

May 23, 2023

Dear Tribal Leader:

The White House and White House Council on Native American Affairs (WHCNAA) invite you to a virtual engagement session with WHCNAA leadership on May 30, 2023, 12:00pm – 1:30pm EST, to discuss the Inflation Reduction Act (P.L. 117 – 169) and its expansive scope of benefits to Tribal Nations and Native communities. The Inflation Reduction Act is the most significant piece of clean energy and climate legislation in U.S. history with <u>hundreds of millions of dollars exclusively</u> for Tribal Nations and Native communities.

Date: Tuesday, May 30, 2023 Time: 12:00 PM ET- 1:30 PM ET Registration link: https://pitc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN 27Q7kXEuRqypmcIg-G4YIw

As WHCNAA co-chair, U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) Secretary Deb Haaland will convene the virtual Tribal engagement session with participation from U.S. Department of Energy Secretary Jennifer Granholm, Environmental Protection Agency Administrator Michael Regan, and Senior Advisor to the President for Clean Energy Innovation and Implementation John Podesta.

During this engagement session, the Biden-Harris Administration will share the latest updates on the Inflation Reduction Act, as well as highlight funding opportunities, new and improved federal programs, technical assistance resources, and the recently announced <u>Inflation Reduction Act Tribal Guidebook</u>. Tribal leaders are invited to share their input and priorities on how the Inflation Reduction Act can best meet the needs of their communities.

The agenda and framing questions for the session are attached. Materials will also be available on the WHCNAA website (<u>www.bia.gov/whcnaa</u>). Tribal leaders are welcome to send written responses to the framing questions to <u>whcnaa@bia.gov</u>.

We forward to your participation.

Sincerely,

PaaWee Rivera Senior Advisor and Director of Tribal Affairs White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs

White House Council on Native American Affairs

Tribal Leader Engagement Session Tuesday, May 30, 2023 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. ET

Please register in advance at: https://pitc.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN 27Q7kXEuRqypmcIg-G4YIw

- I. Opening by WHCNAA Co-Chair
- II. Updates from Biden Administration on Inflation Reduction Act Implementation
- III. Tribal Leader Discussion
- IV. Closing

White House Council on Native American Affairs (WHCNAA) Tribal Leader Engagement Session on the Inflation Reduction Act May 30, 2023 Framing Questions

- 1. What type of technical assistance do you need to better access and use the resources of the Inflation Reduction Act (IRA)?
- 2. What are the early successes you have experienced with using the IRA funding?
- 3. What are the challenges you have experienced in using the IRA funding?
- 4. How can federal agencies be more responsive to your needs in the implementation of the IRA?
- 5. Are there additional legislative/regulatory/policy changes you recommend to better implement the IRA for Indian Country?