30-day Public Comment Period

- Federal Register Notice dated July 24

- Dear Tribal Leader and Urban Indian Organization Leader Letter Issued
  - https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/triballeaderletters/
  - https://www.ihs.gov/newsroom/urbanleaderletters/

- Urban Indian Confer – Friday, August 3
- Tribal Consultation – Monday, August 6
- Comment period closes Thursday, August 23
IHS Strategic Plan Timeline

Draft Initial Framework

September 15, 2017

IHS initiates Tribal Consultation and Urban Indian Conference on the draft Initial Framework.

November-February 2018

Strategic Planning Workgroup

A Federal-Tribal workgroup reviews comments received on the draft framework. Provides recommendations to IHS leadership.

30-Day Public Comment Period

July 24

A Federal Register Notice issues the Draft IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022 for public comment period ending August 23.

Public Comment Period closes:

August 23

Final IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022

The final IHS Strategic Plan FY 2018-2022 will be released after consideration of all comments. A publication date will be determined after the public comment period.

TBD

Final IHS Strategic Plan
What’s New?

• Vision Statement
• Goal Explanations
• Objective Explanations
• Strategies
Framework Definitions

**Mission**
Defines who we are, what drives us

**Vision**
Where we see ourselves in the distant future (5-20 years)

**Goals**
Broad Initiatives that enable the plan’s mission to be realized

**Objectives**
Changes, outcomes, and impact a plan is trying to achieve

**Strategies**
Related activities to fulfill strategic objectives
Draft Mission and Vision Statements

• **Mission** - To raise the physical, mental, social and spiritual health of American Indians and Alaska Natives to the highest level.

• **Vision** - Healthy communities and quality health care systems through strong partnerships and culturally relevant practices.
## Draft IHS Strategic Plan – Goal 1

**GOAL 1**: To ensure that comprehensive, culturally acceptable personal and public health services are available and accessible to American Indian and Alaska Native people.

### Objective 1.1 Recruit, develop, and retain a dedicated, competent, caring workforce.
- Health Care Recruitment and Retention (7 strategies)
- Staff Capacity Building (5 strategies)

### Objective 1.2 Build, strengthen, and sustain collaborative relationships.
- Enhancing Collaboration (3 strategies)
- Service Expansion (2 strategies)

### Objective 1.3 Increase access to quality health care services.
- Health Care Service Access Expansion (11 strategies)
- Facilities and Locations (3 strategies)
### GOAL 2: To promote excellence and quality through innovation of the Indian health system into an optimally performing organization.

**Objective: 2.1** Create quality improvement capability at all levels of the organization.

- Quality Data (3 strategies)
- Continuous Quality Improvement (2 strategies)
- Standards of Care (3 strategies)

**Objective: 2.2** Provide care to better meet the health care needs of Indian communities.

- Culturally Appropriate Care (5 strategies)
- Sharing Best Practices (1 strategy)
## GOAL 3: To strengthen IHS program management and operations.

### Objective 3.1 Improve communication within the organization, with Tribes and other stakeholders, and with the general public.
- Communication Improvements (4 strategies)
- Strengthened Partnership (2 strategies)

### Objective 3.2 Secure and effectively manage assets and resources.
- Infrastructure, Capacity, and Sustainability (4 strategies)
- Improved Business Process (5 strategies)
- Patient Education and Resources (1 strategy)

### Objective 3.3 Modernize information technology and information systems to support data driven decisions.
- Health Information Technology (5 strategies)
- Data Process (4 strategies)
Next Steps

• Virtual Town Hall Sessions
  Urban Indian Confer
  Date: Friday, August 3
  Time: 2:00-3:30pm (ET)
  Call in: (888) 790-1920
  Passcode: 7577474
  Webinar link: https://ihs.adobeconnect.com/rx416iqrdnn7/
  Webinar passcode: ihs123

  Tribal Consultation
  Date: Monday, August 6
  Time: 2:00-3:30pm (ET)
  Call in: (877) 716-4289
  Passcode: 5475675
  Webinar link: https://ihs.adobeconnect.com/rx416iqrdnn7/
  Webinar passcode: ihs123

• Review Comments Received by Thursday, August 23
• Finalize Plan and Respond to FRN Comments
Written Comments

• Email
  - Tribes: consultation@ihs.gov
  - Urban Indian Organizations: confer@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:
For More Information

• For updates: IHS Strategic Plan web site
  • https://www.ihs.gov/strategicplan/

• Upcoming Meetings: IHS Event Calendar
  • https://www.ihs.gov/ihscarinerary/

• Questions: Email the IHS Strategic Plan team
  • IHSStrategicPlan@ihs.gov