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Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform to Hold Public Webinar Meeting on Nov. 7

WASHINGTON, D.C. – The Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform will hold a public webinar meeting on Nov. 7, 2012. The objectives of the meeting are to:

- Attend to Commission operations as needed,
- Report on outreach activities,
- Review and discuss revised draft documents to-date,
- Take public comments on the drafts, and
- Review and discuss the agenda for the Commission's Dec. 6-7, 2012, meeting and related youth outreach session.

Attendance is open to the public, but limited space is available. Members of the public who wish to attend must RSVP by Nov. 6, 2012, by registering at the following web address: https://www1.gotomeeting.com/register/384347209. Instructions for joining the webinar will be emailed after registration occurs. A notice of this meeting was published in the Federal Register on Oct. 22, 2012.

The Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform was established by Secretary Salazar in 2011 to conduct a comprehensive evaluation of the Department's management and administration of nearly \$4 billion in American Indian trust assets over two years and to offer recommendations on improvements in the future. Building on progress made with the historic Cobell Settlement, the Commission will help to establish a new era of trust administration: one that stresses responsive, accountable, transparent, and customer-friendly management of these substantial funds and assets.

WHO: <u>DOI Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform Members</u>:

Fawn Sharp (Quinault), Chair Tex G. Hall (Three Affiliated Tribes), Member Stacy Leeds (Cherokee Nation), Member Dr. Peterson Zah (Navajo Nation), Member Robert Anderson (Minnesota Chippewa Tribe-Boise Forte Band), Member

From DOI:

Lizzie Marsters, Chief of Staff to the Deputy Secretary and Designated Federal Officer for the Commission

WHAT: Public webinar meeting of the DOI Secretarial Commission on Indian Trust Administration and Reform.

WHEN: Wednesday, November 7, 2012, 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST

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For more information about the Commission and its work, please visit the Interior Department website at http://www.doi.gov/cobell/commission/index.cfm.