaning and maintaining the beaches and boat dock areas. We also had several community service workers when they were available.

In late 2016, the Lake Maintenance department was awarded a land assignment so in 2017 fencing was bought to surround the new yard.

The Lake Maintenance department takes great pride in keeping our lake areas clean and safe for our Tribal membership and visitors, so they may enjoy the peaceful beauty of our lake.

Judith Davis

Lake Maintenance Coordinator



Youth Clean Up
Photo credit: J. Davis



New fence
Photo credit: J. Davis





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***Pyramid Lake Tax Commission
Mission Statement***

Dedicated to serve the Community and Businesses by administering the Tax Code of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe with integrity, efficiency, and consistency. As well as maintaining consensual relationships with the tax payers and community.

Adopted by the Pyramid Lake Tax Commission
On February 4, 2014