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Building American Indian Nations Conference

November 11-13, 1999 - Tucson, Arizona

What lessons can Indian nations use as they face the challenges of a new century?

What has experience taught us about the task of building successful Indian nations?

What do effective self-governance and economic development mean, and what do they require?

These are some of the questions to be addressed at the conference on "Building American Indian Nations for the 21st Century," organized by the Morris K. Udall Foundation and the Udall Center in Tucson, Arizona, November 11-13. The Tohono O'odham Nation is the event's cohost.

The purpose of the conference is to review the last 25 years of self-determination and economic development in Indian country, and to identify



and explore practical, usable lessons for the future.

Many prominent speakers and panelists--tribal leaders, scholars, and agency representatives--will explore both the challenges facing Indian nations and the lessons learned, specifically those regarding effective tribal government institutions, innovations in finance and investment, new approaches to tribal-state-federal relationships, tribal management, making tribal enterprises work, and social and cultural factors in nation-building.

The conference is designed for leaders of American Indian nations and First Nations of Canada; Indian program and enterprise managers; tribal, state, and federal policymakers; philanthropic and academic community members; and those concerned with the future of Indian nations.

Location/Schedule

The Building American Indian Nations Conference will take place at the Holiday Inn Downtown in Tucson. The event opens at 8:00 a.m. on Friday, November 12, and ends by 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 13. The registration fee is \$150. Full-time student registration is \$75. On-site and one-day registration available on a space-available basis.

Conference Speakers (partial list)

--John Barrett, Chairman of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation in Oklahoma

--Ivan Makil, president of the Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community

--Shirley Serafini, Deputy Minister of Canada's Department of Indian Affairs

--Frank Ducheneaux, Washington, D.C., attorney who worked closely with Congressman Mo Udall on Indian legislation

--Peterson Zah, former president of the Navajo Nation

--Ronnie Lupe, former chairman of the White Mountain Apache Tribe in Arizona

--David Lent, executive director, and Stephen Haberfeld, associate director, of Indian Dispute Resolution Services, Inc.

--Robert Yazzie, chief justice, Navajo Nation Court

--Norma Gourneau, vice-chair of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe

--Harold Cardinal, attorney and Cree activist from Alberta, Canada

--Eddie Brown, former assistant secretary for Indian affairs in the U.S. Department of the Interior, now at Washington University, St. Louis

--Claudeen Bates Arthur, legal director of DNA-People's Legal Services, Inc., the Navajo Nation

--Joseph Kalt co-director of the Harvard Project on American Indian Economic Development

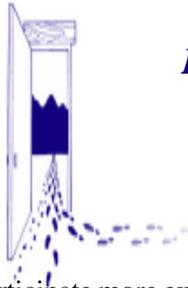
Additional presentations will come from the Grand Traverse Band of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians, Timbisha Shoshone, Nez Perce, Cheyenne River Sioux, Chippewa on the Thames First Nation, Hopi Credit Association, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, Yukon River Intertribal Watershed Council, National Indian Health Board, and others.

For more information on the conference, please contact Kristy Schmidt at <kristyev@u.arizona.edu> or at (520) 621-7189 or visit the Udall Center's Web site at <udallcenter.arizona.edu>.

New Working Paper on Border Institutions

“Openness, Sustainability, and Public Participation: New Designs for Transboundary River-basin Institutions” by Lenard Milich and Robert Varady is now available from the Udall Center Working Papers Series. Appearing in the September 1999 issue of *Journal of Environment and Development*, this article examines seven international river-basin compacts, sketches four common conceptual paradigms, and argues that these models mostly ignore local needs and public inputs, and sometimes also fail in their explicit objectives. The authors subsequently offer a more promising design in the Border Environmental Cooperation Commission, a new, innovative authority on the U.S.-Mexico border created as a result of the 1993 North American Free Trade Agreement. 48 pages, including seven color plates. \$ 8.00.

To order this working paper or to inquire about other titles in the Udall Center Working Paper Series, please contact Kathleen Veslany at <veslany@u.arizona.edu> or at (520) 621-7189.



Doorways to Dialogue Inaugurated

As nationwide concern over environmental issues has grown, so has the number of environmental conflicts—particularly over water, land use, air, and biodiversity.

On the premise that ordinary citizens can participate more extensively in decisionmaking if they understand the process, the Udall Center and a Tucson nonprofit, the Environmental Education Exchange, implemented *Doorways to Dialogue*.

Doorways is a workshop that explores public participation and decisionmaking in the context of the resolution of environmental conflicts.

The inaugural two-weekend, 38-hour workshop took place in July and August. About 30 participants explored competing values and viewpoints and also addressed ways to access and evaluate information on environmental conflicts.

In the final weekend, the participants created and enacted a role-play simulation based on a local Tucson land and riverfront development conflict. This simulation is currently being prepared for publication by the Udall Center.

For further information about future *Doorways to Dialogue* workshops, contact Rachel Yaseen at 621-7189 or at <rachely@u.arizona.edu>.

Center Hosts Community-based Collaboratives Research Consortium

The Udall Center and the Institute for Environmental Negotiation at the University of Virginia have established the Consortium for Research and Assessment of Community-based Collaboratives. The Consortium includes experienced researchers, practitioners, stakeholders, public agency staff, advocates, and critics of collaborative processes from across the country.

One of the consortium's first activities was a workshop sponsored by the Udall Center and held in Tucson on October 8-9, 1999. At the workshop, nearly 40 consortium members from around the United States reviewed the current state of research on community-based collaboratives and developed a national research agenda that builds on existing research and addresses the needs and concerns of users, advocates, and critics of such processes.

The research agenda and workshop summary for this workshop will be available by January 2000. For more information on the consortium or the workshop, contact Ann Moote at <moote@u.arizona.edu> or (520) 621-7189.

Udall Center Helping Organize San Pedro Conference

The Udall Center is part of a multi-organization group--including the Semi-Arid Land-Surface-Atmosphere (SALSA) Program at the U.S. Department of Agriculture--organizing a conference on the Upper San Pedro River basin to be held November 7-10.

“Divided Waters – Common Grounds/Aguas Divididas – Áreas Comunes” is a binational gathering that aims to foster knowledge exchange and cooperation among scientists, resource managers, and resource users in the environmentally sensitive Upper San Pedro River basin of Arizona and Sonora, Mexico.

The conference will occur in three locations: Cananea, Sonora, on the first day; field sites along the river in both countries on the second day; and Bisbee, Arizona, on the final day. Participants will examine ecological and hydrological status and trends in the Upper San Pedro basin and will explore ways of making the results

of scientific research more applicable to the needs of resource managers and users.

Topics include environmental and hydrologic history of the basin, current ecological and hydrologic research, water policy and management, and socioeconomic issues affecting resource management in the basin. Participants include representatives from local, state, and federal agencies; interest groups; and residents of the basin from both countries.

For more information on the conference, contact Ann Moote <moote@u.arizona.edu> or conference coordinator Steve McElroy <smcelroy@tucson.ars.ag.gov>, or call the Udall Center at (520) 621-7189.



Center Organizes Facilitation Training Workshops

Aiming to increase local capacity to resolve natural resources issues, the Udall Center sponsored a basic facilitation-training workshop led by Dr. Carl Moore on November 4th and 5th. Moore's training provides practical skills to enable facilitators to convene effective and productive meetings.

Additionally, the Center will offer an advanced level facilitation training with Dr. Moore on February 4th and 5th, 2000. Those who have completed the basic skills class and who have facilitation experience are invited to this workshop. Participants will learn how the negotiated investment strategy unifies decisionmakers at all levels, particularly within bureaucracies, to create workable, long-range solutions. This workshop also will explore community visioning, creating effective leadership, and managing complexity. The cost for attending this training is \$250.

The February workshop will be conducted at La Tierra Linda Guest Ranch near Tucson. Refreshments, lunch, and training materials are included in the registration fee. For more information please contact Susan Moodie at <smoodie@u.arizona.edu> or by calling (520) 621-7189.

CENTER EXPANDS, LIBRARY RELOCATES

The public is invited to visit the Udall Center library at its new location at 943 Tyndall (across the street and a half-block east of the Center) weekdays, 9:00-12:30 and 1:30-4:00. The library contains over 5,000 books, journals, articles, reports, and unpublished materials on environmental policy, U.S.-Mexico border issues, and American Indian policy. The library collection is searchable online at:

<udallcenter.arizona.edu/resources/catalog.html>.

To schedule an appointment or a class tour, contact Rachel Yaseen at <rachely@u.arizona.edu> or (520) 621-7189.

Recent Acquisitions Online

The October 1999 edition of *Recent Acquisitions Online*, the newsletter of the Udall Center library, is now available at:

<udallcenter.arizona.edu/publications/acquisitions/99oct/99oct.html>

Recent Acquisitions Online provides citations to recently acquired reports, articles, books, and newspaper clippings pertaining to the Udall Center's primary areas of research: American Indian policy, environmental conflict resolution, environmental policy in the Southwest, and the U.S.-Mexico border environment.

For a printed copy of the quarterly *Recent Acquisitions Online*, contact Rachel Yaseen at (520) 621-7189.

Workshop Held for Tribal Planners

On October 14-15, 1999, the Udall Center organized and hosted an executive-education workshop for 20 American Indian tribal planners at The University of Arizona's College of Business and Public Administration. The Corporation for Enterprise Development (CFED), a nonprofit organization that works with Native American and other communities on economic development issues, sponsored the event. The workshop, which addressed strategic planning, institutional development, and development policy, was supported by a grant to the CFED from the U.S. Economic Development Administration.

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