



Tribal consultation dates set for July in Washington State and August in Oklahoma

WASHINGTON, July 2, 2013 - As part of President Obama's commitment to strengthening government-to-government relationships with Native Americans, National Indian Gaming Commission Chairwoman Tracie Stevens today announced consultation dates for July in Washington State and August in Oklahoma.

"It is essential that we engage with Tribes on policies that directly affect them," said Chairwoman Stevens. "Tribes and tribal regulators are uniquely positioned to provide relevant information and feedback to the NIGC."

The consultations will focus on a June 25 Federal Register notice seeking comments on a proposed reinterpretation of a previous agency decision regarding [Electronic One Touch Bingo](#).

"The NIGC is not proposing a regulation classifying games," said Chairwoman Stevens, "but rather our proposal is to reconsider one agency decision related to one type of game—one touch bingo."

Since 2010, the Commission has held more than 50 consultations across all seven NIGC regions consistent with Presidential [Executive Order 13175](#), *Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments*.

Consultations will be held as follows:

July 18, 2013	9 a.m.-11 a.m.	Tulalip, Wash.	Tulalip Casino Resort 10200 Quil Ceda Blvd Tulalip, WA 98271 <i>*Held following the Northwest Indian Gaming Conference & Expo</i>
August 14, 2013	2 p.m.- 4 p.m.	Oklahoma City	Cox Convention Center 1 Myriad Gardens Oklahoma City, OK 73102 <i>*Held following the Oklahoma Indian Gaming Association Conference & Trade Show</i>

All NIGC consultations utilize a group discussion format. If you have questions, need additional information, or require special accommodations, please contact Rita Homa at (202) 632-7003.

The [National Indian Gaming Commission](#) is committed to the prompt and efficient regulation of the Indian gaming industry, which spans more than 420 gaming establishments, associated with nearly 240 tribes across 28 states. The Commission's dedication to compliance with the [Indian Gaming Regulatory Act](#) ensures the integrity of the \$27 billion Indian gaming industry. For more information, visit www.nigc.gov.

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