

Bio Carole Lankford
Vice Chair CSKT

In December 2009, Carole Depoe Lankford (Kootenai and Salish) was re-elected to her fifth Tribal Council term for the Ronan District of the Flathead Indian Reservation. She is a lifelong resident of the Reservation, graduating from Hot Springs High School in 1977. Before being elected to the Tribal Council in 1993, her Tribal career included work in Tribal Forestry, Fish and Game Conservation, and Tribal Administration. Her Tribal Council service has run concurrent to the CSKT's self-governance efforts that begin in 1992 and she remains committed to furthering the CSKT's successes. In addition to serving her second term as Vice Chair of the Tribal Council, she is the Indian Health Service Billings Area delegate to the Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee, the CSKT's delegate to the National Congress of the American Indians, and the CSKT's alternate to the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians.

Carole and her husband Tom Lankford (Gros Ventre) are the collective parents of four sons and three daughters who have blessed them with 14 grandchildren