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PHOENIX, Arizona – As part of President Obama's Climate Action Plan to cut carbon pollution and create clean energy jobs, on Wednesday, May 7, 2014, Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell will make several major announcements related to energy development on tribal lands. The announcement will be held at the Heard Native American Museum at 1:00 pm MST.

Jewell will be joined by Deputy Secretary Mike Connor, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Larry Roberts, a member of the Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin, and Bureau of Indian Affairs Director for the Western Region Bryan Bowker, a member of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe of South Dakota.

As Chair of the White House Council on Native American Affairs, Secretary Jewell leads a comprehensive federal initiative to work more collaboratively and effectively with Tribes to advance their economic and social priorities. The Council's Energy Subcommittee is, in part, focused on supporting tribal communities as they prepare for the impacts of climate change on their native lands, which includes goals outlined in the President's Climate Action Plan to assess climate change vulnerabilities and develop regional solutions to combat its impacts.

WHO:

- **Sally Jewell**, Secretary of the Interior
- **Mike Connor**, Deputy Secretary of the Interior
- **Larry Roberts**, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs
- **Bryan Bowker**, Western Region Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs

WHAT: Press Conference on Tribal Energy

WHERE: Heard Museum of Native Cultures and Art 2301 N. Central Ave. Phoenix, AZ 85004

WHEN: Wednesday, May 7, 2014 12:45 pm MST – Media check-in 1:00 pm MST – Announcement

MEDIA: Media interested in attending the press conference are encouraged to RSVP here.