

KARUK TRIBE

SCOTT QUINN (KARUK ROLL# 3292)

CANDIDATE STATEMENT FOR: SECRETARY/TREASURER

Ayukii, my name is Scott Quinn. Please vote for me for the Secretary/Treasurer position on the Karuk Tribal Council.

During my years working for our tribe, first as a Fisheries Technician, Environmental Specialist, Transportation Coordinator, and finally as our Director of Tribal Lands Management, I have seen our tribe's exponential growth. Our growth has occurred not only in the number of enrolled tribal members and descendants we have, but also in terms of our tribal assets such as property, vehicles, furniture, and fixtures. The services we provide and the staff that manage those services have also grown. I believe it's important to manage all of these assets as efficiently as possible with clear policies and consistent application of our rules and regulations.

I am familiar with how our tribe functions and accesses funding, how we provide services, and how we currently provide jobs and opportunities for our members and community. We have a lot of good people working for us and on our council. Working together, I would like to help our tribe accomplish these three goals:

1. **Support our Karuk tribal ceremonies, traditions, and language** because these things are our duty. Our ceremonies help to put our lives, and this world, in balance. Our ceremonies are in place to praise our creator, keep us connected to the earth, and keep us connected to each other.
2. **Get tribal lands back in tribal hands.** We have jobs available in our communities, but there needs to be more access to residential housing for middle-income families. I want to expand our tribe's down payment assistance program for both low and over-income members using discretionary funds. Buying a home is the primary way to achieve wealth and security over time, and we need to help our members do that if we can.
3. **Diversify our tribal business portfolio.** For the same reason we traditionally managed the landscape for a diversity of oak trees (and the acorns they

provided), we should also ensure we are not reliant on one source of tribal funding. Traditionally, we have been very successful at securing restricted grant funds (you have to use it for the grant's purpose), but have had minimal discretionary funding. I support developing additional revenue sources with a combination of smart, low-risk investments and higher-risk, higher-yield broad investments that make sense. The revenue earned can supplement our programs such as elders, education, and healthcare and eventually direct payments when our basic needs are met.

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Scott Quinn

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Formal Education:

M.B.A., Master's in Business Administration, Southern Oregon University.

B.S., Natural Resources Planning & Interpretation, Humboldt State University.

A.A., General Education, Shasta College.

Committees Served On:

Karuk Election Committee: 2003-2009

KCDC Board of Directors: 2009-2011

KTHA Board of Directors: 2011- 2018

Karuk Resource Advisory Board: 2011 - Current

