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WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000

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**SUBJECT: Coordinated Environmental Review Process Implementation Plan – Tribal Consultation**

Dear Tribal Leader,

Since 2015 the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has led an interagency workgroup to develop a coordinated environmental review. In 2015 the workgroup issued a [Final Report](#) identifying measures that could be taken to coordinate agencies' environmental review processes within the existing framework. Between 2015 and 2017, HUD has held six Tribal consultations and ten roundtables to receive input to develop and inform the Final Report, a draft Memorandum of Understanding, and a draft Implementation Plan. These documents along with additional background on the coordinated environmental review process can be found on [CodeTalk](#).

The workgroup is seeking your input and feedback on the final Implementation Plan. I encourage you to review the Implementation Plan, which can be found on [CodeTalk](#). HUD is interested in your thoughts on the proposed action items in the Implementation Plan, as well as any ideas you have to address the Final Report recommendations and inefficiencies in the environmental review process. Comments, which must be received by July 23, 2021, at 11:59:59 EDT, can be sent via email to [Codetalk@hud.gov](mailto:Codetalk@hud.gov). Comments and input will be considered before the Implementation Plan is finalized.

The National Congress of American Indians will be hosting a virtual consultation session on the draft Implementation Plan developed by THRIITF during its virtual [Mid Year Conference](#). The consultation session will be held on June 21, 2021, from 4:30 PM to 7:00 PM EDT.

The call-in details are below and will also be posted on CodeTalk.

**Step 1:** Dial into the consultation session (you may join 10 minutes early)

**Dial-in:** 888-251-2949 or 215-861-0694

**Access Code:** 1817387#

**Step 2:** Join the consultation session on your computer.

**Entry Link:** <https://ems8.intellor.com/login/839039>

(We understand that some people have difficulty logging into WebEx. We recommend that you use the Google Chrome web browser to log into WebEx.)

HUD will be sending a subsequent Dear Tribal Leader letter inviting leaders to an additional online consultation session on the implementation plan. HUD greatly appreciates your continued partnership and collaboration in serving Indian Country.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Heidi J. Frechette".

Heidi J. Frechette  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for Native American Programs