

WHITE HOUSE COUNCIL ON NATIVE AMERICAN AFFAIRS TRIBAL AND INDIGENOUS CLIMATE SERIES

Topic :

Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program.



SPEAKER

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Milo Booth

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The White House Council on Native American Affairs Climate Adaptation Subcommittee and the U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) is offering a presentation on the Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program. USDOT's Office Tribal Government Affairs (Tribal Affairs) team will provide an update on the status of the new office and its oversight role of the Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program and the process for joining the program.

This is the sixth webinar in the 2023 Tribal and Indigenous Climate Speaker Series hosted by the White House Council of Native American Affairs Climate Adaptation Subcommittee. This monthly series is designed to educate federal agency personnel about consulting and coordinating with Indian Tribes, Native Hawaiians, and other Indigenous Peoples in our combined effort to combat the climate crises. Each webinar will feature Indigenous speakers and/or federal agencies to share knowledge and experience beneficial to federal employees working on climate adaptation priorities.

 June 20, 2023

 02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EDT

 Zoom

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Speaker Biographies



Eldridge Onco

Eldridge Onco is the Senior Tribal Affairs Advisor with the U.S. Department of Transportation's Office of Tribal Government Affairs. The Office of Tribal Government Affairs administers the Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program.

Prior to his joining the Office of Tribal Government Affairs, he served for over two decades as a Regional Counsel for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA). During his tenure with FTA he served as the subject matter expert on Federal Indian law issues in connection with FTA's Tribal Transit Program. More recently, he served as a Federal technical representative and a Federal member of the negotiated rulemaking committee that developed the implementing regulation for USDOT's Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program. Mr. Onco, who is originally from Oklahoma, received his bachelor and law degrees from the University of Oklahoma. He is an enrolled member of the Kiowa Tribe.



Milo Booth

Milo Booth is the Director of the Office of Tribal Government Affairs in the Office of the Secretary at the U.S. Department of Transportation. As the Director, Mr. Booth leads the new Tribal Government Affairs Office and serves as advisor on tribal affairs to the Secretary of Transportation and all DOT leadership as DOT implements the Tribal Transportation Self Governance program and works collaboratively with tribes to strengthen our government-to-government relations. Additionally, he assists DOT programs to assess, coordinate, and advise impacts of current and proposed policies and actions on tribes, helping to ensure real and meaningful engagement takes place with tribes, as well as assisting DOT programs with Tribal Consultation. Additionally, he supports Tribal Liaisons and programs in all DOT operating administrations in strengthening their relationship with tribes and works with tribes to improve their capabilities to effectively work with DOT.

Mr. Booth has over 25 years of experience working with Tribal, state, and Federal agencies on infrastructure, land management, energy resource development and emergency management. He is an Alaska Native and a member of the Metlakatla Indian Community, Raven Clan.