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Good morning-  
Please find attached Indian Affairs' weekly report for June 21-30, 2017.

Thank you!  
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**WEEK-AHEAD REPORT: ASSISTANT SECRETARY–INDIAN AFFAIRS  
AND THE BUREAUS OF INDIAN AFFAIRS AND INDIAN EDUCATION  
June 21, 2017 – June 30, 2017**

**Week Ahead Schedule of Meetings, Hearings, and Travel**

Indian Affairs leadership and staff continue to lead Tribal listening sessions on E.O. 13781, Reorganization of the Executive Branch; the remaining sessions are:

- June 22, 8:30 am – 12 pm, Bering Sea Conference Room, Frontier Building, 3601 C Street, Anchorage, AK 99503
- June 27, 8:30 am – 12 pm, Tulsa Convention Center  
100 Civic Center Tulsa, OK 74103

On July 19 and July 20, the Self-Governance Advisory Committee quarterly meeting will be held at the Embassy Suites DC Convention Center, 900 10th St NW, Washington, DC 20001. The Acting Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs is invited to attend on Thursday, July 20, 2017.

On July 23, there will be a briefing on the President's Indian Affairs budget request to Senate Committee on Indian Affairs majority and minority staff at the Dirksen Senate Office Building.

On July 24, the Department's Office of Policy Analysis will hold an Indian Economic Development Data Workshop, preceding the Tribal/Interior Budget Council meeting.

On July 25 through July 27, the Tribal/Interior Budget Council (TIBC) meeting will take place at the Twin Arrows Navajo Casino Resort, located at 22181 Resort Boulevard, Flagstaff, AZ 86004.

On June 27-28, the Indian Energy Service Center will host a Standard Operation Procedures (SOP) training on the Onshore Federal and Indian Energy and Mineral Lease Management manual in Oklahoma City, OK. The SOP training is open to all Department of the Interior staff.

On June 28, there will be a Senate Committee on Indian Affairs roundtable discussion on broadband access in Indian Country. Minority staff seeks a DOI-Indian Affairs representative to discuss the need and challenges of accessing broadband in Indian Country and BIE schools.

**Week Ahead Announcements and Actions**

On June 23 or 26, the final rule on waiving Departmental review of appraisals and valuations of Indian property (43 CFR 100) will publish.

**30-60 Day Look-Ahead**

On July 7, the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs will hold a field hearing in Santa Fe, New Mexico on Native American Art and Crafts authentic crafts and fraudulent crafts.

July 10 is the new deadline for public comments for the Bears Ears National Monument, and the deadline for comments on all other monument designations under review.

On July 12, a Senate Committee on Indian Affairs hearing on Federal Recognition bills S. 1285 and S. 1223 is scheduled.

July 15 is the deadline for comments on E.O 13871, how Interior and the Federal government can be reorganized.

On July 19, 2017, a Senate Committee on Indian Affairs hearing oversight hearing on Indian Gaming is scheduled.

On July 26, a Senate Committee on Indian Affairs oversight hearing on “Human Trafficking” is scheduled.

August 12 is the deadline for proposals from Tribes for the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development’s (IEED’s) FY 2017 Native American Business Development Institute (NABDI) economic development feasibility study grant program. This grant program has, among other successes, enabled the Citizen Potawatomi Nation to build an industrial park and restore a 66-mile rail line that opens an east-west connection to four major north-south rail corridors for regional commerce.

### **Items of Note/Expected Legislative, Legal, Policy Issues**

#### ***Regulations Ready for OS Review***

- None at this time.

#### ***Regulations Pending Departmental Review, Then Ready for AS-IA Signature***

- **Proposed rules pending publication:**
  - **Indian Electric Power Utilities (25 CFR 175):** This proposed rule would not make any substantive changes to the regulations, but would revise the regulations to be in plain language. The regulations affect only a limited number of Tribes because there are only three BIA electric power utilities: Colorado River (serving the Colorado River Indian Tribes Reservation), Mission Valley Power (serving the Salish & Kootenai Tribes, Flathead Indian Reservation), and San Carlos Irrigation Project (serving Gila River Indian Community).
    - *Status:* The proposed rule will be presented to the AS-IA transition contact in preparation for AS-IA signature.

#### ***Upcoming FACA Committee Notices***

- **BIE Negotiated Rulemaking on Accountability (25 CFR 30):** The Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA) requires BIE to use a negotiated rulemaking process to develop regulations for implementation no later than the 2017-2018 academic year and to define the standards, assessments, and accountability system consistent with Section 1111 of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act (ESEA) for the schools funded by BIE on a national, regional, or tribal basis.

- *Status:* [No Change] BIE is preparing a new notice of intent to establish the committee and solicitation for membership.