

Dennis Smith, Sr., Chairman
Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation

Dennis Smith, Sr. is the newly elected Chairman of the Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation. Prior to his election as Chairman, Mr. Smith served as Vice-Chairman of the Tribes for eighteen years. In serving the needs of the Shoshone Paiute people, Mr. Smith has gained an enormous amount of experience working with Tribal and Federal governments to better serve the interests of Indian Country.

During his tenure on the Tribal Council, Mr. Smith has worked on a range of issues, including Self-Governance and Contract Support Costs, transportation, housing, health care, education and economic development issues.

In his position as an elected Tribal Council member, Dennis Smith has made numerous visits to Washington, D.C. advocating on behalf of the Shoshone Paiute people, and the whole of Indian Country, regarding the government's fiduciary responsibility to Tribes and affirming the government's position in upholding these responsibilities. Mr. Smith continues to be dedicated to serving as a voice for Native Americans.