

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

**July 16, 2025  
Tohatchi Chapter House  
PO Box 287  
Tohatchi**

**July 17-18, 2025  
Pinedale Chapter House  
Milepost 5 Navajo Service Route 11  
Church Rock**

**Wednesday, July 16 — Tohatchi Chapter House**

- 10:00 a.m.           **Call to Order and Introductions**  
—Senator Shannon D. Pinto, Chair, Indian Affairs Committee
- 10:10 a.m.       (1)   **[Welcome and Status Update from Tohatchi](#)**  
—Elvis Bitsilly, President, Tohatchi Chapter  
—Lee Rodgers, Vice President, Tohatchi Chapter
- 10:45 a.m.           **Tohatchi Tour\***
- 11:45 a.m.           **Public Comment\*\***
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.       (2)   **[Alcohol Harms Alleviation Coalition](#)**  
—TBD
- 2:00 p.m.       (3)   **[Update from Navajo Technical University](#)**  
—TBD, Navajo Technical University (invited)
- 3:00 p.m.       (4)   **[Update from Diné College](#)**  
—TBD, Diné College (invited)
- 4:00 p.m.           **Public Comment\*\***
- 4:30 p.m.           **Recess**

**Thursday, July 17 — Pinedale Chapter House**

- 9:00 a.m.           **Reconvene**
- 9:15 a.m.       (5)   **Welcome and Status Update from Pinedale Chapter (PC)**  
—Sarah Jackson, President, PC  
—Sylvia Morgan, Vice President, PC  
—Clara Daye, Secretary/Treasurer, PC  
—Titus Nez, Community Services Coordinator, PC
- 10:00 a.m.       (6)   **New Mexico Redistricting Task Force**  
—Leonard Gorman, Executive Director, Navajo Nation Human Rights  
Commission
- 11:00 a.m.       (7)   **Six Directions Indigenous School**  
—Rebecca Niiha, Head Administrator, Six Directions Indigenous School
- 11:45 a.m.           **Public Comment\*\***
- 12:00 noon           **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m.       (8)   **The Yazzie/Martinez v. State of New Mexico Lawsuit**  
—Wilhelmina Yazzie, Plaintiff  
—Melissa Candelaria, Education Director, New Mexico Center on Law and  
Poverty
- 2:00 p.m.       (9)   **Update on the Navajo/Gallup Water Supply Project: City of Gallup**  
—Louis Bonaguidi, Mayor, City of Gallup  
—Frank Chiapetti, City Manager, City of Gallup
- 3:00 p.m.       (10) **Update on the Navajo/Gallup Water Supply Project: Bureau of  
Reclamation**  
—Bart Deming, Acting Area Manager, Western Colorado Area Office,  
United States Bureau of Reclamation
- 4:00 p.m.       (11) **Human Trafficking in the Transit Industry**  
—Bernadine Beyale, Executive Director, 4Corners K-9 Search and Rescue
- 4:30 p.m.           **Public Comment\*\***
- 4:45 p.m.           **Recess**

**Friday, July 18 — Pinedale Chapter House**

10:00 a.m.           **Reconvene**

10:15 a.m.    (12) **[Update on Yazzie/Martinez v. State of New Mexico](#)**  
—TBD, Public Education Department (invited)

11:30 a.m.           **Public Comment\*\***

12:00 noon           **Adjourn**

\*This is an invitation-only tour for committee members and staff.

\*\*Members of the public may make virtual public comments during the public comment period of the meeting by following the instructions under the "Additional Information" section of the Indian Affairs Committee [web page](#).