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A 15-year employee at the Bureau of Indian Affairs' Turtle Mountain Agency, Belcourt, North Dakota, has been named Agency Superintendent. He is Fred E. Gillis, a member of the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Tribe.

Gillis, who has been acting superintendent the past five months, has held a variety of positions at the agency since his first employment there in 1959. He has been the administrative manager, realty officer and legal clerk. He started as a clerk-steno.

A graduate of the Bureau's Haskell Institute, Gillis attended night classes at North Dakota State University to earn a bachelor's degree in business administration. He also completed in-service training in management, basic supervision, labor management and EEO counseling.

Gillis, 39, worked at the Fort Totten and Fort Berthold Agencies before coming to the Turtle Mountain Agency. His wife, Myrtle, is a teacher at the Turtle Mountain Elementary School. He has two sons and two daughters.

Gillis is a charter member of the Belcourt Knights of Columbus.

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