

## 2015 NCAI Annual Convention: Pre Meeting

*Sunday, October 18th, 9:00 a.m. to Noon*

### **Tribal, State and County Relations: Coordinating Jurisdictions for Safer Shared Communities**

This session brings together elected officials and other key representatives of tribal, state and county governments to discuss issues of common concern in and around Indian Country, with a particular focus on the role that cross-jurisdictional cooperation and coordination can play in creating safer shared communities. Key issues that will be addressed include: law enforcement and public safety, child welfare and foster care, and emergency preparedness and response.

Attendees also will engage in a robust dialogue about the challenges they face and how they can forge solutions rooted in collaboration and joint action that are capable of meeting those challenges. In addition, they will work to identify relevant and timely policy and resource recommendations for more effective cooperation and coordination between governments.

#### Agenda:

- 9:00 – 9:10 a.m.**      **Welcome and Opening Prayer**
- *Opening prayer*
  - *Welcome: **Brian Cladoosby**, President, National Congress of Americans and Chairman, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community*
- 9:10 – 9:30 a.m.**      **Law Enforcement and Public Safety: Coordinating Jurisdictions for Safer Shared Communities**
- Invited speakers:*
- ***Chief William Denke**, APB Tribal Task Force Chair and Chief of Police, Sycuan Tribal Police Department*
  - ***Lieutenant Mark Rigali**, Tribal Liaison Unit, Riverside County Sheriff's Department*
  - ***Senator John McCoy**, State Senator, State of Washington*
- 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.**      **Law Enforcement and Public Safety: Sharing Solutions and Fostering a Dialogue to Find Common Ground**
- *Questions to consider*
  - *Participant sharing and discussion*
- 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.**      **Child Welfare and Foster Care: Coordinating Jurisdictions for Safer Shared Communities**
- Invited speakers:*
- ***David Simmons**, Director of Government Affairs and Advocacy, National Indian Child Welfare Association*

- **Scott Stevens**, Policy Manager, Indian Child Welfare Act, California Department of Social Services (invited)
- Participant sharing and discussion

**11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Emergency Preparedness and Response: Coordinating Jurisdictions for Safer Shared Communities**

*Invited speakers:*

- **Dore A. Bietz**, Assistant Planner/Emergency Manager/CERT, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians (invited)
- **Bennett Cummings**, Senior Emergency Services Coordinator, San Diego County Office of Emergency Services
- Participant sharing and discussion

**11:30 – 11:50 a.m. Other Issues That Matter Most to You**

- *What other issues matter most to you?*
- *What topics should NCAI focus on the next time we convene?*

**11:50 a.m. – Noon Closing**

- *Next steps: Where do we go from here? How do we turn this dialogue into action?*
- *Related resources to explore*
- *A partner to rely on: NCAI's Partnership for Tribal Governance*
- *Closing*