

**Tribal Affairs Subcommittee**  
**Friday, November 3, 2017**  
**2:30 PM – 4:00 PM**  
**Meeting Summary**

**Agenda**

**2:30 pm Welcome**

**2:45 pm Working Overview**

**3:00 pm Converge on Issues**

**3:45 pm Wrap up**

**Welcome/Intro**

- Co-Director Dr. Payson opened the meeting and took a roll call.
- Mr. DeVito welcomed the sub-committee members to the call and thanked them for their participation and time. The work that the RPC and the sub-committees will be doing is very important to the Secretary as we work to make the Department of the Interior a better business partner. The Administration is focused on increasing investment in fossil fuel and renewable energy development. Mr. DeVito reminded the group that questions or requests can be sent to [RPC@ios.doi.gov](mailto:RPC@ios.doi.gov).

**Working Overview**

- Minutes from first RPC meeting will be made available on [doi.gov/rpc](http://doi.gov/rpc) by Monday the 6<sup>th</sup>.
- RPC subcommittee support staff will be creating meeting summaries.
- Support staff at disposal of subcommittees—if you need department info, report, contact info, expert, check with ONRR support staff, and they can help with that.
- Conference line is at disposal to this subcommittee at any time, for work groups, etc.
- ONRR/support staff can help ensure info is shared with subcommittee or RPC.
- Subcommittee members are responsible for the drafting of content of recommendations.
- The Kearns & West facilitators (Deirdre Gallagher and Rachel Milner Gillers) are a resource for the Subcommittee, and they will be available to help with agenda setting and facilitation of Subcommittee discussions.
- Subject matter experts may participate in the subcommittee and will be added as needed. Please speak with Dr. Payson if you would like to add members to the Subcommittee.
- Subcommittee members should avoid sharing information outside the subcommittee. Limit the distribution of work products before they are presented to the full RPC.
- The next full Committee meeting is in Houston, TX, on Feb 27th-28th, 2018.
- Co-Directors President Begaye and Dr. Payson were introduced.
- Suggested topics were discussed and will be developed into a survey, to be reviewed by the facilitators and distributed to the subcommittee; the purpose of the survey is to determine priorities.
- Changing the Subcommittee name to “Tribal Energy” was discussed and the question will be added to the survey.
- RPC Staff will create a doodle poll to determine the best possible meeting time.

**List of Attendees:**

Vincent DeVito (RPC Chairman), DOI  
Russell Begaye (Co-Director), Navajo  
Steven Payson (Co-Director), DOI  
Adam Red, Southern Ute  
Bidtah Becker, Navajo  
Jackson Brossy, Navajo  
Chris Mentasti, DOI  
Christopher Stolte, DOI  
Deirdre Gallagher, Facilitator  
Everett Waller, Osage  
James Schindler (RPC Executive Director), DOI  
Jennifer Malcolm, DOI  
Matthew Adams Cloud Peak  
Yvette Smith, DOI  
Mark Fox, Three Affiliated  
Rachel Milner Gillers, Facilitator