# THREE AFFILIATED TRIBES ELECTION BOARD NOTICE

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR VOTING IN THE 2018 GENERAL ELECTIONS**

In accordance with the Constitution and the Amended Election Ordinance of the Three Affiliated Tribes, the Election Board of the Three Affiliated Tribes hereby gives the following notice to all qualified voters:

The following are the requirements to vote in the 2018 General Elections:

A qualified voter is any enrolled member of the Three Affiliated Tribes who is 18 years of age or over on the date of the election.

**1. TRIBAL CHAIRMAN:** <u>ALL</u> qualified voters, both residents and nonresidents of the Reservation, shall be entitled to vote for the at-large position of Chairman of the Tribal Business Council in the manner prescribed by the Tribal Election Ordinance and in this Notice. Resident voters may vote in the segment in which they reside or they may vote out of segment in accordance with Chapter V Section 2 A of the Election Ordinance. Non-Resident voters may vote for the position of Chairman in any segment.

**2 .SEGMENT REPRESENTATIVES:** <u>ONLY</u> qualified voters from the following Segments shall be entitled to vote for the position of Segment Representative to the Tribal Business Council from the Segments that are subject to election this year:

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### Requirement for Voters who live on the Fort Berthold Reservation:

Qualified voters who reside on the Reservation may vote for the position of Segment Representative only for the Segment in which they are a legal resident on the date of the election.

Legal residency is defined as the voter's permanent or physical residence where the voter physically resides and maintains their home, house, abode or dwelling. A person may not claim more than one residency. Voters must physically reside in the Segment to vote in the Segment Representative election and provide proof of residency prior to receiving a voter affidavit, signing the poll book and receiving a ballot. Such proof must verify the voter's actual physical residence within the particular Segment. Acceptable proof of residency includes but is not necessarily limited to:

- a. Name and a physical address on Approved Voter Signature Roster. a valid state or tribal identification card that provides a physical address
- a valid state or tribal identification card that provides a physical address within the segment in which that voter intends to cast his/her ballot,
- b. a utility bill in the name of the voter (i.e. electricity, phone, cable, water, propane) that provides the physical address of the voter's residence)
- c. a copy of a lease or rental agreement with the voter's actual physical address that provides the voter's name on said document
- d. Any alternative proof of residency that provides proof of physical residency to the
  - satisfaction of the Tribal Election Board and is consistent with other types of proof of residency.

### Requirements for voters who live off the Fort Berthold Reservation:

There are two classes of non-resident voters – those who are voting for the first time in a Tribal Business Council Election and those who have voted in a prior Tribal Business Council Election. The following paragraphs explain the requirements.

- 1. **First Time Non-Resident Voters**: This class includes any qualified voter who meets the following criteria:
  - a. He or she is a <u>non-resident of the Reservation</u> on the date of the election; and,
  - b. He or she has not voted in <u>any</u> previous Tribal Business Council election.

This class of Non-Resident Voters may vote in the Segment of their choice, including in a Segment where the position of Segment Representative is up for election this year, with the understanding that their choice of Segment will bind them for all future elections in which they choose to vote as a non-resident; until such time as they return to the Reservation and establish residency on the Reservation.

- 2. Non-Resident Voters Who Have Voted in a Previous Tribal Business Council Election: This class includes any qualified voter who meets the following criteria:
  - a. He or she is a non-resident of the Reservation on the date of the election; and,
  - b. He or she <u>did</u> vote <u>as a non-resident</u> of the Reservation in any one or more of the previous Tribal Business Council elections.

Non-Resident Voters who have voted in a previous Tribal Business Council Election as a Non-Resident may only vote for Segment Representative in the Segment in which they previously voted. If the Non-Resident Voter voted previously in the Four Bears Segment in a previous election, he or she may cast a vote only for the Segment Representative in that Segment. If the Non-Resident Voter did <u>NOT</u> vote in the Four Bears Segment in a previous election he/she may cast a vote ONLY for the position of Chairman of the Tribal Business Council.

#### **Requirements for College Students:**

A Qualified voter, who is enrolled in a college, university or other institution of higher learning, shall vote in the segment in which he/she has established legal residency. The residency of college students shall be determined under the applicable resident/nonresident voter criteria as prescribed in the Election Ordinance and this Notice.

In the event that any Tribal voter should have any questions regarding his or her voting entitlement in the September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Primary Election or the November 6<sup>th</sup>, 2018 General Election, please contact the Tribal Election Board at (701) 627-8201.