

Restoration Of Native Lands & Resources

Monday – October 26th
Concurrent Training Tracks #1 - #4
9:00 am - 12:00 noon – 1:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Track #1: RIGHTS OF WAY & The Need For Tribal Rights of Way Ordinances:

Morning

- Rights of Way Basics & Federal Law;
- Right of Way Negotiations;

Afternoon

- Developing Projects and Gaining Access to the Grid;
- Transmission Issues Current Events.

Track #2: INDIAN WATER RIGHTS & Tribal Water Management Plans & Codes:

Morning

- Major Issues of Federal Indian Reserved Water Rights
- Tribal Authority under the Clean Water Act;

Afternoon

- Water Modeling Techniques/Resources for Monitoring & Planning;
- Basin-by-Basin Tribal Organization.

Track #3: LAND RESTORATION & Federal/Non-Federal Land Acquisition Opportunities:

Morning

- Current Law & Recent Decisions Impacting Tribal & Individual Fee-to-Trust
- The Fee-To-Trust Application Process

Afternoon

- Filing a Successful Fee-To-Trust Application
- DOI Fee-To-Trust Handbook & Tribal Recommendations

Track #4: ALLOTMENT ISSUES & The Need To Identify Allottee Rights/Responsibilities:

Morning

- Laws Impacting Individual Ownership;
- Elements of Managing An Allotment;

Afternoon

- Consolidating Fractionated Land Interests: Tribal & Individual Models
- Tribal Ordinance Application to Allotments

Special Event: Welcome Reception

Symposium Theme: "Restoration of Native Lands & Resources"

Tuesday Morning – October 27th

General Session

8:30 a.m. – 12:00 Noon

Welcome By Host and Sponsor: Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma and ILWG Chair

Keynote Address:

Panel #1: Sovereignty & Jurisdiction: Use of Tribal Authorities

- Development & Implementation of Tribal Rights of Way/Trespass Ordinances
- Indian Water Rights Protection: Tribal Water Commissions & Tribal-State Water Compact Agreements
- Land Restoration: Territory-Wide Tribal Land Consolidation Plans/Ordinances
- Development of Inclusive Tribal Inheritance Codes

- Break -

Panel # 2: Legislative/Legal Report

- Hard Rock Mineral & Mining Act;
- Navajo Nation v. U.S. Forest Service
- Carcieri v. Kempthorne
- Keepseagle v. Veneman

Tuesday Afternoon – October 27th

General Session

1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Panel #3: Tribal & Allotted Land & Resource Valuations

- Importance of Establishing Tribal Valuation Procedures within Tribal Rights of Way Ordinances and Tribal Water Codes/Settlements/Compacts
- Finding and Working with an Appraiser
- Aspects of an Appraisal
- Appraisal Methodologies

- Break -

Panel #4 : Update on Implementation of Major Land And Resource Initiatives

- *Energy Act of 2005*: Determination of National Interest Electric Corridors & Energy Corridors
- *Federal Energy Resource Commission (FERC)*: Approval of Transmission Lines
- *Base Realignment and Closure Act*: BIA Regional Office Responsibilities to Petitioning Tribes
- *Federal Land & Policy Management Act*: Land Transfer & Exchange Opportunities
- *Indian Self-Determination & Education Assistance Act (ISDEAA)*: Tribal Right to Acquire Excess & Surplus Property

Wednesday Morning – October 28th
General Session
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon

Panel # 5: Policy Reform: Discussion of Land & Resource Policy Issues

Rights of Way: Supplementing Current Regulations in 25 CFR Sec. 169 With Tribal Rules

Indian Water Rights: Water Shed Restoration: Clean Water; Native Habitat & Species Survival; Dam Removal

- Break -

Land Restoration: Who's Benefiting From Taxation of Native Land & Resources

Allotment Issues: Use of Power of Attorney and Formation of Lease Councils for Protection of Allotted Lands & Resources

Wednesday Afternoon – October 28, 2009
Concurrent Training Modules #1 - #4
1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Training Track #1: RIGHTS OF WAY

- Tribal Utility Authorities

Break: 2:30 – 3:00

- Tribal & Individual Energy & Companies

Training Track #2: INDIAN WATER RIGHTS

- Water Settlement Agreements vs. Negotiation

Break: 2:30 – 3:00

- Water Valuations For Marketing/Leasing Water

Training Track #3: LAND RESTORATION

- Placing Tribal Lands Into Non Trust/Non-Taxable Status

Break: 2:30 – 3:00

- Federal, Congressional & Private Investment Opportunities for Land Acquisition & Development Financing

Training Track #4: ALLOTMENT ISSUES

- Accessing Land Records & Identifying Errors

Break: 2:30 – 3:00

- Building A Tribal/Individual Records Program

Special Event: Dinner & Live Fundraiser Auction

*Thursday Morning – October 29th
General Session
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon*

Panel #6: Land Restoration/Conservation/Development Resources: Discussion of the Budget, Policy, Program, & Technical Resources available to Tribes and Allottees from the Federal and Private Sectors

- DOI, DOD, USDA & DOE: Land & Natural Resources Protection/Management/Stimulus Programs & Budget

- Break -

- Native American Land Conservancy (NALC)
- Trust for Public Lands – Tribal Land Acquisition Program (TLAP)

Special Event: Luncheon & Keynote Address

*Thursday – October 29th
Afternoon Session
1:30 – 3:00 p.m.*

ILWG Committee Chairs: Overview of ILWG 2009-2010 Plan of Action

- Discussion of the Policy, Legal, Regulatory & Legislative Changes Identified During the Conference
- Discuss Congressional Summits for 2009 & 2010
- Confirm Dates

Wrap Up/Conference Close

Afternoon Committee Meetings & Caucuses

The 4 ILWG issue committees will develop ILWG resolutions in response to issues raised during the conference. The Committee Chairs will submit the resolutions to the Board by 5:00 pm on Thursday, October 29th, for consideration at the ILWG Board Meeting scheduled for Friday morning, 8:00 – 10:00 am

- Land Restoration/Fee To Trust Committee
- Rights of Way Committee
- Estate Planning & Probate
- Indian Water Working Group – Tribal Water Basin Caucuses

*Friday Morning – October 30, 2009
Ad Hoc Committee Meetings & Host Tribe Tours*

**Tribal Tours:
8:00 – 10:30 a.m. & 10:30 – 12:00 noon & 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.**