

Indian Health Service Rockville MD 20857

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Dear Tribal Leader:

On April 26, 2021, I announced a new extended comment period on our notice of proposed rulemaking (NPRM) to implement the Buy Indian Act of 1910 (Buy Indian Act) at 25 U.S.C. § 47.

Please make plans to join the Indian Health Service (IHS) on **Wednesday**, **June 9**, **2021**, for a virtual Tribal Consultation Session to seek your input and feedback on the proposed rule.

TRIBAL CONSULTATION SESSION:	
INDIAN HEALTH SERVICE BUY INDIAN ACT	
NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING	
DATE:	Wednesday, June 9, 2021
TIME:	2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. (Eastern Time)
TELEPHONE:	(833) 568-8864 Toll-free
	Meeting ID: 160 453 1058
	Passcode: 349582
ZOOM INFORMATION:	Join ZoomGov Meeting
	https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1604531058?pwd =VCtBY01FSFdtazEzdzhmSzVQbEk0UT09

The April 21, 2021-dated *Federal Register* Notice announcing the reopening and extension of the Buy Indian Act NPRM, is located online at:

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2021/04/21/2021-07455/acquisition-regulations-buy-indian-act-procedures-for-contracting-reopening-and-extension-of-comment.

The November 10, 2020, Buy Indian Act NPRM is located online at:

https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2020/11/10/2020-24339/acquisition-regulations-buy-indian-act-procedures-for-contracting.

Comments on the NPRM must be submitted to the *Federal Register* by June 21, 2021.

We will also provide detailed instructions about commenting on the NPRM during the Tribal Consultation Session. Please direct any questions regarding the Buy Indian Act Tribal Consultation to Mr. Santiago Almaraz, Acting Director, Office of Management Services, IHS, by e-mail at santiago.almaraz@ihs.gov.

Thank you for your support and partnership. I look forward to your recommendations and feedback.

Sincerely,
/Elizabeth A. Fowler/
Acting Director