

Contact Information:

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Section A: Summary Of Number Of Fee-To Trust Applications Pending With Your Tribe

1. What is the total acreage of parcels in the fee-to-trust application process? _____
2. How many tribal applications? _____ Acreage? _____
Average length of time pending? _____ (yrs./months) _____
3. How many individual applications? _____ Acreage? _____
4. What is the tax currently being paid on fee lands waiting trust status on your reservation?
Total: _____ How much for Tribal; _____ how much for individuals? _____
_____.
5. Major obstacles to the Tribe's application efforts (be specific). _____

6. Environmental Assessment issues: _____

7. How has your Tribe tried to address these problems (hiring or contracting with tribal dollars for positions to assist the BIA, etc.) _____

Section B: Rights-of-way questions:

1. How many "rights-of-way" are operating without a valid agreement on your reservation?

2. When negotiating new or renewing rights-of-way, what entity assists with appraisals – BIA, tribal appraisers, other? _____
3. What appraisal standards are used – the USPAP (Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practices) by which all federal agencies are supposed to comply or non-USPAP standards? USPAP _____ non-USPAP standards _____
Other _____

Section C: Probate/Inheritance questions:

1. Does your Tribe have an approved Tribal Probate Code? _____
2. Has your Tribe submitted a code to the Secretary of Interior in the last decade? _____
3. Has your code been accepted or rejected or did you have to modify your code? _____

4. DO YOU UNDERSTAND THE 2004 AMERICAN INDIAN PROBATE “REFORM” ACT (AIPRA)?

5. WAS ANY INFORMATION ABOUT AIPRA GIVEN OR PRESENTED TO YOU?

6. HAS PROBATE “REFORM” BEEN BENEFICIAL TO YOU? _____

7. WHAT IS YOUR OPINION ABOUT THE SPECIAL TRUSTEE DIRECTING THAT THE BIA WILL NO LONGER ASSIST WITH WILL MAKING, REVIEWING WILLS AS TO FORM, OR STORING WILLS? _____

8. WHAT IS THE BIGGEST PROBLEM YOU SEE IN INTERIOR’S ADMINISTRATION OF ITS PROBATE FUNCTION? _____

Further Comments: (Please refer to Section and Number; for example Section A: Question 3 if expanding on a response) _____

Thank You For Taking The Time To Respond To This Questionnaire!