



United States Department of Agriculture

Office of the Secretary

Office of Tribal Relations

1400 Independence Avenue, SW Room 501-A Whitten Bldg. Washington, DC 20250

Phone # 202-205-2249 Fax # 202-720-1058 Dear Tribal Leader:

On behalf of the U.S. Secretary of Agriculture, you are cordially invited to a tribal consultation to discuss the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations (FDPIR). The purpose of this meeting is to continue discussions regarding the priorities and needs of tribal communities who operate FDPIR.

The meeting is scheduled during the upcoming Intertribal Agriculture Council's Annual Meeting.

Date:

Tuesday, December 10, 2019

Time:

1:00 pm - 6:00 pm Pacific Time

Location:

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino

Room: TBD (Please check www.usda.gov/otr for updates)

4455 Paradise Road Las Vegas, NV 89169

702-693-5000

In the event you cannot attend and wish to send a proxy, please notify USDA Office of Tribal Relations (OTR) by December 4, 2019. To designate a proxy for this meeting, please copy the attached delegation form to tribal letterhead. This designation will authorize your designee, in writing, who will attend in your place. The delegation will apply to this consultation only. USDA encourages that your proxy, should one be designated, be an elected tribal leader in recognition of our government-to-government relationship. In addition, you are welcome to bring program leadership and staff from your nation to the tribal consultation as observers.

We hope that you will join us for this important discussion. Please contact me at Tribal.Relations@usda.gov to confirm your or your designee's participation and if you have any items for the agenda. Once finalized, updates and the agenda will be posted on the USDA OTR website at: www.usda.gov/otr.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to seeing you on December 10th!

All the best

Diane L. Cullo

Director, Office of Tribal Relations

Attachment:

Tribal Leader Proxy Letter