

COURSE AGENDA

A Primer on County Tribal Relationships

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Thursday, July 7, 2016

Description

California is home to over 100 federally recognized Indian tribes and numerous other Native American tribes recognized by the State of California, all which reside in California's 58 counties. The United States and California's complex and varied history with Indian tribes provides a difficult to understand and sometimes challenging environment in which counties interface with these sovereign nations. This course will provide a thorough review of important historical milestones in national tribal law and relationships and discuss how the existing federal and state statutory and regulatory framework is relevant to counties today. Further, the course will explore the ways in which counties interface with tribes outside of federal and state requirements and have been building cooperative intergovernmental relationships for the mutual benefit of tribes and counties.

Agenda

Times are approximate

9:30 **Welcome, Small Group Discussion**

Mike McGowan, Former Yolo County Supervisor and Moderator

What are your experiences with tribal governments? What questions do you have that you hope this class will answer today?

9:50 **Federal Level: The Foundations of Tribal Law**

Professor Katherine Florey, UC Davis School of Law

- ◆ A history of federal-tribal law
- ◆ Current federal tribal laws and what are that practical implications for counties

11:00 **State Level: More than Just Gaming Compacts**

Local Intergovernmental Agreements

Mike McGowan, Former Yolo County Supervisor

Alison Harvey, United Auburn Indian Community

Bruce Goldstein, Sonoma County

Discussion explores diplomacy, relationships and negotiations with a focus on understanding roles/governmental status and aligning expectations accordingly. Tribal-state gaming compacts are examined along with details on the newer compact provisions included in Brown compacts. Discussion also reviews non-compact related MOUs.

Noon LUNCH (provided)

12:45 **Local-Tribal Consultation**

Laura Miranda, Pechanga Band of Luiseno Indians

Jeff Brax, Sonoma County

Glenn Russell, Santa Barbara County

Holly Roberson, Governor's Office of Planning & Research

Discussion will highlight SB 18: Tribal consultation opportunity and notice on general plan and open space changes to protect tribal cultural resources; and AB 52: Tribal consultation opportunity and notice on projects to protect tribal cultural resources.

2:20 Partnership Opportunities

Jennifer Sargent, Riverside County

Jacob Mejia, Tribal Alliance of Sovereign Indian Nations

Holly Roberson, Governor's Office of Planning & Research

A case study of an agreement between the County of Riverside and TASIN is explored to look at the history, the issues which brought the parties together, challenges faced and how they were addressed, and success achieved. Group discussion highlights opportunities for counties and tribes to partner together for the benefit of tribe and county – state, federal, and/or non-profit grant programs.

3:15 Closing Comments

Mike McGowan, Former Yolo County Supervisor and Moderator