



Wisconsin State-Tribal Relations Initiative

Strengthening Government to
Government Relationships

Presented by the
Division of Intergovernmental Relations



Executive Order #39

- Issued by Governor Doyle in February, 2004
- Recognized Tribal Sovereignty and Government-to-Government Relationship
- Directed Cabinet Agencies to Strengthen Relationships with Tribal Government



Consultation Policies

15 State Agencies

- Office of Justice Assistance
- Health and Family Services
- Tourism
- Natural Resources
- Revenue
- WHEDA
- Transportation
- Ag, Trade, & Consumer Protection
- Workforce Development
- Commerce
- Corrections
- Financial Institutions
- Administration
- Emergency Management



Consultation Policies

- Requirements of Policies
 - Consult with Tribal Governments on issues and policies that affect them
 - Create a dispute and resolution process
 - Draft Action plans annually
 - Hold an annual meeting with all the tribes to discuss progress and programs.



Why Have Policies?

- Tribal members are Wisconsin citizens entitled to state services.
- Increased delegation of Federal power to the States.
- Growing tribal resources.
- Consultation streamlines services delivery and improves communication.

Policies Signed on June 28th, 2005





DOA's Role

- DOA serves as “air traffic controller.”





DOA's Role

- Assemble and maintain the *Tribes of Wisconsin* document
- Educate and provide state agency staff with information about tribes and tribal-affiliated organizations
- Assist with Gaming Revenue Budget Preparations



State-Tribal Website

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Hello, I'm Governor Jim Doyle and welcome to my State-Tribal Consultation Initiative website.

In 2004, I issued Executive Order #39. It recognized the sovereignty of the 11 tribal governments in Wisconsin and the unique government-to-government relationship that exists between the State and the tribes.

To carry out this Order, I established the State-Tribal Consultation Initiative. The Initiative is a comprehensive program

aimed at increasing the ties between state agencies and tribal governments to streamline and improve the services our governments provide to both tribal and non-tribal members. This Initiative, now fully underway and unique in Wisconsin's history, will pave the way for state-tribal partnerships well into the future.

Thanks for visiting.



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