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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
To perform a search of more general records of Oregon’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog, use Advanced Search. Enter Oregon in the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Additional records can be found using a general search with the search phrase “Oregon Indian.” (Broader searches using Oregon Indian produce widely varied results and will need to be searched through carefully.) Refer to specific search terms for Native Communities in the Historic and Modern lists below for more accurate results.

There are several resources available for general information and material for kids about the Native People of Oregon, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Oregon into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Oregon State Archives, the Oregon State Indian Education Resources page, and the Oregon Historical Society.

**Historic Oregon Native Communities**

**Federally Recognized Native Communities in Oregon (2018)**

- Burns Paiute Tribe
- Coquille Indian Tribe
- Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians
- Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians
- Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nevada and Oregon
- Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde Community of Oregon
- Klamath Tribes
- Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians of Oregon
- Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
- Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon

**Sample Document**

A small section of “Sketch map of Oregon Territory” (after 1855) showing an area in Western Oregon, near Portland, where land was ceded by individual tribes and bands before relocation to confederated (combined) reservations across the state. Map date unknown. National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/50926100](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/50926100)
### Historic Oregon Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Oregon, see [Native Languages](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities).

**Instructions:** Slashes separate search terms and phrases. Copy and paste exact phrase into the [Online Catalog](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities), including quotation marks, if present. Always be willing to experiment with search terms. Quoted phrases return very different results than non-quoted phrases. Using the geographic location or most relevant word(s) from the tribal name with one of the following words may also prove beneficial: Indian (most useful), Native, Tribe, Reservation, or Village. Be sure to link to modern tribal pages. They contain current information and more possible search terms.

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Oklahoma: The Modoc Tribe of Oklahoma (See Home Page – Central Plains) |
| Multnomah      | "Grand Ronde" Indian NOT Weather        | Oregon: [Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon](#) |
Oregon: [Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation](#)  
Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon  
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| Northern Paiute| "Northern Paiute" / Paiute Indian NOT Defense / “Pah-Ute” | California: [Bridgeport Indian Colony](#) (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
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Fort Bidwell Indian Community of the Fort Bidwell Reservation of California (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
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Nevada: Lovelock Paiute Tribe of the Lovelock Indian Colony, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
Paiute-Shoshone Tribe of the Fallon Reservation and Colony, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe of the Pyramid Lake Reservation, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
Summit Lake Paiute Tribe of Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
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Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon
California: (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Alturas Indian Rancheria, California (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Karuk Tribe (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Quartz Valley Indian Community of the Quartz Valley Reservation of California (See Home Page – California-Nevada) |
| Shasta Costa (Rogue River) | "Rogue River" Indian | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon
Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon |
| Siuslaw        | "Siuslaw Indian"                           | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon
Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians |
| Takelma        | Takelma Rogue-Umpqua                       | Not Federally recognized, however, in the 2010 census, 16 people claimed Takelma ancestry, 5 of them full-blooded. Also spelled Dagelma. |
| Talushtuntede (Galice Creek) | Coquille Indian / "Siletz Indian"          | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon |
| Tillamook      | Tillamook Indian / Clatsop-Nehalem NOT Commerce / Nehalem Indian | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon
Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon |
| Tolowa         | Tolowa / Tolowa Dee-ni’                   | California: Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria, California (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Elk Valley Rancheria, California (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Tolowa Dee-ni’ Nation (See Home Page – California-Nevada)
Oregon: Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon |
| Umatilla       | Umatilla Indian                           | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation |

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Washington: Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians  
Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde  
Community of Oregon |
| Walla Walla   | "Walla Walla" Indian NOT Fort AND NOT County | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation  
Washington: Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation |
| Wasco         | Wascoe Indian / "Wasco Indian" / "Wasco-Wishram" | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon  
Washington: Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation |
| Wishram       | Wishram NOT Personnel / "Wasco-Wishram" | Oregon: Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon  
Washington: Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation |

**Sample Documents**

- Celilo Falls, a group of majestic waterfalls between Washington and Oregon on the Columbia River was a major Native fishing area for all tribes on both sides of the river from ancient times until the Dalles Dam was constructed and the falls were inundated. Here fishermen stand on wooden platforms over the water with dipnets before 1952. National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/22440204](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/22440204)

- Photograph taken before 1952 looking downstream at Celilo Falls, Oregon, with the Celilo Bridge (also known as the Oregon Trunk Railroad Bridge) in the background. Note the many fishermen along the banks. The loss of these fishing grounds were one of the issues considered in the 1974 fishing rights case, United States v. Washington (aka the Boldt Decision). National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/22440088](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/22440088)
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Burns Paiute Tribe

Primarily the Wadatika Band of Northern Paiutes
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Burns, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT520
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Burns Paiute Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
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Suggested Search Terms: "Burns Paiute"
Related Searches: "Harney County" Oregon
This community may also have been recorded as: Burns Paiute / Burns Paiute Tribe of the Burns Paiute Indian Colony of Oregon / Wadatika Band / Burns Paiute Indian Colony / Burns Paiute Reservation and Trust Lands

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Burns Paiute Tribe website: https://www.burnspaiute-nsn.gov/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Burns Paiute Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians

Halis Coos (Coos Proper), Miluk Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Coos Bay, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT521

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Coos, Lower Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Search in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: Confederated Coos NOT Energy AND NOT Decimal AND NOT Minnesota / Siletz Indian NOT Defense (filter to dates before 1916)

Related Searches: "Coos County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Coos / Confederated Coos / Fort Umpqua (prisoners) / Alsea / Yachats / Siletz / Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Reservation / Fort Umpqua (1856) / Alsea Subagency in Yachats (1860) / Siletz Reservation (1876-1954) / Confederated Siletz

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Coos, Lower Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw website: https://ctclusi.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/coos-siuslaw-and-lower-umpqua-tribes/. This community was recorded with the Confederated Siletz until 1916.

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):

- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

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1848-1870 Oregon Superintendency, 1950-2000 Portland Area Office

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Coquille Indian Tribe

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Current Community Headquarters: North Bend, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT517
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Coquille Tribe Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
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Suggested Search Terms: "Coquille Indian" / Coquille Indian NOT "Sample File" AND NOT "Data File"

Related Searches: "Coos County" Oregon / "Curry County" Oregon / "Jackson County" Oregon / "Douglas County" Oregon / "Lane County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Coquille / Coquille Tribe of Oregon / Coquille Indian Tribal Community / Coquille Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Coquille Tribe website: http://www.coquilletribe.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/coquille-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

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1950-2000 Portland Area Office
Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians

Umpqua

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Roseburg, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT522

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Cow Creek" Indian / "Umpqua Indian" / "Cow Creek" Umpqua NOT "Data File"

Related Searches: "Douglas County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Indians of Oregon / Cow Creek Band of Umpqua / Cow Creek Community

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Cow Creek Band of Umpqua website: http://www.cowcreek.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/cow-creek-band-of-umpqua/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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  1950-2000 Portland Area Office

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Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribes of the Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation, Nevada and Oregon

Northern Paiute and Western Shoshone
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: McDermitt, Nevada

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT462a
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone, email the archivists at the National Archives at San Francisco (sanbruno.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

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Suggested Search Terms: “Fort McDermitt”
Related Searches: “Humboldt County” Nevada / “Malheur County” Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe / Fort McDermitt Reservation / Fort McDermitt Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone website: None found.
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde Community of Oregon

Chasta Costa, Chinook, Kalapuya, Klickitat, Mary's River, Molalla, Rogue River, Shasta, Takelma, Tillamook, Tualatin, Tumwater, Upper Umpqua, Winfelly, and Yoncalla

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Current Community Headquarters: Grand Ronde, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT514

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Grand Ronde" Indian NOT Energy

Related Searches: "Polk County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Grand Ronde / Grand Ronde Tribes / Grand Ronde Community

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde website: https://www.grandronde.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/grand-ronde-tribes/

Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):

Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Klamath Tribes

Klamath, Modoc, and Yahoooskin (Yahuskin) Band of Northern Paiute
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Chiloquin, Oregon
Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT519
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Klamath Tribes, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
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Suggested Search Terms: "Klamath Tribe" / "Klamath Modoc" / Klamath Indian NOT "Data File" AND NOT "Department of State" AND NOT "Klamath Falls"
Related Searches: "Klamath County" Oregon
This community may also have been recorded as: Klamath Tribes of Oregon / Klamath / Klamath-Modoc / Klamath Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Klamath Tribes website: http://klamathtribes.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/klamath-tribes/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Klamath Tribes records follow:

Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon

Clatsop, Chinook, Klickitat, Molala, Kalapuya, Tillamook, Alsea, Siuslaw / Lower Umpqua, Coos, Coquille, Upper Umpqua, Tututni (including all the lower Rogue River Bands and those extending up the coast to Floras Creek and down to Whales Head), Chetco (including all of the villages from Whales Head to the Winchuck River), Tolowa, Takelma (including the Illinois Valley / mid-Rogue River and Cow Creek peoples), Galice/Applegate, and Shasta.

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Current Community Headquarters: Siletz, Oregon
Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT513
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Suggested Search Terms: Siletz Indian NOT Defense / (also use separate tribal names, such as "Clatsop Indian," "Chinook Indian," etc.)

Related Searches: "Lincoln County" Oregon
This community may also have been recorded as: Siletz / Siletz Tribe / Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Reservation (Many tribes were removed to this reservation, including the Nehalem, Tillamook, Nestucca, Salmon River, Siletz, Grand Ronde, Umpqua, Molalla, Rogue River, Kalapuya, Chasta, Chinook, Tillamook, Klickitat) / Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde - Siletz Reservation / Siletz Reservation / Coast Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Tribes of Siletz website: http://ctsi.nsn.us/
Also see: Many tribal information pages at http://www.ctsi.nsn.us/chinook-indian-tribe-siletz-heritage/ and tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/siletz-tribes/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
   - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
   - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
   - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
   - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Walla Walla, Cayuse, and Umatilla

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Current Community Headquarters: Pendleton, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT515

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Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Umatilla, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Umatilla Indian" / "Umatilla Reservation" / Umatilla Indian NOT Defense AND NOT Treasury AND NOT Commerce

Related Searches: "Umatilla County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Umatilla / Umatilla Tribe / Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Reservation Oregon / Umatilla Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Umatilla website: http://ctuir.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/confederated-tribes-of-the-umatilla-indian-reservation/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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Federally Recognized Native Communities in Oregon (2018)       Pacific Northwest Region

Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon

Walla-Walla (Upper DeChutes, Lower DeChutes, Tenino, John Day's River Bands), Wascoe (Ki-gal-twáll-la and Dog River Bands), and Northern Paiute

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Current Community Headquarters: Warm Springs, Oregon

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT516

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Warm Springs Reservation, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Oregon Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Warm Springs" (use advanced search with Record Group 75) / "Warm Springs Indian"

Related Searches: "Jefferson County" Oregon / "Wasco County" Oregon / "Linn County" Oregon / "Marion County" Oregon / "Clackamas County" Oregon

This community may also have been recorded as: Warm Springs / Warm Springs Tribe / Warm Springs Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Warm Springs Reservation website: https://warmsprings-nsn.gov/ and https://warmsprings-nsn.gov/history/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/warm-springs-tribes/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
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Performing a search of more general records of Washington’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog has some unique challenges. First, expect that there will be some mixed results due to so many National Archives records being held in Washington D.C. The results will need to be watched carefully. One approach might be to use Advanced Search, enter Washington in the search box, and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Another approach is to use the general (not advanced) search using the phrase Washington Indian. Again, the results will be mixed with other records from Washington D.C. Refer to specific search terms for Native Communities in the Historic and Modern lists below for more accurate results.

There are several great resources available for general information and material for kids about the Native People of Washington, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Washington into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Washington State Archives, the "Washington Tribes" website, and the Washington State Office of Indian Education.

Historic Washington Native Communities

Federally Recognized Native Communities in Washington (2018)

| Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation | Quinault Indian Nation |
| Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation | Samish Indian Nation |
| Cowlitz Indian Tribe | Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe |
| Hoh Indian Tribe | Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation |
| Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe | Skokomish Indian Tribe |
| Kalispel Indian Community of the Kalispel Reservation | Snoqualmie Indian Tribe |
| Lower Elwha Tribal Community | Spokane Tribe of the Spokane Reservation |
| Lummi Tribe of the Lummi Reservation | Squaxin Island Tribe of the Squaxin Island Reservation |
| Makah Indian Tribe of the Makah Indian Reservation | Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians of Washington |
| Muckleshoot Indian Tribe | Suquamish Indian Tribe of the Port Madison Reservation |
| Nisqually Indian Tribe | Swinomish Indian Tribal Community |
| Nooksack Indian Tribe | Tulalip Tribes of Washington |
| Port Gamble S’Klallam Tribe | Upper Skagit Indian Tribe |
| Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation | Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation |
| Quileute Tribe of the Quileute Reservation | |

Sample Documents

Last remnant of an Indian fishing village on the Washington side of the Columbia River after the Dalles Dam inundated Celilo Falls. The village site was to be converted into a motel complex after May, 1973. National Archives. https://catalog.archives.gov/id/548165
Historic Washington Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Washington, see Native Languages.

Instructions: Slashes separate search terms and phrases. Copy and paste exact phrase into the Online Catalog, including quotation marks, if present. Always be willing to experiment with search terms. Quoted phrases return very different results than non-quoted phrases. Using the geographic location or most relevant word(s) from the tribal name with one of the following words may also prove beneficial: Indian (most useful), Native, Tribe, Reservation, or Village. Be sure to link to modern tribal pages. They contain current information and more possible search terms.

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Prior to 1920, the Tulalip Indian Agency controlled four reservations on the tidewaters of upper Puget Sound: Port Madison, Tulalip, Swinomish, and Lummi. As provided for by treaty, the peaceable local tribes selected their lands with convenience for fishing as a major consideration. Each is near the mouth of a large river emptying into the Sound. The largest of the four, Tulalip Reservation is adjacent to Marysville, and it has an advantageous location near the Snohomish River entrance opposite the City of Everett on the north bank of Ebey Slough.

Including allied and subordinate tribes and bands, there were more than twenty-two tribes assigned to the original Tulalip Agency reservations. The tribes intermarried to such an extent that, in time, few Indians had unmixed blood of any one of the tribes. In ethnological terms, there never was any Tulalip tribe of Indians. Tulalip is an approximation of the Indian work "duh-hlay-lup", which refers to the shape of the small bay, the Tulalip, nearly enclosed by points of land. Known as Tulalip Bay, this was the picturesque setting of both Catholic Mission and Agency Plant within the 22,490-acre Tulalip Reservation.

Short excerpt from the historic section of the National Landmark nomination for the Washington SP Tulalip Indian Agency Office showing the extensive background information that is prominent in these types of records. 1976. National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/75613238](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/75613238)

Confederated Tribes of the Chehalis Reservation

Primarily Upper and Lower Chehalis with some Klallam, Muckleshoot, Nisqually, and Quinault

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Oakville, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT570
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Chehalis community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Chehalis Tribe" / Chehalis Indian NOT City / Chehalis Indian NOT Defense AND NOT Transportation AND NOT "Home Loan" AND NOT "Indian River"

Related Searches: "Grays Harbor County" Washington / "Thurston County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Chehalis / Confederated Chehalis / Chehalis (sand) / Chehalis Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Chehalis website: https://www.chehalistribe.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/chehalis-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Confederated Chehalis records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation

Arrow Lakes (Lakes, Sinixt), Chelan, Colville, Entiat, Nespelem (Syilx), Okanagan, Methow, Moses-Columbia, Joseph Band of Nez Perce, Palus, San Poil, and Wenatchee (Wenatchi)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Nespelem, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT554

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Colville Tribes Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community's other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Confederated Colville NOT Defense / "Colville Indian" NOT Defense

Related Searches: "Ferry County" Washington / "Okanogan County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Colville / Confederated Colville / Scheulpi / Chualpay / Les Chaudières (the Kettles) / Colville Reservation

Additional Resources:

Colville Tribes website: https://www.colvilletribes.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website.
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Colville Tribes records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Cowlitz Indian Tribe

Upper Cowlitz (Taidnapam) and Lower Cowlitz (Kwalhiokwa)
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Longview, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT565
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Cowlitz Tribe Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: “Cowlitz Tribe” / Cowlitz Indian
NOT Commerce AND NOT Treasury AND NOT Labor

Related Searches: “Clark County” Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Cowlitz / Cowlitz Tribe / Cowlitz Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Cowlitz Tribe website: https://www.cowlitz.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/cowlitz-tribes/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Cowlitz Tribe records follow:

  1879-1918 Carlisle Indian School, 1950-2000 Portland Area Office

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Hoh Indian Tribe

Hoh Band of Quileutes
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Forks, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT545
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Hoh Indian Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Hoh Indian" / Hoh Indian NOT Defense AND NOT "Department of State" AND NOT "Home Loan" AND NOT "New York"

Related Searches: "Clallam County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Hoh / Hoh Indian Tribe of the Hoh Indian Reservation, Washington / Hoh River Indians / Hoh Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Hoh Tribe website: None found.
Wikipedia (general information only): https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hoh_Indian_Tribe_of_the_Hoh_Indian_Reservation
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Hoh Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Jamestown S'Klallam Tribe

S'Klallam (Klallam)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Current Community Headquarters: Sequim, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT550

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Jamestown S'Klallam, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Suggested Search Terms: "Jamestown S'Klallam"

This community may also have been recorded as:
Jamestown S'Klallam / Jamestown Klallam / S'Klallam (strong people) / Jamestown Community of S'Klallam / (Part of the S'Klallam Nation (Includes Port Gamble, Jamestown and Lower Elwha) / Jamestown S'Klallam Indian Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Jamestown S'Klallam website: http://www.jamestowntribe.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/jamestown-skallam-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Jamestown S'Klallam records follow:

Kalispel Indian Community of the Kalispel Reservation

Lower Kalispel (Pend d’Oreille)
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Current Community Headquarters: Usk, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT544
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Kalispel Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Suggested Search Terms: “Kalispel Indian”
Related Searches: "Pend Oreille County" Washington / "Spokane County" Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: Kalispel / Kalispel Tribe of Indians / Kalispel Indian Community / Kalispel Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Kalispel Community website: https://www.kalispeltribe.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/kalispel-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75): To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Kalispel Community records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Lower Elwha Tribal Community

Lower Elwha Klallam
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Port Angeles, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT547
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Lower Elwha Tribal Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Lower Elwha" Indian
Related Searches: "Clallam County" Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: Lower Elwha Tribal Community of the Lower Elwha Reservation, Washington / Lower Elwha Klallam Tribe / Lower Elwha / Nəxʷsƛ̕áy̓əm (strong people) / S’Klallam Nation (Includes Port Gamble, Jamestown and Lower Elwha) / Lower Elwha Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Lower Elwha Tribal Community website: https://www.elwha.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/lower-elwha-klallam-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Lower Elwha Tribal Community records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Washington (2018)  Pacific Northwest Region

Lummi Tribe of the Lummi Reservation

**Lummi**

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

**Current Community Headquarters:** Bellingham, Washington

**Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag:** NT548

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

**Personal archival assistance:**
For additional help in finding records of the Lummi Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

**Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog**

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**Suggested Search Terms:** "Lummi Indian" / Lummi (advanced search using Record Group 75)

**Related Searches:** "Whatcom County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Lummi / Lummi People / Lummi Tribe / Lhaq’temish / Lummi Reservation

**Additional Resources:** The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

**Lummi Tribe website:** [http://www.lummi-nsn.org/](http://www.lummi-nsn.org/)

**Wikipedia (general information only):** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lummi](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lummi)

**Also see:** Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at [http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/lummi-nation/](http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/lummi-nation/)

**Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):**
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): [https://www.federalregister.gov/](https://www.federalregister.gov/)
- Native Languages: [http://www.native-languages.org](http://www.native-languages.org)
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: [https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search](https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search)
- Library of Congress: [https://www.loc.gov/](https://www.loc.gov/)

**Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):**

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Lummi Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. [https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities)
Makah Indian Tribe of the Makah Indian Reservation

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Neah Bay, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT549
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Makah Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Makah NOT “Data File” / Makah (advanced search using Record Group 75)
Related Searches: "Clallam County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Makah / Makah Indian Nation / Tatoosh Island / Waadah Island / Ozette Reservation / Makah Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Makah Tribe website: http://makah.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/makah-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Makah Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Muckleshoot Indian Tribe

Duwamish and Upper Puyallup

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Auburn, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT551

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Muckleshoot Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Muckleshoot

Related Searches: "King County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Muckleshoot / Muckleshoot Indian Tribe of the Muckleshoot Reservation, Washington / Muckleshoot Tribe / Muckleshoot Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Muckleshoot Tribe website: http://www.muckleshoot.nsn.us/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/nooksack-tribe/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Muckleshoot Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Nisqually Indian Tribe

Nisqually / Squalli-absch
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Olympia, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT559
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Nisqually Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Nisqually Indian" / Nisqually (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Thurston County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Nisqually / Nisqually Indian Tribe of the Nisqually Reservation, Washington / Nisqually Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Nisqually Tribe website: http://www.nisqually-nsn.gov/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/nisqually-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Nisqually Tribe records follow:

Nooksack Indian Tribe

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Deming, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT553

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Nooksack Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Nooksack Tribe" / "Nooksack Indian" / Nooksack (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Whatcom County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Nooksack / Nooksack Tribe / Nooksack Indian Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Nooksack Tribe website: http://nooksacktribe.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/nooksack-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Nooksack Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe

S'Klallam (Klallam)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Kingston, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT562

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Port Gamble S'Klallam, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Port Gamble" (advanced search using Record Group 75) / "Port Gamble" Indian NOT "Master File" AND NOT Defense AND NOT Ohio

Related Searches: "Kitsap County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: S'Klallam / Port Gamble Indian Community of the Port Gamble Reservation / Port Gamble Band of S'Klallam Indians / S'Klallam Nation (Includes Port Gamble, Jamestown and Lower Elwha) / Port Gamble S'Klallam Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Port Gamble S'Klallam website: https://www.pgst.nsn.us/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/port-gamble-skallam-tribe/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Puyallup Tribe of the Puyallup Reservation

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Tacoma, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT564
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Puyallup Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Puyallup (advanced search using Record Group 75) / “Puyallup Indian”
Related Searches: “Pierce County” Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: The Puyallup / Puyallup Tribe / spuyalapabš (generous and welcoming behavior to all people -friends and strangers- who enter our lands) / Puyallup Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Puyallup Tribe website: http://www.puyallup-tribe.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/puyallup-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Puyallup Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Washington (2018)  
Pacific Northwest Region

Quileute Tribe of the Quileute Reservation

Quileute / Quillayute / Quileute Tribe

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: La Push, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT567
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Quileute Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Quileute NOT Defense / Quillayute

Related Searches: "Clallam County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Quileute / Quillayute / Quileute Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Quileute Tribe website: https://quileutenation.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/quileute-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Quileute Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Quinault Indian Nation

Quinault, Queets, Quileute, Hoh, Chehalis, Chinook, and Cowlitz
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Taholah, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT568
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Quinault Nation, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Quinault (advanced search using Record Group 75) / “Quinault Indian”

Related Searches: “Grays Harbor County” Washington / “Jefferson County” Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Quinault / Quinault Tribe of the Quinault Reservation, Washington / Taholah / Quinault Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Quinault Nation website: http://www.quinaultindiannation.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/quinault-indian-nation/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Quinault Nation records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
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Samish Indian Nation

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Anacortes, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT560

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Samish Nation, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Samish Indian" / Samish Indian
NOT Data

Related Searches: "Skagit County" Washington / "San Juan County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Samish / Samish Indian Tribe, Washington / Samish Tribe / Samish Community

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Samish Nation website: https://www.samishtribe.nsn.us/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/samish-indian-nation/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Samish Nation records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
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Sauk-Suiattle Indian Tribe

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Darrington, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT557
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Sauk-Suiattle, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Suggested Search Terms: Sauk-Suiattle
Related Searches: "Skagit County" Washington / "Snohomish County" Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: Sauk-Suiattle / Sah-Ku-Me-Hu / Sauk-Suiattle Reservation

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Sauk-Suiattle
Related Searches: "Skagit County" Washington / "Snohomish County" Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: Sauk-Suiattle / Sah-Ku-Me-Hu / Sauk-Suiattle Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Sauk-Suiattle website: http://www.sauk-suiattle.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/sauk-suiattle-tribe/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Sauk-Suiattle records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation

Willapa Chinook, Lower Chehalis, and Willapa Hills
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Tokeland, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT558
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Shoalwater Bay Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Shoalwater Indian NOT Commerce

Related Searches: "Pacific County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Shoalwater / Shoalwater Bay Indian Tribe / Shoalwater Bay Tribe of the Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation, Washington / Naahps Chaahts Community Village / Georgetown / Shoalwater Bay Indian Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Shoalwater Bay Tribe website: https://www.shoalwaterbay-nsn.gov/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/shoalwater-bay-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Shoalwater Bay Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Skokomish Indian Tribe

Skokomish, Twana, Klallam, and Chimakum

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Shelton, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT563

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Skokomish Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Skokomish Indian NOT Justice AND NOT Commerce / Skokomish (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Mason County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Skokomish / Skokomish Indian Tribe of the Skokomish Reservation / Skokomish Tribal Nation / Skokomish Tribe (Early communities that joined to become the Skokomish were Twana, divided into nine villages: Skokomish / Sko-ko-mish / SqWuqWu’b3sh / Dabop / Quilcene ("salt-water people") / Dosewallips / Duckabush / Hoodport / Vance Creek / Tahuya / Du-hle-lips / Duhlelap / Tule'atalap,) Twana is also known as Too-an-hooch, Tu-an-hu, Tu-ad-hu, Tuwadaq. Quilcene is also known as Kol-sids, Quill-ceeds, Kol-sin-o-bish. Chemukum is also known as Chemakum, Chem-a-kum and Tsem-a-kum. Also, A-hwa-ki-lu./ Skokomish Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Skokomish Tribe website: http://www.skokomish.org/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Skokomish Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Snoqualmnie Indian Tribe

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Snoqualmie, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT572

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Snoqualmie Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Snoqualmie Indian" / Snoqualmie Indian NOT Oceanic AND NOT Consumer

Related Searches: "King County" Washington / "Snohomish County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Snoqualmie / Snoqualmie Tribe, Washington / sdukʷalbixʷ (strong people of status) / Snoqualmu / Snoqualmoo / Snoqualmick / Snoqualamuke / Snuqualmi / Snoqualmie Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Snoqualmie Tribe website: https://www.snoqualmietribe.us/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/snoqualmie-tribe/. Some Snoqualmie removed to Tulalip prior to modern federal recognition.

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Snoqualmie Tribe records follow:

Spokane Tribe of the Spokane Reservation

Spokane
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Wellpinit, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT556
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Spokane Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Spokane Tribe" / "Spokane Indian" / Spokane (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Stevens County" Washington
This community may also have been recorded as: Spokane / Spokane Tribe / Spokan / Spokane Tribe of Indians / "children of the stars" / Spokane Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Spokane Tribe website: http://www.spokanetribe.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/spokane-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Spokane Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Washington (2018)  Pacific Northwest Region

Squaxin Island Tribe of the Squaxin Island Reservation

Noo-Seh-Chatl, Steh-Chass, Squi-Aitl, T’Peeksin, Sa-Heh-Wa-Mish, Squawksin, and S’Hotle-Ma-Mish Clans of Lushootseed

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Shelton, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT566

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Squaxin Island Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Squaxin Island Tribe" / "Squaxin Indian" / Squaxon NOT "Data File" / Squaxin NOT "Data File"

Related Searches: "Mason County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Squaxin / Squaxin Tribe / Squaxon / (Clans include: Noo-Seh-Chatl, Steh-Chass, Squi-Aitl, T’Peeksin, Sa-Heh-Wa-Mish, Squawksin, and S’Hotle-Ma-Mish) / Squaxin Island Reservation

Additional Resources:

Squaxin Island Tribe website: http://squaxinisland.org/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/squaxin-island-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Squaxin Island Tribe records follow:


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Stillaguamish Tribe of Indians of Washington

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Arlington, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT569
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Stillaguamish Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Stillaguamish Indian NOT "Data File"

Related Searches: "Snohomish County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Stilliguamish / Stillaguamish Tribe of Washington / Stoluck-wa-mish River Tribe / Stoluck-wa-mish / Stillaguamish Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Stillaguamish Tribe website: http://www.stillaguamish.com/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/stillaguamish-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Stillaguamish Tribe records follow:

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Suquamish Indian Tribe of the Port Madison Reservation

Suquamish

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Suquamish, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT571

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Suquamish Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Port Madison Reservation" / Suquamish NOT Manual AND NOT "Master File" / “Port Madison” Indian

Related Searches: "Kitsap County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Suquamish / Port Madison / Port Madison Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Suquamish Tribe website: https://suquamish.nsn.us/
Also see: Timeline and history at https://suquamish.nsn.us/home/about-us/history-culture/. A short tribal history is listed at the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/suquamish-tribe/.
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Suquamish Tribe records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Swinomish Indian Tribal Community

Swinomish, Lower Skagit, Upper Skagit, Kikiallus, and Samish

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Current Community Headquarters: LaConner, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT561
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Swinomish Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Swinomish (advanced search using Record Group 75) / Swinomish NOT "Puerto Rican" AND NOT "Department of State"

Related Searches: "Skagit County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as:
Swinomish / Swinomish Indians of the Swinomish Reservation of Washington / Swinomish Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Swinomish Community website: http://www.swinomish-nsn.gov/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/swinomish-tribe/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Swinomish Community records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Tulalip Tribes of Washington

Duwamish, Snohomish, Snoqualmie, Skagit, Suiattle, Samish, and Stillaguamish

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Tulalip, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT546

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Tulalip Tribes, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: Tulalip NOT "Master File" (will contain some mixed results) / Tulalip (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Snohomish County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Tulalip / Tulalip Tribes of the Tulalip Reservation, Washington / Tulalip Reservation

Additional Resources:

The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Tulalip Tribes website: https://www.tulaliptribes-nsn.gov/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/tulalip-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Tulalip Tribes records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Upper Skagit Indian Tribe

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Sedro Woolley, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT555

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Upper Skagit Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Upper Skagit Tribe website: None found
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/upper-skagit-tribe/

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Upper Skagit Tribe records follow:

- 1848-1853 Oregon Superintendency
- 1853-1874 Washington Superintendency
- 1861-1950 Tulalip Agency
- 1931-1970 Portland Area Office
- 1950-1975 Western Washington Agency

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation

Klikitat, Palus, Walla Walla, Wanapam, Wenatchi, Wishram, and Yakama
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Toppenish, Washington

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT552
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Yakama Nation, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Washington Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Yakama Nation" / "Yakima Nation" / "Yakima Tribe" / Yakama NOT City

Related Searches: "Yakima County" Washington / "Klickitat County" Washington

This community may also have been recorded as: Yakama / Confederated Yakama / Mamachatpam / Waptailnsim, (people of the narrow river) / Pa’kiut’lĕma (people of the gap) / Yakama Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Yakama Nation website: http://www.yakamanation-nsn.gov/
Also see: Tribal history listed on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/yakama-indian-nation/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Yakama Nation records follow:


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