

## **OGLALA SIOUX LAKOTA HOUSING PINE RIDGE MAINTENANCE/MODERNIZATION**

The Pine Ridge Maintenance/Modernization staff have been working very hard on servicing our tenants in a timely manner by completing work orders that are called into the Maintenance Shop. We are a nine man crew for now but had an opening that was closed on the 18<sup>th</sup> of August so we should have ten Maintenance workers total which is not including our Supervisor or Secretary.

Over the past week there was a storm that came by and blew over trees and branches so our workers cleaned up the debris and had to cut down some trees and hauled them to where the Fire Station was making wood chips so if you are in need of wood chips you may stop on down and pick some up, also if there are any other trees or branches that need to be cut down please give the shop a call at 867-2427 and we'll have someone pick them up for you.

In the Cherry Hill Housing Area we are currently without a riding lawnmower so the Maintenance worker assigned to that area has not been up but we will be having our equipment back soon so he will stop by to give the lawn a cut so hang in there. We will be there soon.

Some other projects around town include a full renovation of Unit 1098 located across from the old Icy's. The roof, sheetrock, and underlayment have all been replaced with new material and also there was a small reconstruction in the kitchen and hallway to open it up for space and convenience. New appliances, cupboards, countertops, windows, and doors have been replaced. Also installed was a new deck on the front and a small deck on the back. As of now (August 24,2009) the Unit is 95% completed waiting on the plumbing part to be completed and then it will no longer be vacant.

We are planning another clean up week for the fall season and are hoping to be working with Solid Waste on setting up garbage bins around the Housing areas to help make clean up week easier for the tenants and workers. We will know a little more later on but will keep the public informed and updated. We are asking that all tenants please try and keep your trash bagged or piled together by the road during the clean up week to help us make it easier for the trash to be where it needs to be.

If you have any questions about anything feel free to call the shop at 867-2427.