



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
Tribal
Governmental Affairs

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BIL Changes to DOT's Tribal Program

- Originally housed in Government Affairs
- Creates an Office of Tribal Government Affairs
- Originally led by a Deputy Assistant Secretary
- Elevates leadership to Assistant Secretary
- OTGA has been funded by omnibus (Sr Tribal Affairs Advisor)



DOT Tribal Consultation Policy

- ❖ Initially put out for Tribal Consultation via POTUS Memorandum 1.26.2021
- ❖ Comments adjudicated and put back out for Tribal Consultation 1.31.2022
- ❖ Virtual consultation held 4.27.2022

- ❖ Comment period closed May 31st, '22
- ❖ POTUS Memo on Consultation Nov 30th, '22
- ❖ Once finished DOT will begin developing policy to work with Native Hawaiians.

- ❖ Secretary will sign the final draft.

- ❖ <https://www.transportation.gov/self-governance>



White House Council on Native American Affairs

- ✓ Secretary Buttigieg serves as Principal
- ✓ Co-lead on Energy, Infrastructure & Economic Development Committee
- ✓ DAS Teller & I handle day-to-day work on WHCNAA
- ✓ Cross Borders Issues
- ✓ Public Safety & Justice
- ✓ Development of deliverables
- ✓ Tribal leader engagement session
- ✓ Tribal Leader Summit 11.30 – 12.1



White House Council on Native American Affairs

Deliverables

- ✓ EV Initiative
 - ✓ Working with DOI/DOE
- ✓ MARAD Roundtable
 - ✓ Spring/Summer
- ✓ FAA Tribal Symposium
 - ✓ Spring/Summer
- ✓ FTA Tribal Symposium
 - ✓ Spring



Tribal Transportation Self Governance Program

The purpose of the TTSGP is to provide Tribes and Tribal organizations with greater autonomy, control, flexibility, and decision-making authority over federal transportation funds used to carry out tribal transportation programs and activities in tribal communities.

- Section 1121 of the FAST Act (23 U.S.C. § 207)
- Negotiated rulemaking with Tribes
- Final Rule published on June 1, 2020 (49 C.F.R. part 29)
- Final Rule effective date - October 1, 2020





Tribal Affairs

- ✓ Inquiries for funding opportunities
- ✓ SME request
- ✓ Promote DOT opportunities to Tribal Partners
- ✓ Tribal Consultation (host both policy and project based, additionally assist Modes in developing and hosting)
- ✓ Technical Assistance



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