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Sunday, June 12

10:00 – 4:00 **Registration/Rules & Credentials Open**
Room: First Floor Lobby – Dena’ina Center

11:00 – 12:00 **NCAI Fund Board Meeting**

12:30 – 4:30 **NCAI Executive Committee Board Meeting**

5:00 – 7:00 **Elected Leader Reception**
Room: Tikahtnu D/E – Dena’ina Center
Private reception for elected Tribal Leaders and Alaska Native Corporation leaders. Registered leaders at the conference are invited to engage directly with Senior Congressional leadership, federal administration officials and special guests.

Monday, June 13

8:30-4:00 **Registration/Rules & Credentials Open**
Room: First Floor Lobby – Dena’ina Center

9:00-11:30 **TASK FORCES AND WORKSHOPS: MORNING SESSIONS**

Voice Your Vote: A Training to Engage Native Voters in 2022 and Beyond

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center

This workshop will provide a walk-through on how individuals and organizations can prepare a Get-Out-the-Vote (GOTV) plan of action for their communities. Participants will discuss election protection, how to become a poll worker, and tips on successfully increasing voter registration in local, county, state, and general elections. At the completion of the workshop, all participants will receive a GOTV toolkit to use in their community. This workshop is free and open to the public. All participants will be provided lunch following this workshop.

NCAI Addiction Task Force

Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena’ina Center

Join the NCAI Addiction Task Force to discuss administrative and legislative priorities to increase access and improve the function of behavioral health and addiction programs at the tribal level. The Addiction Task Force continues to support efforts to advance education, treatment, preventative services, and public safety in tribal communities.

NCAI Budget Task Force

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena’ina Center

The President's FY 2023 Budget Request to Congress calls for a historic shift in the paradigm of Nation-to-Nation relations that seeks to restore the promises made between our ancestors and the United States in several key programs. However, Congress must act on the President's Request in order to realize this dramatic shift in history. This Task Force meeting will discuss the newly redesigned NCAI Budget Request to Congress as a tool to realize these goals.

NCAI Federal Recognition Task Force

Room: Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center

The Federal Recognition Task Force works to address the unique interests of non-federally recognized Tribal Nations, including the federal acknowledgment process, how non-federally recognized Tribal Nations work with state and local entities, and other issues. The Federal Recognition Task Force invites all interested Tribal Nations and citizens to participate.

NCAI-ITA Joint Transportation Task Force

Room: Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center

The NCAI-ITA Joint Transportation Task Force is focused on building a unified advocacy approach to tribal transportation development and legislative reauthorization to promote safety and prosperity in tribal communities and to ensure the United States upholds its government-to-government relationship with Tribal Nations.

NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Women

Closed to Press

Room: Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center

The NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Women serves as a unified tribal voice opposed to violent crimes perpetrated against American Indian and Alaska Native women. During this meeting, task force members will highlight tribal programs that prevent and address violence against women in Indian Country, examine national and international violence against women policy work, and coordinate efforts to effectively implement tribal provisions in the 2022 Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act.

12:00-1:00

New Member Orientation

Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena’ina Center

All members and officers are invited to this welcome session for new members of NCAI and a briefing on membership, committees, voting, and process.

12:30-3:00

TASK FORCES: AFTERNOON SESSIONS

NCAI Climate Action Task Force

Room: Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center

The working mission of the Climate Action Task Force is to “document, inform, and support the climate action efforts of Tribal Nations and Native organizations, and identify and advocate for policies and funding designed to empower their ability to engage in effective, sustainable climate action.” This task force meeting will provide an overview of administrative and congressional updates to improve and expand federal support for tribal climate actions and will be led by the Task Force’s three co-chairs.

NCAI Tax and Finance Task Force

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena’ina Center

Tax revenue is essential to help build healthy rural and regional economies. Join the NCAI Tax and Finance Task Force for an open meeting to discuss work in the fields of tax and finance in Indian Country. This Task Force has been charged with advancing tribal priorities on legislative and administrative tax and finance policy, developing solutions to dual taxation, facilitating tribal

engagement with the U.S. Treasury Tribal Advisory Committee (TTAC), and sharing information regarding tribal-state tax agreements.

NCAI Technology Task Force

Room: Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center

The NCAI Technology Task Force will hold an open meeting to discuss work in the fields of technology and telecommunications in Indian Country. The Task Force is comprised of tribal leadership, tribal telecommunications companies, Information Technology experts, entrepreneurs, and representatives from tribal organizations.

NCAI Tribal Border Caucus

Closed to Press

Room: Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center

Tribal citizen crossing of the United States – Canada and United States – Mexico borders for traditional, cultural, or religious purposes is a paramount concern for Tribal Nations split by the invisible lines that divided their homelands and relatives. The Tribal Border Caucus invites all northern, southern, and Alaska border Tribal Nations to provide updates and discuss ongoing issues such as navigating the opening of the borders during the COVID-19 pandemic, travel visas, treaty rights, and searches of tribal regalia or cultural items.

3:30-5:00 Listening Sessions and Consultations

Native Farm Bill Coalition Policy Roundtable

Room: Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center

Join the National Congress of American Indians, Native Movement, the Alaska Food Policy Council, and the Native Farm Bill Coalition (NFBC) for a policy roundtable on updates to the anticipated 2023 Farm Bill. Attendees are encouraged to share their experience in Indian Country agriculture work and with USDA programs to help inform the NFBC what policy changes and updates need to occur to better serve Indian Country agriculture and food systems. The NFBC will use your input to advocate for solutions and policy issues at the federal level.

Protecting Indian Children and Strengthening ICWA: Tribal Nation Discussion and Action Planning Session

Closed to Press

Room: Tubughnenq 4 – Dena’ina Center

Since 2018, opponents of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) have tried to take down this keystone legislation in the federal court system. In response to these attacks the National Congress of American Indians, the National Indian Child Welfare Association, the Native American Rights Fund and the Association on American Indian Affairs, Tribal Nations, and allies have coordinated responses on the legal, communication, and policy fronts. This session will focus on providing updates on legislative efforts to strengthen the ICWA and seek input from Tribal Nations.

Violence Against Women Act 2022: Tribal Nation Facilitated Discussion

Closed to Press

Room: Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center

In March of 2022, the Violence Against Women Act was reauthorized with significant tribal provisions that need to be implemented by the federal government. During this Tribal Nations' listening session, attendees will discuss and collaborate on the various tribal provisions that need to be implemented, including the Alaska Pilot Program, the tribal VAWA Reimbursement Program, the Tribal Prisoner Program, the Alaska Public Safety Commission, the Tribal Access Program, and more. The intent of this discussion will be to work through Tribal Nations' priorities for each component of the law and coordinate responses on those priorities.

Department of Interior Land into Trust and Class III Gaming Compact Regulations - Listening Session

Room: Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center

The Department of the Interior (Department) seeks Tribal input on draft revisions to 25 C.F.R. Part 151 (Land Acquisition) and 25 C.F.R. Part 293 (Class III Tribal State Gaming Compact Process). The Department has prepared these draft revisions to Part 151 and Part 293 for purposes of Tribal consultation only. The draft

revisions do not constitute a formal notice of proposed rulemaking. Once Tribal consultation has concluded and the Department has considered all Tribal comments, the Department plans to release a formal notice of proposed rulemaking. The Dear Tribal Leader Letter announcing consultations and the Department's draft revisions to Part 151 and Part 293 may be found on the Department's website.

Public-Private Partnerships to Support Tribal Nations - Listening Session

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena'ina Center

The Department of the Interior, Native Americans in Philanthropy (NAP), and the Nation Congress of American Indians are hosting a listening session on public-private partnerships. This session will focus on ways the federal government, philanthropy, and Tribal organizations can work together to support Tribal Nations in leveraging resources and investments in tribal communities and tribally-led initiatives. It will also include an overview of NAP's Tribal Nations Initiative and themes heard during regional listening sessions and a discussion by DOI of opportunities for public-private partnerships and partnership development.

4:30-5:00

NCAI Committee and Subcommittee Chairs' Meeting with Resolutions Committee

Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena'ina Center

NCAI requests that all Committee and Subcommittee chairs attend this important meeting.

5:00-7:00

'Fighting Indians' Documentary Screening

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena'ina Center

In 2019, the State of Maine made history by passing "LD 944 An Act to Ban Native American Mascots in All Public Schools," the first legislation of its kind in the country. For Maine's Tribal Nations, the landmark legislation marked an end to a decades long struggle to educate the public on the harms of Native American mascotry. 'Fighting Indians' chronicles the last and most contentious holdout in that struggle, the homogeneously white Skowhegan High School, known for decades as "The Home of the Indians." This is the story of a small New England community divided against the backdrop of a nation divided where the "mascot debate" exposes centuries old abuses while asking if reconciliation is possible.



Tuesday, June 14

- 7:30-5:00 **Resolutions Office Open**
Room: Kahtnu 1 – Dena’ina Center

- Registration/Rules & Credentials Open**
Room: First Floor Lobby – Dena’ina Center

- 8:30-2:30 **Elders’ Lounge Open**
Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena’ina Center

- 9:00-5:00 **Marketplace Open**
Room: Eklutna 3 – Dena’ina Center

8:30-12:00	First General Assembly	Room: Eklutna 1 / 2 – Dena’ina Center
8:30	<p>Call to Order Fawn Sharp, President, National Congress of American Indians</p> <p>Presentation of the Colors Alaska Native Veterans Council</p> <p>Land Acknowledgement Aaron Leggett, President and Chair, Native Village of Eklutna</p>	
8:45	<p>Invocation Margaret Nakak, Yup'ik & Iñupiaq</p>	
8:50	<p>Welcome from Local Host Michelle Sparck, Director of Strategic Initiatives for Get Out the Native Vote, Cook Inlet Tribal Council Emily Edenshaw, President and CEO, Alaska Native Heritage Center</p>	
9:05	<p>Mayoral Welcome Mayor Dave Bronson</p>	
9:10	<p>Rules of the Convention Patrick Anderson, Chair, NCAI Rules & Credentials Committee</p> <p>Resolutions Process Report W. Ron Allen, Co-Chair, NCAI Resolutions Committee Leslie Wheelock, Co-Chair, NCAI Resolutions Committee</p>	
9:15	<p>President’s Report Fawn Sharp, President, National Congress of American Indians</p>	
9:30	<p>Special Tribute to Congressman Don Young</p>	



9:40	Alaska Congressional Comments Senator Lisa Murkowski (AK) <i>video</i> Senator Dan Sullivan (AK) <i>virtual</i>
10:00	Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Update Chairman Brian Schatz (HI) <i>video</i>
10:05	Department of the Interior Update Bryan Newland, Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior
10:25	Federal Boarding School Update Governor J. Michael Chavarria, Pueblo of Santa Clara Theresa Sheldon, Director of Policy and Advocacy, National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition
10:45	Introduction to Thinking Beyond Self-Determination Dr. Traci Morris, Executive Director, American Indian Policy Institute
11:00	Thinking Beyond Self-Determination Fawn Sharp, President, NCAI, Vice President, Quinault Indian Nation Ana Hoffman, Co-Chair, Alaska Federation of Natives Kevin Killer, President, Oglala Sioux Tribe Stephen Roe Lewis, Recording Secretary, NCAI, Governor, Gila River Indian Community
11:40	Tribal Leader Discussion
12:00	Lunch Recess
12:00-1:00	Marketplace Entertainment <i>Room: Eklutna 3 – Dena’ina Center</i>

1:30-2:30 CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Accurate Representation of American Indians and Alaska Natives in Contemporary Education
Room: Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center

Learn about current efforts to ensure better awareness and representation among the general public of American Indians and Alaska Natives in public schools and efforts to end the use of harmful "Indian" Mascots.

Moderator: Jason Dropik, President, Board of Directors, National Indian Education Association

Speakers:
Mark Cooley, Co-Director/Producer, 'Fighting Indians' Documentary
Derek Ellis, Co-Director/Producer, 'Fighting Indians' Documentary
Representative Deb Lekanoff (WA-40)

Tribal Nations Engaging in Transboundary Climate Action

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center

Climate change is one of the most pressing issues facing Tribal Nations as it negatively impacts our natural, social, cultural, and economic resources. Addressing climate change spans beyond tribal, local, state, and national jurisdictions and requires global partnerships and solutions. This session will explore how Tribal Nations are engaging in innovative methods to address climate action at the transboundary and international level.

Moderator:

Graeme Reed, Senior Policy Analyst, Assembly of First Nations

Speakers:

Dalee Sambo Dorough, President, Inuit Circumpolar Council

Melanie Bahnke, President, Kawerak, Inc.

Demanding Justice: Boarding Schools Session

Closed to Press

Room: Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center

At NCAI’s 2021 Mid-Year Convention, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland announced the historic first Federal Boarding School Initiative to review the legacy of federal boarding school policies. This session will serve to review the Interior’s Report on Boarding Schools and conduct discussion of where we go from here and how tribal involvement will be utilized. This will be a facilitated discussion with tribal leaders.

Moderator:

Theresa Sheldon, Director of Policy and Advocacy, National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition

Speakers:

Kathryn Isom-Clause, Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs for Policy and Economic Development

Beth Wright, Staff Attorney, Native American Rights Fund

Chief Ben Barnes, Shawnee Tribe

3:00-6:00

SUBCOMMITTEE MEETINGS

Closed to Press

*Some subcommittees are meeting in the same meeting room

Room: Tubughnenq 4 – Dena’ina Center

Technology & Telecommunications
Transportation & Infrastructure

Room: Tikahtnu A – Dena’ina Center

Economic Development, Finance & Employment
Housing

Room: Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center

Jurisdiction & Tribal Government
Public Safety & Justice

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena’ina Center

Elders
Veterans

Room: Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center

Taxation
Tribal Gaming

Room: Summit Hall 1 – Egan Center

Education
Indian Child & Family Welfare

Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena’ina Center

Disabilities
Health

Room: Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center

Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center

Energy & Mineral Policy
Environmental Protection & Land Use



Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture

6:30-8:00 **Cultural Night**

Location: Alaska Native Heritage Center (8800 Heritage Center Dr, Anchorage, AK 99504)

A night to share the beauty of the local culture. Come join the local Tribal Nations as they host Cultural Night.

Wednesday, June 15

6:45 **Morning Ceremony**

Town Square Park located across from the Convention Center

The public is invited to attend NCAI's Morning Ceremony. This gathering will help us start our day in a good way by sharing encouraging stories of faith and strengthening our relationships.

7:15-8:15 **REGIONAL CAUCUS MEETINGS**

Closed to Press

Alaska Region - *Tikahtnu C – Dena'ina Center*
 Great Plains Region - *Tikahtnu A – Dena'ina Center*
 Northeast Region - *Tikahtnu D – Dena'ina Center*
 Pacific Region - *Tikahtnu E – Dena'ina Center*
 Southeast Region - *Summit Hall 2 – Egan Center*
 Southwest Region - *Summit Hall 1 – Egan Center*

Eastern Oklahoma Region - *Tubughnenq 4 – Dena'ina Center*
 Midwest Region - *Tubughnenq 5 – Dena'ina Center*
 Northwest Region - *Tubughnenq 3 – Dena'ina Center*
 Rocky Mountain Region - *Summit Hall 5/6 – Egan Center*
 Southern Plains Region - *Summit Hall 3 – Egan Center*
 Western Region - *Summit Hall 4 – Egan Center*

7:30-5:00 **Resolutions Office Open**

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Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena'ina Center

9:00-5:00 **Marketplace Open**

Room: Eklutna 3 – Dena'ina Center

8:30-12:00 Second General Assembly Room: Eklutna 1 / 2 – Dena'ina Center

8:30 **Call to Order**

Mark Macarro, 1st Vice President, National Congress of American Indians

Invocation

Daniel Lupie, Yupik/Native Village of Tuntutuliak

8:40 **Native Youth/Cultural Presentation**

Nate Samuelu, Manager, Boys and Girls Club of Utqiagvik

- 9:00 **NCAI Youth Commission Update**
Jonathan Arakawa, Co-Vice President, NCAI Youth Commission
Yanenowi Logan, Co-Vice President, NCAI Youth Commission
- 9:15 **White House Update**
PaaWee Rivera, White House Senior Advisor and Director of Tribal Affairs
- 9:35 **Tribally Driven Public Safety: Violence Against Women Act 2022**
We will focus on celebrating the win of VAWA 2022 and the priorities of Tribal Nations to implement the law in Indian Country.
- Moderator:
Tami Truett Jerue, Executive Director, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center
- Speakers:
Chairman Peter Yucupicio, Pascua Yaqui Tribe
3rd Vice President Catherine Edwards, Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
- 10:00 **Mobilizing the Power of Native Vote in 2022**
This segment will provide brief updates on voting rights issues in both Alaska and the lower 48 states, including information on Alaska's special election to fill its U.S. House of Representatives seat and on the implementation of the President's Memorandum on Promoting Access to Voting.
- 10:25 **Tribal Leader Discussion**
- 10:45 **White House Council on Environmental Quality Update**
Brenda Mallory, Chair, White House Council on Environmental Quality
- 11:00 **Department of the Interior Update**
Secretary Deb Haaland, U.S. Department of the Interior *virtual*
- 11:10 **Tribal Food Subsistence in a Changing Climate**
This discussion will identify food subsistence priorities for Tribal Nations in the face of climate change, describe how the Biden Administration is prioritizing traditional food practices, and explore how tribal communities can sustain their traditional food practices through self-governance opportunities.
- Speakers:
Patrick DePoe, Vice-Chairman, Makah Tribe
Gary Harrison, Traditional Chief and Chairman, Chickaloon Native Village
Raina Thiele, Senior Advisor to the Secretary on Alaska Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior
- 11:40 **Tribal Leader Discussion**
- 12:00 **Lunch Recess**

1:25-2:25 CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Census Data as a Tool for Self Determination - Current Threats and Opportunities

Room: Tubughnenq 4 – Dena'ina Center

Census data is critical to Tribal Nations because it is used in federal funding formulas, redistricting and representation, federal/state/local decision making, and local tribal governance. However, problems with the accuracy and availability of 2020 Census data, the persistent undercount of

AI/ANs living on reservations, the lack of AIAN participation in the ACS, the impact of census data on redistricting efforts, and planning for the 2030 Census, including the possible use of tribal administrative data, are all either threats or opportunities for Tribal Nations. During this session, participants will learn about the latest updates on census data issues and will discuss how Tribal Nations can take action to ensure the most accurate and fair census data for their communities now and in the 2030 Census.

Speakers:

James Tucker, Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, Native Census Counts Consultant
Jessica Imotichey, Alaska Census Partnership Specialist, U.S. Census Bureau

No Place Like Home: Housing Insecurity and Access in Indian Country

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena'ina Center

The price of housing continues to soar in nearly every city across the United States and income inequality is at an all time high. For those seeking housing in Indian Country, the pandemic coupled with rising costs, low housing stock, and overcrowding has taken a long-standing housing crisis and dialed it up a notch. How are Tribal Nations addressing this issue and providing shelter for the most marginalized communities within Indian Country? Housing advocates from across Indian Country will discuss innovative housing projects and share their thoughts on strategies and solutions to current housing issues.

Moderator: Tony Walters, Executive Director, Native Indian Housing Council

Speakers:

Elizabeth Elliot, Executive Director, Northern Circle Indian Housing Authority
Sami Jo Difuntorum, Executive Director, Siletz Housing Authority
Carol Gore, President & CEO, Cook Inlet Housing Authority

From Paper to Prosecutions: Implementing VAWA 2022

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena'ina Center

During this facilitated discussion, Tribal Nations will share their experiences with the 2013 VAWA pilot program and the Intertribal Technical Assistance Working Group (ITWG). Facilitators will open up a Tribal Nation dialogue regarding the VAWA 2022 Alaska Pilot Program and Alaska Tribal Public Safety Advisory Committee.

Facilitators:

Debra O'Gara, Senior Policy Specialist, Alaska Native Women's Resource Center
Alex Cleghorn, Senior Legal and Policy Director, Alaska Native Justice Center

Speakers:

Attorney General Alfred Urbina, Pascua Yaqui Tribe
Kelbie Kennedy, Policy Manager and Policy Lead-National Security and Community Safety, National Congress of American Indians

2:35-3:35

CONCURRENT BREAKOUT SESSIONS

Missed Connections: The Importance of Building Robust Broadband and Cellular Networks

Room: Tubughnenq 3 – Dena'ina Center

Telecommunications infrastructure buildout in Alaska, one of the toughest terrains in the world, presents unique and perplexing challenges. However, Tribal Nations always have -- and always will -- rise to the occasion. When it comes to facing challenges, innovation is our tradition. Join our panelists to discuss obstacles to deploying effective telecommunications networks and strategies to overcome.

Moderator:

Danae Wilson, Technology Manager, Nez Perce Tribe

Speakers:

Hallie Bissett, Executive Director, Alaska Native Village Corporation Association

Traci Morris, Executive Director, American Indian Policy Institute

In Our Ancestors Footsteps: Co-Management, Sacred Areas, and Religious Rights

Room: Tubughnenq 4 – Dena’ina Center

The Biden Administration has identified tribal ecological knowledge and land management practices are priorities to include into federal land management plans. With the launch of the America the Beautiful Initiative, this session will describe the lessons learned from previous co-management opportunities and explore the future of tribal co-management on public and private lands.

Moderator:

Kevin Washburn, Dean, University of Iowa College of Law

Speakers:

Stephenne Harding, Senior Director of Lands, White House Council of Environmental Quality

Erik Stegman, Chief Executive Officer, Native Americans in Philanthropy

Economic Sovereignty: Fixing Taxation and Capital Flow in Indian Country

Room: Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center

Join the discussion with tribal leaders and experts leveraging public and private capital and partnerships in the fight to fix taxation and capital flow in Indian Country. Both the Administration and Congress have signaled political will to combat tax and economic disparity in Indian Country with all tools available, and innovative tools to come. Your active engagement as part of this discussion will be key to maintaining this momentum for progress and to ensure that bold solutions work for all of Indian Country.

Moderator:

Chairman Ron Allen, Jamestown S’Klallam Tribe

Speakers:

Casey Lozar, Vice President, Center for Indian Country Development

Mary Miner, Vice President of Community Development, Alaska Growth Capital

F. Michael Willis, Partner; Hobbs, Dean, Strauss, and Walker

Protecting Our Homelands Forever: Respecting Sovereignty in the Land into Trust Process

Room: Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center

Placing tribal homelands into trust is one important way to ensure they are protected for generations to come. In Alaska, placing land into trust comes with unique and specific challenges that must be specifically addressed. This panel discussion will look at the issue of increasing trust lands in Alaska and its importance for exercising tribal sovereignty.

Moderator
Michael Williams Sr., Chief, Akiak Native Community

Speakers:
Richard Peterson, President, Central Council of the Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska
Clinton Cook Sr., President, Craig Tribal Association
Matthew Newman, Senior Staff Attorney, Native American Rights Fund

4:00-6:00

FULL COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Closed to Press

Economic, Finance & Community Development -*Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center*

Human Resources - *Tubughnenq 4 – Dena’ina Center*

Land & Natural Resources - *Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center*

Litigation & Governance - *Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center*

Veterans -*Tubughnenq 3 – Dena’ina Center*

Thursday, June 16

7:15-8:15 REGIONAL CAUCUS MEETINGS (Optional)

Closed to Press

Alaska Region - <i>Tikahtnu C – Dena’ina Center</i>	Eastern Oklahoma Region - <i>Tubughnenq 4 – Dena’ina Center</i>
Great Plains Region - <i>Tikahtnu A – Dena’ina Center</i>	Midwest Region - <i>Tubughnenq 5 – Dena’ina Center</i>
Northeast Region - <i>Tikahtnu D – Dena’ina Center</i>	Northwest Region - <i>Tubughnenq 3 – Dena’ina Center</i>
Pacific Region - <i>Tikahtnu E – Dena’ina Center</i>	Rocky Mountain Region - <i>Summit Hall 5/6 – Egan Center</i>
Southeast Region - <i>Summit Hall 2 – Egan Center</i>	Southern Plains Region - <i>Summit Hall 3 – Egan Center</i>
Southwest Region - <i>Summit Hall 1 – Egan Center</i>	Western Region - <i>Summit Hall 4 – Egan Center</i>

8:00-12:00 **Indian Arts and Crafts Open**
Room: First Floor Lobby – Dena’ina Center

8:30-12:00 **Elders’ Lounge Open**
Room: Kahtnu 2 – Dena’ina Center

8:30-12:00 First General Assembly Room: Eklutna 1 / 2 – Dena’ina Center

8:30 **Call to Order**
Stephen Roe Lewis, Recording Secretary, National Congress of American Indians

Invocation
Chief Michael Williams Sr., Akiak Native Community

9:00 **Tribal Supreme Court Project Update**
John Echohawk, Executive Director, Native American Rights Fund
Melody McCoy, Senior Staff Attorney, Native American Rights Fund

9:35 **Opioids Multi-District Litigation Update**
Kevin Washburn, Dean, University of Iowa College of Law

9:50 **Tribal Leader Discussion**

10:05 **NCAI Archival Project Update**
Suzanne Gould, Archival Specialist, National Congress of American Indians

10:15 **Committee Reports**
Economic, Finance & Community Development Committee
Human Resources Committee
Litigation & Governance Committee
Land & Natural Resources Committee
Veterans Committee

11:50 **Retire Colors**

11:55 **Closing Invocation**
Rob Sanderson, Jr., 2nd Vice President, Central Council Tlingit & Haida Indian Tribes

12:00 **Adjourn 2022 Mid Year Conference**