



Yomba Shoshone Tribe

Reese River, NV

About the Yomba Shoshone Tribe

The Yomba Shoshone Tribe is a federally recognized sovereign nation of Western Shoshone people whose ancestral homeland, Newe Segobia, spans the vast Great Basin region of central Nevada. The Tribe is headquartered approximately 55 miles south of Austin NV at Reese River in Nye County.

Our Land

The Yomba Reservation encompasses 4,718 acres of tribal land divided into three districts. Under the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of June 18, 1934, the federal government purchased four tracts for the Yomba Shoshone Indian Reservation: the Bowler Ranch (July 19, 1937), the Bolster Ranch (November 12, 1937), the Dieringer Ranch (November 1, 1940), and the Worthington Ranch (February 28, 1941).

Our Government

The Yomba Shoshone Tribe is governed by a democratically elected six-member Tribal Council under our constitution. The Tribe exercises inherent sovereignty over our lands and people, maintaining our unique cultural identity while advancing the educational, economic, and social welfare of our community.

Our People

Tribal enrollment requires a one-quarter degree, Shoshone blood quantum. Our Tribal enrollment consists of approximately 150 enrolled Tribal members and numerous Yomba Shoshone descendants.

Our Legacy of Sovereignty

The Yomba Shoshone people carry forward a legacy of leadership and resistance that extends back generations. In the 1860s, Chief Tutuwa (also known as Toi Toi) emerged as a prominent Newe leader who led as many as three to four hundred Newe in his band. Chief Tutuwa negotiated terms for peaceful co-existence with Indian agents, advocating for his people's right to remain in their homeland rather than face relocation. His leadership established a foundation of sovereignty and self-determination that continues to guide the Tribe today.

Our Mission

It is the Yomba Shoshone Tribe's mission to create a self-sufficient environment that maintains our individuality through our unique location and traditions while encouraging and pursuing advancement for our community and its members.

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