



DUCKWATER SHOSHONE TRIBE COUNCIL UPDATE



UPCOMING :

Special Council Mtg.

- May 26, 2026

Bahsahwahbee Memorial & Water Tour

- May 5th-6th, 2026

Fiber/E-Rate Ribbon Cutting Event

- June 12, 2026

Duckwater Annual Festival

- June 12-14, 2026

CONTINUED PRIORITIES:

- Infrastructure development
- Responsible funding management
- Strengthening community services
- Improving internal policies and operations

The Duckwater Shoshone Tribe Council continues to make strong progress on key infrastructure, funding, and policy initiatives that directly support the long-term stability and wellbeing of the community.

Significant funding approvals have recently been secured, including \$1.2 million through Indian Health Service (IHS) for the replacement and improvement of the Tribe's sewer and leach pond systems. This critical infrastructure project will help ensure safe and reliable services for the community for years to come. Additional support has been approved through the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), including:

- Approval of Highway Extra Funds for the replacement of cattle guards
- Approval of the BIA Self-Governance Budget for Fiscal Year 2026, supporting continued Tribal operations and program delivery

Council and Administration also continue to work closely with Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) on irrigation system replacement planning, focusing on long-term sustainability and water efficiency improvements across Tribal lands.

Major projects continue to advance. The Fiber/E-Rate Broadband Project is moving forward with both facility and home installations, bringing reliable high-speed internet access to Tribal buildings and residences. A ribbon cutting event is planned for June 2026 to mark this significant milestone for the community.

The Community/Emergency Distribution Building Project has officially moved into the construction phase, with a groundbreaking event scheduled for April 29, 2026. This project will serve as a critical resource for emergency response and community support services.

COUNCIL TRAVEL

No travel for the month of April

POLICY & ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS

On April 23, 2026, a joint work session was held with Tribal Council, Administration, and the Health Department to review and strengthen key policies. The following were revised and will be presented for formal approval at May 26th meeting:

- Purchased/Referred Care (PRC) Policy
- Elders Assistance Policy
- Personnel Policy
- Tribal Vehicle Policy

These updates reflect Council's continued focus on accountability, clarity, and improving services and operations across all departments.

