



**Oklahoma Tribal Conservation Advisory Council (OTCAC)
&
Indian Nations Conservation Alliance (INCA)**

August 2004

Dear Prospective Attendee:

It is time for the 2nd National Tribal Districts & Conservation Advisory Councils Conference. The theme for the conference is "Coming Together" and the focus of the conference is to bring tribes, tribal conservation districts, tribal partners, agencies, and organizations together to share accomplishments, opportunities, and programs that will promote preservation of Indian natural resources and land. In addition, this national conference is being held to promote the conservation and preservation of Indian natural resources, and to utilize these resources in a wise and sustainable manner throughout all of Indian Country.

The Conference will be held December 6—10, 2004, at the Flamingo Hotel, in Las Vegas, Nevada. The Oklahoma Tribal Conservation Advisory Council (OTCAC) and the Indian Nations Conservation Alliance (INCA) are sponsoring the event. This will be a great opportunity to meet "face-to-face" and visit with many of the leaders of agriculture and conservation in Indian Country.

The key to success for any tribal conference is the participation and support it receives from tribes, state and federal agencies, tribal partners, organizations, conservation districts, and other organizations. Your support will enhance the quality of the program and provide the opportunity to develop tribal partnerships for the future. Available sponsorship opportunities for the 2nd National Tribal Districts & Conservation Advisory Councils are:



Gold Feather Sponsorship (\$3000.00)
4 Full Conference Registrations
1 Exhibitor Booth



Silver Feather Sponsorship (\$2000.00)
3 Full Conference Registrations
1 Exhibitor Booth



Bronze Feather Sponsorship (\$1000.00)
2 Full Conference Registrations
1 Exhibitor Booth

As a conference sponsor your tribe, tribal conservation district, agency, or company will be recognized in the conference agenda, program, and sponsorship banner at the conference.

Exhibitor **registration fee** for the conference is **\$500.00**, and includes 1 full conference registration fee, exhibitor booth, and includes a luncheon ticket, all breaks, admission to all conference exhibits and events.

Individual **registration fee** for the conference is **\$200.00**, and includes a luncheon ticket, all breaks, admission to all conference exhibits and events, as well as all conference materials.

Sponsors, exhibitors, and individual attendees, please register as soon as possible, **before November 6, 2004**. Early registrants shall be included in a drawing for tickets to the National Finals Rodeo. Once sponsorship and exhibitor forms have been received an exhibitor information sheet will be provided.

During the conference there will be a "Live Auction" on Wednesday, December 8, 2004. The success of the auction depends on items that will be donated for the auction. Please consider donating an item for the auction. The point of contact for the "Live Auction" is Mr. Tom Brothers, OTCAC representative. Tom may be contacted by phone at 405-262-1770, e-mail address clarabushyhead@hotmail.com and by mail at P.O. Box 92 Concho, OK 73022.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the Flamingo Hotel Casino under the group code: **OTCAC**. The rate is **\$55.00 per night**, should be reserved **by November 6, 2004**, and reserved under the group **OTCAC** to receive this discounted rate.

Enclosed you will find a draft agenda, conference information sheet, and registration forms for individuals, sponsorships, exhibitors, and "Live Auction".

More information regarding the conference can be found at <http://otcac.tripod.com> or <http://AIANEA.com> and email address conference questions at otcac@hotmail.com. You may also contact:

P.J. Workman, Choctaw Nation, OTCAC Chairman @ 918-567-2321 or email at pjworkman@choctawnation.com or sblair@choctawnation.com

Dick Gooby, Executive Director, INCA @ 406-684-5199 or e-mail wrranch@3rivers.net,

Art Muller, INCA & OTCAC Member @ 405-878-4672 or e-mail at amuller@POTAWATOMI.ORG.

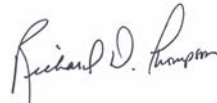
In closing, thank you for taking the time to consider sponsoring and attending what promises to be a gathering that will be informative and pivotal in promoting the conservation and preservation of natural resources and conservation of land in Indian Country. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need additional information.

Sincerely,



P.J. Workman
OTCAC Chairman

Respectfully,



Richard D. Thompson
INCA Chairman



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Individual Registration Form

Name: _____

Organization: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail _____

Registration Fee _____ \$200, before November 6, 2004 (please mail in your registration ahead of time to assist us in planning this event). The registration form must be postmarked by November 6, 2004, in order to be eligible for the National Final Rodeo tickets (drawing will be held at the conference).

Registrations fee covers conference materials, (1) ticket for the luncheon and breaks.

Please make checks payable to the _____ OTCAC 2nd NTD&CA Conference.

Additional Luncheon Tickets: \$15.00 @ _____ = _____

(Everyone attending the Luncheon is required to have a ticket)

Signature of attendee: _____

**Mail Registration forms and Payment to: Art Muller, INCA & OTCAC Board Member
C/O Citizen Potawatomi Nation
41707 Hardesty Road
Shawnee, Oklahoma 74801
Fax 405-878-4678**

**Conference Reservations: The Flamingo Hotel
Code: OTCAC
Phone: 1-800-732-2111**

Please make your room reservation ASAP. There is no penalty to cancel your reservation if you cannot attend. If reservations are NOT made under the code: OTCAC, you can not receive the special conference rate of \$55.00 plus tax and reservation MUST be made by November 6, 2004.



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Sponsorship Opportunities

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Sponsorship Registration Form

(Please print all information)

Organization: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail _____

Please complete the box for the appropriate sponsorship selected for the conference:

Gold Feather Sponsorship
Registration fee: \$3000.00
Exhibit Booth & 4 Registrations
Conference Registrations for:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Silver Feather Sponsorship
Registration fee: \$2000.00
Exhibit Booth, 3 Conference Registrations
Conference Registrations for:
1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Bronze Feather Sponsorship

Registration fee: \$1000.00
 Exhibit Booth & 2 Registrations

Conference Registrations for:

1. _____

2. _____

Exhibitor Sponsorship

Registration fee: \$500.00
 Exhibit Booth & 1 Conference Registration

Conference Registrations for:

1. _____

Social Sponsorship

Be a sponsor for Conference Social that will be held on Monday, December 6, 2004. Receive recognition at the social for your sponsorship.

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Must be received before October, 6, 2004

Hospitality Sponsorship

Be a hospitality sponsor for the conference and receive recognition for your sponsorship at all the conference breaks.

Name: _____

Amount: _____

Must be received before October, 6, 2004

Your sponsorship form should be mailed before **October 6, 2004** (your early registration for sponsorship allows the planning staff appropriate printing time for conference recognition). The registration form must be postmarked by **October 6, 2004**, in order to be eligible for the National Final Rodeo tickets (drawing will be held at the conference).

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Conference Hotel:

The conference hotel is Flamingo Hotel, 3055 Las Vegas Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89100 – 4343, located in the heart of Las Vegas (<http://www.caesars.com/Flamingo/LasVegas/>). The Hotel has granted our conference a discounted room rate of \$55.00 per night for Monday through Thursday nights (Rooms at the Flamingo Hotel are normally \$119.00 per night). Rooms are available for booking now. Deadline to make reservations for the conference rate is November 6, 2004. If you have problems making your reservation you may contact Lucy Villahermosa at 702-733-3229, our conference coordinator. Hotel front desk: 888-308-8899.

Shipping Exhibit Booths/Materials for Conference:

Flamingo Las Vegas Business Center
C/O 2nd National Tribal Districts & Conservation Advisory Councils Conference
December 5 – 10, 2004
Attention: **The name of your organization**
3555 Las Vegas Blvd. South
Las Vegas, NV 89109-8919

Per Diem Rates:

Government per diem rate is 43.00 M&IE and \$79.00 lodging, conference rate is lower.

Need More information:

Contacts: P.J. Workman, Choctaw Nation, OTCAC Chairman @ 918-567-2321 or email at sblair@choctawnation.com, Dick Gooby, Executive Director, INCA @ 406-684-5199 or e-mail wrranch@3rivers.net. Art Muller, INCA & OTCAC Member @ 405-878-4672 or amuller@POTAWATOMI.ORG

Web sites:

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Climate:

December: Mean 46°, Avg. Max. 58°, and Avg. Min. 33°. Evening temperatures dip into the 30s and even into the 20s. The sun makes an occasional showing.

National Final Tickets:

<http://www.nfr-rodeo.com/nfrprices.html> 1-888-NRF-Rodeo, www.tickco.com or www.nationalfinalsrodeotickets.com

Airfare information:

To ensure the best plane fares book before October 20, 2004 for most Airlines. Cheap tickets offer special fare to Las Vegas, go to, www.cheaptickets.com

Driving to conference:

<http://www.caesars.com/Flamingo/LasVegas/contactus/> provides directions, maps, and all the information you need to locate the hotel.

Transportation Service: Las Vegas McCarran International Airport is served directly by shuttle, bus, and taxi (<http://www.las-vegas-las.com/index.html>). Public transportation is also available for travel both to and from the airport.

Shuttles & Taxicabs: Operators at Las Vegas McCarran International Airport offer a number of different shuttle and limousine-for-hire services. The operators' service desks are to be found to the north and west of the baggage claim area. Shuttle routes typically include stops at Strip Hotels, Downtown hotels and Off-Strip hotels. There is a taxicab pick up area outside door exits 1-5, east of the baggage claim area. In this area airport personnel are available to assist passengers. Taxi cab operators add a small extra fee for all journeys starting in the airport.



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"Live Auction" Donation Form

Name: _____

Organization: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail _____

Item being acutioned: _____

The point of contact for the "Live Auction" is Mr. Tom Brothers, OTCAC representative and member of the Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribe. Tom may be contacted prior to the conference by phone at 405-262-1770, e-mail address at clarabushyhead@hotmail.com and mailing address at P.O. Box 92 Concho, OK 73022. Tom will be arriving at the conference on Sunday, December 5, 2004 and can be contacted through the conference registration desk at the Sunset Booth of the Flamingo Hotel during the conference. You may turn in your auction item when you register. Please remember that the "Live Auction" is Wednesday, December 8, 2004, from 5:00PM to 7:00 PM, in the Vista Room, and the planning committee must have time to prepare the items for the auction.

If you are unable to attend the conference or you are attending and prefer to ship the item being donated, you may do so. If you will be shipping your "Live Auction" donation item to the Hotel it must addressed to the following:

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Attention: Tom Brothers
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If you plan on sending your package "overnight" for the conference, please be advised that the "overnight" packages will NOT arrive at the Flamingo Hotel until midmorning and have to be processed before being delivered to you conference meeting area.

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Vendor Form

Vendor Name: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ E-mail _____

The vendor registration fee for the conference is \$300.00 which includes an 8 x 10 display area; two tables and two chairs. Set-up is Monday afternoon December 6, 2004. Vendor registration fee must be received prior to the conference. Early registration is encouraged; there is limited space for approximately four vendors. Expected attendance for the conference is 400 plus. The conference agenda will attract and target Tribal Nations across the country; as well as state and federal agencies, that work with tribes to protect and preserve their tribal lands.

Vendor fee covers conference materials, (1) ticket for the luncheon and breaks.

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Signature of vendor: _____

Mail or Fax Vendor Registration Forms and Payment to: Art Muller, INCA & OTCAC Board Member

**C/O Citizen Potawatomi Nation
41707 Hardesty Road
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Fax 405-878-4678**

Due to the limited space for vendors the conference directors encourage vendors to get their registration form faxed to Art Muller, ASAP.

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Agenda

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We would like to thank and recognize our Conference Sponsors.



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Bronze Feather Sponsors:

Exhibitor Sponsors:

Sponsors for the Conference Social:

Hospitality Sponsors for the Conference:

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9:00 am – 5:00 pm		Registration – Sunset Booth
6:00 pm -9:00 pm		Social – Vista Room
		TUESDAY, December 7, 2004
7:00 am – 6:00 pm		Registration – Sunset Booth Exhibits Open – Laughlin I Room
8:30 am – 10:00 am	LAUGHLIN I ROOM	GENERAL SESSION Moderator: OTCAC Flag Ceremony: Invocation: Welcome Address: Richard Thompson, Chairman INCA Keynote Speaker: Anne Venneman, USDA Secretary (Invited) M. Darrel Dominick, Oklahoma State Conservationist Vista Room
10:00 am – 10:15 am		Break
10:15 am - 12:00 pm	EXHIBITS	GENERAL SESSION Moderator: Russel Zepheir Speakers: Tex Hall, President, National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) (invited) Bill Wilson, President of National Association of Conservation Districts (NACD)(Invited) Bob Drake, President of Grazing Land Conservation Initiative (GLCI) (confirmed) Vista Room
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm		LUNCHEON (Tickets required) Moderator: OTCAC Invocation: Leota Burnett and Sherry Marable Keynote Speaker: Philip Martin, Chief of Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (Invited) Tribal Success Stories Oklahoma Natural Resource Conservation Service Video Scenic Room
1:30 pm – 3:00 pm		GENERAL SESSION Moderator: Art Muller, INCA and OTCAC Boards Director Speakers: Ron Dehaven, Administrator Animal Plant Health Inspection Service(invited) Ronald Bosecker, Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service(invited) Dale Bosworth, Chief, Forest Service(invited) Bruce Knight, Chief, Natural Resource Conservation Service(invited) Subject: Vision, programs and working together Vista Room
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm		Break
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm		GENERAL SESSION Moderator: Thomas Begay, Treasure, INCA Speakers: PJ Workman, President ,Oklahoma’s Tribal Conservation Advisory Councils Subject: State tribal Conservation Advisory Councils. Terry Tatsey , Vice, President, Indian Nations Conservation Alliance Subject: Tribal Colleges and USDA working together James Little, Administrator, Farm Service Agency(invited) Ross Davidson Jr., Administrator, Risk Management Agency(invited) Subject: Vision, programs and working together Vista Room

WEDNESDAY, December 8, 2004

8:00 am – 5:00pm	Registration – Sunset Booth Exhibits Open – Laughlin I Room			
8:30 am – 10:00 am	EXHIBITS OPEN – LAUGHLIN I ROOM	GENERAL SESSION		
		Moderator: Terry Tatsey Vice Chairman, INCA Invocation: Recognize Tribal Conservation Districts and Tribal Conservation Advisory Councils Anna Belle Romero, Director of Native American Programs, USDA Congressional Representatives (Invited) Motivational Speaker: Clara Bushy Head, Cheyenne Arapaho (confirmed) Speaker: Louie Dick, Seven Generations Planning Process (Invited)		
		Vista Room		
10:00 am – 10:15 am		Break		
10:15 am – 12:00 pm		GENERAL SESSION		
	Moderator: Terry Tatsey, Vice Chairman, INCA Speaker: Louie Dick, Seven Generations Planning Process			
	Vista Room			
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm	Lunch on Your Own			
BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Repeat 2 times)				
1:00 pm – 2:00 pm	Native American Fish & Wildlife Society (Invited) Virginia City I Room	Intertribal Bison Cooperative Laughlin II Room	Roles & Responsibility of District Supervisors Virginia City II Room	Intertribal Agricultural Council (Invited) Virginia City II Room
2:00 pm – 3:00 pm	Native American Fish & Wildlife Society Virginia City I Room	Intertribal Bison Cooperative Laughlin II	(Continued) Vista Room	Intertribal Agricultural Council Virginia City II Room
3:00 pm – 3:15 pm	Break			
3:15 pm – 4:00 pm	Intertribal Timber Council Virginia City I Room	USGS, Kim Whinton Laughlin II	Culture Awareness Training for Federal Agencies 3:15 – 5:00 pm	No Till Farming and Soil Quality. Greg Scott, NRCS Virginia City II Room
4:15 pm – 5:00 pm	Intertribal Timber Council (invited) Virginia City I Room	USGS, Kim Whinton Laughlin II	(Continue) Vista Room	No Till Farming and Soil Quality. Greg Scott, NRCS Virginia City II Room
5:00 pm – 7:00 pm	LIVE AUCTION Celebrate 50 years of Tribal Conservation Districts Duck Valley Social (Finger Food) Moderator: Entertainment: Vista Room			

THURSDAY, December 9, 2004

8:00am – 12:00pm	Registration –Sunset Booth			
8:30 am – 10am	<p>GENERAL SESSION</p> <p>Moderator: OTCAC Invocation: Speakers: Dr. Colien Hefferan Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service(invited) A. Ellen Terpstra, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service(invited) James Alsop Acting Administrator Rural Development(invited) Dr. Barbara Masters Acting Administrator, Food Safety and Inspection Service(invited) Vision, programs and working together</p> <p>Vista Room</p>			<p>NRCS Leadership Meeting</p> <p>Reno Room 8:30 am – 3:15 pm</p>
10:00 am – 10:15 am	Break			
BREAKOUT SESSIONS (Repeat 2 times)				
10:15 am – 11:00 pm	<p>Tribal Success Stories Cherokee Nation</p> <p>Virginia I</p>	<p>Tribal Success Stories Cheyenne Arapaho</p> <p>Virginia II</p>	<p>Tribal Success Stories</p> <p>Vista Room</p>	
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	<p>Tribal Success Stories Cherokee Nation</p> <p>Virginia I</p>	<p>Tribal Success Stories Cheyenne Arapaho</p> <p>Virginia II</p>	<p>Tribal Success Stories</p> <p>Vista Room</p>	
12:00 pm- 1:00 pm	Lunch On Your Own			
1:00 pm- 3:15 pm	<p>Networking between Tribal Colleges and Federal Agencies</p> <p>Robert Whitman, Chair, American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)</p> <p>Virginia I</p>	<p>GENERAL SESSION</p> <p>Moderator: Indian Nations Conservation Alliance Board Meeting. Discuss strategies for the 2007 Farm Bill</p> <p>Vista Room</p>		
3:15 pm – 5:00 pm	<p>GENERAL SESSION</p> <p>INCA meeting with USDA agencies Administrators</p> <p>A representative from each National Native American Natural Resource Associations is invited to this meeting as well.</p> <p>Vista Room</p>			