

## **TRANSPORTATION & INFRASTRUCTURE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT**

National Congress of American Indians  
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### **PASSED**

Resolution # DEN-07- 065

Title: Establishing a Tribal Transportation Self-Governance Program within the Department of Transportation.

### **PASSED**

Resolution # DEN-07- 93C

Title: Amendment to ANC-07-027: Creation of NCAI-ITA Joint Task Force on Transportation

### **TO BE ACTED UPON**

The Subcommittee reviewed the Task Force White Paper. The Subcommittee recommends that NCAI distribute the White Paper in its current draft for tribal comment by April 10, 2008.

### **ONGOING ISSUES**

1. Non or limited response from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Federal Highway Administration, and the Indian Reservation Roads Program Coordinating Committee to the NCAI Sacramento Resolutions of 2006:
  - a. SAC-06-038 Minimum IRR Funding Allocation for Tribal Transportation
  - b. SAC-06-051 Acceptance of all Eligible Indian Reservations Roads (IRR) into the IRR Transportation Facility Inventory
  - c. SAC-06-098C Minimum Attachments for the Submission of Eligible IRR Transportation Facilities in the IRR Inventory
2. Need for a national tribal task force to address the deficiencies and problems associated with the IRR Transportation Facility Inventory.

#### **Recommendations for how to address:**

Issue 1 that NCAI develop a letter to FHWA, BIA, and the IRR Program Coordinating Committee requesting that the Sacramento resolutions be considered and that any action be reported back to NCAI. This is a priority.

Issue 2 Recommend that the SAFETEA-LU Reauthorization Task Force review the FHWA National Inventory Report once it has been released and then follow-up by identifying all eligible inter-modal transportation facilities that may be included within the National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory and also develop a list of the problems and deficiencies of the current National Tribal Transportation Facility Inventory

**ADOPTION OF REPORT**

The Transportation & Infrastructure Sub-Committee of the National Congress of American Indians Adopted this Report unanimously on November 13, 2007.

Transportation & Infrastructure Sub-Committee

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