CHEROKEE NATION TRIBAL COUNCIL RESOURCES COMMITTEE REPORT

Group: Management Resources Month/Year of Report: April, 2015

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Real Estate Services

The Office of Real Estate Services is responsible for administering the laws, regulations, and policies affecting the protection and management of the trust and restricted lands of individual Indian landowners and the land owned by the Cherokee Nation itself, located within the 14 county area of the Cherokee Nation. Real Estate Services is operated under a Self-Governance Compact with the Secretary of the Interior.

Real Estate Services provides advice and assistance in the following areas:

- Sale or Purchase of Restricted Land
- Deed Exchanges
- Partitions
- Patents-in-fee
- Rights-of-way
- Removal of Restrictions
- Business, Agriculture and Residential leasing
- Restricted Mineral Interests
- Last Will & Testaments
- Probate information
- Cherokee/English Interpreter
- Notary Services
- I. Budget Highlights: None.

II. Program Highlights:

- 1. <u>Sale or Purchase of Land</u>. No land purchased during the month of April.
- 2. <u>Appraisals</u>. Nine appraisals were approved during the month of April.
- 3. <u>Quiet Titles/Administrative Law Judgments (ALJ)/Estate closing</u>. Seven Quiet Title determination requests were received and returned during the month. Two ALJ were requested, one completed and returned to BIA. Nine Inventory/Heirships were completed and returned.

- 4. Report for Distributions, Transmittals, IIM Setups. One RFD was completed and sent to BIA; one Summary Distribution was submitted to Secretary of Interior; five final closings were received from BIA.
- 5. <u>Restriction Removal Applications.</u> One restriction removal application was submitted to BIA.
- 6. <u>Last Will & Testaments.</u> 13 Interviews for LW&T were completed during the month of April for Cherokee citizens.
- 7. <u>Court Appearances</u>. Three Court appearances were completed; eight final orders as a result thereof.
- 8. Right of Entries. 11 right of entries were requested and processed.
- 9. <u>Leases</u>. One oil and gas lease was approved during the month. One business lease was approved during the month.
- 10. <u>On-Site Inspections, Home Visits, Trespass issues</u>. 12 on-site inspections were requested and completed; two home visits were requested and completed; three trespass issues were reported and addressed.
- 11. <u>Environmental Reviews.</u> Four environmental reviews were requested and completed during the month.
- 12. <u>Maps/platting/survey assistance</u>. 53 requests for maps/platting assistance was completed during the month of April.
- 13. <u>Jurisdictional calls</u>. 40 jurisdictional calls were completed during the month.
- 14. <u>Financial transactions</u>. \$187,818.44 was processed through the lockbox; and \$43,078.36 was received in the office for lease payments during the month. All available hay has been sold.
- 15. <u>Trust Asset and Accounting Management System Project</u>. When the TAAMS project started, there were 12,669 allotments that required research. During the month of April, CNRES submitted 20 files to be encoded and have determined that 44 files contain no restricted property. There are 620 files remaining for status determination, research and abstracting.
- 16. <u>Impact Aid.</u> Eight impact aid verifications were received and processed.
- 17. <u>County Notification</u>. Various counties were notified of three changes of land status during the month.
- 18. Trainings/special occurrences.
 - Jamey Hothouse, Marshea Halterman and Ginger Reeves attended the Intertribal Conference held in Thackerville April 9-10.

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Group: Environmental Programs Month/Year

Month/Year of Report: April (FY 2015)

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I. Program Performance

a.) Environmental Review

Goal Requirement	# This month	Year to date	% of annual goal
900 ERR (Housing & W&S)	79	487	54%
6 ERR (Roads)	0	0	0%

b.) Lead-Based Paint Activities

Goal Requirement	# this month	Year to date	% of annual goal
250 Lead Paint Insp., R. A., Clearance, Visuals	33	131	52%

c.) Radon Activities

Goal Requirement	# this month	Year to date	% of annual goal
50 Radon Tests	0	0	0%

d.) Asbestos Activities

Goal Requirement	# this month	Year to date	% of annual goal
150 Asbestos Tests	22	74	49%

e.) Home Energy Audits

Goal Requirement	# this	Year to date	% of annual goal
	month		
300 Energy Audits	12	84	42%

f.) Landfill Inspection Dates:

Unannounced Visit	3/20/2015	29 inches
Unannounced Visit	3/26/2015	29 inches
Unannounced Visit	3/27/2015	30 inches
Unannounced Visit	3/30/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	3/31/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/1/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/2/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/6/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/7/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/8/2015	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/9/2015	32 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/10/2015	32 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/13/2014	33 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/14/2014	31 inches
Unannounced Visit	4/15/2014	30 inches

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II Highlights:

- a) On April 17th the CNEP Staff along with other Cherokee Nation Groups put on the 4th Annual Environmental Festival. There were over 250 children attending, and up to 300 adults. There were several other "environmental" booths where participants could obtain information, "give-a-ways", and learn more about various environmental topics. Several trees and door prizes were given away as well. There were tribal, state and federal counterparts manning the various booths.
- b) The 2014 air monitoring data certification package has been submitted and received by EPA Region 6. All air monitoring data collected by Tribal and State agencies must be validated and certified yearly. Clean Air annual data certification is due May 1st, but the staff has yet to receive updated guidance from EPA for the 2014 reporting period. However, the staff doesn't believe much will change from last year, and the air program will have submitted another successful yearly air data report. CNEP's yearly data capture averages 90%.
- c) CNEP Staff received the most recent ASTM E1903-11 Standard Practice for Environmental Site Assessments: Phase II Environmental Site Assessment Process. This standard will be used in all Phase II Assessments done by this office.
- d) CNEP Staff have been working with Hastings Hospital staff on a radon issue. A radon contractor was brought on to mitigate the radon levels which were higher than the action level of 4 pCi/L (picocuries per liter). The contractor installed two active radon systems (using fans), but it didn't remediate the issue. Larger fans were installed, but the problem still persists. Hastings staff, CNEP and the contractor will meet again to address the issue.

TU/Cherokee Nation Asthma Project:

Indoor air Asthma program received and reviewed Liberty School's Home to School data for submission to the University of Tulsa's Indoor Air Program. Keeley Godwin will be assisting with the University of Tulsa tribal indoor air study and will be the school point of contact for CNEP.

Trust Application Activities:

None are reported this month.