



# GREAT PLAINS REGION

## National Budget Meeting FY-2011 Budget Formulation

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Washington, DC

# Great Plains Region



•12 Agencies

•16 Tribes

•6 million Acres

•6 Education line  
offices

•10 Tribally-Controlled  
Community Colleges

# Great Plains Regional Demographics

- Tribal Enrollment - 184,497
- Total Eligible for services – 163,565
  - Youth Under 16 - 49,232
  - Age 16-64 – 102,512
  - Elderly 65 and over – 11,821

# FY-2011 Tribal Budget Priorities

- Our participation in this budgetary process of the system afforded to Tribes (is under protest).
- Decreases in funding does not constitute Increases in efficiency!
- Human cost vs. financial cost!

# FY-2011 Priorities

- Public Safety
  - Law Enforcement
  - Tribal Courts
  - Detention Center
- Human Services
  - Social Services
  - Welfare Assistance
  - Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)
  - Home Improvement Program
- Economic Development
  - Energy Development
  - Road Maintenance
  - Road Construction
  - Loan Guaranty Program
  - Job Placement Training Program

# FY-2011 Priorities

- Natural Resources
  - GIS
  - Cultural Preservation
  - Land Management
  - Water Resources
  - Irrigation
  - Water Rights
- Education
  - Johnson O'Malley (JOM)
  - Funding Tribal Colleges
  - Scholarships

Successful operation of these programs are completely dependent on increases in funding and staffing

# Negative Impacts

- Suicide
- Elderly/Child Abuse
  - Sexual
  - Physical
  - Neglect
  - Mental
- Drug Abuse & Trafficking
- Increased Organized Criminal Activity
- Increased Violent Crimes

# Law Enforcement

- Operation Dakota Peacekeeper:
  - Concluded February 1, 2009
  - 12 Additional Police Officer Positions Established
    - Includes 2 School Resource Officers
  - Mutual Formal Aid Agreement
    - Standing Rock Sioux Tribe – City of McLaughlin
    - South Dakota and the BIA Office of Justice Services.
  - Joint Law Enforcement Center in McLaughlin, South Dakota
    - Joint Duty Station with 3 Dispatch Positions
  - Formal Deputation Agreement
    - Standing Rock Sioux Department of Game and Fish & BIA, OJS
- Omaha Peacekeeper Operation:
  - June 1 thru 30, 2009
  - Escalating Crime Rates
  - Increase in Violent Crime



# Wind Energy & The Great Plains Region

- Current Projects Include
  - 3 Single Tower Systems
    - Turtle Mountain
    - Pine Ridge
    - Rosebud
  - No Multi-Tower Systems
    - Several Tribes with Meteorological Data and in Planning Stages
  - Energy Transmission
    - Increase Transmission Capacities
    - Infrastructure
    - Investment \$\$\$

# Recommendations/Actions to be Taken

- Increase Funding and Staffing to Support Tribal Priorities
- Re-establish Regional and Agency Budgetary and Line Authorities