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## **NEW TRAINING OPPORTUNITY**

## TRIBAL HERITAGE RESOURCE MONITOR TRAINING

The Bureau of Indian Affairs Western Regional Office (BIA WRO) is pleased to announce the availability of an important training opportunity, Tribal Heritage Resource Monitor Training. This training will provide a basic understanding of what is expected of tribal monitors, how to function, what to look for, and how to do it safely.

This 36-hour course is both classroom-based (32-hours) and field-based (4-hours), with instruction covering important topics to prepare tribal members with the information they will need to represent your tribe as a cultural monitor. BIA WRO has contracted with Christopher Harper (RPA), Founder and President of IRC Heritage Preservation, to provide this important training on-site at your facility at **NO COST** to interested tribes. This training was developed by IRC as the result of over 35 years of archaeological field work within the Cultural Resource Management field filled with monitoring construction, safety trainings, and working with tribes.

Instruction topics are separated into eight sections spread over 5 days. The training commences after the lunch hour on Monday (4 hours) followed by four full days of instruction that concludes on Friday afternoon. Over the five days, participants are introduced to important topics that provides the basic knowledge and understanding of tribal cultural monitoring and how to accomplish tribal goals related to monitoring. Main section topics include:

- 1. Training Introduction and Expectations (2 hrs.)
- 2. Communication and Documentation (2 hrs.)
- 3. Introduction to Cultural Resource Management, Regulations, and Laws (8 hrs.)
- 4. Archaeological Principles and Resources (8 hrs.)
- 5. Safety (8 hrs.)
- 6. Field Exercises (4 hrs.)
- 7. Traditional Cultural Knowledge and Intangible Resources (3 hrs.)
- 8. Training Review and Completion (1 hr.)

What is included with this training:

- IRC will provide this on-site training at your tribal facility. The tribe will need to provide the facilities in some form of classroom setting for the number of participants to comfortably attend, a projection screen for class presentations, and access to a power outlet.
- Each participant will receive a training manual and monitoring handbook that contains class materials and additional important reference materials.
- Each participant will receive a monitoring starter equipment kit within a daypack that includes a notebook, clipboard and graph paper, pencils, ruler, tape measure, compass, and first aid kit.
- Each participate will receive a Certificate of Training, signed by the instructor. [This course provides the information and training necessary for the Tribe, as a sovereign government, to certify each participant as a Tribal Heritage Resource Monitor, to represent their Tribe as a Tribal Monitor regardless of land jurisdiction.]

What does an Interested Tribe need to do:

• Contact Garry Cantley, BIA WRO Archaeologist (<u>Garry.Cantley@bia.gov</u>) or Christopher Harper (<u>chris@irchp.com</u>) of IRC Heritage Preservation, to reserve a training session. Please provide designated contact, tribal facility location and the type of facility available, as well as anticipated number of participants to start the scheduling process.