## **ROBERT GARCIA**

## **Biographical Material**

Robert ("Bob") Garcia is an enrolled member of the federally-recognized Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians. For 10,000 years or more, the Tribe's members and their ancestors have lived up and down the watersheds of the Coos, Umpqua, and Siuslaw Rivers on modern-day Oregon's coast.

Chairman Garcia currently serves his Tribe as Chairman of the Tribal Council and Assistant General Manager of the Tribe's Three Rivers Casino & Hotel in Florence, Oregon.

Chairman Garcia previously served as the Tribe's Economic Development Director. In that capacity and subsequently as Chairman, he has been directly involved in opening the Three Rivers Casino in June 2004 and in financial transactions that funded construction of a permanent home Casino and adjacent hotel in 2007. The Tribal Council is responsible for establishing the Tribal Government's annual budget.

In addition to his duties with the Tribal Council and Three Rivers Casino, Chairman Garcia is treasurer of the Oregon Tribal Gaming Alliance. He is a past member of the Executive Committee of the National Indian Gaming Association and former Chair of the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians (ATNI) gaming committee. He has been a featured speaker at many Native American Finance Conferences, and has been invited to and has spoken at the White House on tribal taxation and tax exempt bond issues. He has served on the board of many local charities including Western Lane Community Foundation, and Western Lane Baseball. He is past President of the Florence Rotary Club.