

Biography of  
Ophelia Watahomigie-Corliss  
Councilwoman for Havasupai Tribe  
House Committee on Agriculture  
Subcommittee on Commodity Exchanges, Energy and Credit

Ophelia Watahomigie-Corliss is an elected tribal councilwoman for the Havasupai Tribe currently serving her second term. She received her two bachelor degrees in communications at Northern Arizona University. She has held her current state and National pharmacy technicians license since 2008. These skills designated her as the tribal council lead on Indian Health Service projects and issues paving her way as the community's public health advocate. The Phoenix area Indian Health Service (IHS) appointed her as their primary representative on the National Tribal Advisory Committee in Behavioral Health to the current IHS Director. Ms. Watahomigie-Corliss is also the tribal council lead on telecommunication issues and projects and has been working in collaboration with MuralNet to build the tribe's first high-speed internet network. These projects have prompted Ms. Watahomigie-Corliss to look for a public health solution for her community through broadband expansion opportunities to raise the spiritual wellness, health, and education of the Havasupai Community.