Laguna is surrounded by enchanting mesas and is situated at the foothills of the beautiful mountains of Mount Taylor. Laguna is located 45 miles west of Albuquerque on Interstate 40. The reservation consists of approximately 500,000 acres of land situated in Cibola, Valencia, Bernalillo and Sandoval counties. The residents of Laguna Pueblo live in six villages which are Laguna, Mesita, Paguate, Seama, Paraje, and Encinal. The Tribal administration building is located in the village of Laguna. *Source: Pueblo of Laguna website*

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*Source: Pueblo of Laguna website*
Welcome to the Conference

August 17, 2015

To Conference Participants and Honored Guests –

Welcome to the Pueblo of Laguna, New Mexico, and the 17th Annual National Tribal Preservation Conference, convened by the National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers. We extend our sincere appreciation to the Pueblo of Laguna, Governor Virgil A. Siow, the Route 66 Casino Hotel, and the Laguna Development Corporation for their hospitality and support. The Pueblo’s overall efforts to provide local jobs – as well as preserve their culture and honor their past – are an encouraging model for all of Indian country.

We look forward to learning more about tribal and Pueblo work in this region, including challenges and success stories in the areas of cultural and natural resource management. It is encouraging to see so many returning THPOs this year, and we all look forward to meeting the new THPOs. It is also good to see our Federal partners in attendance. We look forward to the sharing of information and spirited discussions on a variety of topics.

We say it every year and it continues to be true – we hope that you get a chance to interact with your friends and colleagues from earlier meetings, as well as build new working relationships and make new friends. One of the main purposes of the conference is to bring people together to share information, to provide a national showcase for your accomplishments, and to celebrate your dedication to preserving American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian cultures.

Thank you for your interest and support of NATHPO over the years and welcome to Laguna.

Janine Ledford, Makah Tribe of Washington THPO, and NATHPO General Chair
About NATHPO

National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers

Founded in 1998, the Association is a national non-profit membership organization of Tribal government officials who implement federal and tribal preservation laws. NATHPO’s overarching purpose is to support the preservation, maintenance and revitalization of the culture and traditions of Native peoples of the United States. This is accomplished most importantly through the support of Tribal Historic Preservation Programs as acknowledged by the National Park Service.

Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (THPOs) have the responsibilities of State Historic Preservation Officers on tribal lands and advise and work with federal agencies on the management of tribal historic properties. THPOs also preserve and rejuvenate the unique cultural traditions and practices of their tribal communities.

NATHPO activities include monitoring the U.S. Congress, Administration, and state activities on issues that affect all Tribes and monitoring the effectiveness of federally mandated compliance reviews and identification, evaluation, and management of tribal historic properties. Examples of completed and ongoing projects: “Tribal Tourism Toolkit for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial and Other Tribal Opportunities (2002),” and “Many Nations Media Project - News from the Lewis & Clark Trail (2002-5),” and “Treaty Research Project for Continental U.S. (2001).” NATHPO also offers training and technical assistance on federal historic preservation laws.

Principles and Purposes of NATHPO (NATHPO is guided by three main principles)

- **Tribal Sovereignty** – the inherent right of Indian Nations to self-government

- **Confidentiality** – recognition of the need to respect the confidentiality of information regarding Native cultural and ceremonial practices and places of religious or cultural significance.

- **No boundaries** – NATHPO recognizes that the cultural and heritage preservation interests of Indian Nations and their peoples often extend far beyond the boundaries of present-day reservations -- often crossing state and national boundaries -- and stands ready to assist in activities relating to transboundary cultural and environmental issues.
Sunday, August 16, 2015

Travel day. Hotel check-in starts at 4:00pm

See schedule on page 31 for NATHPO Shuttle between ABQ Airport and Route 66 Casino Hotel. Shuttle arrival and departure location: Hotel Lobby.

1pm to 6pm  
Registration open for conference, workshops, and Summit  
Location: Banquet Hallway

Evening (on your own)

Monday, August 17, 2015

7am to 6pm  
Registration open  
Location: Banquet Hallway

PRE-CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS (SOLD OUT)

NATHPO is collaborating with the American Indian Language Development Institute (AILDI), Google Earth Outreach, and the National Park Service (NPS) to offer exciting new educational opportunities for THPOs and other tribal staff.

1. “Recording Traditional Talk: Land, Plant and Animal Restoration”, led by Tyler Peterson, Luis Barragan and Alyce Sadongei, AILDI
   Time: 7:30am to 5pm   Location: Encinal Room
   This workshop will focus on documenting traditional ecological knowledge and developing language tools and teaching materials based on the natural environment. Learn how to use outdoor surroundings to create products for use in documenting, teaching and learning such as topical dictionaries, story collections based on plants and animals and digital collections of plants and landscapes.

2. “Indigenous Mapping Workshop” led by Raleigh Seamster, Google Earth Outreach
   Time: 8:30am to 5pm   Location: Paraje Room
   Learn how to map culturally significant locations, incorporating stories, photos, and videos. Participants will also learn how to overlay a proposed project footprint onto an existing map of areas containing tribal cultural resource values. Session also includes an overview of the general range of Google mapping tools available for historic preservation and cultural perpetuation and how these tools are being used by indigenous communities.

3. “THPO Toolkit Training,” led by Dr. John Welch for NATHPO using the THPO Toolkit that was developed by NATHPO with partial funding provided by the NPS
   Time: 9am to 4pm   Location: Paguate Room
   This educational session will focus on pertinent issues faced by THPOs and their staff and is geared for new THPOs and those seeking basic training. Topics include, but are not limited to: the THPO-Federal Preservation Program Relationship; Strategic Planning to Scope and Focus THPO Programs; Survey, Inventory, and National Register Programs; Section 106 Dynamics; Advising and Cooperating with other Governments; THPOs as Sovereignty Advocates; and more.
PRE-CONFERENCE TOUR TO VISIT SKY CITY, ACOMA PUEBLO

2:00 to 5:00pm  Bus Tour (optional and sign-up required; maximum 28 people in bus)
Bus Pick-Up Location: Hotel Lobby
Note: NATHPO bus operated by Star Limo

The Pueblo of Acoma and NATHPO are offering an afternoon trip to the Pueblo of Acoma’s Sky City Cultural Museum and Haak’u Museum, including a visit to the ancient pueblo village on top of the mesa.

You can also drive to the Pueblo of Acoma on your own and take a tour. Driving distance is about 30 miles and once there the walking tour lasts about 1.5 hours and leaves on an hourly basis on the half hour, with the last tour of the day leaving at 3:30pm. Please see weblink above for more information, including visitor etiquette, reservation information, and tour times.

6 to 8:30pm  Opening Reception
Location: Pool Patio, Route 66 Hotel

Tuesday, August 18, 2015

8am-12noon  Registration open
Location: Banquet Hallway

8am-5pm  Consultation Room for Federal Agencies and Tribal Representatives
Location: Executive Board Room
Note: See sign-up sheet at NATHPO Registration Table.

9:00 to 10:15am  Welcome and Opening Remarks
Location: Laguna Room, Route 66 Hotel
Traditional Prayer by Conrad Lucero, Chairman, Pueblo of Laguna, THPO Advisory Board

Welcome to the Community by:
• Virgil A. Siow, Governor, Pueblo of Laguna
• David Martinez, 1st Lt. Governor, Pueblo of Laguna

Remarks from Special Guests
• Joshua Sanchez (Acoma Pueblo), State Tribal Liaison for Senator Tom Udall
• Barbara Romero, District Director for Representative Steve Pearce
• Kathryn Isom-Clause (Taos Pueblo), Counselor to the Assistant Secretary -- Indian Affairs
  Kevin Washburn

NATHPO Introductions
Attendee Introductions

10:15 to 10:30am  Break
10:30 to 11:00am  Legislative Update  
Adam Jones, Associate Director for Government Relations and Policy, National Trust for Historic Preservation, Washington, DC. Adam will provide an update on current legislation related to historic preservation, including reauthorization of the Historic Preservation Fund and FY2016 federal appropriations.

11:00 to 12noon  The Navajo Nation Museum and Cultural Preservation Today  
Manuelito Wheeler, Director of the Navajo Nation Museum, will talk about how a tribal museum is taking the lead in bringing innovative projects to help define and preserve Navajo culture. Manny will discuss projects that he has worked on the past 10 years, including Star Wars dubbed in Navajo, the collaboration of International Artist Ai Weiwei and Bert Benallie and now Finding Nemo dubbed in Navajo.

Lunch Break  
Lunch (provided)

Noon to 1:30pm  Speaker: Kevin Gover (Pawnee), Director, National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institution  
Location: Paguate Room

1:30 to 2:30pm  In Case of Emergency -- Preserving Tribal Cultural Resources  
NATHPO and the Narragansett Indian Tribe are working on projects related to Hurricane Sandy and preparing for potential future emergencies caused by natural or other events that threaten cultural resources. Panelists will provide an overview of their work and their perspectives on how to preserve and protect tribal cultural resources in case of emergency. Panelists include National Park Service officials who have been involved in helping local communities respond to both Hurricane Katrina and Sandy.  
• Teresa Gaudette, Organized Village of Kake THPO  
• Katherine D. Brodie, NATHPO Consultant  
• Jenifer Eggleston, NPS Grants Division  
• Jennifer Wellock, NPS Architectural Historian  
• John Welch, former White Mountain Apache Tribe THPO

2:30 to 2:45pm  Break

2:45 to 5:00pm  Federal Agency Project Outreach and Announcements  
Four federal agencies will provide information on new or ongoing projects that involve Tribal Nations:  

U.S. Navy/Defense Department and NATHPO Seeking Sacred Site Case Studies  
This will be an update on the Navy-NATHPO project to compile case studies on Indian sacred sites. Panelists:  
• Cheryl Huckerby, U.S. Navy  
• Richard Meyers, NATHPO Consultant

Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), U.S. Agriculture Department  
In July 2015, NRCS and NATHPO entered into an agreement to develop a short training curriculum for NRCS employees as guidance for working with federally recognized Indian tribes that includes an overview of tribal history and ancestral lands.  
• Sharron Sunture, NRCS Cultural Resource Specialist, Acting Federal Preservation Officer
2:45 to 5:00pm  Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
This presentation will describe the FERC’s Section 106 and Tribal Consultation processes. Topics will include: an overview of the FERC and the FERC’s environmental review process of natural gas projects, cultural resource survey planning, execution, and reporting, and communication and coordination with Indian tribes.
• Ellen Saint Onge, FERC Environmental Project Manager

Indian Affairs/Interior Department
Kathryn Isom-Clause, on behalf of the U.S. Department of the Interior, will provide an update on the Sacred Sites Memorandum of Understanding that was signed by five federal departments in 2012 (Agriculture, Defense, Energy, Interior, and Advisory Council on Historic Preservation).

Dinner  Dinner on your own (except for NATHPO members)

6-8:30pm  NATHPO Business Dinner for NATHPO members only
Location: Main Street Restaurant
Dinner to be followed with a working session on the proposed rulemaking on gathering plants and plant materials from lands now managed by the National Park Service, and other national issues.

Wednesday, August 19, 2015

8:30am-12noon  Registration open
Location: Banquet Hallway

8am-5pm  Consultation Room for Federal Agencies and Tribal Representatives
Location: Executive Board Room
Note: See sign-up sheet at NATHPO Registration Table.

9:00 to 9:30am  Valuing Historic Preservation: To Better Understand, To Respect, To Honor
Speaker: Robert G. Stanton. Among many other achievements, Robert Stanton was confirmed as the 15th Director of the National Park Service in 1997 and served throughout the Clinton administration. Today he serves on the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation.

9:30 to 10:15am  The National Register of Historic Places: Addressing the Diversity Deficit
Speaker: Vincent Michael. The National Register of Historic Places is 50 years old next year, and modifications are needed to address the limitations of preservation policy and guidelines in capturing and conserving the diverse history of the United States. Dr. Michael has examined this problem for the last quarter century and suggests new approaches to helping communities reclaim their heritage - tangible and intangible - in a new way for the next half century.

10:15 to 10:30am  Break
10:30 to 12noon  ACHP Building a More Inclusive Preservation Program
Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) council members and staff will discuss efforts to build a stronger national preservation program at the 50th anniversary of the National Historic Preservation Act. The ACHP will also discuss building a more inclusive historic preservation program: promoting the inclusion of Native communities in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the NHPA; and developing a national strategy to advance the goals of THPOs and NATHPO.
• M. Wayne Donaldson, ACHP Chairman and former California SHPO
• Teresa Leger de Fernandez, ACHP Vice Chair
• Chairman Leonard Forsman (Suquamish Tribe), ACHP Council Member
• John Fowler, ACHP Executive Director

Lunch Break  Lunch provided
Noon to 1:30pm  Speaker: W. Richard West (Cheyenne), Director, Autry Museum, Los Angeles, California, and founding director, National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian Institution.
Location: Paguate Room

1:30 to 2:15pm  Cultural Resource Fund Update
Two Advisory Board members of the Cultural Resource Fund, which was created by the seven Class 1 railroads in 2014, will provide an update on the Fund.
• Katherine “Kak” Slick, former New Mexico SHPO
• Samuel E. Cata, former New Mexico Deputy SHPO (Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo)

2:15 to 3:15pm  Ohkay Owingeh Model Balances Contemporary and Traditional Life
The “Place of the Strong People,” Ohkay Owingeh (formerly San Juan Pueblo) was settled more than 700 years ago and is the largest of the Tewa-speaking Pueblos in the southwest. In the past 10 years, the community has received federal funding to rehabilitate ancestral homes incorporating energy conservation features, using local materials. The project is culturally sustainable, restoring traditional settlement patterns and construction techniques, allowing the people of Ohkay Owingeh to better balance their traditional and contemporary life.
• Tomasita Duran, Executive Director, Ohkay Owingeh Housing Authority
• Shawn Evans, Associate Principal, Atkin Olshin Schade Architects

3:15 to 3:30pm  Break

3:30 to 5:00pm  National Park Service Updates & Announcement
Park Service staff will provide updates on current issues related to tribal historic preservation. Time permitting, tribal representatives will also discuss the “gathering rule” for plant materials on lands now managed by the NPS, and the THPO funding formula.
• James Bird (Cherokee), Chief, Tribal Preservation Program, will provide an update on the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer program
• Ginger Carter, Grants Management Specialist, State, Tribal & Local Plans and Grants Division
• Melanie O’Brien, newly appointed Manager, National NAGPRA Program

6:00 to 8:00pm  Summit Meet and Greet
The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and NATHPO invite participants to a “meet and greet” event as the official kick off to the Summit. Location: Paguate Room
# Federal Communications Commission & NATHPO Section 106 Summit

**Thursday, August 20th (Laguna Room)**

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| 9:00 – 10:30 am| TCNS Part 1: Communication via the Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS)  
This session serves three purposes: (1) to review the past decade of TCNS, and the evolution of participation and practices; (2) to facilitate an open dialogue on TCNS issues; and 3) to cooperatively and collaboratively develop a road map of opportunities for improvement to build on past successes and maintain a healthy TCNS that operates to the mutual benefit of Tribal Nations, the FCC, and tower constructors. The FCC will provide an historical overview illustrating how the system and Tribal participation have evolved and expanded over time. Issues to be discussed include:  
- Tribal best practices to promote transparency, predictability, and timeliness  
- Geographic areas of interest and fees  
- Processes for resolving untimely responses  
Presenters: Anne Marie Wypijewski, Steve DelSordo |
| 10:30 – 10:45 am| Break                                                                  |
| 10:45 am – noon| TCNS Part 2: A listening session  
A listening session designed to check in on the practice and priorities of TCNS. Building on the morning’s historical and operational discussion, this session considers how the TCNS process is actually working as a tool to facilitate participation and consultation. What are the challenges? What is working well? What can we improve?  
Discussion Leaders: Geoffrey Blackwell, Jeffrey Steinberg |
| 12:00 – 1:15 pm| Lunch Break – lunch on your own                                        |
| 1:15 – 2:45 pm| Non-compliant Towers: a preliminary consultation session on a top priority for the FCC and Tribal Nations  
The FCC is aware of over 4,000 cell towers built between 2001 and 2005 without going through historic preservation review. As the demand for wireless technology expands, the environmental benefit of opening these and other noncompliant towers for future collocations continues to increase. In addition, the Middle Class Tax Act directs FirstNet to prioritize collocations in constructing a National Public Safety Broadband Network. At the same time, any solution must appropriately recognize the harms caused by past non-compliance, in particular by those towers that have affected historically and culturally significant properties. What are the issues associated with clearing non-compliant towers? How do we identify problem towers? This session provides some initial FCC thoughts on potential approaches to addressing non-compliant towers and invites dialogue to help define the issues and shape a solution.  
Presenters: Geoffrey Blackwell, Jeffrey Steinberg |
| 2:45 – 3:00 pm| Break                                                                  |
Tribal perspectives on protecting properties of religious and cultural significance when deploying wireless infrastructure – a panel of Tribal Officials

This listening session, led by Tribal cultural preservation officials, invites participants to identify and discuss values and help build consensus around priorities and practices. Tribal Nations take varied approaches to reviews and requirements; for example, many have established comprehensive programs including online intake mechanisms, resource databases, and cultural monitor training programs. How are these approaches working? How can the FCC improve its Section 106 processes?

Tribal Discussion Leaders: Everett Bandy, THPO (Quapaw Tribe, OK); Dr. Andrea Hunter, THPO (Osage Tribe, OK); Freddie Romero, Tribal Elders Council (Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians, CA); Elaine Thomas, DTHPO (Mohegan Tribe, CT); Gaylord Siow (Pueblo of Laguna, NM), Mike Tarpley (Louisiana Coushatta Tribe, LA)

Friday, August 21st (Laguna Room)

8:30 – 10:00 am Positive Train Control (PTC) - an information and listening session

In May 2014, the ACHP issued a Program Comment establishing an alternative, expedited Section 106 review process for PTC. This session includes detailed information on the Program Comment, its implementation, and outcomes to date. What worked and what didn’t? Are there issues unique to railroad infrastructure or working with railroads? The Cultural Resource Fund will be discussed, and information provided on its administration.

Presenters: Stephen DelSordo, Jill Springer

10:00 – 10:15 am Break

10:15 – 11:30 am Distributed Antenna Systems (DAS)/Small Cells: Infrastructure Order and Beyond: a consultative session

In October 2014, the FCC issued the Infrastructure Order, which excluded certain small collocations from Section 106 review. The FCC is now considering potential amendments to the Collocation Agreement to achieve additional efficiencies for these DAS and small cell deployments primarily used in urban areas. This session will explain the technology, review the relevant provisions of the Infrastructure Order, and discuss potential Collocation Agreement amendments that are under consideration. What are the Tribal concerns, if any, about collocating these small areas antennas and associated equipment, and how can these concerns be addressed?

Presenter: Jeffrey Steinberg

11:30 am – 12:30 pm Closing Dialogue Session with the FCC Infrastructure Team

This session provides a recap of the workshop and a discussion of next steps for attendees and the FCC Infrastructure Team. This listening session also provides attendees an opportunity to share their perspectives on the state of Section 106 reviews at their Tribal Nations, and dialogue with FCC managers and expert staff about the subjects of the workshop and FCC priorities and policies.

Facilitator: Geoffrey Blackwell

12:30 pm Adjourn
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DAILY 8AM-3AM
Kevin Gover

Kevin grew up in Lawton, Oklahoma and is a member of the Pawnee Tribe of Oklahoma. He began his career in Indian Affairs in 1975, working for the American Indian Policy Review Commission, a congressional commission chartered to study and report on conditions among American Indians and recommend policy changes to address problems. He was a specialist on the Task Force on Trust Responsibilities and the Federal Indian Relationship. After law school at the University of New Mexico, he clerked for two years for U.S. District Judge Juan Burciaga, District of New Mexico. In 1983, Kevin became an associate attorney in the Indian Law division of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver and Kampelman in Washington D.C., focusing almost exclusively on Indian Law matters and gaining experience in litigation and legislative representation of tribal clients. In 1986, he returned to New Mexico to form a small Indian law practice, Gover, Stetson and Williams. The firm grew to become one of the largest Indian owned law firms in the country.

In 1997, Kevin was appointed by President Clinton to serve as Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs in the Department of the Interior. He served in that position from 1997 to 2000, and was responsible for policy and operational oversight of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the agency responsible for the federal government’s relations with Indian tribes. He oversaw programs in Indian education, law enforcement, social services, treaty rights and trust asset management. Kevin then resumed practicing law in Washington, D.C.

In 2003, Kevin accepted an appointment as a Professor of Law at the Arizona State University College of Law, where he worked with the both the Indian Legal Program and American Indian Policy Institute, as well as teaching Administrative Law, Statutory Interpretation, Legal Writing, and a variety of courses in Federal Indian Law. In addition, Kevin was a faculty affiliate of the University’s American Indian Studies Program and taught undergraduates in that capacity.

In 2007, Kevin was appointed as Director of the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian. Established in 1989 by an Act of Congress, the Smithsonian’s National Museum of the American Indian is an institution of living cultures dedicated to advancing knowledge and understanding of the life, languages, literature, history and arts of the Native peoples of the Western Hemisphere. The museum includes the National Museum of the American Indian on the National Mall; the George Gustav Heye Center, a permanent museum in lower Manhattan; and the Cultural Resources Center, a research and collections facility in Suitland, Md.

Kevin’s career of advocacy has resulted in several honors, including an honorary degree from Princeton University, the Outstanding Alumni Award from the University of New Mexico School of Law, and the Alumni Association Award from St. Paul’s School in Concord, New Hampshire.
W. Richard West, Jr.

W. Richard West, Jr. is the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Autry National Center of the American West. He is responsible for all operations at the Autry from collections development and financial sustainability to institutional growth and visitor experience. He oversees a team of 160 professionals as well as 300 volunteers, all dedicated to the Autry’s core mission. West has devoted his professional life and much of his personal life to working in the national and international museum communities, and with American Indians on cultural, educational, legal, and governmental issues.

West is also the Founding Director and Director Emeritus of the Smithsonian Institution’s National Museum of the American Indian, where he served as Director from 1990 – 2007. He was Interim Director of The Textile Museum in Washington, D.C., a specialty arts institution with internationally renowned textiles collections primarily from Latin America, the Middle East, Asia Minor, Africa, and Southeast Asia during 2012.

West practiced law at the Indian-owned Albuquerque, New Mexico, law firm of Gover, Stetson, Williams & West, P.C. (1988 – 1990). He also was an associate attorney and then partner in the Washington, D.C., office of Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson (1973 – 1988). He served as general counsel and special counsel to numerous American Indian tribes, communities, and organizations. In that capacity, he represented clients before federal, state and tribal courts, various executive departments of the federal government, and the Congress.
Robert G. Stanton was appointed by President Barack Obama on October 30, 2014 to a four-year term as a member of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation, an independent federal agency. From 2009-2014, Mr. Stanton served as a Senior Advisor to the Secretary of the U. S. Department of the Interior where he provided executive advice and support to the Secretary on a wide range of environmental, educational, organizational and management challenges and opportunities. He worked closely with the bureaus and offices in advancing the Secretary and President’s goals for Interior.

Prior to returning to the Interior Department in 2009, Mr. Stanton served as an Executive Professor at Texas A&M University in the Department of Parks, Recreation and Tourism Sciences; Visiting Professor at Howard University in the Department of History; Senior Fellow at Yale University in the School of Forestry and Environmental Studies; board directorships; and consultant to a number of national conservation organizations. From 2001-2003, he also served as the International Union for Conservation and Nature(IUCN) Ambassador for the Fifth World Parks Congress held in 2003 in Durban, South Africa.

An experienced public administrator, Mr. Stanton, in 1997, was unanimously confirmed as the 15th Director of the National Park Service (NPS) and served as the Director until the end of the Clinton Administration. He was the first Director to undergo confirmation hearings before the United States Senate and the first African American to serve in this position since the National Park Service was established by Congressional legislation in 1916. Beginning with his appointment by Interior Secretary Stewart L. Udall in 1962 as a seasonal park ranger at Grand Teton National Park in Wyoming, he has dedicated his life work to improving the preservation and management of the Nation’s rich and diverse natural and cultural resources and programs that recognize the struggles and important contributions of women and minorities in the collective history of the United States. He has held key management and executive positions including Park Superintendent, Deputy Regional Director, Regional Director, Assistant Director, Associate Director and Director.

Under his leadership as the Director, major park preservation and visitor service programs were inaugurated including the Natural Resource Challenge (a plan to revitalize and expand the NPS’ Natural Resource Program), Public Lands Youth Corps, Cooperative Ecosystem Studies Unit Program and co-sponsorship of Save America’s Treasures Program. Also, several major presidential and legislative initiatives were enacted throughout his tenure including the authorization of eleven new park areas, six national heritage areas, the Underground Railroad Network to Freedom and Special Resource Studies for 22 possible new park areas.

Mr. Stanton is active in professional and civic affairs and has been nationally recognized through awards and citations for outstanding public service and leadership in conservation, historic preservation, youth programs, public and government relations, and diversity in employment and public programs. Cited in a wide range of news media and professional publications, Mr. Stanton has participated in major national and international conferences. He earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Huston-Tillotson University in Austin, Texas and did his graduate work at Boston University, Boston, Massachusetts. He has been awarded five honorary doctorate degrees.

A native of Ft. Worth, Texas, Mr. Stanton in the era of “separate but equal” grew up in Mosier Valley, one of the oldest communities in Texas founded by African Americans shortly after the U.S. Civil War. He and his wife Janet currently reside in Fairfax Station, Virginia.
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For the five years prior to his return to the FCC, Mr. Blackwell worked as the Director of Strategic Relations and Minority Business Development for Chickasaw Nation Industries, Inc. (CNI). While at CNI, he also chaired the Telecommunications Subcommittee of the National Congress of American Indians. He was appointed by Acting FCC Chairman Michael Copps to the FCC’s Federal Advisory Committee on Diversity for Communications in the Digital Age. He also served as Commissioner from the United States on the international Indigenous Commission for Communications Technologies in the Americas. Prior to his work with CNI, during his first tour of duty at the FCC, Mr. Blackwell worked as Senior Attorney for Intergovernmental Affairs and the FCC’s Liaison to Tribal Governments.

From January 2000 to October 2005, he played a central role in the FCC’s first Tribal policy and training initiatives, including the drafting of the Commission’s seminal 2000 Tribal Policy Statement, the first generations of conference and workshop efforts of the FCC, the adoption of rules for enhanced Lifeline and Link Up support for Tribal lands, the Tribal spectrum bidding credit rules, and the Tower Construction Notification System and rules regarding the review of tower siting for the preservation of Tribal sacred sites and cultural resources. Mr. Blackwell has served on the Boards of Directors and Trustees of Native Public Media, the National Small Business Association, the National Federation of Community Broadcasters, and Acoma Business Board of Acoma Pueblo. Earlier in his career, Mr. Blackwell practiced law in Boston, MA, on the corporate litigation team at Hale and Dorr LLP. He holds an A.B. in Government from Dartmouth College and a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law.

As an undergraduate, he also studied at the University of Lyon, France. Born in Fort Defiance, Arizona, and raised in New Mexico and Oklahoma Indian Country, he learned Tribal values from an immediate and extended family dedicated to federal Indian law and policy service. Mr. Blackwell is of Omaha, Chickasaw, Choctaw, and Muscogee (Creek) heritage.

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SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Sunday, August 16, 2015 – ABQ Airport to Route 66 Casino Hotel
Service between 1pm and 7pm, 30 minutes each way; 28 Passenger Mini-Bus
Shuttle departure times:
- 1pm
- 2:30pm
- 4pm
- 5:30pm
- 7pm

Monday, August 17, 2015 – ABQ Airport to Route 66 Casino Hotel
Service between 12noon and 6pm, 30 minutes each way; 28 Passenger Mini-Bus
Shuttle departure times:
- 12noon
- 1:30pm
- 3pm
- 4:30pm
- 6pm

Thursday, August 20, 2015 – Route 66 Casino Hotel to ABQ Airport
Continuous service between 7am and 12noon
14 Passenger Van (10 with luggage)
Duration of trip: 30 minutes each way
- First shuttle leaves hotel at 7am
- Last shuttle leaves hotel at 12noon

Friday, August 21, 2015 – Route 66 Casino Hotel to ABQ Airport
Continuous service between 1pm and 4pm
14 Passenger Van (10 with luggage)
Duration of trip: 30 minutes each way
- First shuttle leaves hotel at 1pm
- Last shuttle leaves hotel at 4pm

Monday, August 17, 2015 – Special Round Trip
28 Passenger Mini-Bus
Duration of trip: 30 minutes each way
- 2pm: Shuttle leaves Route 66 for Acoma Pueblo/Sky City Museum
- 5pm: Shuttle arrives back at Route 66 from Acoma Pueblo/Sky City Museum