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Washington, D.C. – Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk today announced the schedule for the month of January 2010 for the Interior Department's series of tribal consultation meetings to develop a Department-wide tribal consultation policy.

The Assistant Secretary noted two changes in the January schedule: the January 5 meeting will be held in Ft. Snelling, Minn., instead of Minneapolis and the January 14 meeting will be held in Palm Springs, Calif., instead of Sacramento.

The January schedule of tribal consultation meetings is as follows (all times are local time):

Date: Tuesday, January 5, 2010 Times: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon/1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Location: Bishop Henry Whipple Federal Bldg., One Federal Drive, Ft. Snelling, Minn. 55111

Date: Thursday, January 7, 2010 Times: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon/1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Location: Embassy Suites Oklahoma City – Will Rogers World Airport, 1815 South Meridian, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73108 405-682-6000

Date: Tuesday, January 12, 2010 Times: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon/1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Location: Embassy Suites Phoenix Airport, 1515 North 44th Street, Phoenix, Ariz. 85008 602-244-8800

Date: Thursday, January 14, 2010 Times: 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon/1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Location: Palm Springs Convention Center, 277 N. Avenida Caballeros, Palm Springs, Calif. 92262 760-325-6611

This series of tribal consultation meetings began on December 2 in Anchorage, Alaska. Two additional meetings have been held this month: December 9 in Portland, Ore., and December 14, in Washington, D.C.

For more information, contact the Office of the Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs at 202-208- 7163 or visit the "Current Tribal Consultations" page on the Indian Affairs website at http://www.indianaffairs.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/Consultation/index.htm.