



SIWA VAATS NEWS

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DEPARTMENT LISTING

Tribal Administration
760-858-4219

Agriculture
760-858-1135

Community Center
760-858-5103

Conservation
760-401-4207

Cultural Center / THPO
760-858-1115 -760.858.1126

Education Center
760-858-1063

Environmental Department
760-858-1140

Diabetes Department
760-858-4240

Gaming Surveillance
760-858-4045

Head Start
760-858-4918

Health & Wellness
760-858-5426

Housing Department
760-858-4564

T.E.R.O.
760-858-5100

Tribal Court
760-858-4219

Havasu Landing Resort
760/858-4592

Havasu Landing Casino
760-858-4593

TRIBAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

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exec.sec@cit-nsn.gov

Or fax to:

760-858-5401

View Newsletter online:

www.chemehuevi.org

**Tribal Council
Regular Meeting
Saturday,
May 30, 2026
9:00 a.m.**

BOARDS & COMMITTEES

VACANCIES:

Water Board (1) Vacancy

Health Board (1) Vacancies

HLH/HLC Board (3) Vacancies

Health Board email
health.board@cit-nsn.gov

Tribal Members can submit questions,
comments or concerns.

Interested in serving on one or more
Boards or Committees? (LIMIT 3)

Obtain your application on-line or
contact the Tribal Office
760-284-3781
exec.sec@cit-nsn.gov

**ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE TURNED IN ON
May 20th BEFORE 12pm NOON.**

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Come Apply:

Contact Info,

**TO APPLY FOR RESORT OPENINGS CONTACT HR DEPARTMENT @ 760-858-4592
Ext. 108**

**TO APPLY FOR CASINO OPENINGS CONTACT HR DEPARTMENT @ 760-858-4593
Ext. 301**

TO APPLY FOR TRIBAL OPENINGS CONTACT TERO OFFICER @ 760-858-5100.

Chemehuevi Tribal Members
Save the date!

Nuwuvi Days 2026

Are you ready?



June 5th 2026
17 mile Nukwi

Registration forms can be ordered by emailing
Anna Drum-Lynch at diabetes@cit-nsn.gov

TO SCHEDULE A DELIVERY

PLEASE CALL



**MAY
15TH**

**ALL DELIVERIES ARE C.O.D OR
PREPAY ONLY**

COLORADO RIVER SERVICE UNIT

Chemehuevi Clinic

2026

MAY



(760) 858-4790

1970 Palo Verde Drive
Havasup Lake, CA 92363

PRC Referral Questions: (928) 669-7578
Office Hours: M-F, 8:00am to 5:00pm

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 <i>Clinic Closed</i>
4 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP Brittany Smith - CCC	5	6 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP Podiatry - Dr. Palmquist Dental - Dr. Smith 	7	8 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP
11 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP	12	13 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP Dental - Dr. Chami Hygienist - Nida Lerch Benefits-Daryl James PRC - Lola Ward 	14	15 <i>Clinic Closed</i>
18 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP Brittany Smith - CCC	19	20 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP	21	22 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP
25 HOLIDAY CLINIC CLOSED 	26	27 PCP-Tina Evenson, NP Optometry-Dr. Hogan 	28	29 <i>Clinic Closed</i>



CHEMEHUEVI
**COMMUNITY
CENTER**



MON - SAT
10:30 AM - 7:00 PM

SODA

\$1.50

COKE
DIET COKE
BRISK ICE TEA

GATORADE

LARGE 20 oz

\$2.00

SMALL 12 oz

\$1.00

CUP NOODLES

\$1.00

CHICKEN

PICKLE

\$2.00

SHAVED ICE

CONE

\$1.00

WATERMELON*CHERRY*GRAPE

CUP

\$2.50

BLUE RASPBERRY*TIGER BLOOD

CHEMEHUEVI COMMUNITY CENTER

OPERATING BUSINESS HOURS

MONDAY	10AM-7PM
TUESDAY	10AM-7PM
WEDNESDAY	10AM-7PM
THURSDAY	10AM-7PM
FRIDAY	10AM-7PM
SATURDAY	10:30AM-7PM

SUNDAY'S CLOSED

FOR INFO CALL 760 858 5203 OR 760-858-5103





SAVE THE DATE

Missing Murdered
Indigenous People
AWARENESS WALK

WALKING FOR
JUSTICE, HEALING, AND OUR MISSING RELATIVES

MAY

13

2026

MORE DETAILS TO COME

FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CALL
AUTUMN CRAIG 760.284.3929



HOSTED BY HEALTH AND WELLNESS
MMIP AWARENESS
WALK



MAY 13, 2026
9AM-12:00PM
Chemehuevi Valley CA



Walking for
Justice, Healing, UNITY &
Our Missing and Murdered Relatives
MC by Motivational Speaker, Chance Rush

- 9:00-9:10- Welcoming, Blessing
(Meet up @ HLR Hardware Store)
- 9:10-9:40- MMIP Walk to Casino Beach
- 9:40-10:00- Bird Singers- (Casino Beach)
- 10:05-11:15- AWARENESS Speakers- (Casino Beach)
- 11:30-12:30- Lunch Provided- (Casino Beach)

For More Information Please Contact:
ICWA Director Autumn Craig @ 760.284.3929

Alcohol and Substance Abuse Program

May 2026

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Mondays CHR Meds	Tuesdays GAS Cards 8-12/1-4pm	Wednesdays CHR Meds	Thursdays GAS Cards 8-12/1-4pm	01 AA Lake Havasu 12pm	02
03	04 Celebrate Recovery 6:30pm Firehouse AA 5:30pm	05	06 Talking Circle 9am	07 Book Club 11:30-12pm Elder's Potluck 11am Community Center	08 AA Lake Havasu 12pm Mother's Dinner comm.center 5pm	09
10 Mother's Day Topock AA 6pm	11 Firehouse AA 5:30pm	12	13 MMIP Walk Talking Circle 8:30am	14 Book Club 11:30-12pm	15 Relapse Prevention 6:30pm	16
17 Topock AA 6pm	18 Celebrate Recovery 6:30pm Firehouse AA 5:30pm	19 Family Game Night Comm. Center 4:30-6pm	20 Talking Circle 9am	21 Book Club 11:30-12pm	22 Movie Night The Last Manhunt	23
24 Topock AA 6pm	25 Memorial Day HOLIDAY Firehouse AA 5:30pm	26	27 Talking Circle 9am	28 Book Club 11:30-12pm	29 AA Lake Havasu 12pm Relapse Prevention 6:30pm	30
31 Topock AA 6pm	 We are here for you! 760.858.5426 					

ASAP WEEKLY SCHEDULE

MON

AA Firebelle's CO-ED- 5:30 pm
Transport available- Miranda V
Celebrate Recovery CO-ED
5:30pm FERRY/Transport - Gylene

TUE

AA Women's FMIT- 7pm
Transport available at 6pm
Miranda V.

WED

Talking Circle CO-ED- 9am
Chemehuevi Farm
Transport available- Gylene

THU

Wellbriety CO-Ed FMIT- 7pm
Transport available at 6pm
Miranda V.

FRI

AA Lake Havasu City-CO-ED
11:30am FERRY - Miranda W
Relapse Prevention CO-Ed 6:30 pm
H&W office- Miranda V.

SUN

AA Co-Ed Topock- 6pm
Transport available at 4:45pm
Miranda V.

Miranda W- 760-284-3794

Miranda V- 310-756-9543

Gylene N- 760-302-4076

Community Center & ASAP Team
would like you to join us for

Mothers & Matriarchs Dinner

Let's honor the glue that holds us
together! We invite you and the Moms/
Matriarchs in your life to our appreciation
dinner

At The Community Center
FRIDAY MAY 8TH
5:00-6:30PM

Dinner/Raffle / Crafts /Photo
Included

Questions? Call/text 760.302.4076

May 2026

CHEMEHEUVI TRIBE EDUCATION CENTER

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
				1 10:00am Tree Planting at Head Start 4-5pm Join Activities at Community Center
4 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm Mother's Day Crafts *Water Citrus & Willow Trees	5 PIANO LESSON WITH MS. KAREN HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm Mother's Day Crafts	6 Youth Community Garden @ AG 1pm HHP 2:00-5pm Study Hall 2-5pm *Water Willow Tree	7 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm Mother's Day Crafts	8 Mother's Day Crafts *Water Citrus & Willow Trees
11 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm *Water Citrus & Willow Trees	12 PIANO LESSON WITH MS. KAREN HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	13 HHP 12:30-3pm Study Hall 2-5pm 3-4pm Library *Water Willow Tree	14 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	15 4-5p.m. Join Activities at Community Center *Water Citrus & Willow Trees
18 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm *Water Citrus & Willow Trees	19 PIANO LESSON WITH MS. KAREN HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	20 HHP 12:30-3pm Study Hall 2-5pm 3-4pm Library *Water Willow Tree	21 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	22 2:30-3:30pm Arts & Crafts 3-4pm Computer Lab *Water Citrus & Willow Trees
25 CLOSED MEMORIAL DAY	26 PIANO LESSON WITH MS. KAREN HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	27 HHP 12:30-3pm Study Hall 2-5pm 3-4pm Library *Water Willow Tree	28 HHP 2:30-5pm Study Hall 4-5pm	29 4-5pm Join Activities at Community Center *Water Citrus & Willow Trees

BUILDING HOURS:

Monday-Friday: 9:00 A.M. – 5:00 P.M.

PHONE: (760) 858-1063

DIRECTOR: dir.ctec@cit-nsn.gov

ASSISTANT: ctec.ast@cit-nsn.gov



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Calendar subject to change











ONLY 15 SPOTS!

ASAP and Cultural Center Presents:

Culture is Prevention
Summer Youth Program

Youth will gather weekly, on **TUESDAYS**, to engage in activities that promote Youth Wellness, Life Skills, and Chemehuevi Culture.

YOUTH 12-18 YEARS OLD
CHEMEHUEVI GYM/CULTURAL CENTER
TUESDAYS: JUNE 9- JULY 21, 2026
10:30 AM-2:00 PM

PRE-REGISTER NOW

THE CHEMEHUEVI EDUCATION AND COMMUNITY CENTER YOUTH HAVE BEEN INVITED TO ATTEND THE

Jr. American Indian Chamber Youth EXPO

TUESDAY, JULY 21, 2026
9:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.
AGUA CALIENTE RESORT
RANCHO MIRAGE, CA

This event is open to Native Youth ages 10-18. We are planning for an overnight trip departing Monday, July 20 and returning Tuesday, July 21st - Space is limited.

We have been invited for a day of entrepreneurial development, fun competition, swag, snacks and a luncheon with Native Entrepreneurs, Tribal Leaders, corporate giants and government agencies. Youth will work in teams of 8-10 on a task where they will compete and present their projects to win the grand prize! There will be one winning team, however, every student will go home with a goodie bag and an unforgettable experience!

TO ASSIST IN PLANNING, YOUTH MUST BE SIGNED UP BY JUNE 30, 2026

TO SIGN UP OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT REGINA AT (760) 858-1063



THERESA A. MIKE
SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY

You're eligible to apply if you meet at least one of the criteria below:

- You are an enrolled member of a Federally Recognized Native American Tribe.
- You are a current resident or graduate of a high school located in the Coachella Valley or Morongo Basin.
- You are an employee in good standing, or a dependent of an employee, of any entity within the Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians.

Apply Online

Scholarship awards range from
\$250 to \$5,000



<https://theresamike.org/scholarships>

Application opens:

January 31 - June 30 annually

Theresa A. Mike Scholarship Foundation Affiliates:



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COACHELLA VALLEY



Contact Us:

www.theresamike.org
info@theresamike.org
442-241-6151

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING



*Housing Office hours are 7:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.
Maintenance Office hours are 6:00 a.m.—2:30 p.m.
Phone: 760-858-4564 Email: recp.hsg@cit-nsn.gov*

1-4 bedroom homes are soon to be available to low-income Chemehuevi Tribal Members and other Native Americans. Quail Trail 1-2 bedrooms apartments are available for qualified low-income families regardless of race. If interested contact Housing for an application or you can stop by and pick one up. Keep in mind Housing does have waiting lists for both programs. Tribal list posted in the Housing lobby.

FY 2024 INCOME LIMITS DOCUMENTATION SYSTEM FOR CALIFORNIA Extremely Low Income Limits

1 Person	2 Person	3 Person	4 Person	5 Person	6 Person	7 Person
\$35,900	\$41,000	\$46,100	\$51,250	\$55,350	\$63,550	\$67,650

NOTICE: If you aren't feeling well, please call Housing personnel rather than visiting the office. If you prefer not to visit the Housing office with your payments Chrissy or Housing Administrative employees can process electronic payments with debit or credit cards. Housing Drop-box is also available at the front door.

PEST CONTROL

Bug Emergency was out to spray April 9th & 23rd. Be advised they do spray backyards if gate is unlocked.

NEXT SPRAY

Will be May 14th & 28th of 2026.



2026 Community Clean Up & Annual Meeting



UPCOMING EVENTS

May 15, 2026— A&B Propane

May 25, 2026—Office Closed/
Memorial Day

American Rescue Plan. Project starting soon. Installing 5 more generators for our elders, to complete ARP grant.

HEAP Applications: Care Act Funding available. Housing has received the new 2025 applications. Please contact Housing if you would like an application or if you need any assistance completing the forms. You will need to bring all pages of your current electric bill and propane. Receipt, valid identification, also bring our social security cards for household members and proof of income.

A&B Propane: If you interested in their service, please give Housing Department a call, or you can call them direct @ 928-854-4099. Their next scheduled delivery January 2025.

Ferrellgas: Is still offering propane, an account must be created first. All deliveries will not be charged taxes or other fees. Please contact Ferrellgas directly and let them know you are paying with a credit card or debit card to be considered for an upcoming delivery. To make arrangements, please contact: Katy Rankin, Customer Service Specialist, phone number is 928-445-3940. Her email address is KatyRankin@ferrellgas.com

Senior Information & Assistance

The Department of Aging 7 Adult Services' Senior Information & Assistance Program staff will be available to answer questions and provide information about programs and services available to you!

PLEASE JOIN US! Every 4th Wednesday of the month 10 A.M.—12 P.M.



CHEMEHUEVI DIABETES DEPARTMENT **Healthy Cooking Class**



Tepary chili and mesquite cornbread

May 18, 2026

10:00 am - 11:00 am

COMMUNITY CENTER

Class size is limited, You must register by May 10, 2026 to participate.

Participants receive a fruit and vegetable voucher to the HLR Market

For more information or to sign up, please call
Anna Drum-Lynch 760.858.4240



Chemehuevi Diabetes Department



Diabetes Education
**TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE
CHANGES FOR THE BETTER**



Set your own dates



Set your own times

- Healthy eating
- Being active
- Monitoring
- Medications
- Problem solving
- Healthy coping
- Reducing risk

Anna Drum-Lynch
Phone: 760.858.4240
Email: diabetes@cit-nsn.gov

Physical Activity and Weight Loss

"At one time, I weighed over 300 pounds...I didn't know it, but I was headed down a dark path. I began learning about the risks of being overweight and sedentary. I didn't want to get diabetes, so I stopped drinking sugary drinks and alcohol. I started eating more fruits and vegetables, walking, and doing strength training. It was tough at first. Eventually, I began to lose weight and look and feel better about myself. I finally lost 100 pounds. Now, I can walk 3 miles in an hour."

Joseph Talley, Diné and Pueblo



Losing weight has many benefits for those who are overweight or affected by obesity. Losing a few pounds can help to:

- ✓ Improve blood sugar
- ✓ Lower blood pressure
- ✓ Manage sleep apnea
- ✓ Prevent diabetes
- ✓ Decrease heart disease risk
- ✓ Ease joint pain and slow joint damage

Increasing physical activity along with eating fewer calories is the most effective way to lose weight.



What Activities Can Help with Weight Loss?

Aerobic Exercise

- » Uses large muscle groups repeatedly for longer periods.
- » Burns the most calories when done at a moderate to vigorous level.



Resistance Exercise

- » Uses weights, exercise bands, or body weight to provide resistance.

Include resistance exercises at least 2 to 3 days a week. See [Increasing Muscle Strength](#) for information.



Casual Activity

- » Includes light intensity physical activities such as:

- Doing laundry
- Yard work
- Removing trash
- Taking the stairs
- Gardening
- Cleaning

Add more movement to your day to contribute to weight loss.



Start at a light or moderate level. Increase to more vigorous activities when cleared by your provider.



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Physical Activity and Weight Loss



How Much Physical Activity is Needed to Lose Weight?



150 minutes
Moderate Activity
Each Week

OR



75 minutes
Vigorous Activity
Each Week

OR



Mix Moderate and
Vigorous Activities
Each Week

Get At Least



a Day • 5 or More Days a Week

Tips to Add More Physical Activity to Your Day

- » Walk for 20 minutes before or after dinner.
- » Use a pedometer, smart watch, or smartphone to track your steps. See [Track Your Steps](#).
- » Break up sitting time by doing something active or walking for 3-5 minutes every hour.
- » Find exercise classes in your area.

Joe made a decision to start a health journey to get stronger and reduce his risk of diabetes by finding a path to weight loss. You, too, can start on a journey that can help you lose weight, get stronger, and engage in activities you enjoy, such as traditional events, ceremonies, and dances.



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Understanding Your Cholesterol

What Is Cholesterol?

Cholesterol is a fat-like substance that helps your body build cells, vitamins, and hormones.

Too much cholesterol in the blood raises the risk of a heart attack or stroke.

People with diabetes have a higher risk of these conditions.

Check your cholesterol levels

A blood test called a **lipid panel** checks your cholesterol and triglyceride levels.

Cholesterol and Triglycerides



HDL **HDL cholesterol** is often called "good cholesterol." Higher levels of HDL are linked with lower risk of heart disease.

LDL **LDL cholesterol** is often called "bad cholesterol." It can build up in your blood vessels and block them.

Triglycerides are a type of fat in your blood. Your body uses them for energy. High levels raise your risk of heart disease and stroke.

Total cholesterol is a measure of all the cholesterol in your blood.

Recommended Levels

Total cholesterol	under 200 mg/dl
Triglycerides	under 150 mg/dl

HDL	over 40 mg/dl for men over 50 mg/dl for women
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LDL	under 70 mg/dl if you have diabetes under 55 mg/dl if you have diabetes & heart disease
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For more tips, view: [Fats and Heart Health](#)



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Understanding Your Cholesterol

Build Healthy Living Habits

Begin by making small, positive steps in your daily life.



Heart Healthy Living

- Exercise at least 150 minutes a week.
- Lose weight if you are overweight. A 5 to 10 pound loss may lower blood fats.
- Limit alcohol if you drink.
- Quit smoking or vaping.
- Take cholesterol medication if prescribed.

Heart Healthy Eating Choices

- Eat a wide variety of fruits and vegetables.
- Cook with healthier oils from plants such as olive, avocado, and sesame oil. See [Fats and Heart Health](#) for more information.
- Choose lean proteins, such as poultry, buffalo, elk, deer, and wild-caught fish.
- Eat fish twice a week. Fish, like salmon and sardines, have heart-healthy omega-3 fatty acids.
- Eat dairy foods that are low in saturated fat, such as low-fat or nonfat yogurt, milk, and cheeses.
- Choose high fiber whole grains like brown rice, corn meal, or whole grain bread.
- Choose sugary foods and drinks less often. See [Limit Added Sugar](#) to learn more.



What Raises Cholesterol and Triglycerides?

- Family history (genetics)
- Eating foods
 - high in saturated fat
 - high in sugar and carbohydrates
 - low in fiber
- Not getting enough physical activity
- Being overweight
- Drinking too much alcohol
- Smoking
- Uncontrolled diabetes
- Certain medications

For more tips, view: [Cut Down on Saturated Fats](#)



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Chemehuevi Indian Tribe
Code Enforcement
P.O. Box 1976
Havasup Lake Ca. 92363
(760)401-4207
aco@cit-nsn.gov



Hello Tribal Members,

The weather here on the rez is slowly climbing. Mornings feel like spring 65-70 degrees. Afternoons reaching low 100's. The earlier heat up we had sent the desert into what I call a false bloom. Flowers bloomed early! We are now in the second bloom. I think the heat is going to stick around this time.

The Burros are slowly making their way back. So be careful. Please make sure that we need to remember that these wild animals are still wild. Feeding them will cause them to hang around your property. They will become real friendly. That's when the problems start. Poor Diet, injuries, you could even be kicked if they get startled. Ive even herd of people getting nipped while trying to feed them. Its better to admire from a distance.

I herd the fishing is good. Grab a pole, hit your favorite spot and enjoy a day of relaxing.

Respectfully Submitted,
Frederick Rivera
Chief Code Enforcement Officer



CIT Environmental Outreach

On April 29th, EPA department, Agriculture department, and Education department collaborated for a tree planting event with the kids in the Education Center garden. Agriculture donated one Meyers lemon tree and one Valencia orange tree, and EPA department donated one coyote willow tree.

The previous day, director Brian Kellywood and Agriculture director Joseph Jimenez went to education center to flatten the grounds of the garden with EPA department's backhoe to prepare for the next days tree planting. Early the next morning Agriculture crew went to the garden to set up a greenhouse and dig holes for the trees. Stone Moncayo, Education and Outreach coordinator for EPA, followed later and helped with preparation.

Around 1 pm, the kids got out of school and showed up for the tree planting and we made it interactive for them. Taught the children the Chemehuevi word for willow, sagav (sa-GAV), and also taught them about some of our traditional uses for the plant such as basket weaving, gourd handles, brush houses, and even medicine. We had the kids help with planting the trees, filling the hole back up with soil and we even let them water all the trees, which they had a lot of fun doing. Overall it was an amazing event and we were all happy to be able to work with the kids and teach them a little bit about gardening and tending to the earth. Chemehuevi is very proud of our children for doing so well and having so much fun doing something good.

Mawkh! – Stone Moncayo, EPA Education and Outreach coordinator



CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBAL COURT

What's New

Court Notice

As of April 17th, the Tribal Court is back in the office. A special thank you to our TERO workers and members of the community who helped to get the Court furnished.

Needles Open House

On April 21st, the Chief Judge and Tribal Court Clerk met with the staff of Needles Superior Courthouse to meet the new presiding judge, Rob Cortez and discuss solutions for domesticating Tribal Court Orders

Deputy Clerk's New Training

From April 20th to April 24th, Deputy Clerk Nadine Lewis attended Court Clerk Certification I and II in Albuquerque, New Mexico. We're excited to use this knowledge for the Chemehuevi community!

Court Administrative Orders

Please see the attached Tribal Court Administrative Orders 001 through 003. If you have questions, please contact the Court Clerk.

Regular Court Dates

- May 13, 2026
- June 24, 2026
- July 22, 2026
- August 26, 2026
- September 23, 2026
- October 14, 2026
- November 19, 2026
- December 9, 2026

Contact Info

Email:

- court.clerk@cit-nsn.gov
- court@cit-nsn.gov

Phone: (760) 858-4219 ext. 122

IN THE CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBAL COURT

ORDER ADMIN-2026-001

REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE COURT –

ALL PARTIES WITH ACTIVE CASES MUST KEEP CONTACT INFORMATION CURRENT WITH COURT

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe requires orderly and consistent handling of court cases and interactions with the public by the court in a manner that ensures equal justice for all; and

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe must be able to send case-related documents, notices and other information to parties involved in cases in order to process and complete cases in an efficient and orderly fashion while ensuring justice for all parties involved; and pursuant to Ordinance No. 96-02-24-A, the Tribal Court Ordinance, Section 1.030(4)(C); and

Whereas Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 1, Rules 10 and 11 address orderly scheduling and case management of cases before this court; and

Whereas a lack of current contact information for parties in current and active cases unnecessarily results in the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe being prevented from sending notices, orders, filed documents, and other related communications to parties, as well as resulting in an inability to notify parties of the status of a case; and

Whereas Notice by Publication or Posting as described in ADMIN-2026-002 does not address situations where the contact information for parties changes during an ongoing case after appearance by the party; and

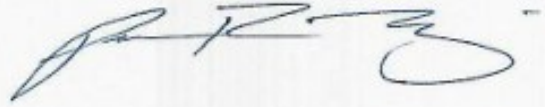
Whereas the inability of the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe to reach parties in an ongoing case unnecessarily delays procedures in a case and justice for all of those involved in a case, and results in repeated continued hearings to attempt multiple contacts with parties, or simply unnecessary delay, the Court orders as follows:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, for the reasons stated herein,

- 1- All parties to civil cases shall keep their contact information current with the Court until the case is completed.
 - a. Failure to keep the contact information current may result in a dismissal of the case, or an adverse ruling against a party, order to show cause why the party should not be held in contempt for failing to adhere to this Order, with sanctions or other relief the Court deems appropriate and lawful.
- 2- Contact information includes all of the following, **WHICH MUST BE CURRENT AND ACTIVE**:
 - a. Physical address where the party may be located.
 - b. Mailing address where the USPS delivers mail to the person, or where the person may pick up mail
 - c. Phone number – which can be landline, message phone, or cellular or work phone. Phone number must be kept active while the case is pending, and message phones must be to a person willing and able to reach the party at all times.
 - d. Email address.
 - e. Facebook messenger account.
 - f. Any other means of contact the party uses.

- 3- Contact information may be provided to counsel or advocate for the party at the phone, mailing, or email address provided to the party by the counsel or advocate.
- 4- Parties must also review and comply with all Administrative Orders of the Court on the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe website [Tribal Court](#) on the links or drop-down menu on that page, as well as compliance with the Tribal Court Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure, and the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe Law and Order Code.



Date 8th day of April, 2026

Patricia Rae Lenzi, Chief Judge
Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court



IN THE CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBAL COURT

ORDER ADMIN-2026-002

**REVISED ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE COURT –
NOTICE BY PUBLICATION AND POSTING**

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe requires orderly and consistent handling of court cases and interactions with the public by the court in a manner that ensures equal justice for all; and

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe must be able to send case-related documents, notices and other information to parties involved in cases in order to process and complete cases in an efficient and orderly fashion while ensuring justice for all parties involved; and pursuant to Ordinance No. 96-02-24-A, the Tribal Court Ordinance, Section 1.030(4)(C); and

Whereas Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 1, Rules 10 and 11 address orderly scheduling and case management of cases before this court; and

Whereas the Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 2, Rule 14(c) sets forth the process for service of process, referencing state law when needed; and

Whereas California and Arizona law permit service by publication and posting; and

Whereas ensuring notice of a pending court case is a right of those served by the Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court under the Indian Civil Rights Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1301-1304, and

Whereas a large number of community members frequent the locations listed in this Administrative Order, and the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe maintains a website where Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court Announcements may be posted, then the Court orders as follows:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, for the reasons stated herein,

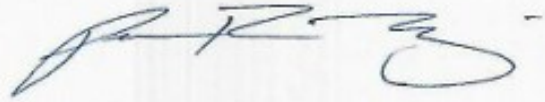
1. When service of process cannot be accomplished by the procedures set forth in the Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 2, Rule 14(c), or ADMIN-2026-001, then the court or the parties may accomplish service of process by posting notice of orders or of the Summons and Complaint by:
 - a. Placing an ad in a local newspaper that has a website for legal notices or is published on paper at least weekly, for four consecutive weeks; or
 - b. Placing a notice in the Chemehuevi Tribal newsletter for four consecutive publications; or
 - c. Placing a notice on the Chemehuevi Tribal Court Website; or
 - d. Posting a notice at all of the following locations for four (4) consecutive weeks:
 - i. Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Administration Building;
 - ii. Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court;
 - iii. Chemehuevi Indian Conservation Office;
 - iv. Havasu Landing Market;
 - v. Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Community Center;

vi. Chemehuevi Indian Health and Wellness Center;

AND

- e. Thereafter filing proof of publication, or a proof of posting affidavit with the court confirming this process was completed.

Date 8th day of April, 2026



Patricia Rae Lenzi, Chief Judge
Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court



IN THE CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBAL COURT

ORDER ADMIN-2026-003
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER OF THE COURT –
SERVICE OF PROCESS CLARIFICATION

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe requires orderly and consistent handling of court cases and interactions with the public by the court in a manner that ensures equal justice for all; and

Whereas the Tribal Court of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe must be able to send case-related documents, notices and other information to parties involved in cases in order to process and complete cases in an efficient and orderly fashion while ensuring justice for all parties involved; and pursuant to Ordinance No. 96-02-24-A, the Tribal Court Ordinance, Section 1.030(4)(C); and

Whereas Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 1, Rules 10 and 11 address orderly scheduling and case management of cases before this court; and

Whereas the Rules of Pleading, Practice and Procedure of the Chemehuevi Indian Tribe (2015), Chapter 2, Rule 14(c) sets forth the process for service of process, referencing state law when needed; and

Whereas California and Arizona law permit electronic service under specific circumstances; and

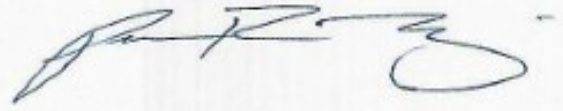
Whereas ensuring notice of a pending court case is a right of those served by the Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court under the Indian Civil Rights Act, 18 U.S.C. §§ 1301-1304, then the Court orders as follows:

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, for the reasons stated herein,

1. Service of process can be accomplished by personal service, posting of notice or publication, or electronic service.
2. Electronic service of process is permitted by this court if under the provisions permitted by this Administrative Order and by means permitted by the Chemehuevi Tribal Code.
 - a. Electronic service can be sent to an email address, by fax to a party with a means to receive faxes, or can be sent to a phone capable of receiving documents via text attachments. Sending a message to a social media address or page or chat is not acceptable electronic service of documents.
 - b. Service of process may be accomplished by electronic means via email if:
 - i. Normal mail service in Havasu Lake, CA is disrupted by weather, fire, disaster, or because the U.S. Post Office in Havasu Lake, CA, is not operating on a regular schedule; or
 - ii. A party agrees to allow the court to serve the party by electronic means;
 - iii. A party agrees to receive electronic service by informing the opposing party that service can be made by electronic means.
 - c. To use electronic service, parties must provide each other and the court with an email address, fax machine number, or phone number capable of receiving documents by electronic service.
 - d. Service is deemed completed when an email, fax, or text message with attachment, is sent and proof of service by electronic means is filed with the court.

Date 22nd day of April, 2026



Patricia Rae Lenzi, Chief Judge
Chemehuevi Indian Tribal Court





CHEMEHUEVI INDIAN TRIBE

PUBLIC NOTICE

****FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE****

January 26, 2026

Federal Court Orders Havasu Water Company to Stop Trespassing on Tribal Land

The Chemehuevi Indian Tribe ("Tribe") is informing Tribal Members and the Havasu Lake community about an important federal court order that affects Havasu Water Company ("HWC") and its facilities.

On January 8, 2026, a federal court ordered HWC to stop trespassing on the Tribe's reservation trust lands. The court confirmed that HWC has no legal right to be on Tribal land and must remove HWC's trespassing property or leave it behind.

Water service will not be shut off immediately. The Tribe has agreed to give HWC until June 15, 2026, to stop operating on the Tribe's land and to remove its infrastructure and equipment or abandon it. Beginning June 16, 2026, any HWC property still on Tribal land will be considered abandoned and may be removed by the Tribe. **Updates will be shared as more information becomes available.** At this time, the Tribe has chosen not to pursue financial damages to avoid adding costs that could affect HWC's customers.

The Tribe will work with regulators and responsible agencies as appropriate, while fully protecting Tribal sovereignty, to support access to dependable water services. The Tribe's goal is accountability, safety, and better access to clean water for the community. However, the Tribe is not responsible for any problems that HWC's customers may have experienced with HWC providing safe and reliable water service.

This order protects the Tribe's right to control its land and hopefully brings an end to almost twenty years of trespass by HWC against the Tribe. It is separate from the California Public Utility Commission's formal adjudicatory investigation into HWC.

HWC's permission to use the Tribe's land expired in 2006. Despite repeated warnings, years of attempted negotiations, and direction from federal agencies, HWC continued trespassing on the Tribe's land. During this time, HWC's water system seemed to experience boil water advisories, pressure loss, and ongoing regulatory issues.

The Tribe did everything possible to ensure no disruption to water services, including attempting to negotiate a settlement with HWC for years despite the ongoing trespass. After nearly two decades of these efforts, the Tribal Council determined that a clear court order was necessary to protect Tribal land, sovereignty, and community health.

Contact

For questions, Tribal Members may contact Tribal Administration.

Water customers should contact Havasu Water Company for billing questions, the California Public Utilities Commission for rate and service concerns, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for drinking water quality issues.



DANIEL LEIVAS, TRIBAL CHAIRMAN



Stars & Spins
May 2026
Mondays & Wednesdays
Weekly continuity item giveaway!!!

Towel Set // Bath Mat // Bathrobe // Bathroom Accessories

One item per week per guest after 500 base points are earned. Offer valid while supplies last.
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WEEK 1 WEEK 2 WEEK 3 WEEK 4

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Sunday May 17, 2026
Sunday May 31, 2026
1:00pm - 3:00pm

SLOT TOURNAMENT

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UPDATED HOURS

Market

Sunday – Thursday 7am - 8pm

Friday & Saturday 7am - 9pm

Holidays 7am-10pm (Friday & Saturday)

Hardware Store

Monday - Sunday 7:30am - 8pm

Marina Mini Market

Sunday-Thursday 7:30am-5pm

Friday & Saturday 7:30am - 7pm

Boathouse

Friday, Saturday & Sunday

7:30am-3pm

Thank You



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BOAT SCHEDULE

**DAILY DEPARTURE TIMES
FROM LONDON BRIDGE
LAKE HAVASU CITY, AZ**

**DAILY DEPARTURE TIMES
FROM HAVASU LANDING
HAVASU LAKE, CA**

6:45AM
7:45AM
8:45AM
11:00AM
12:00 NOON
1:00PM
2:00PM
3:00PM
4:00PM
5:00PM
6:00PM
7:00PM
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7:30PM
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9:30PM
10:30PM
11:30PM
12:30AM

**Ferry will operate until 2:30AM on
Friday and Saturday only**

WEATHER CONDITIONS MAY DELAY OR CANCEL FERRY
REGULARLY SCHEDULED DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS
BOAT ALWAYS OPERATES ON ARIZONA TIME



Community Resource Guide & Links



Are you a residential Southern California Edison (SCE) customer looking for energy assistance? The Chemehuevi Indian Tribe is partnering with SCE to help connect community members with available energy assistance programs and resources.



Medical Baseline Allowance

<https://www.sce.com/save-money/rebates-financial-assistance/bill-assistance-programs/medical-baseline-allowance>



Energy Saving Assistance

<https://www.sce.com/save-money/income-qualified-programs/energy-savings-assistance-program>



Ca. Alternate Rates for Energy (CARE) & Family Electric Rate Assistance (FERA) Discounted Rates

<https://www.sce.com/save-money/income-qualified-programs/care-fera>



Take a survey to see if you're available for any of the programs listed above. Access & Functional Needs Self Identification Survey

<https://cloud.sce.com/afn-survey-tribal>

For more information, please visit www.sce.com

Enroll in TAX Exempt for your residential SCE bill if you are an enrolled Chemehuevi Tribal Member and a residential SCE Customer. Form is also available on www.chemehuevi.org, please return completed form to vice.chair@cit-nsn.gov.

WE ARE HIRING

**JOIN OUR
TEAM!**

TERO

TRIBAL EMPLOYMENT RIGHTS OFFICE

WHAT DO WE DO?

1

The TERO program enforces tribally enacted American Indian preference law, which ensures American Indians gain their rightful share of employment, training, contracting, subcontracting, and business opportunities occurring on or near reservations.

2

The Chemehuevi Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO), by virtue of a contractual agreement with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), is authorized to interview and counsel individuals with potential employment discrimination charges. The TERO employees address draft charges of alleged violations of Title VII, file complaints with the EEOC and attempt to resolve the charge by mediation within 30 days.

3

Call the TERO Office if you are a youth worker 14 - 17 or an adult looking for a temporary job

OR



If you want to speak with someone about a discrimination issue

CONTACT

VARNER ESCOBAR
TERO OFFICER

760-858-5100
DIR.TERO@CIT-NSN.GOV



T.E.R.O.

HOURS OF OPERATION

MONDAY – FRIDAY

7:30AM – 4:00PM



2026 Monthly Tribal Council Meetings

1. Saturday, January 31, 2026
2. Saturday, February 28, 2026
3. Saturday, March 28, 2026
4. Friday, April 24, 2026
5. Saturday, April 25, 2026 (Annual Meeting)
6. Saturday, May 30, 2026
7. Saturday, June 27, 2026
8. Saturday, July 25, 2026
9. Saturday, August 29, 2026
10. Saturday, September 26, 2026
11. Saturday October 24, 2026
12. Saturday, November 21, 2026
13. Saturday, December 19, 2026



2026 TRIBAL HOLIDAY LIST

Thursday, January 1	New Year's Day (2026)
Monday, January 19	Martin Luther King Jr.'s Day
Monday, February 16	Presidents' Day
Monday, May 25	Memorial Day
Friday, June 12	Nüwüvi Days
Friday, June 19	Juneteenth
Friday, July 3	Independence Day
Monday, September 7	Labor Day
Friday, September 11	California Indian Days
Monday, October 12	Indigenous Peoples Day
Wednesday, November 11	Veterans Day
Wednesday, November 25	Half -Day
Thursday, November 26	Thanksgiving Day
Friday, November 27	Day After Thanksgiving
Thursday, December 24 - Half day	Christmas Eve
Friday, December 25	Christmas day
Thursday, December 31 - Half day	New Year's Eve
Friday, January 1	New Year's Day (2027)

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MAY, 2026

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