

Tribal Interior Budget Council Meeting Summary
July 24-27, 2017
Twin Arrows Navajo Casino Resort

At the July 24-27, 2017 Tribal Interior Budget Council (TIBC) meeting, the [agenda](#) began with subcommittee meetings on July 24 and 25, consisting of the Roads, Education, Budget, and Public Safety Subcommittees. The presentations from the July 24th Data for Indian Economic Development Workshop are posted [here](#). The Data Workshop replaced the regularly scheduled TIBC Data Management Subcommittee meeting, normally held the day before the start of the full TIBC meeting. (Links to documents online are in red.)

Business

- [Minutes](#) from previous meeting (May 2017) were adopted.
- The Midwest Region was selected to host the July 2018 TIBC meeting.
- Rick Harrison, Chickaloon, Alaska Representative, was voted interim chair for the TIBC meeting.
- The Data Subcommittee scheduled a call for August 3, 2017 to discuss next steps on FY2020 planning and implementing the Kepner-Tregoe budget process recommendations.

The Tribal Leaders of the TIBC adopted three resolutions. The links to the final resolutions are posted below.

Resolutions

1. **Title: [Supporting the Federal Treaty and Trust Obligations in the FY 2018 Budget](#)**
 - a. Action taken: adopted.
 - b. This resolution opposes the deep cuts to federal Indian programs in the fiscal year 2018 Budget Request, requests the issuance of an executive order on U.S.-Tribal relations that recognizes and upholds the nation-to-nation relationship, calls on Congress to reject proposed cuts in the Administration's budget, and urges the Secretary of the Interior to issue a Secretarial Order outlining and affirming trust responsibilities to Tribal Nations.
2. **Title: [Supporting the Federal Trust Responsibility for Indian Education](#)**
 - a. Action taken: adopted.
 - b. This resolution reinforces that Indian education is a trust responsibility, reviews the cuts proposed to Indian education in the President's FY 2018 budget request, and urges Congress to restore all the proposed cuts to such programs.
3. **Title: [Supporting Robust Funding in the Commerce, Justice, Science Appropriations Bill](#)**
 - a. Action taken: adopted.
 - b. This resolution urges Congress to support the 7% tribal set-aside of Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs funding for Indian Country public safety, law enforcement, and the administration of justice and the 5% tribal allocation from the Crime Victims Fund.

Two resolutions were considered but not adopted.

1. **Title: [Tribal Integrated Public Safety and Justice Funding](#)**
 - a. Action taken: Resolution was tabled, but with the instructions from TIBC to vet the proposal more extensively throughout Indian Country, including DOJ Advisory Committees and VAWA grantees and stakeholders.
2. **Title: [Support for Completing Construction of the Navajo Indian Irrigation Project \("NIIP"\), Public Law 87-483](#)**
 - a. Action taken: resolution was converted to a letter in support of the NIIP, but adding that other tribes also have tribal specific statutory obligations that should be funded in the federal budget too, with NIIP as the example.

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To assist the TIBC discussion on FY 2017 through FY 2019 budget discussion, the following budget documents were distributed to tribal representatives in a bound booklet.

Handouts

BIA Budget, Comprehensive Tables

- [BIA Comp Table, 2018](#)
- [2018, Comp Table Change Descriptions](#)
- [2018, Comp Table Program Change](#)

Tribal FY 2019 Priorities Documents

- [National FY 2019 Tribal Priorities](#)
- [FY2019 Regional Tribal Priorities, Charts](#)
- [Tribal Priority versus Enacted 2010 to 2017](#)
- [TIBC Executive Summary of FY 2019 Tribal Budget Recommendations](#)

FY 2018 Appropriations Documents

- [FY2018 NCAI President's Budget Analysis](#)
- [FY2018 Interior Appropriations Update](#)

The following presentations were made during the meeting.

Presentations

- [Indian Affairs FY 2017-2019 Budget Update](#), George Bearpaw, Dir. Office of Budget & Performance Management
- [Bureau of Indian Education Update](#), Bartholomew Stevens, Dep. Bureau Director
- [Office of Special Trustee Update](#), Deb DuMontier, Acting Special Trustee
- [Office of Self Governance Funding](#), Sharee Freeman, Director Self-Governance
- [Budget Process Recommendations](#), Kepner-Tregoe
- [Land Buy-Back Program](#), John McClanahan, Director, LBB
- Subcommittee Presentations
- [BIA Road Maintenance Presentation](#), Leroy Gishi
- [Public Safety and Justice Presentation](#), Tribal Integrated Public Safety

For more information, visit <http://www.ncai.org/initiatives/tibc/tibc-documents>. This summary is provided through the National Congress of American Indians' technical support to the Tribal Interior Budget Council.