

# 2021 Tribal Self-Governance Conference

## Agenda-at-a-Glance (DRAFT)

### Tuesday, September 14

- 1:00 – 1:15
- Welcome and Invocation
- Jennifer Loren, Executive Producer, Director, and Host, Osiyo TV
  - S. Joe Crittenden, Secretary of Veterans Affairs, Cherokee Nation
  - W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
- 1:15 – 1:50
- Roundtable Discussion: Department of the Interior and Indian Affairs Leadership
- Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland
  - Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Bryan Newland (invited)
- 1:50 – 2:15
- Negotiating Changes to DOI Self-Governance Agreements
- Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs Straus Dean and Walker
  - Matt Kallappa, Manager, Northwest Field Office, Office of Self-Governance, DOI
- 2:15 – 2:35
- Roundtable Discussion: DOI’s Office of Self-Governance and the Self-Governance Advisory Committee
- Sharee Freeman, Director, Office of Self-Governance, DOI
  - W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
- 2:35 – 2:45
- Red Cloud Renewable Energy Center: Promoting Sustainable Tribal Communities
- Henry Red Cloud, Executive Director
- 2:45 – 3:45
- Public Safety, Law Enforcement, and Justice in Tribal Communities
- Abby Abinanti, Chief Judge, Yurok Tribe
  - Timothy Chavez, Police Chief, Gila River Indian Community (invited)
  - John Hobbs, Executive Director of Public Safety, Choctaw Nation
  - Stacy Leeds, Foundation Professor of Law and Leadership, Sandra Day O’Connor College of Law, Arizona State University
- 3:45 – 4:30
- Protecting Tribal Infrastructure and Systems from Cyberattacks
- Reggie Wassana, Governor, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes (invited)
  - Guy Barker, Secretary Treasurer, Quapaw Nation (invited)
  - Jim Battese, Director of Homeland Security and Counterterrorism, Miami Tribe of Oklahoma (invited)
- 4:30 – 4:45
- Understanding CSC Calculations and Reporting Expectations at DOI
- Miles Reader, Financial Specialist, Office of Self-Governance, DOI
- 4:45 – 5:00
- Roundtable Discussion with the White House Domestic Policy Council and Council on Native American Affairs
- Elizabeth Washburn, Special Assistant to the President, Domestic Policy Council
  - Anthony Morgan Rodman, Executive Director, White House Council on Native American Affairs

### Wednesday, September 15

- 1:00 – 1:15
- Welcome and Invocation
- 1:15 – 1:50
- Roundtable Discussion: Department of Health and Human Services and Indian Health Service Leadership
- Secretary Xavier Becerra, HHS (invited)
  - Acting Director Liz Fowler, IHS (invited)

1:50 – 2:30	<p>Lessons Learned from COVID-19: Preparing Now for the Next Pandemic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lynn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut</li> <li>• RADM Francis Frazier, Director, Office of Public Health Support, Indian Health Service (invited)</li> <li>• Dr. Loretta Christensen, Chief Medical Officer, Indian Health Service (invited)</li> <li>• Additional contributions from Tribal Nations</li> </ul>
2:30 – 2:50	<p>Roundtable Discussion: IHS Office of Tribal Self-Governance and Tribal Self-Governance Advisory Committee</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jennifer Cooper, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Governance</li> <li>• Lynn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut</li> </ul>
2:50 – 3:15	<p>Partnerships in Health Care: Establishing the First Tribally Affiliated Medical School on Tribal Lands</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Natasha Bray, Interim Director, Oklahoma State University</li> <li>• Brian Hail, CEO, Cherokee Nation's W.W. Hastings Hospital</li> </ul>
3:15 – 3:40	<p>A Tribal Nation's Experience: Expanding Health Care Infrastructure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Shawn Terry, Secretary of Health, Muscogee Nation</li> <li>• Rhonda Beaver, Chief Administrative Officer, Muscogee Nation</li> </ul>
3:40 – 4:15	<p>Health Care in the Digital Age</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Valerie Davidson, President, Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium</li> <li>• Additional panelists to be determined</li> </ul>
4:15 – 4:45	<p>Transitioning a Health Care Program from Federal Administration to Tribal Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Melanie Fourkiller, Director of Self-Governance and Health, Office of Self-Governance, Choctaw Nation</li> <li>• Candice Skenandore, Self-Governance Director, Oneida Nation</li> <li>• Lindsay King, Director, Office of Tribal Self-Determination, Indian Health Service</li> </ul>
4:45 – 5:00	<p>Documentary Preview/ Interview – A Sister's Journey to Raise Awareness of Suicide</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kyle Bell, Filmmaker</li> </ul>

## Thursday, September 16

1:00 – 1:10	<p>Welcome and Invocation</p>
1:10 – 1:45	<p>Self-Governance at the Department of Transportation &amp; Transportation Infrastructure in Indian Country</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secretary Pete Buttigieg, DOT (invited)</li> <li>• Deputy Assistant Secretary for Tribal Government Affairs, Arlando Teller, DOT (invited)</li> <li>• Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation</li> </ul>
1:45 – 2:10	<p>Investment Strategies for Tribal Governments</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Lacey Horn, CEO, Native Advisors, LLC</li> </ul>
2:10 – 2:30	<p>Food Demonstration Program for Indian Reservations Self-Determination Demonstration Project</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gary Besaw, Director, Menominee Indian Tribe</li> <li>• Jennifer Falck, Program Coordinator, Menominee Indian Tribe</li> <li>• Vanessa Miller, Food and Agriculture Manager, Oneida Nation</li> <li>• Melissa Nuthals, Operations Specialist, Oneida Nation</li> </ul>
2:30 – 2:50	<p>Roundtable Discussion: Congressional Priorities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Senator Brian Schatz, Chairman, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, U.S. Senate (invited)</li> <li>• Senator Lisa Murkowski, Vice-Chairwoman, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs, U.S. Senate (invited)</li> <li>• Representative Teresa Leger Fernández, Chairwoman, House Subcommittee on Indigenous Peoples of the United States, U.S. House of Representatives (invited)</li> </ul>

- Representative Don Young, Ranking Member, House Subcommittee on Indigenous Peoples of the United States, U.S. House of Representatives (invited)

2:50 – 4:45

#### Future of Tribal Self-Governance

- Tribal Leader Perspectives from Across the Country
  - Chuck Hoskin, Jr., Principal Chief, Cherokee Nation
  - Gary Batton, Chief, Choctaw Nation
  - W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
  - Diana Zirul, Councilmember, Kenaitze Indian Tribe (invited)
  - Geoffrey Standing Bear, Chief, Osage Nation
  - Additional contributions from Tribal leaders
- Tribal Co-Management of Public Lands
  - Shelly Fyant, Chairwoman, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
  - Monte Mills, Associate Professor and Program Director, University of Montana
- Native Hawaiian Self-Governance
- Expansion of Self-Governance within the Department of Health and Human Services
  - Lynn Malerba, Chief, Mohegan Tribe of Connecticut
  - W. Ron Allen, Tribal Chairman/CEO, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe
  - Geoff Strommer, Partner, Hobbs Straus Dean and Walker

4:45 – 5:00

#### Changing the Narrative: Native Representation in the Media

- Leah Salgado, Deputy Director, Illuminative

Guest Host: Jennifer Loren, Executive Producer, Director, and Host, Osiyo TV

#### Additional Interviews and Contributions from Special Guests

Tatanka Means, Actor, Comedian, Entrepreneur, and Activist

Nico Albert, Indigenous Chef

Jan Michael Looking Wolf, Flutist and Global Music Awards Lifetime Achievement Recipient

Yatika Fields, Artist

Steven Paul Judd, Artist

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