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## **Tribal Consultation Schedule on Native American Voting Rights**

**What:** Best Practices and Strategies of Protecting the Native American Vote

**Purpose:** On March 7, 2021, the President issued an Executive Order on Promoting Access to Voting. The EO established an Interagency Steering Group on Native American Voting Rights (Steering Group). The charge of the Steering Group includes studying best practices for protecting voting rights of Native Americans and producing a report within 1 year of the date of this order outlining recommendations for providing such protection, consistent with applicable law. The Steering Group will engage in meaningful and robust consultation with Tribal Nations and Native leaders during this process and will include tribal recommendations in this report.

- **Southwest, Western and Navajo Regions**
  - Date: Wednesday, June 2, 2021
  - Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM ET / 11:00AM-1:00PM PT / 12:00PM-2:00PM MT
  - Format: Zoom Webinar
  
- **Pacific, Northwest Regions**
  - Date: Wednesday, June 16, 2021
  - Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM ET / 11:00AM-1:00PM PT / 12:00PM-2:00PM MT
  - Format: Zoom Webinar
  
- **Rocky Mountain Region, Eastern Oklahoma, Eastern, and Midwest Regions**
  - Date: Wednesday, July 28, 2021(Tentative)
  - Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM ET / 12:00PM-2:00PM MT
  - Format: Zoom Webinar
  
- **Southern Plains Region**
  - Date: Wednesday, August 18, 2021 (Tentative)
  - Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM ET / 1:00PM-3:00PM CT
  - Format: Zoom Webinar
  
- **Great Plains Region**
  - Date: Wednesday, September 29, 2021 (Tentative)
  - Time: 2:00PM-4:00PM ET / 1:00PM-3:00PM CT
  - Format: Zoom Webinar

- **Hawaii**

- Date: Wednesday, October 6, 2021 (Tentative)
- Time: TBD
- Format: TBD

- **Alaska**

- Date: October 21-23, 2021 (Tentative)
- Time: TBD
- Format: Zoom or In-person during the Alaska Federation of Natives Convention



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Dear Tribal Leader,

On March 7, 2021, President Biden issued an Executive Order on Promoting Access to Voting. Included in the Order is the establishment of a Native American Voting Rights Steering Group. The Steering Group, led by the Domestic Policy Council, is charged with studying best practices for protecting voting rights of Native Americans and producing a report within one year. The Order also stipulates that the Steering Group will engage in meaningful and robust consultation with Tribal Nations and Native leaders to inform the Steering Group regarding concerns and potential areas of focus for the report. The Steering Group will be making recommendations to increase voter outreach, education, registration and turnout in Native communities, as well as issues such as access to voting, increasing access to election-related materials and information in native languages, and mitigation of barriers to voting, to name a few.

Tribal input is critical in this effort. Therefore, the Steering Group will be engaging in several consultations across the country, both virtually and in-person, as allowable, over the coming months. Please see the attached schedule of the proposed consultations and a framing paper describing the information we are seeking.

The Steering Committee will be rescheduling the July 14<sup>th</sup> Tribal Consultation with the Southern and Eastern Regions and holding the next consultation on July 28<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00PM with the Rocky Mountain, Eastern Oklahoma, Eastern, and Midwest Regions. If you are unable to make the dates and time for your region you are always welcome to attend any session that works best for you. The remainder of the consultations are tentative at this time and we will send information confirming those dates soon.

You can register for the July 28<sup>th</sup> session by clicking the following link [HERE](#). Registration will be unique to you and nontransferable. Also attached is the revised schedule, agenda and framing paper.

Please reach out to Tracy Goodluck (b) (6) with any questions.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure:  
Consultation Schedule  
Agenda  
Framing Paper