

**TENTATIVE AGENDA
for the
THIRD MEETING
of the
INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**

**August 10, 2026
Diné College Shiprock South Campus
Classrooms 36 and 37, Math and Science Building
1316 College Drive
Shiprock**

**August 11-12, 2026
Wild Horse Casino and Hotel
13603 United States Highway 54
Dulce**

Monday, August 10 — Diné College

- 9:30 a.m. **Call to Order and Introductions**
 —Senator Shannon D. Pinto, Chair
- 9:35 a.m. (1) **Welcome to Diné College**
 —Harley Interpreter, Project and Legislative Specialist, Office of
 Legislative Affairs and Special Projects, Diné College
- 10:00 a.m. (2) **Northern Navajo and Eastern Navajo Agencies (invited)**
 —TBD
- 11:00 a.m. (3) **Update from the Navajo Nation Shiprock Chapter**
 —Debra Yazzie, Vice President, Shiprock Chapter, Navajo Nation
- 11:45 a.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. (4) **Update from Dream Diné Charter School**
 —Nadine Chatto, Head Administrator, Dream Diné Charter School
- 1:45 p.m. (5) **Indigenous Geothermal Development and Geothermal Program Update**
 —Rebecca "Puck" Stair, Director, Energy Conservation and Management
 Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department
- 2:30 p.m. (6) **Committee Discussion: Capital Outlay and the Navajo Nation**
 —Representative Michelle Paulene Abeyta
 —TBD, Office of the President and Vice President, Navajo Nation
 —Amber Crotty, Delegate, Navajo Nation Council

—TBD, Department of Finance and Administration
—TBD, Indian Affairs Department
—Sheila Keleher, Capital Outlay Programs Coordinator, Legislative
Council Service

4:00 p.m. **Public Comment***

4:30 p.m. **Recess**

Tuesday, August 11 — Wild Horse Casino and Hotel

9:30 a.m. **Reconvene**

9:35 a.m. (7) **[Welcome and Update from the Jicarilla Apache Nation](#)**
—TBD

10:30 a.m. (8) **[Update from the Jicarilla Apache Nation Power Authority](#)**
—Charlie Ferrell, General Manager, Jicarilla Apache Nation Power
Authority

11:30 a.m. **Lunch**

1:00 p.m. (9) **[Update from Navajo Preparatory School](#)**
—Shawna Becenti, Head of School, Navajo Preparatory School

2:00 p.m. **Public Comment***

2:30 p.m. **Tour of Jicarilla Apache Nation Facilities****

Wednesday, August 1 — Wild Horse Casino and Hotel

9:30 a.m. **Reconvene**

9:35 a.m. (10) **[Overview of Behavioral Health Investments \(Senate Bill 3 \(2026\) Initiatives\)](#)**
—Stacey Boone, State Behavioral Health Manager, Administrative Office
of the Courts (AOC)
—Pamela Trujillo, Program Manager, AOC

10:35 a.m. (11) **[Geothermal Energy Opportunities on Tribal Lands](#)**
—Tom Solomon, New Mexico Geothermal Working Group
—Shari Kelley, Ph.D., Lead Research Scientist, Bureau of Geology and
Mineral Resources, New Mexico Institute of Mining and Technology
—Jeff Atencio, Rainstorm Consulting
—Rebecca "Puck" Stair, Director, Energy Conservation and Management
Division, Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department

11:35 a.m. **Public Comment***

12:00 noon

Adjourn

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