

AGENDA

Oceti Sakowin Conference, Rapid City, July 8-10, 2013 Holiday Inn, Rushmore Plaza, Hosted by Standing Rock Sioux Tribe

*All meetings in Dakota Ball Room, except for Education Caucus (see below)

Monday, July 8: ICWA, Sacred Sites

Enforcement of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA):

8:30 Welcome: Jesse Taken Alive and Phyllis Young (SRST)

8:35 Prayer and Children's Song

8:45 Video on Summit to "Bring Our Children Home"

8:55 Overview: Chase Iron Eyes (SRST), "Our Need for Direct Federal Funding for our Child and Family Services"

9:05 Directors from Washington State's Port Gamble S'Klallam tribe, "Complete Solution for all Title IV Programs" (re. federal funding for tribally-run foster and adoptive care)

10:15 Break

10:30 Emily Iron Cloud & Roxanne Two Bulls (OST, LOWO), "The Lakota Practice Model"

11:00 Sicangu Child and Family Services (RST)

11:30 Deborah Divine (Sisseton), Data Control Director for Child Protective Service, "Why 98% of our children are placed in Native homes"

12:00 Discussion: How each SD tribal program could improve if it had direct funding.

12:20 Conclusion: Chase Iron Eyes on the role of the Tribal Chairmen and Assistant Secretary of the Department of Interior Kevin Washburn.

Sacred Sites:

1:30 Opening: Arvol Looking Horse, "Urgency in protecting sacred sites"

- 2:30** Tim Mentz Sr. (SRST), Vantage Project, “Site Discoveries on US-Canadian border”
- 3:30** Russell Eagle Bear (RST Council/RST THPO), “Update on Pe’ Sla”
- 4:30** Waste’ Win Young (SRST THPO), “Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Uranium Projects in Lakota/Dakota Country”. Also, Black Hills Forest Projects open discussion for future action: “How to get youth informed and involved.”

*A discussion will also be had about the Keystone Pipeline, led by the Standing Rock, Cheyenne River, and Oglala Sioux Tribes

Tuesday, July 9: Health, Water Rights

Health:

- 8:30-12:30** Forums to be led by Petra Reyna (SRST), Cecelia Big Crow (OST), and Denise Casillas (CRST). Details TBA.

Water Rights:

- 1:30-5:30** Forum to be led by Peter Capposela (SRST). Details TBA.

Wednesday, July 10: Resolutions

- 8:30-12:30** Tribal leaders will determine next steps, including resolutions to be taken back to Tribal Council.

*Throughout the first two days, 8:30-5, there will be an ongoing Education Caucus led by Richard Lunderman (RST) and Emma Jean Blue Earth (SRST). It will meet in the Board Room.

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