

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
INDIAN TELECOMMUNICATIONS INITIATIVES

# ITI RAPID CITY REGIONAL WORKSHOP AND ROUNDTABLE

IN COOPERATION WITH THE  
NATIONAL TRIBAL  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS  
ASSOCIATION



Rushmore Plaza Civic Center  
Rapid City, SD  
May 26 - 27, 2004

**Federal  
Communications  
Commission**

The FCC hosts the Rapid City Regional Workshop and Roundtable in cooperation with the National Tribal Telecommunications Association, an association of Tribally-owned, operated and regulated telecommunications companies, in the spirit of the government-to-government trust relationship shared by American Indian tribes, Alaska Native villages, and the FCC. The FCC's Indian Telecommunications Initiatives seek to promote understanding, cooperation and trust.

## **ITI Rapid City Regional Workshop May 26, 2004**

The ITI Rapid City Regional Workshop will address telecommunications issues facing Indian Country with the goal of providing clear, practical information that tribal leaders and decision-



makers can use to prioritize their own telecommunications deployment goals and economic development agendas for their communities and citizens.

- The presentations and discussions will focus on the fundamentals—critical information about telecommunications services and infrastructure presented in a “how to,” hands-on way.
- Regional-specific issues will be examined and interactive solution-oriented sessions will target how different technologies, policies, regulations, and government programs can benefit tribal communities.



## Agenda Highlights

May 26:

### **ITI Rapid City Regional Workshop**

A full-day session focusing on:

- Tribal Telecom and Service Strategies
- Infrastructure Feasibility Assessment
- Financial Strategies and Management
- Universal Service and Federal Programs
- Native Telecom Projects and Applications

May 27:

### **ITI Rapid City Regional Roundtable**

A three-hour session focusing on:

- FCC rules, policies and programs for Indian Country
- Intergovernmental Tribal - FCC dialogue
- Future Tribal - FCC outreach and coordination opportunities

The ITI Rapid City Regional Workshop and Roundtable is hosted **FREE OF CHARGE** by the FCC for all registrants.

Come join in the discussion of tribal telecom development issues and policies.

## **ITI RAPID CITY REGIONAL ROUNDTABLE MAY 27, 2004**

Building upon the presentations and discussions of the workshop, and within the context of the trust relationship between the FCC and tribes, FCC representatives will host this ITI Roundtable with tribal leaders, representatives, and organizations to discuss, listen and learn about tribal telecommunications needs and priorities. The ITI Roundtable will consist of:

- Interactive consultation discussions about Commission rules, programs, and policies encouraging deployment and affecting telecommunications services in Indian Country.
- Intergovernmental conversations to establish working relationships with tribal governments and organizations.
- Productive dialogue on how to work with tribes to fulfill the objectives of the FCC Indian Telecommunications Initiatives to promote understanding, cooperation and a strong trust relationship.

### **REGISTRATION AND INFO:**

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MOCCASINS AND OTHER FOOTWEAR FROM THE NMAI  
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