

TRIBAL SELF-GOVERNANCE STRATEGY SESSION

September 7-8, 2016

Quinault Beach Resort
78 St. Rt. 115
Ocean Shores, WA 98569

Agenda

***Meeting Purpose and Outcomes:** The Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium (SGCETC) works in collaboration with Self-Governance Tribal leadership and technical staff to advance Self-Governance Legislative, Policy, and Budget priorities. The Consortium requests that Self-Governance Tribes and other interested parties join the 2016 Tribal Self-Governance Strategy Session: (1) to develop Self-Governance ideas, (2) to update annual Self-Governance priorities, and, (3) to prepare for and develop a Transition Plan for the upcoming Administration and Congress.*

Wednesday, September 7, 2016

8:00 AM **Invocation**

8:05 AM **Tribal Welcome**

Tyson Johnston, Vice President, Quinault Indian Nation

8:30 AM **Opening Remarks and Overview of Strategy Session Purpose and Goals**

Self-Governance leadership will provide an update of the 2015-2017 Self-Governance Strategic Plan, share Self-Governance Plans for the remainder of 2016, and set goals for the Self-Governance Strategy Session.

Chief Marilyn (Lynn) Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Indians of Connecticut and Chairwoman, IHS TSGAC

Shawn Duran, Tribal Programs Administrator, Taos Pueblo and Vice Chairwoman of DOI SGAC

8:55 AM **2016 Legislative Update and Election Outlook**

Any outcome in the election is likely to affect advancement of Self-Governance legislative priorities. This presentation will provide Tribes an overview of legislative efforts and potential election outcomes.

Phillip Baker-Shenk, Partner, Holland & Knight

Caitrin Shuy, Director of Congressional Relations, National Indian Health Board
Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs, Straus, Dean & Walker, LLP

9:50 AM **Tribal Discussion**

Questions:

- *What are possible Congressional opportunities for lame duck?*
- *What will the early legislative goals be for the 115th Congress?*

10:20 AM **Break**

- 10:35 AM Preparing for the Administration and Congressional Transition**
Successfully developing ideas for the new Administration and Congress is a primary goal for the 2016 Self-Governance Strategy Session. During this presentation, Tribes will hear from those who are familiar with the transition and discuss priorities and ideas in preparation for a new group of policymakers.
Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, National Congress of American Indians
- 11:15 AM Tribal Discussion**
Questions:
- *How can Self-Governance Tribes participate in recruiting candidates for political appointments?*
 - *What new tools do Tribes need to share Self-Governance information with new Administration leadership and Congress?*
 - *How do Tribes access and participate in transition teams?*
- 11:45 PM Networking Luncheon**
Lunch will be provided for registrants.
- 1:00 PM Identification of Self-Governance Transition Priorities (Open Discussion)**
During the afternoon, Session attendees will engage in an open discussion to develop transition priorities and strategies to advance long-term policy priorities from the Self-Governance Strategic Plan. *(There will be a brief 5-7 minute presentation on each topic followed by an open discussion and input from Session participants. Notes will be captured on an overhead screen during the discussion and will be used to develop transition priorities and actions.)*
- 1:15 PM Improving the Government-to-Government Relationship**
- Office of Management and Budget Tribal Advisory Committee
 - Indian Trust Asset Reform Act (ITARA) Implementation
 - Trust Modernization/Self-Governance 2.0
 - Taxation
- 2:45 PM Break**
- 3:00 PM Self-Governance Growth**
- Department of Transportation Self-Governance Negotiated Rulemaking
 - Environmental Protection Agency Self-Governance Expansion
 - Health and Human Services Self-Governance Expansion
- 4:00 PM Advancing Tribal Health Programs**
- Update Level of Need Funding Calculation/Formula
 - Tribal Premium Sponsorship
 - Other Affordable Care Act/Indian Health Care Improvement Act Priorities
 - Formalization of IHS Agency Lead Negotiators

5:15 PM **Wrap Up and Next Steps**

5:30 PM **Recess for the Day**

6:00 PM **Tribal Networking Reception**

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Catch up with old friends, colleagues and meet new ones at the Tribal Networking Reception.

Thursday, September 8, 2016

9:00 AM **Welcome**

9:05 AM **Tribal Discussion to Prepare the Self-Governance Agenda for the 2016 White House Tribal Nations Conference**

President Obama and his administration has just a few more months to act on policy and budget recommendations Self-Governance Tribes have championed throughout his time in Office. Strategy Session Attendees will hear a short overview of the outstanding issues from the 2015-2017 Self-Governance Strategic Plan and provide guidance on Self-Governance priorities and issues for the White House Tribal Nations Conference Agenda.

10:30 AM **Tribal Discussion of the Tribal Self-Governance Strategic Plan and Transition Priorities**

Strategy Session Participants will review ideas and priorities developed the previous day, provide additional feedback, and design a plan to deploy the established transition priorities, Self-Governance Strategic Plan, and educational tools for new Administration leadership and Congress.

Questions:

- *Are there national Self-Governance issues that are not currently included in the Strategic Plan?*
- *What work, if any, is necessary to complete before we meet next year to updated the Strategic Plan?*
- *How can Self-Governance Tribes continue communication efforts to pursue the Strategic Plan Goals?*

11:45 AM **Next Steps for the Tribal Self-Governance Strategic Plan Implementation and Administration and Congressional Transition**

12:15 PM **Closing Remarks**

12:30 PM **Lunch (Provided)**