2019 NCAI Mid Year Convention & Marketplace Sparks, NV



Building Your Emergency Preparedness Capacity: From Natural Disasters to Emergency Communications Agenda

Wednesday, June 26, 2019 1:30 p.m. - 3:45 p.m. Room: Cascade 5

For many tribal nations, access to accurate information, disaster preparedness tools, and trainings are essential in assuring that lives are saved and cultural sites are protected in the face of disasters. During the past several years, tribal nations have been hit hard by natural disasters and must have access to the most accurate forecasts and climate information to prepare and respond. Establishing reliable communication in Indian Country and developing emergency plans are some of the first steps to building tribal homeland security and emergency management capacity. This breakout will focus on the First Responders Network Authority (FirstNet), the National Weather Service's work in Indian Country, SAFECOM, and available technical assistance for tribal nations.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
 - a. Moderator: Paul Downing, Tribal Council Member, Passamaquoddy Tribe of Indian Township, Maine
- 2. Short Announcements
- 3. Presenter Order
 - a. John Murphy, Chief Operating Officer, National Weather Service
 - b. Adam Geisler, National Tribal Government Liaison, First Responder Network Authority
 - c. Adrienne Roughgarden, SLTTI, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency, Emergency Communications Division, U.S. Department of Homeland Security
- 4. Tribal Leader Questions and Discussion
- 5. Adjourn