

MIDWEST REGION

# BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS FIRST ANNUAL PARTNERS IN ACTION CONFERENCE

AUGUST 9-11, 2011  
GRAND CASINO HINCKLEY  
CONVENTION CENTER, HINCKLEY, MN

**Save the Date**

**HOTEL RESERVATION'S  
EXTENDED  
TO JULY 25TH!!**

**OFFICIAL  
Conference Agenda  
attached!**

**REGISTRATION FOR  
THE CONFERENCE WILL  
BE ACCEPTED THRU  
AUGUST 9TH, 2011!**

The First Annual **Partners in Action** Conference is an opportunity for Tribes and Tribal leaders to participate and share their expertise of tribal and federal programs in regard to trust and Indian services programs.

Information to be presented at the  
conference:

- Realty
- Probate
- Fee-to Trust
- Roads
- Forestry
- Social Services
- Self-Determination
- Property
- Budget
- Archeological
- Environmental
- Office of Appraisal Services
- Housing Improvement (HIP)

## LODGING INFORMATION EXTENDED

**GRAND CASINO HOTEL -HINCKLEY**  
Room Block: Midwest Bureau of Indian  
Affairs Annual Conference

Confirmation

Number: (REG0808)

Rate: \$49 + Tax

Phone: 1-800-468-3517

**DEADLINE FOR RESERVATIONS  
EXTENDED UNTIL JULY 25, 2011**



**MONDAY EVENING**

**CONFERENCE CENTER - Ballroom 4**

4:00 - 8:00 pm Early Registration  
(Refreshments Provided)

Registration Team

**TUESDAY MORNING SESSION**

**BALLROOM FOUR**

**OPENING PLENARY SESSION**

7:00 - 9:00 am Registration  
9:00 - 9:10 am Introduction to the Conference  
9:10 - 9:20 am Presentation of Colors  
  
9:20 - 9:25 am Opening Prayer  
9:25 - 9:35 am Welcome by the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe  
  
9:35 - 10:00 am Welcome by the Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs, and Acknowledgement and Introduction of Midwest Tribal Leaders  
  
10:00 - 10:15 am BREAK  
10:15 - 11:15 am Keynote Speaker  
  
11:15 - 11:25 am State of the Region  
  
11:25 - 11:35 am Midwest Region - Division of Trust Services  
  
11:35 - 11:45 am Midwest Region - Division of Indian Services  
  
11:45 - Noon Conference Venue and Layout, Procedural Rules, Presentation Formats, Conference Ballroom/Tree Room Contacts, Conference Agenda  
Noon - 1:30 pm LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

**Registration Desk - Registration Team**  
**Robert Jackson, Master of Ceremonies**  
**Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe - Am Vets Post 53**  
**Color Guard**  
**Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Tribal Elder**  
**Carolyn Shaw, Commissioner of**  
**Administration, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe**

**Diane Rosen, Regional Director, Midwest**  
**Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs**

**Representative - TBD - Office of the Assistant**  
**Secretary - Indian Affairs**  
**Diane Rosen, Regional Director, Midwest**  
**Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs**  
**Tammie Poitra, Deputy Director-Trust**  
**Services, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian**  
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**Todd Kennedy, Deputy Director-Indian**  
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**TUESDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

**BALLROOM ONE**

1:30 - 1:45 pm --  
1:45 - 2:30 pm **Title IV - E Application Process: Irene Carillo, Administration for Children and Families, Dept. of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.; Judy Heath, Director, Social Services, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community**  
  
2:30 - 2:45 pm BREAK  
2:45 - 3:30 pm **Title IV - E Application Process: Irene Carillo, Administration for Children and Families, Dept. of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.; Judy Heath, Director, Social Services, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community**  
  
3:30 - 4:30 pm **Title IV - E Application Process: Irene Carillo, Administration for Children and Families, Dept. of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C.; Judy Heath, Director, Social Services, Keweenaw Bay Indian Community**

**BALLROOM TWO**

1:30 - 1:45 pm --  
1:45 - 2:30 pm **Transportation (Roads) National Update/Reauthorization: Leroy Gishi, Chief, Division of Transportation, Central Office, Bureau of Indian Affairs**  
  
2:30 - 2:45 pm BREAK  
2:45 - 3:00 pm **Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) Coordinating Committee Update: Mike Moilanen, Director of Planning and Project Management, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe**  
3:00 - 3:15 pm **Regional Update: Tony Saccoman, Supervisory Highway Engineer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Dave O'Donahue, Supervisory Highway Engineer, Great Lakes Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs**

3:15 - 3:30 pm Indian Reservation Roads (IRR) Inventory Update: *Tom Fronk, Highway Engineer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

3:30 - 4:00 pm American Recovery & Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Project Status: *Michael Vasquez, Highway Engineer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

4:00 - 4:30 pm Program Delivery Options: *Todd Kennedy, Supervisory Highway Engineer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

**BALLROOM THREE**

1:30 - 1:45 pm --

1:45 - 2:30 pm Budget and Budget-Related Topics: *Christopher Katzenmiller, Deputy Chief, Field Budget Operations, Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs*

2:30 - 2:45 pm BREAK

2:45 - 3:30 pm Budget and Budget-Related Topics: *Michael Taylor, Division Chief, Field Budget Operations, Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs*

3:30 - 4:30 pm BUDGET: *Mark Montano, Red Cliff Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians; Darryl Seki, Red Lake Band of Chippewa Indians, Tribal Interior Budget Committee Members*

**BALLROOM FOUR**

1:30 - 1:45 pm "Let's Move! in Indian Country": *Tammie Poitra, Deputy Director - Trust Services, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

1:45 - 2:30 pm Residential Leases and Mortgages on Trust Lands: Panel: *Kayla Danks, Realty Officer, Midwest Region; Tom Burr, Realty Officer, Minnesota Agency; Pam Vande Venter, Realty Specialist, Great Lakes Agency; Courtney Gesinger, Realty Specialist, Midwest Region*

2:30 - 2:45 pm BREAK

2:45 - 3:30 pm Fee to Trust Initiative: National Fee to Trust Team members: *Diane Baker, Supervisory Realty Specialist, Midwest Division of Fee to Trust and Patty Olby, Superintendent, Minnesota Agency. Midwest Region Commentary: Kayla Danks, Realty Officer*

3:30 - 4:00 pm National Indian Gaming Commission: *John Guerber, Regional Director*

4:00 - 4:30 pm Lockbox and Lockbox Initiatives: Panel: *Mervel Harris, Lockbox Liaison, Courtney Gesinger, Realty Specialist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Jewel Taber, Office of the Special Trustee - Fiduciary Trust Officer, Ashland, WI; Roger Heger, Office of the Special Trustee - Fiduciary Trust Officer, Bemidji, MN.*

5:00 - 6:00 pm Tribal Roundtable: *Lisa Johnson, Director of Real Estate, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Contact*

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1:45 - 2:30 pm Property (Screener Cards): *Marlene Virden, Supply Management Officer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

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**SPRUCE**

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3:30 - 4:30 pm University of Minnesota Master of Tribal Administration and Governance Program: *Tadd Johnson, Chair, American Indian Studies Department, University of Minnesota*

**ASPEN**

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5:00 - 6:00 PM **EVENING MIXER**  
 Interaction & discussion with Informational Booth/Display Participants

**WEDNESDAY MORNING SESSION****BALLROOM ONE**

8:00 - 9:30 am Housing Improvement Program: *Art Hacker, Housing Program Specialist, Great Plains Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Les Jensen, Housing Program Officer, Alaska Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

9:30 - 9:45 am BREAK

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**BALLROOM TWO**

8:00 - 9:30 am

Overview of the Financial and Business Management System (FBMS):  
*Clarissa (Cis) Kuennen, Indian Affairs FBMS Change Management Lead, Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs; Michael Sciortino, Chief, Financial Systems Division, Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs*

9:30 - 9:45 am BREAK

9:45 - 10:30 am Self Governance: 20+ Years of Success: *Sharee Freeman, Director, Office of Self Governance, Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs*

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**BALLROOM THREE**

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*Presentation Information will be provided at the Conference*

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Water Resources: *Mary Manydeeds, Hydrologist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

9:30 - 9:45 am

BREAK

9:45 - 10:30 am

Wildlife and Parks Funding Opportunities - Base Funding and Competitive Funding: *Robert Jackson, Fishery Biologist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

10:30 - Noon

The Status of Asian Carp in the Great Lakes Basin: Representative - *US Fish and Wildlife Service*

Noon - 1:30 pm

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

**BALLROOM FOUR**

8:00 - 9:30 am

Rights of Way on Trust Lands: Panel: *Jay Daniels, Realty Specialist, Midwest Region; Tom Burr, Realty Officer, Minnesota Agency; Gloria Koehne, Realty Specialist, Western Region; Chris Herman, Realty Specialist, Minnesota Agency; Dena Mortenson, Realty Specialist, Great Lakes Agency; Alice Peterson, Office of the Solicitor*

9:30 - 9:45 am

BREAK

9:45 - 10:45 am

Trespass/Lease Violation Process: Panel: *Jay Daniels, Realty Specialist, Midwest Region; Tom Burr, Realty Officer, Minnesota Agency; Chris Herman, Realty Specialist, Minnesota Agency*

10:45 - 11:45 am

Trust to Trust Transactions: Panel: *Kayla Danks, Realty Officer, Midwest Region; Marcia Kimball, Office of the Solicitor*

Noon - 1:30 pm

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**BALLROOM TWO**

1:30 - 2:30 pm

**Office of the Special Trustee Overview: Doug Lords, Deputy Special Trustee-Field Operations, Office of the Special Trustee; Tom Reynolds, Regional Fiduciary Trust Administrator, Midwest/Rocky Mountain Regions, Office of the Special Trustee**

2:30 - 2:45 pm

BREAK

2:45 - 3:30 pm

**Office of the Special Trustee-Office of Appraisal Services Overview: Valerie Greene, Midwest Region Supervisory Appraiser, Office of Appraisal Services-Midwest Region**

3:30 - 4:30 pm

**Minnesota Chippewa Tribes (MCT) Appraisal Land Project: Panel: Diane Baker, Project Lead, Tom Burr, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Valerie Greene, Office of Appraisal Services; tribal representatives**

**BALLROOM THREE**

1:30 - 1:45 pm

Social Services - Regional Updates: *Valerie Vasquez, Regional Social Worker, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

1:45 - 3:30 pm

"Strengthening Families": *Cecelia Tso, Grants and Contracts Officer, University of Utah College of Education*

3:30 - 4:45 pm

BREAK

3:45 - 4:45 pm

Experiential Learning for Children with Special Needs: *Chris Dorn, Territory Manager, RealityWorks*

**BALLROOM FOUR**

1:30 - 1:45 pm

The Probate Process: *Roberta Larvingo, Supervisory Legal Administrative Specialist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

1:45 - 2:30 pm

The Office of Hearings and Appeals (OHA) and the American Indian Probate Reform Act (AIPRA): *Honorable Earl J. Waits, Chief Administrative Law Judge, Office of Hearings and Appeals*

2:30 - 2:45 pm

BREAK

2:45 - 3:30 pm

The Indian Land Consolidation Office Buy Back Program: *Wendy Meierotto, Regional Coordinator, Indian Land Consolidation Center*

3:30 - 4:30 pm

Land Titles and Records Office: *Nilah Solomon, Manager, Great Plains/Midwest Regions; Dawn Laducer, Deputy Manager, Great Plains/Midwest Regions*

5:00 - 6:00 pm

Tribal Roundtable: *Lisa Johnson, Director of Real Estate, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Contact*

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*Emerald Ash Borer: Michael Benedict, Forester, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

2:30 - 2:45 pm

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Forestry and Wildland Fire Management: *Thomas Remus, Wildland Fire Management Specialist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

3:30 - 4:30 pm

Climate Change Policy Overview: *Sean Hart, Regional Forester, Midwest Region, Bureau of*

*Indian Affairs*

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**THURSDAY MORNING SESSION**

**BALLROOM ONE**

8:00 - 9:30 am

Indian Country Law & Order Act: *Jeffrey Davis, Assistant US Attorney, US Department of Justice*

9:30 - 9:45 am

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9:45 - 10:30 am Law Enforcement: Status and General Discussion: *Presenter and Presentation will be provided at the Conference*

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**BALLROOM TWO**

8:00 - 9:30 am The Secretarial Election Process; Tribal Ordinances and Attorney Contracts: *Dave Christensen, Tribal Operations Officer, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

9:30 - 9:45 am BREAK

9:45 - 10:30 am TAAMS Connectivity to the Tribes: *Helga Plympton, Office of the Chief Information Officer, Northern Zone Manager*

10:30 - Noon Illegal Prescription Drug Use and Effective Treatment Options and Overview of the Tagwii Recovery Center: *Richard L. Colsen LADC, Tagwii Recovery Center Supervisor*

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**BALLROOM THREE**

8:00 - 9:30 am Indian Energy and Economic Development Panel: *Green Energy/Sustainable Energy Program: Jennifer Reimann, Civil Engineer - Renewable Energy, Division of Energy and Minerals; Credit and Economic Development: Steve Manydeeds, Acting Division Chief, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development, Washington, D.C.*

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10:45 - Noon Tribal Economic Development Projects - Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin and Fond du Lac (Lake Superior) Band of Chippewa Indians: *Dennis Bodenchuk, Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development*

Noon - 1:30 pm LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

**BALLROOM FOUR**

8:00 - 8:30 am Fee to Trust Reports: *Diane Baker, Supervisory Realty Specialist, Division of Fee to Trust, Midwest Region; Tom Burr, Realty Officer, Minnesota Agency; Sandy Dietz, Acting Realty Officer, Great Lakes Agency; Esther Thompson, Realty Officer, Michigan Agency; Russell Baker, Realty Specialist, Realty, Midwest Region*

8:30 - 9:00 am Tribal Perspective: *Joseph F. Halloran, Tribal Attorney, Fond du Lac (Lake Superior) Band of Chippewa Indians; Lisa Johnson, Director of Real Estate, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe*

9:00 - 9:30 am Legal Descriptions on Trust Lands: *Ken Roy, Bureau Indian Land Surveyor (BILS), Bureau of Land Management*

9:30 - 9:45 am BREAK

9:45 - 10:15 am Environmental Requirements for Fee to Trust Transactions: *Scott Doig, Environmental Protection Specialist, Midwest Region*

10:15 - 11:45 Fee to Trust Litigation Update: *Priscilla Wilfarht, Field Solicitor*

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8:00 - 9:30 am Overview of the Section 106 Process: *Rich Berg, Archeologist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs*

9:30 - 9:45 am BREAK

9:45 - 10:30 am Pinery Fire, Keweenaw Bay, Michigan, and Chippewa Flowage, Lac Courte Oreilles, Wisconsin, Archeology Projects: *Bill Kurtz, Archeologist, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Jerry Smith and Cindi Stiles, Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians of*

10:30 - Noon **Wisconsin, Tribal Historic Preservation Office**  
**Certification and Issues Surrounding Certification for the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer:**  
**Elisse Aune, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe, Tribal Historic Preservation Office**

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**THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION**

<b>BALLROOM FOUR</b>	<b>CLOSING PLENARY SESSION</b> 1:30 - 1:40 pm Overall Conference Recap 1:40 - 1:50 pm Conference Recap: Indian Services	<b>Robert Jackson, Master of Ceremonies</b> <b>Todd Kennedy, Deputy Director-Indian Services, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs</b>
1:50 - 2:00 pm	Conference Recap: Trust Services	<b>Tammie Poitra, Deputy Director-Trust Services, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs</b>
2:00 - 2:10 pm	Closing Statement - Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	<b>Carolyn Shaw, Commissioner of Administration, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe</b>
2:10 - 2:20 pm	Closing Statement - Midwest Region	<b>Diane Rosen, Regional Director, Midwest Region, Bureau of Indian Affairs</b>
2:20 - 2:45 pm	Dancing Presentation by the Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe	<b>Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe - Nay-Ah-Shing Dance Group</b>
2:45 - 2:55 pm	Removal of Colors:	<b>Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe - Am Vets Post 53</b>
2:55 - 3:00 pm	Closing Prayer:	<b>Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe Tribal Elder</b>
3:00 PM	Conference Dismissal	<b>Robert Jackson, Conference Master of Ceremonies</b>





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**ROOM RESERVATIONS EXTENDED TO July 25, 2011.**

Any reservations made after this date will be subject to availability and the best prevailing rate at the time of the reservation is made.

**\*\*Conference Registration Form\*\***

**Registration for the conference WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH AUGUST 9, 2011.** Please complete and return the registration form by faxing to 612-713-4401, or you may scan and email the form to Whitney Meierotto at [Whitney.Meierotto@bia.gov](mailto:Whitney.Meierotto@bia.gov)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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