SEPTEMBER 2025

MONTHLY BRIEF

STAY UPDATED ON NNWO'S WORK IN WASHINGTON DC

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DIRECTOR'S NOTE

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Our office continues to advance Navajo Nation priorities through advocacy and collaboration. With Congress back in session, our team re-engaged with federal partners to track legislation, participate in consultations, and strengthen relationships that support our policy goals.

This report highlights the latest developments across our portfolios, updates from meetings, federal announcements, and emerging opportunities for tribal engagement.

We remain committed to ensuring that the Navajo Nation's voice is heard and respected at every level of government.

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PORTFOLIO UPDATES

GOVERNMENT TO GOVERNMENT RELATIONS

On September 23, 2025, Adelita Grijalva (D-AZ-07), daughter of former Congressman Raúl Grijalva, prevailed in a special election to take over the seat held by her recently deceased father.

OFFICE OF NAVAJO HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

On September 29, 2025, NNWO Acting Executive Director Vince Redhouse was named by President Nygren to lead the transition team for the Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch. The Nation has reached an agreement with the Office of Navajo Hopi Indian Relocation to take over operations of the Ranch beginning October 1, 2025. NNWO is also working on general transition of operations from ONHIR with the Department of the Interior.

TAXATION AND FEDERAL BUDGET

The federal government is heading towards a likely shutdown. As of this date, none of the twelve appropriations bills required to fund the federal government have passed. The House passed a continuing resolution to keep the government funded through November 21, 2025; however, the bill failed in the Senate. Senate leadership is planning to introduce the bill again on September 30, 2025.

WATER RIGHTS

The Navajo Nation's outside counsel—who lead the Nation's water efforts in Washington, D.C.—are working with the Nation's New Mexico Senate Delegation to incorporate funding for the Navajo Gallup Water Supply project into any continuing resolution, budget, or other funding vehicle for FY26.

NATIONAL PARKS & MONUMENTS

Congressman Paul Gosar (R-AZ-09) advanced a House amendment to block funding for implementing the Baaj Nwaavjo I'tah Kukveni-Ancestral Footprints of the Grand Monument, Canvon National framing uranium access as a While national security issue. prospects in the Senate uncertain and a veto is likely, the move signals broader efforts that could threaten protections at other monuments the Navajo Nation supports (e.g., Bears Ears, Grand Staircase-Escalante). NNWO monitoring and coordinating with partners to defend monument safeguards. On a separate but related note the Women of Bears non-profit board visited NNWO for Wilderness Week, where they sought to advocate against forthcoming changes to the 2001 roadless rule. If implemented, the 2001 roadless rule could drastically reduce the Bears Ears National Monument's boundaries.

RECA

Congresswoman Teresa Leger Fernández hosted a RECA application training workshop. A link containing a recording of the workshop can be found <u>here.</u>



PORTFOLIO UPDATES

HEALTH

On September 9, 2025, The House Committee on Appropriations Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Services held a hearing to discuss the FY2026 budget. During the meeting, 48 amendments were introduced with eight amendments accepted. The bill's discretionary allocation is \$184.5 billion, a 7% reduction from FY2025 levels, and it supports President Trump's priorities and efforts to safeguard taxpayer dollars, eliminate progressive policies, and reduce more than 100 programs.

On September 15, 2025, The Department of the Treasury held a consultation on Child Tax Credit, based on the One Big, Beautiful Bill Act. The provision included parity for special needs determinations made on tribal standards and state standards. NNWO is waiting for comments from the Division of Children and Family Services.

H.R.5378 - Tribal Healthcare Careers Act was introduced into the House by Congressman Jimmy Gomez (D-CA-34), on September 16, 2025. The legislation would provide set-aside of funds for Indian populations under the Health Profession Opportunity grant program under Section 2008 of the Social Security Act, and for other purposes.

The Senate Committee on Indian Affairs held an Oversight hearing on September 17, 2025 titled: Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act Successes and Opportunities at the Department of the Interior and the Indian Health Service.

EDUCATION

Secretary of Education Linda McMahon announced that the Department of Education is investing \$500 million in higher education, with Tribally Controlled Colleges and Universities receiving over \$108 million in fiscal year 2025, representing a 109% increase.

The funding will support programs, services, and operations at institutions that provide education while maintaining Native languages, histories, and traditions. The announcement comes less than one week after President Nygren met with the Secretary.

AGRICULTURE

The U.S. Department of Agriculture released its "Make America Healthy Again" strategy on September 9, 2025, and can be found here.

Additionally, Navajo Nation President Buu Nygren submitted his application to join the United States Department of Agriculture Tribal Advisory Committee (USDA TAC). The Nation was previously represented on the USDA TAC by Monty Roessel, President of Diné College, who sadly passed away earlier this year.



FEDERAL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

SECRETARY OF EDUCATION LINDA MCMAHON

NNWO joined President Nygren to meet with the Department of Education regarding funding for Indian Education. Topics were Higher Education, Pell Grants, Forward Funding, Title I-IV funding, DEI exclusion, and Language Preservation. During the meeting, the Secretary acknowledged that tribal programs are not DEI.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

SENATOR MARK KELLY AND RUBEN GALLEGO (D-AZ) STAFF

NNWO joined President Nygren and outside counsel for a meeting with staff from Senator Kelly's and Senator Gallego's offices to discuss updates from the Department of the Interior water meeting in Window Rock and next steps for the Northern Arizona Indian Water Rights Settlement Act.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY OFFICE

NNWO met with the Government Accountability Office to coordinate a visit for them to Window Rock to meet with Navajo leadership on public safety concerns. The meeting will take place on October 17, 2025, and both Office of President & Vice President and the Law & Order Committee have been invited.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025

CONGRESSMAN MIKE KENNEDY (R-UT-03)

NNWO joined President Nygren for a meeting with Congressman Kennedy to request support for the Parity for Tribal Law Enforcement Act and the Veterinary Services to Improve Public Health in Rural Communities Act.

SEPTEMBER 11, 2025

SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS FOR INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES MINORITY STAFF

NNWO met with Senate appropriations minority staff to discuss updates and gain information regarding the status of the Office of Navajo Hopi Indian Relocation and the Gallup Indian Medical Center.



FEDERAL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS NAVAJO REGION

NNWO met virtually with BIA Navajo Region Acting Director Deborah Shirley to discuss possible support for the acquisition of a decommissioned Blackhawk helicopter for the Mexican Water Veteran's memorial as well as for possible support for the activities of the Navajo Hopi Land Commission Office.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025UNITED STATES FOREST SERVICE

NNWO hosted the U.S. Forest Service to discuss possible mechanisms for acquiring and/or protecting lands near the Nation's sacred mountains.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

NNWO met with staff from the Office of Indian Energy to discuss the Administration's stance on clean energy and the possibility of the Nation entering into a P.L. 102-477 agreement with the Department of Energy.

SEPTEMBER 16. 2025

OFFICE OF NAVAJO HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

NNWO helped negotiate the terms of transitioning the Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch from the Office of Navajo Hopi Indian Relocation to the Navajo Nation. NNWO will lead the transition efforts as the Nation develops a more permanent plan for the Ranch.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025SENATOR RUBEN GALLEGO (D-NM) STAFF

NNWO joined Pinon, Window Rock, Page, Kayenta, and Red Mesa School Districts to discuss continued support and increase to Federal Impact Aid School funding. The focus of the meeting was the annual funding for roads, construction, and maintenance of buildings.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025CONGRESSMAN GREG STANTON (R-AZ-04) STAFF

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SEPTEMBER 17, 2025DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

NNWO met again with staff from the Office of Indian Energy to discuss the use of ablation for removing uranium from abandoned mines on the Nation, as well as the use of the Indian Energy Purchase Preference authority that the Department of Energy has, which gives preference to purchasing energy from tribes over other sources.



FEDERAL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

NATURAL RESOURCES CONSERVATION SERVICE ARIZONA OFFICE

NNWO with met Arizona State Conservationist Keisha Tatum to discuss reports that were sent to her office regarding the Navajo Department of Agriculture's priorities to establish an NRCS office in Window Rock. The meeting also clarified action items from the previous with **NRCS** Chief meeting Aubrev Bettencourt. Additionally, the meeting included discussions about potential water projects and other potential Navajo offices that could take advantage of NRCS resources.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

CONGRESSMAN ELI CRANE (R-AZ-02)

NNWO joined President Nygren for a meeting with Congressman Crane to discuss the Nation's legislative priorities, including the Parity for Tribal Law Enforcement and Veterinary Services to Improve Public Health in Rural Communities. The President also provided updates on the status of the Nation's water settlements and Chaco Canyon.

SEPTEMBER 17, 2025

CONGRESSWOMAN CHELLIE PINGREE (D-ME-01)

NNWO joined President Nygren for a meeting with Congresswoman Pingree to discuss the Nation's legislative priorities, including the Parity for Tribal Law Enforcement and Veterinary Services to Improve Public Health in Rural Communities. The President and Congresswoman also discussed strategies for funding the Gallup Indian Medical Center.

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FEDERAL MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 18, 2025

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

NNWO joined the regular check-in call with Treasury to hear updates on the Nation's use of the American Rescue Plan Act funds related to State Small Business Credit Initiative Capital Program.

SEPTEMBER 19, 2025

OFFICE OF NAVAJO HOPI INDIAN RELOCATION

NNWO met with ONHIR to discuss logistics regarding our agreement to take over operations at Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch.

SEPTEMBER 25. 2025

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

NNWO reached out to the Office of the Secretary at Interior to request that staff at Interior who serve programs that benefit tribes be exempt from any reduction in force decisions. In response, NNWO was informed that Secretary Burgum does not intend to implement a reduction in force among Bureau of Indian Affairs staff.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2025

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES (HHS)

NNWO met with HHS staff to express the Nation's position that staff at HHS who serve programs that benefit tribes be exempt from any reduction in force decisions.

SEPTEMBER 29, 2025

ARIZONA SENATE DELEGATION STAFF

NNWO met with Senate minority staff to discuss the possibility of a government shut down ahead of a meeting between President Trump and Congressional leadership.

SEPTEMBER 29. 2025

ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES TRIBAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE (ACF TAC)

NNWO joined the planning call for the upcoming ACF TAC meeting in Washington, D.C. NNWO has offered to lend its space to the ACF TAC members and to assist in scheduling ACF TAC related meetings for the members while they are in Washington, D.C.



NAVAJO MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025 NAVAJO HOPI LAND COMMISSION AND NAVAJO DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

NNWO provided an update to Attorney General Bradley regarding the rumors of the liquidation of cattle at the Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch.

SEPTEMBER 15, 2025LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE

NNWO delivered updates on the Government Accountability Office's request to visit the Nation and meet with Navajo leadership and law enforcement.

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 NHLCO, NNDOJ, AND OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT

NNWO took the lead on the transition team for Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch and coordinated with other offices, as well as with the Navajo Hopi Land Commission, to develop a proposal for the Office of Navajo Hopi Indian Relocation.

SEPTEMBER 18, 2025NAVAJO HOPI LAND COMMISSION

NNWO provided a report on the transition for Padres Mesa Demonstration Ranch as well as general federal activities regarding the future of the Office of Navajo Hopi Indian Relocation.

SEPTEMBER 22, 2025 LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE

NNWO attended the Law and Order Committee meeting where the Committee advanced the nomination of NNDOJ Attorney General Colin Bradley.

SEPTEMBER 24, 2024COUNCIL DELEGATE ANDY NEZ

NNWO answered clarification questions and provided a summary of the meeting with the U.S. Forest Service.

SEPTEMBER 25, 2025

NAABIK'ÍYÁTI MEETING

NNWO Executive Director traveled to Window Rock in-person as requested to deliver a report on President Nygren's brief meeting with Secretary of Education Linda McMahon.



OTHER MEETINGS

SEPTEMBER 8, 2025JEANNIE MANUEL SCHOOL, UNITED KINGDOM

NNWO was interviewed by a student from the United Kingdon for a research paper on political representation of Native Americans.

SEPTEMBER 10, 2025 GRAND CANYON TRUST AND TRIBAL LEADERSHIP

NNWO joined the call where it was announced that the meetings would be occurring every other week now.

SEPTEMBER 12, 2025

BEARS EARS TRIBAL COALITION (BETC)

NNWO joined the BETC call where the Coalition discussed the roadless rule reminders, studies on the lower San Juan water shed, and Paleo permits. The Coalition also discussed the Congressional Review Act's resolution and its impact on resource management plans.

SEPTEMBER 18, 2025 FORMER UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE STAFF

NNWO welcomed former Senior Policy Analyst from the State Department to discuss how the Nation can have an impact on promoting the rights and well-being of Indigenous peoples all over the world through diplomacy and providing technical assistance.

SEPTEMBER 26, 2025BEARS EARS TRIBAL COALITION

NNWO joined the call where updates were provided on the staff out days, the Utah Visitor Center trip, the Utah Advisor Committee meeting, and the Paleo site visit. There was also discussion of the upcoming National Congress of American Indians meeting and possible strategies to bring Bears Ears into the conversation



UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS

CHILDREN'S BUREAU, ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES - Providing Technical Assistance Related to the Indian Child Welfare Act

Tribal Consultation on October 10, October 14, November 18, and December 2, 2025. Written Comments due January 9, 2026

The Administration for Children and Families is hosting a formal tribal consultation on the "Supporting America's Children and Families Act" (Public Law 118-258), which reauthorized Title IV-B of the Social Security Act. Consultation will focus on the Indian Child Welfare Act, Title IV-B funding for child welfare agencies, the Court Improvement Program and remote hearings, and the Prevention Services Clearinghouse. Consultations will take place:

- October 10, 2025 in Rapid City, South Dakota
- October 14, 2025 in Anchorage, Alaska
- November 18, 2025 in Seattle, Washington with options to attend virtually
- December 2, 2025 in Washington, D.C.

Learn more here.

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - Reorganization Efforts

Written Comments due November 15, 2025

The Department of Agriculture is hosting a tribal consultation on its reorganization efforts. Agriculture Secretary Rollins published Secretarial Memorandum (SM) 1078-015 on the Department of Agriculture Reorganization Plan. This plan announced actions that aim to achieve improved effectiveness and accountability, enhanced services, reduced bureaucracy, and cost savings. Consultations will take place:

- October 14, 2025 in Washington, D.C. with options to attend virtually
- October 16, 2025 in Denver, Colorado with options to attend virtually

Learn more here.

THE FOREST SERVICE - Proposed Changes to the Alaska Roadless Rule

Written Comments due October 21, 2025

The Forest Service is hosting a tribal consultation on proposed changes to the Alaska Roadless Rule. The agency held a tribal forum engagement session on this issue in July 2025. Comments are due on October 21, 2025. Learn more **here.**



UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS

THE BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS - Tribal Enrollment Count

Written Comments due October 22, 2025

The Bureau of Indian Affairs is proposing to renew an information collection titled, "Tribal Enrollment Count." Learn more here.

THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE - Policy and Proposed Rule to the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program

Tribal Consultation on October 22, 2025 Written Comments due November 22, 2025

The Department of Agriculture is hosting a tribal consultation on one policy and three proposed rules for the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), administered at the federal level by the USDA's Food and Nutrition Service. These are:

- The SNAP Tribal Work Exception Authorized in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act of 2025
- the Proposed Rule: Updated Staple Food Stocking Standards for Retailers in the SNAP
- the Interim Final Rule: SNAP Changes to Federal-State Administrative Cost-Sharing
- the Proposed Rule: SNAP Changes to Federal-State Benefit Cost-Sharing

Learn more <u>here.</u>

THE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION - Presidential Executive Orders

Written Comments due October 24, 2025

The Department of Education held a tribal consultation on September 24, 2025, on Presidential Executive Order(s) related to public education since his inauguration. The purpose of this consultation was to receive meaningful input from American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities to ensure that tribal leaders' views inform how the Department can comprehensively implement the President's orders while upholding federal trust and treaty obligations. Learn more here.



UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS

THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION - Support Economic Development in Tribal Communities

Written Comments due October 25, 2025

The Economic Development Administration hosted a tribal consultation on September 25, 2025. EDA sought to engage Tribal Nations and communities to better understand and access programs that support economic development in tribal communities by connecting with tribes, tribal leaders, tribal businesses, and citizens in tribal communities. Learn more here.

THE U.S. SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION - SBA's Programs

Tribal Consultation on October 27, 2025

The U.S. Small Business Administration announces that it is holding a tribal consultation meeting in Mashantucket, Connecticut requesting comments and input on all issues or concerns relating to any of SBA's programs. Specifically, SBA seeks comments on how SBA best can provide access for tribally owned small businesses to initiatives under its Office of Manufacturing and Trade, with a particular focus on SBA's ongoing onshoring, manufacturing and export initiatives in an effort to encourage small businesses going global. SBA is requesting general comments and input on how these programs are working and is inviting suggestions on potential avenues for improving their efficiency or reducing any unnecessary regulatory burden associated with the programs. Written Comments are welcome, but no deadline is given. The consultation meeting preregistration deadline is October 22, 2025. Learn more here.

THE INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE - Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment (OF 306), Indian Health Service, Childcare and Indian Child Care Worker Positions

Written Comments due October 27, 2025

The Indian Health Service is proposing to renew an information collection titled "Addendum to Declaration for Federal Employment (OF 306), Indian Health Service, Childcare and Indian Child Care Worker Positions." Learn more **here.**



UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS

THE ADMINISTRATION FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES - AIAN Facility Condition, Location, and Ownership Survey

Written Comments due October 27, 2025

The Administration for Children and Families, U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, is proposing to collect data for the AIAN Facility Condition, Location, and Ownership Survey. This survey fulfills a statutory requirement and is conducted every 5 years. The previous survey used for this purpose was approved under Office of Management and Budget #0970-0534. Learn more <u>here.</u>

THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE - 20th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation

Tribal Consultation on October 28 - October 30, 2025

The Department of Justice is holding its 20th Annual Government-to-Government Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation to be conducted, in person, October 28-30, 2025, at the Mystic Lake Center, Prior Lake, Minnesota. The Department of Justice will be joined by other federal stakeholders, including our colleagues from the United States Departments of Health and Human Services and the Interior. Pursuant to 34 U.S.C. § 20126, the purpose of the Violence Against Women Tribal Consultation is to solicit recommendations from Tribal leaders on the following four topics:

- (1) administering Tribal funds and programs;
- (2) enhancing the safety of Indian women from domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault, homicide, stalking, and sex trafficking;
- (3) strengthening the federal response to such crimes
- (4) improving access to local, regional, state, and federal crime information databases and criminal justice information systems.

Learn more here.



UPCOMING CONSULTATIONS

THE NATIONAL INDIAN GAMING ASSOCIATION - Facility License Notification

Written Comments due October 29, 2025

The National Indian Gaming Association issued a direct final rule modifying the deadline for a tribe to submit notice that it is considering issuing a new facility license. This direct final rule is effective November 28, 2025, unless significant adverse comments are received by October 29, 2025.

Presidential Executive Order 14219, entitled Ensuring Lawful Governance and Implementing the President's "Department of Government Efficiency" Deregulatory Initiative, directed agencies to review all regulations for consistency with law and Administration policy; identify certain classes of regulations; and rescind or modify these regulations. Subsequently, Presidential Memorandum, Directing the Repeal of Unlawful Regulations, instructed agencies to immediately effectuate the repeal of any regulation, or the portion thereof, that exceeds the agency's statutory authority or is otherwise unlawful.

IGRA explicitly mandates tribes issue a separate license for each place, facility, or location on Indian lands at which Class II and Class III gaming is conducted. 25 U.S.C. 2710(b)(1) and (d)(1)(A)(ii). In light of Executive Order 14219 and the Presidential Memorandum, the Commission removes the 120-day notice requirement for tribes considering the issuance of a facility license, because the 120-day notice period is not explicitly required in the IGRA. Instead, notice that a tribe intends to issue a new facility license is due any time before opening any new place, facility, or location. Learn more here.



EXECUTIVE ORDERS

Further Extending the TikTok Enforcement Delay

Issued September 16, 2025

This order further extends the enforcement delay of the Protecting Americans from Foreign Adversary Controlled Applications Act as it applies to TikTok until December 16, 2025. During this period, the Department of Justice is barred from enforcing the Act or imposing penalties, and providers will be assured in writing that no liability applies for conduct occurring before or during the delay.

This order MIGHT impact Navajo

TikTok is a popular app with many Navajo youth and activists who actively post on the platform. The app was going to shut down because of an act of Congress. This delays the enforcement of that act, allowing users to continue to engage with the platform.

Saving TikTok While Protecting National Security

Issued September 25, 2025

This order approves a "qualified divestiture" of TikTok's U.S. operations into a new American-controlled joint venture, ensuring that ByteDance and its affiliates hold less than 20% ownership and no operational control over data, algorithms, or content moderation. This arrangement allows TikTok to remain available to U.S. users while addressing national security concerns through strict data protections, oversight by American security partners, and DOJ-led enforcement.

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