



YUROK TRIBE - PUBLIC SAFETY

It is the mission of the Yurok Department of Public Safety to;

- **Prevent crime**
- **Preserve the peace**
- **Protect Tribal property**
- **Protect Natural Resources**
- **Prevent unlawful disturbances**
- **Make arrests when necessary**
- **Investigate Public Offenses**

The Yurok Department of Public Safety shall be operated in accordance with established Department Policies and Procedures, appropriate Tribal ordinances, applicable Federal Law, applicable Judicial Case Law and California Law and acceptable Professional Ethical Standards.

Highlights

In 2008, the Department of Public Safety hired Patti Norton and Kevin Pearson for the specific purpose of assisting the department in creating a GIS data base for use by the department in investigating crime. The GIS base will include identification of street names and addresses, road layers, high risk areas, safety factors, property ownership, specified cultural and environmental restricted areas. They will also assist in developing an automatic vehicle location system utilizing GPS (Global Positioning Systems). The Automatic Vehicle Location (AVL) provides up to date location information. The Automatic Vehicle System consists of a GPS receiver on a vehicle, a communications link between the vehicle and a dispatcher, and pc-based tracking software for dispatchers.

We are very excited about this project and hope the coming year brings success to this program.

The Department of Public Safety is working jointly with the Human Resources and Education Department in an effort to recruit tribal members as police officers in the future. The department anticipates future openings and wishes to open all avenues to assisting Yurok Tribal members in a career in law enforcement.

Working together with the Del Norte County Sheriff's Office, has been a top priority to the Department in seeing that all Klamath officers are cross trained and deputized. By the end of June, we will have accomplished this goal.

The Department is involved in many areas of our community to include the Klamath Chamber of Commerce, Humboldt County Drug Task Force, Humboldt County Sexual Assault Task Force, Humboldt County Arson Task Force, Humboldt and Del Norte County Training Managers Association, College of the Redwoods Police Academy (Redwood Center) and the Humboldt and Del Norte County Police Chief's Association.

Staff

Dave Parris – Chief of Police
Macy Donahue – Police Records Specialist
Thorin Mc Covey – Sergeant
Heather Landreneaux – Sergeant
Joe Pitt – Warden
Carl Anderson – Warden
Jerry Abasolo – Officer
David Miller – Officer
Patric Esh – Officer
Kevin Mc Killip - Officer
Patti Norton – Methamphetamine Program Manager
Kevin Pearson – GIS Analyst

