

Indian Health Service

All Tribes and Urban Indian Organization Leaders Call

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DEPUTY DIRECTOR

AUGUST 13, 2018



Welcome



- Rear Admiral Chris Buchanan
Deputy Director, Indian Health Service



Welcome



Capt. Travis Watts



Mitchell Thornbrugh



Agenda

- IHS Updates
- IHS Strategic Plan fiscal years 2018-2022
- Behavioral Health Initiatives Funding Consultation/Confer
- Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) Guide Consultation



Upcoming Consultation Deadlines

- Updates to the Sanitation Deficiency System Guide
 - Comments accepted until August 14
- Behavioral Health Initiatives Funding Consultation/Confer
 - Comments accepted until August 17
- Sanitation Deficiency System (SDS) Guide Consultation
 - Comments accepted until September 14



Tribal Management Grant Opportunity

- Office of Direct Service and Contracting Tribes; Tribal Management Grant Program
- Applications are now being accepted
 - Deadline to apply is **August 17**
- To prepare tribes and tribal organizations for assuming all or part of an existing IHS operated program through the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act; and to further develop and improve health management capabilities
- Approximately 16-18 awards will be issued

Federal Register Notice: <https://go.usa.gov/xUReA>



Funding Opportunities

- The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration released a grant announcement entitled **Tribal Opioid Response Grants**
 - Federally recognized tribes and tribal organizations can apply individually, or in partnership with an urban Indian organization
 - Application Deadline: **August 20**
 - Announcement: <https://go.usa.gov/xUnqB>



Recent Events

- Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska hosted an open house to celebrate the opening of the Twelve Clans Unity Hospital in Winnebago on July 25.



Recent Events

- Rear Adm. Weahkee met with Congressman Markwayne Mullin, U.S. representative from Oklahoma's 2nd District, on July 25
- IHS and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation opened the Eufaula Indian Health Center in Eufaula, Oklahoma, on July 31
- The Cook Inlet Tribal Council opened the Ernie Turner Center in Eklutna, Alaska



Recent Events

- The IHS Partnership Conference, hosted by the Office of Information Technology and the Office of Resource Access and Partnerships
 - July 31-August 2 in Phoenix, Arizona



Recent Events

- Rear Adm. Weahkee Site Visits
 - Maryville Community Service Center
 - Hau'pal Red Tail Hawk Health Center
 - Phoenix Indian Medical Center
 - Tucson Indian Center



Recent Events

- Trip to Alaska with U.S. Surgeon General Vice Adm. Jerome Adams, MD, MPH



Upcoming Events

- August 14-17: National Combined Councils Annual Meeting in Portland, Oregon.
- August 14-15: National Indian Health Board Meeting in Washington, D.C.
- All Tribes and Urban Indian Organization Leaders Call, September 10 from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m. (Eastern).



Speakers

- IHS Strategic Plan fiscal years 2018-2022
 - Robert Pittman, Acting Deputy Director, Office of Public Health Support
- IHS Budget Update
 - Ann Church, Acting Director, Office of Finance & Accounting
- Behavioral Health Initiatives Funding Consultation/Confer
 - Anna Johnson, Office of Clinical and Preventive Services
- SDS Guide Consultation
 - Rear Adm. Mark Calkins, Director, Division of Sanitation Facilities Construction



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IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022

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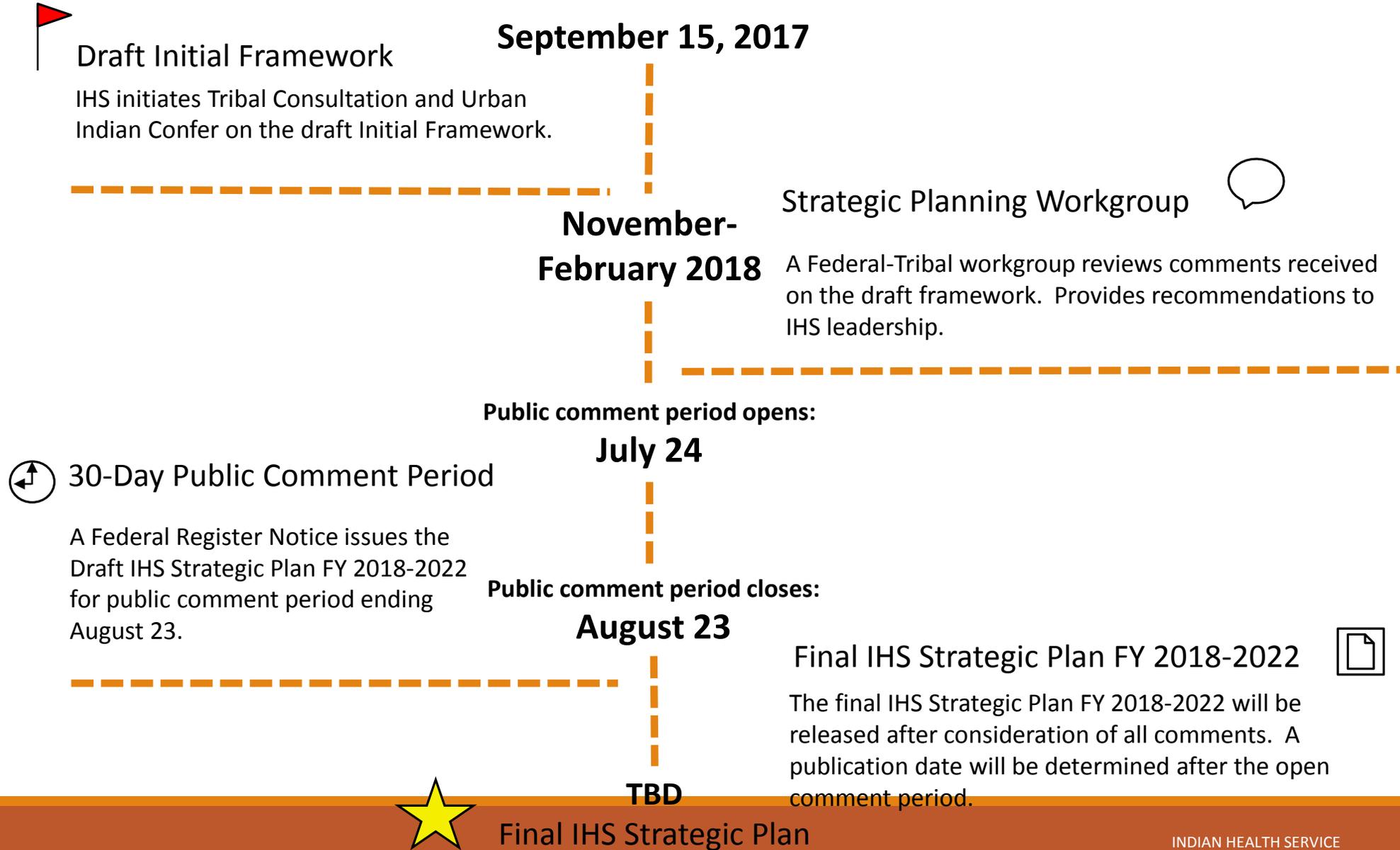
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30-day Public Comment Period

- Federal Register Notice dated July 24; 83 FR 35012
 - <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-07-24/pdf/2018-15740.pdf>
- Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader Letter Issued
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/triballeaderletters/>
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/urbanleaderletters/>
- Town Halls
 - Urban Indian Confer
 - Tribal Consultation
- Comment period closes Thursday, August 23



IHS Strategic Plan Process and Timeline



Draft IHS Strategic Plan Goals, Objectives and Number of Strategies

<p>GOAL 1: To ensure that comprehensive, culturally acceptable personal and public health services are available and accessible to American Indian and Alaska Native people.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>31 Total Strategies</i> 	<p>GOAL 2: To promote excellence and quality through innovation of the Indian health system into an optimally performing organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>14 Total Strategies</i> 	<p>GOAL 3: To strengthen IHS program management and operations.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>25 Total Strategies</i>
<p>Objective 1.1: Recruit, develop, and retain a dedicated, competent, caring workforce</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>12 Strategies</i> 	<p>Objective: 2.1 Create quality improvement capability at all levels of the organization.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>8 Strategies</i> 	<p>Objective 3.1 Improve communication within the organization, with Tribes and other stakeholders, and with the general public.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>6 Strategies</i>
<p>Objective 1.2: Build, strengthen, and sustain collaborative relationships.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>5 Strategies</i> 	<p>Objective: 2.2 Provide care to better meet the health care needs of Indian communities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>6 Strategies</i> 	<p>Objective 3.2 Secure and effectively manage assets and resources.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>10 Strategies</i>
<p>Objective 1.3: Increase access to quality health care services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>14 Strategies</i> 		<p>Objective 3.3 Modernize information technology and information systems to support data driven decisions.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>9 Strategies</i>

Next Steps

- Review feedback from Town Halls and National Combined Councils
- Aggregate Comments Received through Thursday, August 23
- Finalize Plan and Respond to FRN Comments



Written Comments

- Email: “Draft IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022” in subject line
Tribes: consultation@ihs.gov
Urban Indian Organizations: urbanconfer@ihs.gov
IHS Staff and general public: IHSStrategicPlan@ihs.gov
- Mail to:
RADM Michael D. Weahkee, MBA, MHSA
Acting Director
ATTN: Draft IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022
Indian Health Service
5600 Fishers Lane, Mailstop: 08E86
Rockville, Maryland 20857
- Federal Register Notice 83 FR 35012
 - <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2018-07-24/pdf/2018-15740.pdf>



Resources

- Draft IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022 Information Video
 - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hzLmi0aU0RA&feature=youtu.be>
- For updates: IHS Strategic Plan web site
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/strategicplan/>
- Upcoming Meetings: IHS Event Calendar
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/ihscaendar/>
- Questions: E-mail the IHS Strategic Plan team
 - IHSStrategicPlan@ihs.gov



IHS Budget Update

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IHS Budget Updates

Fiscal Year (FY) 2018 Budget

- **Indian Health Care Improvement Funds:** Final allocations of the \$72 million received in the FY 2018 appropriation are still in process. A letter will be issued announcing the results of consultation and include the final allocations.
- **Funding for ISDEAA 105(I) Leases:** Comments from the recent consultation and confer have been consolidated and a final decision will be communicated by letter soon.
- **Director's Emergency Funds:** The year-end distribution is planned for later this month pending decisions on several requests currently in process.
- Decisions regarding the above items are expected this month since all of these involve single-year appropriations that must be obligated prior to Sept 30.



IHS Budget Updates (Cont.)

Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 Budget

- **House Mark: \$5.9 billion**, an increase of \$370 million over FY 2018
 - Increases included for federal/tribal pay costs, staffing/operating costs of newly-constructed health care facilities, IHCIF, new Tribes, tribal clinics, Urban health, scholarships and loan repayment, and CSC
- **Senate Mark: \$5.8 billion**, an increase of \$234 million over FY 2018
 - Increases included for staffing/operating costs of newly-constructed health care facilities, new Tribes, tribal (village built) clinics, \$10M in opioid grants, and CSC
- **Both Marks:** Restore funding for programs proposed for discontinuation (Health Education, Community Health Representatives, and Tribal Management Grants); continue SDPI as mandatory
- **Next Steps:** Conference committee and congressional budget action
 - Discussions are expected this week
 - Final appropriation, continuing resolution, or omnibus appropriation



Behavioral Health Initiative Funding Tribal Consultation & Urban Confer

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Behavioral Health Initiative Funding Tribal Consultation & Urban Confer

- Funding mechanism to distribute behavioral health initiatives that are currently funded through grants.
- **Tribal Consultation & Urban Confer Initiated:** May 18, 2018
- **Comment Period Extended:** August 17, 2018
 - **ATTN:** IHS Behavioral Health Funding
- **More Information:** www.ihs.gov/dbh/consultationandconfer
- **Next Steps:** National Tribal Advisory Committee on Behavioral Health (NTAC) Meeting – September 5-6 – Albuquerque, NM





Indian Health Service (IHS) Sanitation Facilities Construction (SFC) Sanitation Deficiency System Guide Proposed Update

August 29, 2018



SDS Guide Proposed Update



Tribal Consultation on the SDS Guide consists of the following:

- Initial comment period, beginning July 2 through Aug 14.
 - Comment period has been extended to September 14, 2018.
 - Written comments will be accepted throughout the duration of the Tribal Consultation.
 - **The deadline to provide comments is September 14, 2018.**
 - A copy of the proposed SDS Guide was mailed to 573 Tribes and is posted online for review under the title “**SDS 2018 Final Draft for Tribal Consultation**”
 - <https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/triballeaderletters/>



SDS Guide Proposed Update



Please send your comments and recommendations on the SDS Guide:

- By e-mail to: consultation@ihs.gov
Subject Line: SDS Guide Tribal Consultation
- By postal mail to:
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Indian Health Service
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Rockville, MD 20857
ATTN: SDS Guide Tribal Consultation
- Following the close of the comment period, the IHS will convene to review all comments. The IHS Division Sanitation Facilities Construction (DSFC) will then formulate recommendations for IHS leadership to review and consider.



Questions/Comments



