



Navajo Nation to host White House for policy roundtables and discussions on Tuesday

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WINDOW ROCK, Ariz. — On Tuesday, Oct. 27, the Navajo Nation Council will host White House policy advisors and leadership from federal agencies at the Navajo Nation Council Chamber to discuss the Navajo Nation's key federal priorities. The Navajo Nation Council will present topics for discussion, as established through extensive discussion and input from the Navajo public throughout the past 22 months, and will work to secure commitments from the Administration ahead of the election next Tuesday.

These topics, moderated by standing committee leadership, include:

- Infrastructure and Transportation, including broadband and water;
- Health and Veterans Affairs, including housing and direct services;
- Economic Growth, including Opportunity Zones and policy recommendations;
- Safe Communities, including law & order, and Missing & Murdered Diné Relatives/People.

The attendees from the Administration are expected to include:

- Douglas Hoelscher, Special Assistant to the President and Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
- William Crozer, Special Assistant to the President & Deputy Director of Intergovernmental Affairs
- Domestic Policy Council senior leadership
- Kate MacGregor, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of the Interior
- Tara Sweeney, Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs
- Mark Cruz, Deputy Assistant Secretary Indian Affairs
- Leadership with Veterans Affairs
- Leadership with US Department of Transportation
- IHS Director RADM Michael D. Weahkee

The Office of the Speaker will be adhering to CDC guidelines and has prepared an Event Exposure Control Plan for inspection and monitoring by the Navajo Nation Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Additional measures, such as utilizing multiple meeting rooms, sanitizing stations at every location, mask enforcement and screening questionnaires will be in place as precautions.

Morning break-out sessions will be recorded and media will be allowed access with notification to the Office of the Speaker. Additionally, a roundtable discussion in the Navajo Nation Council Chamber will take place at 1:00pm MDT and will be live-streamed.

Due to social distancing guidelines and occupancy restrictions inside meeting facilities, no access will be granted to members of the public. Public access will be facilitated through online streaming on the Navajo Nation Council's Facebook, Vimeo and Youtube media accounts.

As part of the federal delegation's visit to the Navajo Nation, select officials will also attend the dedication and opening celebration of the Little Singer Community School on Oct. 28 starting at 9:00am MST in Birdsprings, Arizona.

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