

Questions for the Record by Democrat Members

Questions from Rep. Grijalva for Ms. Shannon Keller O'Loughlin, Executive Director, Association on American Indian Affairs:

1. Based on your organization's experience, can you speak to any examples where tribal consultation was utilized successfully?
 - a. Would you say that tribal consultation can be of benefit to agencies that are striving to create programs and projects that positively affect all Americans?

Questions from Rep. Haaland for Ms. Shannon Keller O'Loughlin, Executive Director, Association on American Indian Affairs:

1. Your testimony mentions Secretary Bernhardt's recent visit to Chaco Canyon and the temporary development ban that resulted from his discussions with tribal officials.
 - a. Based on your experience, what solutions are needed to better protect tribal sacred sites?

Questions from Rep. Garcia for Ms. Shannon Keller O'Loughlin, Executive Director, Association on American Indian Affairs:

1. Can you elaborate on the importance of place-based spiritual practices to the U.S.' Indigenous communities?
 - a. In what ways has the federal trust responsibility evolved to include the consideration and protection of tribal sacred sites?