Tribal-Federal Engagement on Climate Adaptation Planning

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The Hand Out package:
- ITC budget briefing
- DOI Handbook
- DOI Adaptation Plan
The “Lead Science Agency Concept” of Funding

The Future of Budgets (???)
Interagency Tribal Climate Change Working Groups:

- Coordinate grants
- Coordinated Tribal Consultation
- TEK Working Group
- Interagency Land Management Adaptation Group (non-Tribal)
  - Interagency tools
Other Agencies Commitment to Tribal Engagement

- CSCs (USGS)- $500K in FY13 President’s budget.
- LCCs- $ (amount unknown)
- NFWPCAS
- Consultation
### LCC Tribal Engagement

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CSC Tribal Engagement

- The CSC Federal Advisory Committee:
  - 19 Tribal nominees out of 100 total.
  - 2 Committee member: ??????.

- Northwest CSC has steering Committee members
DOI Policy that applies to Trust land management and all DOI support in Indian Country

- DOI 523 DM1 (See Hand out).
- DOI Adaptation Plan (See Hand out)- COMMENTS TO Interior DUE 4/12/13
TEK and CSCs and LCCs

North Pacific Landscape Conservation Cooperative

- Tribal / First Nations Committee
  - Provide guidance to Tribal/Native reps. on the SC

- NPLCC Partnership Community
  - Entities with land and resource management interests in the NPLCC region
  - Communicate interests and needs to the SC & subcommittees
  - Contribute resources (personnel) for SC and subcommittees
  - NPLCC project execution
  - Use of NPLCC products in their decision-making
  - Share information & resources

- Steering Committee
  - Direction

- Subcommittees
  - Partnership Liaison Subcommittee
  - Science/Traditional Ecological Knowledge Subcommittee
  - Communications & Outreach Subcommittee

- Staff
  - LCC Coordinator Science Coordinator
  - Support & info. to SC and all subcommittees
  - Oversight of NPLCC project execution

- Resources & needs
  - Data, information & products

- Technical & Geographic Teams (as needed)
BIA Climate Change Support Grants:

- FY11- there were 14 Grants, including vulnerability assessments, adaptation planning, and travel to participate in climate change workshops & LCCs or CSCs.
- FY12,
- FY13 C.R.- No funding
FY13 President’s Budget
(PROPOSED- assume FY14)

- $1 million to BIA
  - Competitive Grants for Tribes and BIA Programs
    - Vulnerability Assessments, Adaptation Planning
      (implementation in following FYs).
  - Training
  - Tool Development/Technical Support
Proposed Grant Criteria:

- Multiple Tribes benefit
- A single Tribe benefits
- Multiple programs within a Tribe benefit
- A single program benefits
- Builds tool for future vulnerability or adaptation plan for”
  - multiple Tribes
  - Single Tribe
- Complete previously funded project.
- Support for participation at CSC/LCCs (% set aside)
Tribal Political Voice in DC:

- NCAI-
  - Dean Polchies Climate change portfolio for NCAI.

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Successful Tribal Input and Support:

- Tribes have been successful communicating to the Administration.
- Tribes have been successful highlighting TEK.
- Tribes have been successful in some CSCs and LCCs.
  - Other CSCs and LCCs are asking how to engage more Tribes.
For questions or comments?

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