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NATIONAL CENTER FOR ENVIRONMENTAL CONFLICT RESOLUTION

ABOUT US

The John S. McCain III National Center for Environmental Conflict Resolution (NCECR) is a program of the Udall Foundation, which is an independent, nonpartisan Federal agency of the Executive Branch. NCECR provides collaboration, consensus-building, and conflict resolution services on a range of environmental, natural and cultural resources, Tribal, and public lands issues involving the Federal Government.

WE SPECIALIZE IN...

- Complex, multiparty environmental challenges at a national and
- Issues that require substantive, technical, or process expertise (e.g., NEPA, transportation infrastructure projects, endangered
- Issues involving multiple levels of government (Federal, State,
- Interagency and interdepartmental collaborations
- Collaborative efforts involving Tribes and Native people, including Government-to-Government Consultation between Tribes and Federal agencies

OUR SERVICES

- Facilitation
- Mediation
- Stakeholder Engagement
- Tribal Consultation
- Training
- Project/Situation Assessment
- Convening
- Collaborative Process Design
- Science-based Decision Making Support

BENEFITS



BETTER **OUTCOMES**

More durable solutions



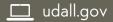
FFFICIENCY

Cost savings, timely process, minimizes litigation



IMPROVED GOVERNANCE

Increased capacity to serve citizens











TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE

Transportation and infrastructure projects face the ever-present challenge of adapting to our rapidly changing world and expanding human communities. These service areas require building sustainable partnerships among ecological, biological, geotechnical, cultural, legal, political, and financial sectors. Environmental collaboration and conflict resolution (ECCR) is a critical tool to address multiparty challenges in the service areas of transportation and infrastructure development. The necessity of public dialogues and interdisciplinary team building frequently calls for ECCR expertise. NCECR has experience implementing ECCR approaches on a variety of issues that require substantive, technical, and process expertise.

CALTRANS LAST CHANCE GRADE HUFFMAN STAKEHOLDERS GROUP MEETINGS



BACKGROUND: CalTrans needed a third-party, neutral Huffman's 2nd District regarding the selection of an alternative route for California's Highway 101 Last Chance

OUTCOME: NCECR convened stakeholders to Government, Tribes, NGOs, and other interested public and private organizations. The group is working to reach

INDIANA BAT AND NORTHERN LONG-EARED BAT PROGRAMMATIC AGREEMENT



BACKGROUND: Ohio Department of Transportation, FHWA, and USFWS formed an interagency team to establish strategies to protect the Federally endangered Indiana bat and the Federally threatened northern longeared bat while streamlining the consultation process under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

OUTCOME: NCECR assessed the situation and convened a two-tiered facilitated process among technical staff and leadership within the three agencies. The process helped the agencies understand each other's interests and resulted in a comprehensive agreement that expedited roadway development and enhanced species protections.

INDOT AND FHWA SECTION 106 TRIBAL CONSULTATION WORKSHOP AND MOU



BACKGROUND: FHWA, Indiana Department of

OUTCOME: NCECR initially conducted an assessment, convened and facilitated a planning team, and developed Understanding (MOU). NCECR and the MOU Development

INTERSTATE 11 TIER 1 EIS CORRIDOR STUDY PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA



BACKGROUND: NCECR assisted the Federal Highway of Transportation (ADOT) in deciding how to address community concerns surrounding the I-11 Tier 1 Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) Corridor Study.

OUTCOME: NCECR led the design, facilitation, and engagement meetings and prepared a report, which assisted FHWA and ADOT in deciding on a final alternative as part of the EIS process.