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TRIBAL CONSULTATION ANNUAL REPORT July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2016

Agency Overview

The Arizona Department of Public Safety is the state's law enforcement agency with the mission of protecting human life and property by enforcing state laws, deterring criminal activity and providing vital support to the State of Arizona and its citizens.

Tribal Consultation Activities (Northern Region)

Goal	Objective	Activity and Performance Measure
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	To obtain a valid MOU with the Colorado River Indian Tribe (CRIT).	With the assistance of Captain McLaren, DPS was able to execute the MOU with CRIT.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	To obtain a valid MOU with the Hualapai Tribe.	DPS has worked very closely with Chief Bradley and the Attorney General's Office to complete this MOU. After initial approval of the MOU by the Attorney General's Office and DPS, Chief Bradley and Major Philpot presented the MOU to the tribal council, who signed the MOU. Prior to DPS signing the MOU, a second Attorney General reviewed the MOU and identified issues to resolve. Captain Clark is working toward resolution in conjunction with Chief Bradley.

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Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	To obtain a current MOU with the Navajo Nation to cover the radio tower on Navajo Mountain.	DPS has been working with the Navajo Nation, specifically Mr. Howard Draper. Although discussion have been occurring for approximately a year, an MOU has yet to be established. Captain Zesiger is in contact with Mr. Draper and DPS is hopeful this will progress quickly.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Continue to cross commission DPS troopers working on the Navajo Nation.	The Navajo Nation held cross commission class in Flagstaff in June. Commission card packets are in process for ten troopers.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Continuous dialogue with tribal partners.	DPS has continuous dialogue with the following personnel. Don Sneed-ADOT Kelly LaRosa-Federal Highway Administration Nathan Nixon-ICIN

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Tribal Consultation Activities (Central Region)

Goal	Objective	Activity and Performance Measure
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Introduction to tribal officials from a variety of tribal entities.	Attended U.S. Attorney's Tribal Meeting hosted by the Salt River-Pima Indian Community. August 7, 2015.

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Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Facilitate methods to mitigate occurrence of traffic collisions on tribal lands.	Introduced as the replacement for Major Scarber as the team lead for the Interjurisdictional Working Group of the State Highway Safety Plan. Held meetings on August 17, and November 17, 2015, February 3, June 20 and June 21, 2016.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Networked regarding a wide range of tribal law enforcement issues.	Attended Indian Country Intelligence Network meetings on October 6, 2015 and May 17, 2016.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Provided technical assistance.	On January 8, 2016, San Carlos Tribal Police Chief Alejandro Benally requested assistance from the DPS helicopter to repair their public safety communications mountain top site. The requested assistance was provided the next day.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Outreach to tribal members.	Participated in Indian Nations Legislative Day event at Capitol. January 19, 2016.

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Tribal Consultation Activities (Southern Region)

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Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Outreach to tribal members.	Participated in Indian Nations Legislative Day event at Capitol. January 19, 2016.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Build state/tribal relationships	71st Anniversary of Iwo Jima Flag raising. Event commemorated Pima Indian Ira Hayes and his service to the United States. February 20, 2016.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Engage in open, continuous and relevant conversation concerning law enforcement	ICIN-Interactive group intended to share on-going law enforcement policy and procedures. Presentation by DPS on the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) March 5, 2016.
Department personnel are expected to conduct themselves in a manner which will foster positive relations with Indian Country.	Establish effective communication channels and build state/tribal relationships.	Provide in-put regarding ICIN by laws in order to encourage the transfer of knowledge regarding law enforcement. April 15, 2016.

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Recommendations from Tribal representatives

Consolidating tribal liaison duties with a single point of contact may be beneficial to the department and tribal entities.

Revisions to Tribal Consultation Policy

Nothing to report.