

INTERTRIBAL BUFFALO COUNCIL



Inter Tribal Bison Cooperative



- ITBC was formed in 1992 by a handful of tribes as an offshoot of the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society;
- ITBC organized for the purpose of restoring buffalo to Tribal lands to promote rekindle the spiritual and cultural relationship between Tribal people and buffalo, to promote ecological restoration and to utilize buffalo for economic development;
- ITBC organized as a non-profit corporation under State law.

ITBC cont.

- ITBC has been instrumental in Tribal herd restoration and management;
- Since inception in 1992 with several Tribes and approximately 1500 buffalo collectively, ITBC member Tribes now collectively manage over 20,000 buffalo on approximately 1,000,000 acres of Tribal land;
- ITBC membership has increased to 63 tribes spanning 20 states.



Inter Tribal Buffalo Council

- In 2009 ITBC reorganized.
 - The organization was granted a federal charter as an Indian Organization under Section 17 of the Indian Reorganization Act
 - The organization changed it's name to the Inter Tribal Buffalo Council
 - The Mission Statement
 - “To Restore Bison to Indian nations in a manner that is compatible with their spiritual and cultural beliefs and practices.”

ITBC Member Tribes

- Blackfoot Nation
- Cheyenne Arapaho of OK
- Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe
- Chippewa Cree Tribe
- Cochiti Pueblo
- Comanche Tribe of OK
- Confederated Salish & Kootenai
- Confederated –Tribes of the Umatilla
- Crow Tribe
- Crow Creek Sioux Tribe
- Flandreau Santee Sioux
- Fort Belknap Indian Community
- Fort Peck Tribes
- Ho-Chunk Nation
- Iowa Tribe
- Jicarilla Apache
- Kalispel Tribe
- Lower Brule Sioux Tribe
- Mesa Grande Band of Mission Indians
- Miami Tribe of OK
- Modoc Tribe of OK
- Nambe Pueblo
- Nez Perce Tribe
- Northern Arapaho
- Northern Cheyenne
- Omaha Tribe of NE
- Oneida Nation of WI
- Ruby Tribe
- Alutiiq Tribe of Old Harbor
- Osage Nation
- Eastern Shoshone
- Picuris Pueblo
- Pit River
- Pojoaque Pueblo
- Ponca Tribe of NE
- Prairie Band Potawatomi
- Prairie Island Dakota Community
- Rosebud Sioux Tribe
- Round Valley Tribe
- Salt River Pima
- Sac & Fox of Mississippi
- San Juan Pueblo
- Sandia Pueblo
- Santee Sioux Tribe
- Seneca-Cayuga of OK
- Shawnee Tribe
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribes
- Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate
- Southern Ute Tribe
- Spirit Lake Sioux Tribe
- Spokane Tribe
- Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
- Stevens Village
- Taos Pueblo
- Tesuque Pueblo
- Three Affiliated Tribes
- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa
- Ute Indian Tribe
- Winnebago Tribe
- Yakama Nation
- Yankton Sioux Tribe
- Quapaw Tribe of OK



ITBC Services

- Direct Services
 - Technical Assistance
 - Grant Assistance
 - Education
 - Marketing
 - Health Initiative
- Herd Development Program
- Surplus Bison Program



Technical Services

- Bison Management
- Range Management
- Training



Marketing

- Feasibility Studies
- Business Plan Development
- Market Plan Development
- Product Development
- Advertising and Packaging Development
- Buffalo By-Product Production
- Business Consulting



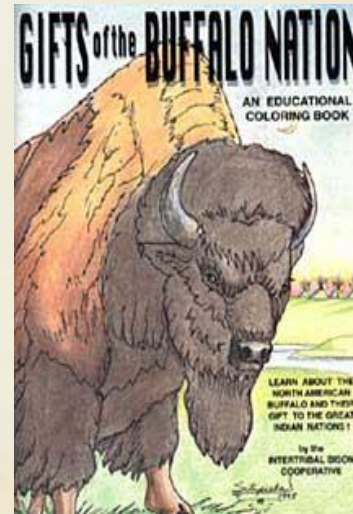
Health Initiative

- Provide buffalo meat to ITBC Member Tribes
- Nutrition Analysis
- Nutrition Outreach
- Diabetic Research
- Cook Book



Outreach Education

- Buffalo Box Demonstrations
- K-12 Resource Materials/Presentations
- Undergraduate/Graduate Presentations
- Cooking Demonstrations



Surplus Bison Program

- Facilitates surplus bison from federal parks to Tribes.
- Facilitates the Transfer of buffalo from Tribe to Tribe





Herd Development Grant Program

- Annually distribute funds to Tribes through competitive grant program.
- ITBC has P.L. 93-638 contract for herd development grants;
- \$1,000,000.00 annually from BIA, from various line items.
- ITBC BOD establishes criteria, awards funds and monitors compliance.



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