Tribal Radioactive Materials Transportation Committee (TRMTC) via the National Transportation Stakeholders Forum (NTSF)
NTSF

Department of Energy’s mechanism for sharing information nationally about shipments of radioactive waste and materials.
TRMTC Structure

- Engagement with DOE senior-level staff, NRC staff, DOT staff, & other federal agencies & stakeholders
- Membership:
  - 18 Tribes
- Cooperative Agreement with NCSL:
  - Provides staff support for meeting coordination
  - Research and writing
  - Outreach and engagement
  - Direct link with the DOE
TRMTC Focus

- Transportation
- Emergency Management
- Cultural Considerations
- Public Health, Safety, and Community Education
Information Sharing

Collaborations and Meetings with:
- Tribes
- States
- DOE, NRC, FRA, other federal/state agencies, and transportation industry representatives

Technical information sharing
- Ad hoc working groups
- Transportation Core Group

Information sharing with the DOE:
- Meetings twice a year
- Monthly conference calls
Accomplishments in 2018

• TRMTC members agreed to serve as the host for the 2019 NTSF Annual meeting
  ✓ Outcome: Parity with the SRGs who also host the annual NTSF

• TRMTC submitted a letter to DOE regarding the distribution of the PSR and NCSL collected and transmitted an updated point-of-contact list to DOE
  ✓ Outcome: Direct govt to govt information sharing, especially for impacted tribes

• TRMTC submitted a letter to DOE and the NTSF Planning Committee regarding its position on Affected Units of Local Government
  ✓ Outcome: Ascertained the effectiveness of tribes within the NTSF, and the potential negative impacts of AULG’s inclusion in NTSF
Cont. Accomplishments in 2018

• TRMTC submitted a letter to NRC regarding the Holtec HI-STORE Consolidated Interim Storage Facility
  ✓ Outcome: Increase NRC interactions with potentially impacted tribes

• Submitted proposal to present at the 2019 Waste Management Symposium
  ✓ Outcome: To elevate the awareness of tribes and the responsibility to tribes impacted by development

• “The Role and Authority of Tribes in the Transportation of High-Level Radioactive Waste and Spent Fuel”
  ✓ Outcome: To provide tribal perspectives and concerns to stakeholders while encouraging collaboration with federal, state, and industry
General information about Tribes

• 573 federally recognized Indian tribes in the United States

• Each tribe should be considered a unique governmental entity, with its own structure, leadership, land base, membership criteria, language, culture and traditions

• Treaty info: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_United_States_treaties

• DOE order 144.1 - https://www.energy.gov/sites/prod/files/DOE%20O%20144.1.pdf

*SAVE THE DATE*

Join the TRMTC for the Annual NTSF meeting June 10-14, 2019 at the Westin- Crystal City
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