

Tribal Leaders Strategy Meeting on Priorities for 2017

Thursday, January 19, 2017 - 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Hyatt Regency Crystal City

2799 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia 22202

Purpose: Many tribal leaders will be in Washington DC on January 20th to participate in Presidential inauguration activities, and meet with their Congressional delegations. It is an important political event every four years that reinforces the U.S. tradition of democracy.

The Trump-Pence Administration and 115th Congress offer key opportunities for tribal nations to strengthen federal policies, and tribal leaders are eager to engage with the new Administration and Congress to tackle a broad range of national, regional and tribal-specific issues. It is important that Indian Country comes together at this time of transition to forge and advance coherent and realistic strategies with this new Administration and Congress that address Indian Country's most pressing concerns and priorities.

10:00 WELCOME AND INVOCATION

Brian Cladoosby, NCAI President

10:15 LISTENING SESSION WITH TRUMP ADMINISTRATION TRANSITION TEAM

Doug Domenech, Trump Transition Team (confirmed)

David Bernhardt, Trump Transition- Department of Interior Lead (confirmed)

Jerry Ward, Native American Liaison Trump Transition Team (confirmed)

Transition Team Members will be available to listen to policy recommendations from Tribal leadership – please come prepared to share key recommendations.

12: 30 WORKING LUNCH - OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES IN 2017: GETTING AHEAD OF THE GAME

Jacqueline Pata, NCAI Executive Director

12:45 WORKING LUNCH - STRATEGIES FOR KEY PRIORITIES

Panel discussion with Native American Finance Officers Association, National American Indian Housing Council, National Congress of American Indians, National Indian Education Association, National Indian Gaming Association, National Indian Health Board

- i. Affordable Care Act Repeal and Protection of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act
- ii. Infrastructure Needs
- iii. Tax Opportunities
- iv. Education
- v. Economic Development

2:00 CONGRESSIONAL PERSPECTIVES

Congressman Tom Cole, Co- Chair Native American Caucus (confirmed)

Mike Andrews, Staff Director, Senate Committee of Indian Affairs (confirmed)

3:00 CLOSING REMARKS