



Cowlitz Indian Tribe

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COWLITZ INDIAN TRIBE WINS COURT CASE!!!!

Today the United States District Court in Washington D.C. approved the Cowlitz Indian Tribe's motion for summary judgment which now allows the Federal Government to take the land into trust by January 11th 2015.

"This is the time for all Cowlitz people and the community to celebrate." says Chairman Bill Iyall. Our 152 acre reservation in Clark County will provide our people with the same opportunities as other federally recognized tribes.

The court decision was finalized today by Judge Barbara Rothstein which also dismissed the Cowlitz Indian Tribe's opponent's case. The Secretary of the Interior will acquire the land for the Cowlitz 30 days from Friday, December 12, 2014.

"The Cowlitz Indian Tribe has been landless for over 160 years, this decision provides justice for all Cowlitz who have come before us and given their lives on behalf of all Cowlitz people." says Chairman Bill Iyall.

I am available to speak to any questions or concerns.

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