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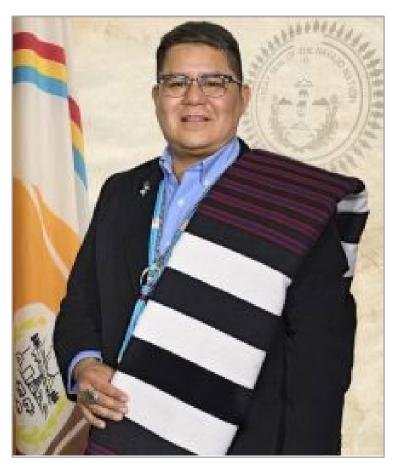




Invocation

Delegate Nathaniel Brown

Navajo Nation





Director - Wahleah Johns

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Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, Washington DC

Wahleah Johns is Director for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs. She is responsible for upholding and advancing the Office of Indian Energy's mission to maximize the development and deployment of energy solutions for the benefit of American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Johns is a member of the Navajo (Dine) tribe and comes from northeastern Arizona. Her background is in renewable energy and community organizing, having co-founded Native Renewables, a nonprofit that builds renewable energy tribal capacity while addressing energy access. Her work with the Black Mesa Water Coalition and Navajo Green Economy Coalition has led to groundbreaking legislative victories for groundwater protection, green jobs, and environmental justice. In 2019, she was awarded the Nathan Cummings Foundation Fellowship.

Johns is deeply honored to work with the Office of Indian Energy to help native communities lead the way in the transition to clean energy.



Deputy Director - David Conrad

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Deputy Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs, Washington DC

David F. Conrad (Osage Nation) serves as the Deputy Director for the U.S. Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs. He recently served as the Director of the Office of Public Affairs for the Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs in the Department of Interior (DOI), managing press relations, digital media, and communications in close coordination with the Secretary's Office of Communication and other DOI Bureaus.

Mr. Conrad has 20 years of intergovernmental affairs experience in the energy, environmental, economic development, and natural and cultural resources arenas. Mr. Conrad has served in intergovernmental, legislative, and public affairs positions supporting tribal and local governments, and has experience working with legislative bodies at the federal, tribal, state, and local levels. He has also held executive leadership positions in the non-profit sector with the National Tribal Environmental Council and the Council of Energy Resource Tribes.



Mr. Conrad holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Santa Clara University and a master's degree in Environmental Policy and Administration from the University of Wisconsin at Green Bay.

