Co-developing USDA FS New Strategy for Protecting Communities and Improving Resilience in America’s Forests

Hosted by Intertribal Timber Council
Tribal Information Session
Agenda

Date: Wednesday, December 1, 2021
Time: 11:30 am – 1:00 pm AZT / 12:30 pm – 2:00 pm PT / 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm MT
2:30 pm – 4:00 pm CT / 3:30 pm – 5:00 pm ET

Coordinating Partners: Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), Forest Service Office of Tribal Relations (OTR), Forest Service Wildfire Risk Reduction Infrastructure Team (WRRIT)

Format: Informational session on the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding for use in USDA Forest Service fuels and fire risk mitigation work. Please note that this is not a consultation session, but intended for information sharing purposes. Details shall be shared on upcoming formal Government-to-Government Consultation

Goal: Share with interested Tribal governments & staff the context and early framing of a Strategic Implementation Plan for wildfire risk reduction. Identify how the plan relates to the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act funding. Share opportunities for Tribal involvement in implementation of the Plan. Listen to feedback, seek strategies for on-going engagement and identify opportunities for continued discussions in developing the final Strategic Implementation Plan. Feedback will be recorded and reported to agency officials for incorporation into upcoming forums and consultation opportunities scheduled for 2022.

Agenda (all times ET):

3:30 pm Invocation – Don Motanic, Technical Specialist, ITC

3:35 pm Welcome - Cody Desautel, President ITC & Reed Robinson, Director OTR

3:45 pm Background & Overview of Forest Service 10-year Strategy - Brian Ferebee, Chief Executive of Intergovernmental Relations, WRRIT

4:00 pm Summary of Previous ITC Discussions on the 10-year Plan - Cody Desautel

Questions & Answers

4:15 pm Implementation Topics for Consideration, Facilitated Discussion - Stephanie Lucero, Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation

4:50 pm Moving Forward – Reed Robinson

5:00 pm Conclude

Thank You for your Participation!