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## State-Tribal Relations Committee

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### **FINAL AGENDA** **STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS COMMITTEE** March 22-24, 2016

**NOTE: AGENDA ITEM TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE--SOME ITEMS MAY TAKE MORE OR LESS TIME THAN IS ALLOTTED.**

#### **Tuesday, March 22, 2016**

Fort Peck Community College Auditorium, 605 Indian Avenue, Poplar

9:00 a.m.                    **Call to Order - Roll Call - Chairman Windy Boy**  
**Welcome and Opening Prayer**

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#### **Joint Session of the State-Tribal Relations Interim Committee and the Fort Peck Tribal Executive Board**

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10:45 a.m.                    **OPI Wrap-around Services for Youth**  
• Mandy Smoker-Broaddus, Indian Education Director, OPI  
• Stephanie Iron Shooter, Caring Schools Coordinator, OPI  
Public comment  
Questions/discussion -- STRC  
Committee action, if any

11:15 a.m.                    **Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council**  
• Mike Andreini, Director, RMT Epidemiology Center  
• Dyani Bingham, Director, Transitional Recovery & Culture Project  
• Roy Pack, Director, Strategic Programs  
Public comment  
Questions/discussion -- STRC  
Committee action, if any

12:00 p.m.                    Lunch Break

- 1:00 p.m.           **State implementation of the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA)**  
 ICWA refresher: Melissa Schlichting, Assistant Attorney General  
 ICWA Perspectives
- Honorable Katherine Bidegaray, 7th Judicial District
  - Georgette Hogan Boggio, Fort Peck ICWA Attorney
  - Roy Pack, Strategic Programs Director, Rocky Mountain Tribal Leaders Council
- Public comment  
 Questions/discussion -- STRC  
 Committee action, if any
- 3:00 p.m.           Break
- 3:15 p.m.           **Montana Indian Language Program (MILP) Update**
- Heather Sobrepena-George, Section Manager, Office of Native American Development, Dept. of Commerce
  - Ramey Growing Thunder, Director, Fort Peck Language and Culture Department
- Public comment  
 Questions/discussion -- STRC  
 Committee action, if any
- 4:00 p.m.           **"Concurrent Jurisdiction" as used in the Fort Peck Oil & Natural Gas Production Agreement**
- Ms. Sankey
- Public comment  
 Questions/discussion -- STRC  
 Committee action, if any
- 4:15 p.m.           **Public comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the STRC
- 4:30 p.m.           Recess

**Wednesday, March 23, 2016**

Northern Winz Casino Bingo Room, 11275 US 87, Box Elder

- 1:00 p.m.           **Call to Order** - Chairman Windy Boy  
**Welcome and Opening Prayer**
- 1:05 p.m.           **Indian Language Immersion Program Update (SB 272)**
- Mandy Smoker-Broaddus, Indian Education Director, OPI
  - Browning Public Schools Immersion Program
    - Billie Jo Juneau, Native American Studies Director
    - Tonia Tatsey, Primary Grades Assistant Principal
    - Carolynn Zubach, Immersion Teacher
- Public comment  
 Questions/discussion -- STRC  
 Committee action, if any

2:05 p.m. **MILP continued: Chippewa Cree Tribe Language Preservation Program**

- Nathaniel St. Pierre, President, Stone Child College
- Mary Big Bow, Program Coordinator

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- STRC

Committee action, if any

2:35 p.m. **St. Mary's Canal/Diversion Update**

- Steve Davies, Bureau of Reclamation

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- STRC

Committee action, if any

3:05 p.m. **Public comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and that is within the jurisdiction of the STRC

3:15 p.m. Break

3:30 p.m. **American Indian Youth Suicide Prevention**

- Funding update, Lesa Evers, Tribal Relations Manager, DPHHS

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- STRC

Committee action, if any

3:45 p.m. **Sweetgrass Workshop**

- Chippewa Cree Suicide Prevention Task Force

5:00 p.m. Recess

**Thursday, March 24, 2016**

Northern Winz Casino Bingo Room, 11275 US 87, Box Elder

8:00 a.m. **Call to Order - Chairman Windy Boy  
Welcome and Opening Prayer**

**Study of Cultural Patrimony**

- Alvin Windy Boy, Sr., Chippewa Cree Tribal Historic Preservation Officer
- Other traditionalist perspectives, Rep. Kipp

Public comment

Questions/discussion -- STRC

Committee action, if any

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9:00 a.m. **Joint Session of the State-Tribal Relations Interim Committee  
and the Chippewa Cree Business Committee**

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- 11:00 a.m.           **STRC Member Reports: Informal Discussions w/ Tribal Leaders**  
•           STRC members  
Public comment  
Questions/discussion -- STRC  
Committee action, if any
- 11:15 a.m.           **Governor's Office of Indian Affairs Update**  
•           Jason Smith, State Director  
Public comment  
Questions/discussion -- STRC  
Committee action, if any
- 11:45 a.m.           **Committee discussion of October 2015 public comment**  
•           Sen. Fielder  
Public comment  
Questions/discussion -- STRC  
Committee action, if any
- 12:00 p.m.           **Public comment** on any matter not contained in this agenda and  
that is within the jurisdiction of the STRC
- Other Business**  
                          **Instructions to Staff**
- 12:15 p.m.           **Adjourn**

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