



National  
Congress of  
American  
Indians

# Trust Modernization:

Reforming the United States' Nation-to-Nation Trust  
Relationship and Indian Trust Asset Management

NCAI 2015 Mid-Year Conference \* St. Paul, MN

June 28, 2015 \* 9 am – 12 pm

## DRAFT AGENDA

The Trust Modernization Workgroup, a collection of national and regional tribal organizations, has put together a draft set of principles and corresponding strategies focused on modernizing the trust relationship and trust asset management system. These principles stem from the many previous efforts throughout the past several decades and were developed with the collective input of tribal leadership. In this session, we will discuss the draft principals, their history and development, as well as administrative and legislative strategies to enact them. This one of the many opportunities for Indian Country this summer to provide further insight and comment on the draft principles.

- 9:00 am – 9:10 am      **Welcome and Introduction**
- 9:10 am – 9:30 am      **Overview of Workgroup Efforts and Development of Draft Principles**
- 9:30 am – 11:00 am    **Review and Discussion of Draft Principles and Implementing Strategies**
- I.    **Strengthen Trust Standards**  
*Adopt Implementing Laws and Regulations*
  - II.   **Strengthen Tribal Sovereignty**  
*Empower Each Tribe to Define its Path*
  - II.   **Strengthen Federal Management**  
*For Trust Assets Still Subject to Federal Control*
  - II.   **Strengthen Federal-Tribal Relations**  
*One Table with Two Chairs*
  - V.    **Strengthen Federal Funding and Improve Its Efficiency**  
*A Pillar of the Trust Responsibility*
- 11:00 am – 12:00 pm    **Next Steps: Review and Discussion of NCAI's Draft Resolution Adopting Principles and Strategies**

For more information, please contact:  
Colby Duren, NCAI Staff Attorney & Legislative Counsel, [cduren@ncai.org](mailto:cduren@ncai.org)