The Tribal Land Working Group (TLWG) is broadly tasked with tracking and soliciting input on how to address various issues affecting tribal lands. During this session, the Working Group will discuss recent litigation pertaining to permitting projects affecting tribal resources; NCAI’s development of a consultation handbook for private energy developers; and an update regarding efforts to include tribal interests in the Recovering America’s Wildlife Act.

I. Introductions/ Welcome

Opening Remarks: Shannon Holsey, President, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohicans; Co-Chair NCAI Tribal Lands Working Group

Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman, Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Co-Chair NCAI Tribal Lands Working Group

II. Permitting Litigation Update & Energy Permitting Project

i. Speaker: Jody Cummings, Partner, Steptoe and Johnson

ii. Speaker: Darren Modzelewski, Policy Council, National Congress of American Indians

iii. Question and Answer

III. Including Tribes in the Recovering America’s Wildlife Act

i. Speaker: Natasha John, Government and Legislative Affairs Associate, Navajo Nation Washington, D.C. Office

ii. Speaker: Justin Parker, Executive Director, Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission

iii. Question and Answer

IV. Open Discussion

V. Closing