



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY  
U.S. Department  
of the Interior

www.doi.gov

# Media Advisory

## Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE  
June 9, 2011

CONTACT: Nedra Darling  
202-219-4152

## Media Advisory

### **Echo Hawk to Speak at 2011 NCAI Mid-Year Conference in Milwaukee**

**WASHINGTON** – Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk will deliver a keynote address at the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Mid-Year Conference on Tuesday, June 14, 2011, in Milwaukee, Wis. Echo Hawk will be speaking on the accomplishments and progress made by Indian Affairs over the last 24 months. He will address such topics as: federal Indian policy, economic development, restoration of homelands, Indian energy development, safe communities, education, Indian gaming, and Indian Affairs leadership.

He will be joined by Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Del Laverdure who will participate in the NCAI's Tribal Lands Forum on Tuesday afternoon to discuss the Administration's ongoing efforts and accomplishments relating to Indian lands.

Established in 1944, NCAI ([www.ncai.org](http://www.ncai.org)) is the country's oldest national association of American Indian and Alaska Native tribes, and holds one of the largest annual gatherings of tribal representatives.

**WHO:** Larry Echo Hawk, Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs,  
U.S. Department of the Interior.

Del Laverdure, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs,  
U.S. Department of the Interior.

**-Continued-**

**Mid-Year NCAI – Page 2**

**WHAT:** Assistant Secretary Echo Hawk will deliver a keynote address at the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) 2011 Mid-Year Conference. Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Del Laverdure will participate in the meeting's Tribal Lands Forum.

**WHEN:** 10:00 a.m. (CDT), Tuesday, June 14, 2011.

**WHERE:** Frontier Airlines Center 400 W. Wisconsin Avenue  
(4th & Wisconsin), Ballroom A/B  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin

**CREDENTIALS:** This invitation is extended to working media representatives, who are required to display sanctioned media credentials for admittance to the event.

**-DOI-**