



National Congress of American Indians 2010 Annual Convention

Resolutions Activity Report November 9, 2010



This NCAI Resolutions Activity Report captures basic information on activities undertaken by NCAI as a result of resolutions passed at the 2009 Annual, 2010 Mid-year, and 2010 Executive Council Winter (ECWS) Sessions. While by no means exhaustive, this matrix provides some basic information on follow up actions taken, additional actions required, and impediments to fulfillment for any given resolution. Many of these resolutions are standing resolutions or remain in effect, and follow up will be ongoing.

In some cases, the purpose of a resolution is simply to put NCAI on record for a position of concern—that resolution is then used by tribes, organizations, and other groups as an advocacy tool to demonstrate the broad support of tribes on the issue at hand. Many such efforts may not be reflected in the status update, but we appreciate updates from tribes and NCAI members to help us track the impacts of resolutions in such cases.

The following updates are organized by conference—2009 Annual, 2010 ECWS, and 2010 Mid-Year.



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Resolution #	Title/Content	Full Committee	Sub-Committee	Actions Taken
2009 Annual Convention, Palm Springs, CA				
PSP-09-002	Increase Colorectal Cancer Screening	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress.
PSP-09-003	Rescission of Resolution #NGF-09-005 Regarding Proposed Mining in Alaska	Land & Natural Resources	Energy & Mineral Policy	No action is needed.
PSP-09-004	Support for American Indian/Alaska Native Specific Alternative Energy Provisions in Energy Legislation	Land & Natural Resources	Energy & Mineral Policy	IEPA provisions create program and TA provisions for small scale RE projects designed for small remote tribal communities.
PSP-09-005	Support for Putting in Place the Director of the Bureau of Indian Education as Quickly as Possible	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter and passed resolution to DOI and BIE. Director has been named.
PSP-09-006	Support for American Indian and Alaska Native Provisions in Health Insurance Reform Legislation in the 111th Congress	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress.
PSP-09-007	Support for Settlement of the "Keepseagle" Indian Farmer and Rancher USDA Discrimination Lawsuit	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	On October 19, 2010, the Obama administration announced the settlement of the nationwide class action lawsuit, Keepseagle v. Vilsack, between American Indian farmers and ranchers and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). NCAI has praised this settlement, which settles 11 years of litigation regarding discrimination against American Indian farmers and ranchers in the USDA's farm loan program.
PSP-09-008	Reaffirmation of the Nation to Nation Relationship	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Shared with White House as prelude to meeting with the President.
PSP-09-010	Support for Forward Funding for Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities, Including United Tribes Technical College and Navajo Technical College	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included funding request in all appropriations and budget materials sent to Congress and the Administration.
PSP-09-011	Support and Expansion of Medical Assistance Programs for Indian Students	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress.
PSP-09-013	Supporting Similar Environmental Requirements for Foreign Hydro Power Under Federal Renewable Energy Standard (RES)	Land & Natural Resources	Energy & Mineral Policy	NCAI supported a provision in the tribal energy bill that would ensure that renewable energy from Canada would have to comply with US standards.
PSP-09-014	Implementing Indian Preference within the Department of the Interior	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	NCAI has always pushed Indian preference, and will continue to do so.



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PSP-09-015	In Support of Excluding Veterans' Compensation and Survivor Benefits from the Definition of Income under NAHASDA	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Housing	Monitored this issue, worked with NAIHC and Congress to advocate on Indian Veterans Housing Opportunity Act of 2010 (H.R. 3553). On Oct.13, 2010, President Obama signed this bill into law.
PSP-09-016	In Support of Amending the Indian Long Term Leasing Act to Spur Housing Development in Native American Communities	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Housing	NCAI still continues to monitored and work with NAIHC and Congress on this issue. Both the House (H.R. 2523) and Senate (S. 3235) introduced the Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership Act (HEARTH Act). The HEARTH Act is still awaiting House and Senate floor approval.
PSP-09-017	In Support of Native American Representation on Federal Home Loan Bank Regional Advisory Councils	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Housing	NCAI is still monitoring and working with NAIHC on this issue.
PSP-09-018	In Support of Increasing Resources to Combat Drugs in Native American Communities Including Restoration of the Public and Indian Housing Drug Elimination Programs	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Housing	NCAI is still monitoring and working with NAIHC on this issue.
PSP-09-019	To Provide Lasting Federal Protection for the Subsistence Way of Life of Alaska Native Villages	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Our Natural Resources (alliance) addressing protection of subsistence practices as a core value
PSP-09-020	To Address Global Warming and Climate Change in Gaming Activities	Litigation & Governance	Tribal Gaming	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
PSP-09-021	Protection of the Health and Human Rights of Present and Future Generations through Ratification and Implementation by the United States of the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants (POPs)	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
PSP-09-022	Support for Permanent Historic Preservation Funding	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	Section 411 of H.R. 3534, as passed by the House on July 30, 2010 and currently on the Senate Legislative Calendar, authorizes permanent funding of the National Historic Preservation Fund.



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PSP-09-023	Support for the Moral Intent of the NAGPRA Law from Harmful Legal Misinterpretations Provided by Museums	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	NCAI supported a new federal regulation, 43 CFR 10.11 – Disposition of Culturally Unidentifiable Native American Human Remains, published on March 15, 2010, which established a process for the disposition of Native American human remains that are in museums or on exhibit in the United States and which have not yet been culturally affiliated to a tribe or Native Hawaiian organization. This new rule reinforces the intent of NAGPRA and the original spirit of the Act by ensuring that the repatriation of human remains will get done more expeditiously and with respect for the tribes involved.
PSP-09-024	Outer-Continental Shelf Protection and Coordination	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	helping identify tribal representatives on the President's Oceans Council, sought tribal inclusion in mitigation and compensation measures should spills impact tribal coastal lands.
PSP-09-025	Tribal Energy Policy Platform 2009	Land & Natural Resources	Energy & Mineral Policy	NCAI is still monitoring and working with House and Senate. Has shared resolution with both the Senate and House staff regarding the draft bill of the Indian Energy Parity Act 2010
PSP-09-026	Effective Inclusion of Tribes in the ARRA Broadband Programs	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI was successful in coordinating with the Department of Commerce and USDA to change the application process to ensure greater tribal participation. With the requested changes in place, more tribes received grants in Round II than the previous round.
PSP-09-027	In Support of Appropriate Access to Indian Health Service Held Data for Indian Health Service Funded Epidemiology Centers, Tribes and Tribal Organizations and Defining Tribal Epi Centers as Public Health Authorities	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress.
PSP-09-028	Support for the Establishment of an Indian Health Insurance Reform Task Force	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress
PSP-09-030	Support for the Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress
PSP-09-033	Support Removing Barriers and Providing Additional Funding for Preparation of Environmental Site Assessments and Cadastral Preparation of Environmental Site Assessments and Cadastral Surveys for Fee-to-Trust Applications	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Holding regular meetings with Interior to expedite land to trust



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PSP-09-034	Tribal TANF Access to American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) Emergency Funds on a Timely Basis	Human Resources	Indian Child & Family Welfare	Continued to monitor the issue when issue was raised in the context of state benefits and relief.
PSP-09-035	Support for Indian Law Enforcement Reform Act, S. 797	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Three Affiliated Tribes Chairman Marcus Levings testified on NCAI's behalf before the House Judiciary Committee in December 2009 on the original House version of the bill (S. 1924). President Obama signed the Tribal Law & Order Act (formerly S.797) into law on July 29, 2010.
PSP-09-039	Calling for an Expedited Meeting of Tribal Leaders with Obama Administration Representatives on Trust Reform Issues	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Administration has not yet been interested in beginning work on Trust Reform
PSP-09-040	Recommendation to Request that the Office of Management and Budget Revise its Transparency Requirements for Tribes Under ARRA Stimulus Funding	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	NCAI coordinated with OMB to develop guidance for tribes in regard to reporting. Guidance from OMB was posted and NCAI distributed the information to tribes.
PSP-09-041	Supporting the National Indian Child Care Association's 2010 Advocacy Agenda	Human Resources	Indian Child & Family Welfare	NCAI sent a letter of support to NICCA and has included it in advocacy efforts
PSP-09-043	Support for Funding by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for Indian Health Service/Tribal/Urban Programs, including the National Native American AIDS Prevention Center, for HIV/AIDS Related Activities	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress.
PSP-09-044	In Support of the Rights of Native Americans to Participate in the SBA 8(A) Program	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	Successfully advocated OMB and the FAR Council to hold consultations for the rulemaking on Section 811 of NDAA. Facilitated consultations, submitted comments supporting 8-a. Held meetings with Senator McCaskill staff. Met with head of DOD contracting.
PSP-09-045	To Call Upon the Obama Administration to Appoint a New National Indian Gaming Commission Chairman and Commissioner and to Direct and Guarantee that the NIGC Follows the Rules and Regulations Governing Federal Agencies, Including the Department of the Interior	Litigation & Governance	Tribal Gaming	Chair has been appointed from Interior. No actions have been taken that would run contrary to rules and regulations governing agencies. NCAI will continue to monitor the chair and agency.
PSP-09-047	Propose the Following Report Language in the FY 2010 Interior Appropriations Bill Regarding BIA Qualified School Construction	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included funding request in all appropriations and budget materials sent to Congress and the Administration
PSP-09-048	Request that the United States Congress Move to End the Funding Constraints to the BIA funded Tribal Schools, Specifically the Facilities Operations and Maintenance and the Administrative Costs Grants and that these Components be Funded at 100%	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included funding request in all appropriations and budget materials sent to Congress and the Administration.



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PSP-09-049	Support for Environmental Protection Agency Indian General Assistance Program and Efforts to Strengthen its Effectiveness and Increase Funding	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	EPA proposed increase in GAP funding and establishment of new Tribal Multi-media Grants Fund of \$30m. Awaiting a decision from Congress on approval.
PSP-09-050	Request that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Return the American Indian Environmental Office Director Position to a Politically Appointed Position	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	No action taken. Joann Chase is the new Director of this office.
PSP-09-051	Support for Sovereign Authority of Tribes to Enter Into Water Agreements	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Working with various entities on increasing tribal access to water - settlements, agreements, and other strategies. This year's breakout directly addresses these issues
PSP-09-052	Objecting to the Bureau of Indian Affairs Determination of Limited Trust Responsibility Over Tribal Forest and Intent to Reduce Funding	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Advocating to the Forest Service among others, of the disparity in fed funds to tribes for forestry - the defacto and de jure exclusions from other funds.
PSP-09-054	Reaffirmation of Support for the Havasupai Tribe in its Lawsuit Against the Arizona Board of Regents	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Lawsuit settled.
PSP-09-056	Support for Native American Church of North America, and Their Ability to Harvest Peyote	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	While a working group to address the issue of access to the peyote gardens and access to peyote has not yet been formed, NCAI is currently working with tribal practitioners, leaders, and attorneys to finalize draft legislation that would create a right of action for tribes and individual tribal members to sue in federal district court if their rights to exercise their traditional Native American religion are violated.
PSP-09-057	Support Recognition of the 40 th Anniversary of the American Indian Graduate Center	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter to AIGC in congratulations
PSP-09-058	Initiative to Amend the Indian Child Welfare Act to Make Judicially Enforceable, in Federal Court, the "Placement Preferences" Mandated by Sections 1915 and 1916 of the ICWA	Human Resources	Indian Child & Family Welfare	NCAI included and has advocated for amendment of the Indian Child Welfare Act to Administration and Congress



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PSP-09-059	Attorney General Indian Country Law Enforcement and Public Safety Priorities	Executive Committee		Working from some of the recommendations of the Tribal Justice Advisory Group (TJAG) and those included in the NCAI tribal priorities matrix, the DOJ has launched a Department-wide initiative on public safety in tribal communities and is in the process of establishing a Tribal Nations Leadership Council that will advise the Attorney General on law enforcement-related issues relevant to tribal communities. TJAG continued to meet through 2010 to identify and discuss the public safety needs of tribal communities, and during that time, NCAI members continued to play an integral role in that group. TJAG recently submitted its Final Report to the Office of Justice Programs that will hopefully provide guidance to the soon-to-be established Tribal Nations Leadership Council so that they can pick up where the TJAG left off.
PSP-09-060	Support for Amendment of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure to Treat Indian Tribes in the Same Manner as States and Territories	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	NCAI has forwarded resolution.
PSP-09-061	Calling on Congress and the Treasury Department to Clarify that Health Care and other Tribally Provided Benefits are not Taxable Income	Litigation & Governance	Taxation	NCAI successfully lead a coalition to have this provision included in the health care reform efforts. Bill and provision are now law.
PSP-09-063	Acknowledge 40 th Anniversary of the Kennedy Report on Indian Education Titled, 'Indian Education: A National Tragedy and National Challenge'	Human Resources	Education	NCAI requested listening session on Indian education from SCIA - listening session was held last session. Also included acknowledgement of anniversary of report in advocacy materials sent to Congress
PSP-09-064	Request Timely Notice of Head Start Consultation and an Appropriate Response to Questions and Issues Raised	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter and copy of resolution to HHS
PSP-09-065	Support the Rights of American Indian and Alaska Native Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations and Native Hawaiian Organizations to Participate in the U.S. Small Business Administration 8(a) Program and for a Stronger Surety Bonding Guarantee Program	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	Worked with SCIA and SBEC to move draft language forward, which was introduced as an amendment. Looking to place the amendment on to larger small business bills. Action on bills still may provide a venue for passage.
PSP-09-066	Small Business Administration/Redwind Group Tribal Assessment Tool	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	SBA is still looking to find a suitable place for the project
PSP-09-067	Requesting Distribution of Unallocated Funding of the 2009 Special Appropriations for American Indian/Alaska Native Head Start Programs	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter and copy of resolution to HHS



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PSP-09-068	Call for National Conference of Tribes on Taxation and Sovereignty	Litigation & Governance	Taxation	NCAI attended NAFOA and the tribal tax coalition to discuss overarching tax issues. NCAI convened a White House Meeting and Subsequent Treasury meeting to discuss tribal tax issues.
PSP-09-070	Request DOI Revisit 1940 Solicitor's Opinion on "Excluding Indians not Taxed"	Litigation & Governance	Taxation	NCAI hosted senior IRS officials at a conference to discuss this and other tax measures directly.
PSP-09-071	Calling For Joint Resolution of Congress on Indians and United States Constitution	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Long term project.
PSP-09-072	Call for States to Comply with Constitutional Disclaimers	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Long term project.
PSP-09-073	NCAI Position on National Health Care Reform and the Indian Health Improvement Act	Human Resources	Health	NCAI included request in HC reform materials sent to Administration and Congress
PSP-09-074	Supporting the Passage by the United States Congress of a Bill Titled HR 1333, to Amend Chapter 40, Title 18, United States Code, to Exempt Transportation, Shipment, Receipt, or Importation of Explosive Materials for Delivery to a Federally Recognized Indian Tribe	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Became law as a part of the Tribal Law and Order Act
PSP-09-075c	Endorsing the Efforts of the 10 Member Tribes of the InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council in their Stewardship of a 3,845 acre Inter-Tribally Owned and Controlled Park located on the Northern California Coastal Region	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.



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PSP-09-076	Disproportionate Minority Contact/Confinement in the Juvenile Justice System and the Welfare of American Indian and Alaska Native Youth	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	The Obama administration's Coordinating Council on Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention has named Tribal Youth and Juvenile Justice as one of its four priority areas. NCAI is in ongoing conversations with the co-chairs of the Tribal Youth and Juvenile Justice Issue Team to ensure that a comprehensive, multi-agency approach to juvenile justice reform is taken--one that keeps youth in their homes, stresses the importance of multi-agency collaboration, focuses on objective entrance screening strategies and intensive monitoring of confinement conditions, and brings all the key stakeholders to the table. In addition, the recently passed Tribal Law & Order Act mandates that tribes have one seat on the Coordinating Council, so that is another way to ensure that AI/AN youth, as well as culturally appropriate solutions, are included in the discussions on this topic at the national level.
PSP-09-077	Chemawa Indian School Property Conceptual Plan Adoption	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent final copy of resolution to Chemawa Indian School for use in advocacy efforts
PSP-09-078	Support of Congressional Settlement of Grand Coulee Dam Claims	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction & Tribal Government	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
PSP-09-079	Support for the Institute of American Indian Arts (IAIA) FY 2011 Federal	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included funding request in all approps and budget materials sent to Congress and the Administration
PSP-09-080	Support for Improving Tribal Child Welfare Technical Assistance to Tribal Governments	Human Resources	Indian Child & Family Welfare	NCAI sent a letter requesting a meeting with HHS



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PSP-09-081c	Position on VAWA United States Department of Justice Consultation 2009	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	The 2009 Annual DOJ/OVW consultation took place on October 30, 2009 in Minneapolis, Minnesota and was immediately preceded by a listening session for tribal leaders regarding public safety and law enforcement on October 28-29, 2009, hosted by Attorney General Eric Holder. Other key DOJ personnel, including Tom Perrelli, were in attendance at the DOJ consultation. In addition, the DOJ has launched a Public Safety in Indian Country Initiative, and was also heavily supportive of and helped pass the Tribal Law & Order Act, which fulfills some of the recommendations submitted by the NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Women in 2009.
PSP-09-082c	Support for Passage of H.R. 1147 and S. 592 to Provide for Native Community Low-Power FM Radio Station Licensing Opportunities	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI advocated on behalf of H.R. 1147 and S.592, with the former passing the US House on a voice vote. S. 592 was reported out of committee and is awaiting a vote in the Senate. NCAI will continue to monitor this bill throughout the remainder of this congressional term
PSP-09-083c	Removing the Barrier to Entry for the Tribal Digital Village and Tribal Use of White Space Spectrum Involving International Border Exclusion Zones	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI included whitespaces and removal of barriers in comments to the FCC in regard to developing the National Broadband Plan. The FCC recently issued a ruling opening white spaces which will expand broadband services to underserved areas, including tribal lands
PSP-09-084c	National Broadband Plan Priorities and Universal Service Fund Tribal Broadband Program Needs	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	All of NCAI's tribal recommendations were included in the National Broadband Plan as Tribal Priorities with the most significant priority being the need for a Tribal Broadband Fund separate from the Universal Service Fund
PSP-09-085c	Opposing Mining Activity in Our Ancestral Hunting and Fishing Grounds	Land & Natural Resources	Energy & Mineral Policy	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
PSP-09-086c	Requesting the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council Place a Seven Year Moratorium on the Alaskan Pollock Fishery	Land & Natural Resources		Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
PSP-09-087c	Advancing Consultation Regarding Tribal Section 106 Concerns in the ARRA Broadband Programs	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI has had successful meetings with officials from the USDA and the Department of Commerce to address tribal concerns related to the correct implementation of Section 106



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PSP-09-088c	Hualapai's Opposition to Uranium Exploration and Mining on Sacred Land and Sensitive Sites	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	NCAI has, and continues to, seize on every opportunity it has to encourage the Obama Administration to consult with tribes prior to planning any action that would impact them. NCAI is also currently working with tribal practitioners, leaders, and attorneys to finalize draft legislation that would create a right of action for tribes and individual tribal members to sue in federal district court if their rights to exercise their traditional Native American religion are violated, including their rights to access and use traditional sacred places for traditional religious ceremonies.
PSP-09-089c	Supporting the Demand of the Tribes of Northern California that the State of California Enter into Government to Government Consultations with these Tribes in Order to Ensure the Protection of Tribal Subsistence, Ceremonial and Cultural Rights in the Implementation of the State Marine Life Protection Act	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	As part of its efforts under the NCJA/NCAI Tribal-State Collaboration and Justice Capacity Building Project, NCAI is encouraging all states that do not already have an institutionalized process for consultation with tribes at the state level, to implement one as soon as possible. This project is also educating tribal and state justice officials about the benefits of such consultation and collaboration for all parties involved.
PSP-09-090c	Support of the 2011 Reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	The Tribal Law & Order Act was signed into law on July 29, 2010 and contains several provisions that will help address the epidemic rates of domestic and sexual violence on reservations, including an entire title dedicated to precisely that issue. NCAI submitted testimony at the recent DOJ/OVW consultation in Spokane, WA, that listed several tribal specific recommendations for the upcoming VAWA reauthorization, including restoring tribal criminal jurisdiction over non-Indian offenders of sexual assault and domestic violence. NCAI staff and members of the NCAI VAW Task Force sit on the National Task Force to End Sexual & Domestic Violence and are part of its advocacy team--which will lobby Capitol Hill once VAWA 2011 is introduced--as well as a resource for its drafting team--providing draft language for the tribal specific portions of the new act.



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PSP-09-091c	Supporting the InterTribal Sinkyone Wilderness Council's Efforts to Protect the Ancient Redwoods of Richardson Grove Located on Highway 101, Northern California	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious & Cultural Concerns	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
2010 Executive Council Winter Session, Washington, DC				
ECWS-10-004	Supporting a Plan to address the IHS backlog of Contract Support Cost Funding during the Obama Administration beginning with Fiscal Year 2011	Andy Joseph Jr.		NCAI included this resolution in testimony to the Appropriations Committees and in meetings with appropriations staff.
ECWS-10-005	Supporting the Clean-up and Discontinued use of Hanford Nuclear Waste Dump	Henry Cagey		Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
ECWS-10-006	Support for Selection of Tribal Seats to the National Ocean Council	Henry Cagey		working with CEQ and Oceans Conservancy on the identification of candidates. NCAI broadcasts made.
ECWS-10-007	Department of Education Consultation on Indian Education	Henry Cagey		NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
ECWS-10-011	Calling on NIGC to Develop and Adhere to a Tribal Consultation Plan	Henry Cagey		NCAI reached out to NIGC to coordinate a new consultation policy based on the President's memorandum.
ECWS-10-013	Supporting Legislation to Stop Taxation of Tribal Education & Health Benefits	Henry Cagey		NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
2010 Mid-Year Convention, Rapid City, SD				
RAP-10-001	Carbon Credit and Income Tax Credit for Tribes	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	NCAI successfully supported tax credits in small business, energy and tax related bills.
RAP-10-002	Indian Agriculture Act	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	No significant action taken yet.
RAP-10-003	Calling for Amendments to the Magnuson-Stevens Act to Designate 4 Voting Seats for Federally Recognized Tribes or Alaska Native Organization Representation	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	NCAI is seeking to work with sponsor on coordinating with NWIFC on a strategy.
RAP-10-004	Support of the Soboba Band's Continuing Water Resources Development	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.



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RAP-10-005	Support Legislative Amendments to Strengthen Public Law 102-477 Programming by Upholding Tribal Management Over Federal Agency Funds in an Integrated Employment and Training Program	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	Worked with the Administration to provide language on draft legislation offered by Labor that firms up tribal support.
RAP-10-006	Call for Congressional Funding of Tribal Broadband Fund and FCC Tribal Programs	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI testified at the House Subcommittee on Communications, Technology and the Internet requesting a separate broadband fund for tribal communities and requested funding for FCC tribal programs
RAP-10-007	Call for Support of Non-Discrimination and to Preserve Open Internet or Network Neutrality	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI is working with outside organizations to build a coalition that supports Net Neutrality. We will work with our partners to encourage congress to pass a bill that will continue to allow a free and open internet for tribal communities
RAP-10-008	Preserving the Public Telecommunications Facilities Program for a Continued Tribal Broadcasting Voice	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI is currently working with National Public Radio and Native Public Media to develop a legislative strategy to support continue funding for the PTFP program. NCAI will also include the PTFP funding in our annual budget document to the administration/congress.
RAP-10-009	Ensuring Future Universal Service Support in Indian Country and Existing Telephony during the Broadband Transition	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Telecommunications	NCAI has met with officials from the Federal Communications Commission to discuss the need to protect current tribal telecommunication services, such as land line phones, while also encouraging the developing of new technologies on tribal lands
RAP-10-010	To Support the Durbin Amendment to S. 3217 in Conference of Financial Reform Legislation, Directing Reforms in the Way that Debit Card Swipe Fees are Charged to Tribally-Owned Businesses	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	Continued to monitor the issue and will be looking to support broad-based business coalitions in legislative activities.
RAP-10-011	To Ensure that the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Fulfills its Consultation and Trust Responsibilities in the Navajo Generating Station Rulemaking	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-012	Supporting Legislation to Stop Taxation of Tribal Education Benefits, Cultural Activities and other Tribal Government Services	Litigation & Governance	Taxation	Working on the implementation of regulations for health care benefits successfully passed this year. NCAI is working on gathering input defining education and culture for tribes.
RAP-10-013	Support for the Confirmation of Solicitor General Elena Kagan to the United States Supreme Court	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	The Senate confirmed Elena Kagan on August 5, 2010 and she has since taken her seat as the 112th justice to the Supreme Court.



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RAP-10-014	Opposing Arizona Senate Bill 1070 as Discriminatory State Legislation	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	The US DOJ filed a lawsuit against the state of Arizona in the U.S. District Court for the District of Arizona on July 6, 2010, asking that the law be declared invalid since it interferes with the immigration regulations "exclusively vested in the federal government." On July 28, 2010, the judge in this suit granted a preliminary injunction that blocked the most key and controversial portions of SB 1070 from going into effect. This case has been appealed to the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals and a 3 judge panel is scheduled to hear oral arguments in early November. This past summer, NCAI worked to ensure proper tribal inclusion in the End Racial Profiling Act, H.R. 5748, which was introduced by Rep. John Conyers in mid-July.
RAP-10-015	Supporting 9th Circuit Court of Appeals Order in Favor of Rincon in Rincon v. Schwarzenegger	Litigation & Governance	Tribal Gaming	NCAI has, in meetings with Treasury, SCIA, and the Administration, raised awareness of the recent over-reach by states to tax tribes not just in gaming but also natural resources.
RAP-10-016	Calling on the Secretary of Interior to Follow Through on His Commitment to Acquire Land into Trust	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Tribes are receiving quarterly reports, more land is being taken into trust, and there is a follow up meeting at the Annual
RAP-10-017	Environmental and Cultural Concerns Relating to the Ruby Pipeline Project	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious and Cultural Concerns	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-018	Calling upon the Interior Department to Reconsider its Approval of the Cape Wind Project – EMERGENCY RESOLUTION	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious and Cultural Concerns	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-020	Special Federal Court of Appeals	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	This is a long term project.
RAP-10-022	Support for Tracie Stevens Nomination of Chairman for the National Indian Gaming Commission	Litigation & Governance	Tribal Gaming	Tracie Stevens has been confirmed.
RAP-10-023	Urging the Department of the Interior and the Department of Justice to Grant Amicus Support in "Chehalis Tribe v. Thurston County" with Brief Clarifying Federal Interests on Trust Property	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Shared with tribe and working on a possible NCAI amicus



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RAP-10-024	To Support Legislation to Address the Supreme Court Decision in <i>Carcieri v. Salazar</i>	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Because of tribal leaders' efforts before, during and after the July 13th "Carcieri Summit" in Washington, DC, as well as the Carcieri "lobby day" on September 29th, the Carcieri "fix" legislation has new momentum. Since the summit, there have been new cosponsors on both the House and Senate versions of the legislation (H.R. 3697, H.R. 3742 and S. 1703). Additionally, on a unanimous vote, the Carcieri legislation was included at the House Appropriations Subcommittee level in the FY 2011 Interior appropriations bill.
RAP-10-025	Support Banning of Oil or Gas Exploration, Development, Drilling and Production on West Coast Of Oregon, Washington and California	Land & Natural Resources	Energy and Mineral Policy	Resolution passed for used by sponsor. No action taken.
RAP-10-028	To Support Legislation to Build a Memorial to Honor the Achievements and Contributions of American Indian/Alaska Native and Native Hawaiian Veterans in the United States	Veterans	Veterans	Resolution passed for use by sponsor.
RAP-10-029	Support of the National Tribal Priorities for Indian Education	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-030	Support of the Tribal Education Departments National Assembly Recommendations for the Reauthorization of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-031	Urge the Department of Education to Conduct Tribal Consultation on the New Race and Ethnicity Guidance for the Collection of Federal Education Data	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter and copy of resolution to Dept of Education
RAP-10-032	Support for Tribal Energy Capacity Development	Land & Natural Resources	Energy and Mineral Policy	IEPA provisions call for allowance of funding for this activity under EPAAct Title V under DOE Tribal Energy Program
RAP-10-035	Department of Justice Tribal Nations Leadership Council Regional Tribal Representation	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	NCAI has been in ongoing discussions with DOJ staff to try to resolve the outstanding issues preventing the formation of the TNLC.
RAP-10-036	Supporting Secretarial Procedures in Lieu of Compact	Litigation & Governance	Tribal Gaming	NCAI has continued to monitor the issue and support the Kickapoo in gaining rights to economic development in the same manner as other tribes.
RAP-10-037	Supporting the <i>Cobell v. Salazar</i> Settlement and Requesting Additional Considerations	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Letter and Resolution shared with Congress, a number of provisions are now included in a negotiated resolution



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RAP-10-038	Support for White House Executive Order on Native Languages	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious and Cultural Concerns	NCAI included and has advocated for provision to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-039	Support of Tribal Government Administration over Tribal Education	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-040	Opposing Discriminatory State Legislation that is Designed to Directly Interfere with the Federal-Tribal Trust Relationship	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Shared with tribal nation
RAP-10-041	Support the Protection of a Premier National Native American Higher Education Program at Fort Lewis College in Durango, CO	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent letter and copy of resolution to State of Colorado
RAP-10-042	Support for the Appeal of the Decision of the United States District Court for the Western District of Oklahoma, in Case No. CIV-09-1251R, Panther Partners, LLC, et al. v. The Honorable Phil Lujan, et al.	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-043	Support for Enactment of the Southeast Alaska Native Land Entitlement Finalization Act through S. 881 and H.R. 2099	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	Letter and Resolution sent to Congress in support
RAP-10-044	Addressing Copyright Law to Allow for the Translation and Reproduction of Existing Work for the Preservation of Endangered Native Languages	Litigation & Governance	Human, Religious and Cultural Concerns	NCAI sent final copy of resolution to supporting orgs for use in advocacy efforts
RAP-10-045	Support for Elevating the Office of Indian Education Position to an Assistant Secretary within the Department of Education	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-046	Recommended Changes to Elementary and Secondary Education Act Now under Consideration in 111th Congress to Increase Capacity of Tribal Colleges for Elementary and Secondary Teacher Training and to Strengthen the Capacity of Tribal Colleges for Education Research	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress
RAP-10-050	In Support of the Indian Energy Promotion and Parity Act of 2010	Land & Natural Resources	Energy and Mineral Policy	Continued advocacy led to bill's introduction S3752 on 8/10
RAP-10-051	Support for Legislation Allowing the Department of Education to Recognize a Separate Accrediting Body for Tribal Colleges and Universities and Other Tribally Controlled Schools	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included and has advocated for national priorities to Administration and Congress



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RAP-10-052	Support of Congressional Settlement of Grand Coulee Dam Claims	Land & Natural Resources	Trust Lands, Natural Resources & Agriculture	Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-053	U.S. Department of Interior and Education Needs to Address Governance and Management of Haskell Indian Nations University and Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute	Human Resources	Education	NCAI sent resolution and letter to DOI and Dept of Education
RAP-10-054	Support for Coordination with State-Recognized Louisiana Tribes in Responding to the Deepwater Horizon BP Oil Spill	Land & Natural Resources	Environmental Protection & Land Use	Coordinated with tribe on insertion of tribal government inclusion in two Oil Spill Prevention Acts attempting passage in both House and Senate.
RAP-10-055	To Call on Congress to Extend the Tax Credits of the ARRA, from 2009 and 2010 to 2010 and 2011 and to Establish an Escrow Account to Fund the Principal for the Issuance of Bonds for the Construction of Tribal Schools	Economic, Finance & Community Development	Economic Development, Finance & Employment	Put forward and supported language as part of the Small business bills to remedy the escrow issues.
RAP-10-056	Funding parity within the Federal School System	Human Resources	Education	NCAI included funding request in all appropriations and budget materials sent to Congress and the Administration
RAP-10-057	Urging that the Bureau of Indian Affairs to Engage in a Tribal Consultation Process, Including an Opportunity for Tribes to Interview Candidates, in the Selection of BIA Regional Directors	Executive		Resolution passed for used by sponsor.
RAP-10-058C	Addressing the Interpretation of Carcieri v. Salazar	Litigation & Governance	Jurisdiction and Tribal Government	Held meeting with Interior and Justice, no movement yet.