



**National American Indian Housing Council
2012 Legislative Conference
February 14-16, 2012
Washington, DC**

DRAFT AGENDA
(updated 1/23/12)

Tuesday, February 14, 2012 – The Washington Court Hotel:

- 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. **EARLY REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 a.m. **NAIHC INFO TABLE AND TRAINING AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE BOOTH OPEN**
NAIHC encourages conference attendees who have meetings on Capitol Hill to sign in at the Info Table to receive legislative packets to leave behind at the office of their Member of Congress.
- 10:00 a.m. **ADVOCACY TRAINING: EFFECTIVE MEETINGS ON CAPITOL HILL**
NAIHC staff will provide tips to conduct effective meetings with Members of Congress and Congressional staffers.
- 1:30-4:00 p.m. **LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**
A forum for tribal leaders and tribal housing professionals to provide input and recommendations on legislative issues. The meeting is open to NAIHC membership and the public. Participation in legislative discussion is strongly encouraged.

Wednesday, February 15, 2012 – The Washington Court Hotel:

- 7:30 a.m.-12:00 p.m. **REGISTRATION**
- 9:00 a.m. INSIDE THE BELTWAY: A HOUSING UPDATE**
A plenary session with up-to-date reports from federal agencies and partners in tribal housing.
- WELCOME AND CHAIRWOMAN'S UPDATE**
Cheryl A. Causley, Chairwoman, NAIHC
- EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
Mellor C. Willie, Executive Director, NAIHC

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE UPDATE

Wendy Lawrence, Chair, NAIHC Legislative Committee

MESSAGES FROM FEDERAL AGENCY REPRESENTATIVES

Tammy Treviño, Administrator, Rural Housing & Community Facilities Programs, U.S. Department of Agriculture Rural Development

MESSAGES FROM TRIBAL HOUSING PARTNERS

12:00-1:30 p.m. **LUNCH BREAK**

Wednesday, February 15, 2012 – Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Hearing Room – Dirksen 628:

1:30 p.m.

UPDATES FROM CAPITOL HILL

Congressional leaders and staff address housing leaders about current issues and provide information regarding key legislation affecting tribal housing.

Mellor C. Willie, Executive Director, NAIHC

Vice Chairman John Barrasso (R-WY), Senate Committee on Indian Affairs

Senator Jon Tester (D-MT)

Senator Tim Johnson (D-SD)

Representative Tom Cole (R-4th-OK)

Senator Tom Udall (D-NM)

Senator Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)

Representative Michael Honda (D-15th-CA)

Representative Steve Pearce (R-2nd-NM)

Representative Dan Benishek (R-1st-MI)

5:00 p.m. **ADJOURN**

Wednesday, February 15, 2012 – Location: TBA:

5:30-7:30 p.m.

NAIHC LEGISLATIVE CONFERENCE RECEPTION

NAIHC is hosting a reception for NAIHC Legislative Conference attendees. Light refreshments and beverages will be provided. Please join NAIHC for an evening of networking and dialogue.

Thursday, February 16, 2012 – Capitol Hill (Senate and House buildings):

9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

CAPITOL HILL MEETINGS*

Tribal leaders and tribal housing professionals are encouraged to meet with their respective Congressional delegations during this time.

*If assistance is needed in arranging meetings with Congressional offices, please contact April Hale, NAIHC Communications Director, at 202.454.0946 or ahale@naihc.net.

Meeting Locations:

Washington Court Hotel 525 New Jersey Avenue NW Washington, DC	Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Hearing Room – Dirksen 628	U.S. House of Representatives Offices (between Independence Avenue and C Street SE): - Rayburn Building - Longworth Building - Cannon Building	U.S. Senate Offices (between Constitution Avenue and C Street NE): - Russell Building - Dirksen Building - Hart Building
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