



Biography

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Mr. Jaime A. Pinkham was appointed to the position of Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works on April 19, 2021, and is also serving as the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works.

As the Acting Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works, he establishes policy direction and supervises the Department of the Army functions relating to all aspect of the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers' Civil Works program. These responsibilities include programs for conservation and development of the nation's water and wetland resources, flood control, navigation and aquatic ecosystem restoration.

Prior to his appointment, he served as the executive director of the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission in Portland, Oregon, since 2017. Prior to that position, he was the vice president of the Bush Foundation, a private foundation in St. Paul, Minnesota. He led the Foundation's Native nations program and worked with tribes across North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota as they redesigned their governing systems. He spent the previous two decades in the Pacific Northwest advocating for tribal sovereignty, self-determination and treaty rights.

He has served on numerous non-profit organizations, including the Governing Council of the Wilderness Society, American Rivers Board of Directors, Native Arts and Culture Foundation, Board of Trustees at Northland College in Wisconsin, and the Advisory Council for the Udall Center's Native Nations Institute for Leadership, Management and Policy at the University of Arizona.

Mr. Pinkham received forestry degrees from Oregon State University (OSU) and Peninsula College. He is an OSU Alumni Fellow and also received an Outstanding Alumnus Award from OSU's College of Forestry.

He is a citizen of the Nez Perce Tribe and was selected twice to the tribal council. He is married and has two daughters and three grandchildren. He enjoys fishing, hunting, and hiking. When he times his trips just right, back home to Nez Perce Country, he can be found sitting around the drum singing the old songs in the old way.