



## COMMITTEE AND SUBCOMMITTEE AGENDAS 63<sup>rd</sup> Annual Session – Sacramento, California

### ECONOMIC, FINANCE AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Committee Chairs: Pete Homer and Marty Shuravloff

Executive Committee Liaison: Manuel Heart

Staff Liaisons: Gwen Salt and Virginia Davis

#### **Monday, October 2, 2006, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Opening Remarks – *Pete Homer and Marty Shuravloff*
2. Introduction and Initial Discussion of Issues
3. Discussion of Model Workforce Protection Code – *John Navarro, Council for Tribal Employment Rights*
4. New Markets Tax Credit – *Ronnie Joe Henry, National Tribal Development Association*
5. The National status of Tribal Economic Development – *Mr. Ken Robbins, National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development*
6. Reporting and Consideration of Resolutions From Subcommittees:
  - a. Subcommittee on Housing – *Marty Shuravloff*
  - b. Subcommittee on Economic Development, Finance, & Employment – *Pete Homer, Co-Chair & Edwin Kane, Co-Chair (acting)*
  - c. Subcommittee on Transportation & Infrastructure – *Sherwin Racehorse, Co-Chair & Mike Clements, Co-Chair*
  - d. Subcommittee on Telecommunication – *JD Williams and Geoffrey Blackwell*
7. Other Issues and Discussion

### **SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS**

**Tuesday, Sep. 3 (4:15 – 6:15 pm) and Wednesday, Sep. 4 (4:00 – 6:00 pm)**

#### **Housing Subcommittee – Marty Shuravloff**

##### **Tuesday, Sep. 3, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Consideration of Resolutions – *Marty Shuravloff*
2. Legislative Update on Indian Housing – *National American Indian Housing Council*
  - a. HUD FY 2007
  - b. Native American Housing Block Grant Formula Allocation Task Force
  - c. Other Pending Legislation
3. Other Issues and Discussion

##### **Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Marty Shuravloff*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

#### **Economic Development, Finance and Employment Subcommittee**

##### **Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Welcome and Introductions
2. Legislative Update
3. Update from the Native American Finance Officer's Association

4. Alaskan Native Corporation 8(a) procurement report – *Ms. Karen Atkinson, Executive Director, Native American Contractors Association*
5. California Tribal Economic Development Status – *Hon. Connie Reitman, Executive Director, Inter-Tribal Council of California, Inc.*
6. Other Issues and Discussion
7. Consideration of resolutions

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

Agenda continued from previous day.

**Transportation and Infrastructure Subcommittee – Sherwin Racehorse**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Introductions – sign in sheet
2. Consideration of Resolutions – *Sherwin Racehorse, Chair*
3. IRR Update: *Leroy Gishie, Director of Bureau of Indian Affairs Department of Transportation (invited)*
4. Other Issues and Discussion
5. Recess

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Call to order – Introductions – sign in sheet
2. Remaining Resolution Review – *Sherwin Racehorse, Chair*
3. Other Issues and Discussion
4. Adjourn

**Telecommunications Subcommittee – Geoffrey Blackwell**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Welcome and Introductions – *Geoffrey Blackwell*
2. Legislative Update – *Margaret Cummiskey, Senate Committee on Commerce (invited)*
3. FCC Update
4. Media Update – *Loris Taylor, Center for Native American Public Radio*
5. Discussion of Proposed Tribal provisions
6. Discussion of Subcommittee Goals and Priorities
7. Consideration of resolutions
8. Other Issues

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

Agenda continued from previous day.

**ECONOMIC, FINANCE, AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FULL COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, October 5, 2006, 4:15 PM – 5:30 PM**

1. Opening Remarks – *Pete Homer and Marty Shuravloff*
2. Reporting and Reconsideration of Resolutions From Subcommittees:
  - a. Subcommittee on Housing – *Marty Shuravloff, Chair of National American Indian Housing Council*
  - b. Subcommittee on Economic Development, Finance, & Employment – *Pete Homer, Co-Chair & Edwin Kane, Co-Chair (acting)*
  - c. Subcommittee on Transportation & Infrastructure – *Sherwin Racehorse, Chair*
  - d. Subcommittee on Telecommunication – *Geoffrey Blackwell, Chair*
3. Other Issues and Discussion



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### LAND & NATURAL RESOURCES COMMITTEE

Committee Chairs: Jim Sappier and Jim Gray

Executive Committee Liaison: Mark Allen and Mike Williams

Staff Liaisons: Robert Holden, Gwen Salt, and Daniel Cordalis

#### **Monday, October 2, 2006, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Opening Remarks – *Jim Gray and Jim Sappier*
2. Introduction of Subcommittee Chairs:
  - a. Subcommittee on Energy & Mineral Policy – *David Harrison*
  - b. Subcommittee on Environmental Protection & Land Use – *Michael Connolly*
  - c. Subcommittee on Trust Lands, Natural Resources, Agriculture – *Jim Gray and Ross Racine*
3. Introduction and Initial Discussion of Major Litigation and Policy Issues
  - a. US Forest Service Update-  
*Bryan Mercier, Director, Office of Tribal Relations*
  - b. Indian Energy Update: Department of Energy (invited)
  - c. Rights of Way Section 1813, Energy Policy Act of 2005  
– *David Lester, Executive Director, Council of Energy Resource Tribes (invited)*
  - d. NCAI Endangered Species Act Statement of Principle  
– *Terry Williams, Director, Fisheries and Natural Resources Department, Tulalip Tribes*
4. Brief Update on Tribal Participation in the Environmental Protection Agency Environmental Information Exchange Network Program:
  - a. *Mary Greene, Chief, Information Exchange Partnership Branch, Information Exchange and Services Division, Office of Information Collection, EPA*
  - b. *Randy Gee, Program Director, Cherokee Nation*
5. Organizational Update: Intertribal Bison Cooperative, Ervin Carlson, President
6. Other Issues and Discussion

### **SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS**

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**Energy and Policy Subcommittee – David Harrison**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM-6:15 PM**

1. Consideration of Resolutions – *David Harrison*
2. Indian Energy Update and Rights of Way – *David Lester, Executive Director, Council of Energy Resource Tribes (invited)*
3. Other Issues and Discussion

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM-6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review –*David Harrison*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

**Environmental Protection and Land Use Subcommittee – Mike Connolly**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Consideration of Resolutions – *Chair Mike Connolly*
2. Tribal Environmental Regulation, Sovereignty Protection, and Creating a National Tribal Environmental Resource Center – *Dean Suagee, Attorney, Hobbs Straus, Dean and Walker*
3. NCAI Endangered Species Act Statement of Principle – *Terry Williams, Director, Fisheries and Natural Resources Department, Tulalip Tribes*
4. Renewable Energy Development – *Bob Gough, Secretary, Intertribal Council on Utility Policy*
5. Other Issues and Discussion

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Mike Connolly*
2. Pyramid Lake Paiute Environmental Restoration Program
  - *Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Chairman Norman Harry*
  - *David Bauman, Sacramento District, Corps of Engineers*
3. Tribal Participation in the Environmental Protection Agency Information Exchange Network -
  - *Mary Greene, Chief, Information Exchange Partnership Branch, Information Exchange and Services Division, Office of Information Collection, EPA*
  - *Randy Gee, Program Director, Cherokee Nation*
4. Other Issues and Discussion

**Trust Lands, Natural Resources, & Agriculture Subcommittee – Ross Racine and Jim Gray**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Consideration of Resolutions – *Ross Racine & Jim Gray*
2. US Department of Agriculture Update – *Patrick Atagi Director, Office of Native American Programs Office of the Secretary*
3. U.S. Forest Service Office of Tribal Relations – *Bryan Mercier*
4. Intertribal Bison Cooperative Update – *Ervin Carlson, President*
5. Other Issues and Discussion

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Ross Racine and Jim Gray*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

**LAND AND NATURAL RESOURCES FULL COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, October 5, 2006, 4:15 PM – 5:30 PM**

1. Opening Remarks – *Committee Co-Chair Jim Gray, Principle Chief of Osage Nation & Co-Chair Jim Sappier, National Tribal Environmental Council*
2. Reporting and Consideration of Resolutions From Subcommittees:
  - a. Subcommittee on Energy & Mineral Policy – *David Harrison*
  - b. Subcommittee on Environmental Protection & Land Use – *Michael Connolly*
  - c. Subcommittee on Trust Lands, Natural Resources, Agriculture – *Jim Gray and Ross Racine*
3. Other Issues and Discussion



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### **HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

Committee Chairs: H. Sally Smith and Ryan Wilson  
Executive Committee Liaison: Jefferson Keel and Joe Grayson, Jr.  
Staff Liaisons: Jennifer Rackliff and Cinda Hughes

#### **MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2006, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. Issue Updates
4. Presentations and Discussion
  - *Havasupai Genetic Piracy Litigation*
  - *San Juan Pueblo Restoration Project*
5. Resolutions
6. Closing

### **SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS**

**Tuesday, Sep. 3 (4:15 – 6:15 pm) and Wednesday, Sep. 4 (4:00 – 6:00 pm)**

#### **Health Subcommittee – H. Sally Smith**

##### **Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. Issue Updates
  - IHCIA
  - Medicare/Medicaid
4. Presentations and Discussion
  - Health Initiative (pending Board approval)
5. Resolutions
6. Closing

##### **Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *H. Sally Smith*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

#### **Education Subcommittee – Ryan Wilson**

##### **Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. Issue Updates
  - Native Languages
  - Not Child Left Behind
4. Presentations and Discussion
5. Resolutions
6. Closing

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Ryan Wilson*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

**Indian Child and Welfare Subcommittee – A. Brian Wallace and Gil Vigil**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
3. Issue Update
  - (a) Challenges in Tribal TANF programs
  - (b) Indian Child Protection and Family Violence Prevention Act
  - (c) Title IV-E Foster Care legislation
4. Updates & Presentations
5. Resolutions
6. Other Business
7. Adjourn

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *A. Brian Wallace and Gil Vigil*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

**Disabilities Subcommittee – Deanna Bauman**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Introductions
3. Issue Update
  - (a) Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act
  - (b) Need for action
4. Updates & Presentations
  - (a) Tribal Summit on Youth with Disabilities
5. Resolutions
6. Other Business
7. Close

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Deanna Bauman*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

**Elders Subcommittee – Traci McClellan**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Call to Order
2. Introductions
  - Issue Update
  - Medicaid Citizenship Requirements
  - Reauthorization of the Older Americans Act
3. Updates & Presentations
  - FY 07 Budget
  - Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act
  - Nutrition Service Programs
  - Long-Term Care Services and Community-based Services
4. Resolutions
5. Other Business

6. Adjourn

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Remaining Resolution Review – *Traci McClellan*
2. Other Issues and Discussion

## **HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, October 5, 2006, 4:15 PM – 5:30 PM**

1. Opening Remarks – *Co-Chairs H. Sally Smith and Ryan Wilson*
2. Reporting and Consideration of Resolutions From Subcommittees:
  - a. Subcommittee on Health – *H. Sally Smith*
  - b. Subcommittee on Education – *Ryan Wilson*
  - c. Subcommittee on Indian Child and Family Welfare – *A. Brian Wallace and Gil Vigil*
  - d. Subcommittee on Disabilities – *Deanna Bauman*
  - e. Subcommittee on Elders – *James DeLaCruz*
3. Other Issues and Discussion



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### VETERANS COMMITTEE AGENDA

Committee Chairs: Richard Allen and Myron Williams

Executive Committee Liaison: Ernie Stensgar

Staff Liaisons: Robert Holden and Cinda Hughes

#### ***Monday, October 3, 2006, 4:30 PM – 6:30 PM***

1. Opening Prayer
2. Announcements
  - (a). Additions, deletions to agenda
3. Introduction of Guests (if any)
4. Native American Veterans Programs/Benefits: *Roberta Rosenthal, Outreach Coordinator, Department of Veterans Affairs, San Francisco Medical Center*
5. National Veterans Organization
  - (a). Discussion
6. Housing
  - (a). Discussion
7. Tribal Veterans Representatives
  - (a). Discussion
8. Health Issues
  - (a). VA Hospitals
  - (b). Outpatient clinics
9. National American Indian and Alaska Native Veterans Cemetery
10. Resolutions
11. For the Good of the Order
12. Closing Prayer

***\*Veterans Committee will meet during scheduled subcommittee meetings on Tuesday and Wednesday (if needed).***



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### LITIGATION & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE

Committee Chairs: John Echohawk

Executive Committee Liaison: Randy Noka and Bob Chicks

Staff Liaisons: John Dossett and Sequoyah Simermeyer

#### **Monday, October 2, 2006, 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chairman John Echohawk*
2. Subcommittee Introductions
3. Resolution Distribution
4. *Havasupi v. Arizona Board of Regents, et al.*  
Plaintiffs' Litigation Team
5. Sovereign Immunity and Encouraging Economic Development  
– *Mike Jennings, AMERIND Risk Management Corp. (invited)*
6. Issue Updates and Open Discussion  
– Mascot Issue Update  
– Tribal Code Development Project
7. Closing

### **SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING AGENDAS**

#### **Tuesday, Sep. 3 (4:15 – 6:15 PM) and Wednesday, Sep. 4 (4:00 – 6:00 PM)**

**Tribal Gaming Subcommittee** – Ernie Stevens, Jr.

#### **Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

**\*This meeting will be a convening of the NCAI-NIGA Task Force on Tribal Gaming\***

1. Taskforce Chairs' Welcome, President Garcia and Chairman Stevens
2. Commissioner Phil Hogan, National Indian Gaming Commission (invited)
3. Mr. Tom Brierton, U.S. House of Representatives' Resources Committee (invited)
4. Mr. John Tahsuda, U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs (invited)
5. Closing

#### **Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chair Ernie Stevens, Jr.*
2. Introductions
3. Resolution Deliberation
4. Issue Updates and Open Discussion
5. Closing

**Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns Subcommittee** – Juana Majel

#### **Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chair Juana Majel*
2. Introductions
3. Resolution Deliberation
4. Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act Commission Activity and Legislative Review – *Walter Echohawk, Native American Rights Fund*
5. Issue Updates and Open Discussion
6. Closing

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chair Juana Majel*
2. Missouri River Programmatic Agreement on Compliance with Protection 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act and the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act
  - *Tex G. Hall, Chairman Three Affiliated Tribes*
  - *Mary Lee Johns, Omaha District, Corps of Engineers*
  - *Pemina Yellowbird, Three Affiliated Tribes*
3. Innovative Applications of the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act
  - *Manuel Heart, Chairman Ute Mountain Ute Tribe (invited)*
  - *Ernest D. House, Jr., Executive Secretary, Colorado Commission of Indian Affairs Lieutenant Governor's Office (invited)*
4. Closing

**Taxation Subcommittee – Arlan Melendez**

**Tuesday, October 3, 2006, 4:15 PM – 6:15 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chair Arlan Melendez*
2. Introductions
3. Resolution Deliberation
4. Update on Internal Revenue Service Policies
  - *Christie Jacobs, IRS (invited)*
5. Examining Tribal Taxation Codes
  - *Sarah Lawson, Rosette & Associates, PC*
  - *Mark Graham, Office of Treasury, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community*
6. Tribal Provisions in the Pension Protection Act of 2006
  - *Jeffrey McMillen, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld, LLP (invited)*
  - *Edward Ferrigno, Profit Sharing / 401k Council of America (invited)*
7. Closing

**Wednesday, October 4, 2006, 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM**

1. Welcome, *Chair Arlan Melendez*
2. Tax Exempt Bonds and Indian Country
  - PANEL I – Practitioners Perspectives and Overview
    - *Kathleen Nilles, Partner Holland & Knight (invited)*
    - *LynDee Wells, Dorsey and Whitney (invited)*
    - *Tom Rodgers, Carlyle Consulting (invited)*
    - *John E. Theberge, Holland & Knight (invited)*
  - PANEL II – Financial Institutions' Role
    - *Jeff Carey, Merrill Lynch (invited)*
  - PANEL III – A National Research Initiative on Federal Auditing Practices
    - *Gavin Clarkson, University of Michigan (invited)*
3. Closing

## **LITIGATION & GOVERNANCE FULL COMMITTEE**

***Thursday, October 5, 2006, 4:15 PM – 5:30 PM***

1. Welcome, *Chair John Echohawk*
2. Reporting and Consideration of Resolutions From Subcommittees
  - a. Tribal Gaming Subcommittee Report – *Chair Ernie Stevens, Jr.*
  - b. Jurisdiction & Tribal Government Subcommittee Report – *Chair John Echohawk*
  - c. Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns Subcommittee Report – *Chair Juana Majel*
  - d. Taxation Subcommittee Report – *Chair Arlan Melendez*
3. Closing