

Date: September 17, 2010

To: All NRC Employees
SUBJECT: NRC TRIBAL PROTOCOL EVENT

On September 27, 2010, the Office of Federal and State Materials and Environmental Management Programs (FSME) will host "Tribal Participation in NRC's Regulatory Process – NRC Tribal Protocol."

The program will provide information regarding the NRC's Tribal Protocol, legal history between the Federal Government and Native American Tribes, communication expectations and outcomes between Federal agencies and Tribal leaders, and a glimpse at Native American cultural dance and ceremony. Featured presenters include:

- Jeff Besougloff, Associate Director of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's American Indian Environmental Office;
- Elizabeth Homer, Homer Law; and,
- The Rappahannock Dancers, cultural artisans with a tribe located in Virginia.

Michael Weber, Deputy Executive Director of Materials, Waste, Research, State, Tribal, and Compliance Programs; Cindi Carpenter, Deputy Director of FSME; and NRC staff will make presentations during the program.

All NRC staff is invited to attend. The event will take place in the NRC Auditorium from 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. (ET) and is open to NRC staff only. The agenda for this event may be viewed at: <u>http://www.internal.nrc.gov/highlights/Final_TribalOutreachPoster.pdf</u>.

Staff may participate remotely, either by attending Regional video-teleconference sessions, or by dialing 1-800-779-2593 and entering the following passcode: 30743. For additional information, please contact <u>Michelle Ryan</u> or by phone at (301) 415-1071.

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Management Directive Reference: MD 9.15, "Organization and Functions, Office of State and Tribal Programs"

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