

Comments on DOI Reorganization_ Executive Order 13781

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Please find a summary of my comments below which I stated at the Tulsa meeting, which has not been posted on the consultation website as required by law. I guess since the location was changed at the last minute, they decided it was not a valid listening session and did not post the comments.

Comments related to the Executive Order 13871: Reorganization of the Executive Branch- Department of Interior

- 1. Last minute change of location of meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma violates the intent of a public listening session
- 2. Lack of transparency and communication
- 3. Out of touch with needs and issues of the tribes
- 4. Archaic and non-user friendly website
- 5. Slow or no response to requests for information or written communications
- 6. Processing delays in Fee to Trust, Hearth Act even after legal review
- 7. Slow payments to the Self-Governance program, responses to financial shortfalls, reduced BIA staffing issues for responses and follow up
- 8. Refusal to acknowledge or accommodate a three branch form of government and the authorizing official for the Nation, versus a required "Tribal Resolution" required for grant applications.

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They are just going through the motions. As soon as they figure out how to get everyone on the same page, expect radical changes.

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