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DOI Tribal Consultation Meeting on Draft Indian Trust Management Regulations March 29, 2006 – Portland, Oregon

WASHINGTON – The Department of the Interior will hold a tribal consultation meeting on draft DOI Indian trust management regulations on March 29, 2006, at the Doubletree Hotel, Lloyd Center in Portland, Ore., starting at 8:00 a.m. (local time). The consultation meetings are a component of the Department's implementation of its Fiduciary Trust Model to improve and reform Indian trust management for the benefit of all Indian beneficiaries.

The Department has provided a draft of the proposed trust management regulations to tribal leaders. At the upcoming meeting, tribal leaders and other attendees will have an opportunity to provide comments on the following draft rules:

- Probate of Indian Estates (25 CFR 15; 43 CFR 4)
- Tribal Probate Codes (25 CFR 18) ***[New]***
- Life Estates and Future Interests (25 CFR 179)
- Land Records and Title Documents (25 CFR 150)
- Conveyances of Trust and Restricted Land, Removal of Trust or Restricted Status (25 CFR 152)

The intent of this initiative is to clarify existing regulations and create new regulations to improve services to Indian trust beneficiaries, facilitate productive use of Indian lands, promote consolidation and reduce fractionation of Indian trust asset interests and incorporate changes to the probate process under the American Indian Probate Reform Act.of 2004 (P.L. 108-374).

WHEN: Wednesday, March 29 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (local time)
WHERE: Doubletree Hotel, Lloyd Center, 1000 N.E. Multnomah St., Portland, Ore.
Phone: 1-800-996-0510

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