



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
Washington, DC 20240

**MAY 16 2017**

Dear Tribal Leader:

On March 13, 2017, President Trump issued an executive order to reorganize the Executive Branch of the U.S. Government. *See* E.O. 13871, 82 Fed. Reg. 13959. The order aims to improve the efficiency, effectiveness, and accountability of Federal agencies.

As Secretary Zinke has publicly noted, the Department of the Interior (Department) has not undergone a comprehensive reorganization in approximately 100 years. To inform our implementation of this Executive Order, we would like your input on how the Department, and the Federal Government as a whole, if appropriate, could be reorganized to help streamline services to tribes and better fulfill the Federal Government's trust and treaty obligations.

I invite you to attend one of the listening sessions listed on the enclosure to provide your input. If after attending the sessions, you would like to provide written comments, please provide them to [consultation@bia.gov](mailto:consultation@bia.gov) by Saturday, July 15, 2017.

Sincerely

Michael S. Black  
Acting Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs

Enclosure

**Tribal Listening Sessions on E.O. 13871: Reorganization of the Executive Branch**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Location</b>
<b>Thursday, May 25, 2017</b>	1:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Local Time	Hilton DoubleTree Lloyd Center 1000 NE Multnomah Street Portland, OR 97232 (In conjunction with the Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians Mid-Year Conference)
<b>Thursday, June 1, 2017</b>	8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Local Time	Phoenix Convention Center 100 N 3rd Street Phoenix, AZ 85004 (602) 262-6225
<b>Tuesday, June 6, 2017</b>	8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Local Time	Mystic Lake Casino & Hotel 2400 Mystic Lake Blvd NW Prior Lake, MN 55372 (952) 445-9000
<b>Thursday, June 8, 2017</b>	8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Local Time	Rushmore Civic Center 444 N. Mt. Rushmore Road Rapid City, SD 57701 (605) 394-4115
<b>Monday, June 12, 2017</b>	1:00 p.m. – 2:45 p.m. Local Time	Mohegan Sun 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard Uncasville, CT 06382 (In conjunction with the National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference)
<b>Tuesday, June 27, 2017</b>	8:30 a.m. – 12 p.m. Local Time	Tulsa Convention Center 100 Civic Center Tulsa, OK 74103 (918) 307-2600