



Annual Government-to-Government Report

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DAS Policies & Contacts |

Department of Administrative Services Policy on Tribal Relations

In 2024 the Department of Administrative Services (DAS) updated the agency's internal Tribal Relations Policy. Policy 107-01-170 outlines:

- DAS' primary contact regarding issues and programs affecting tribes.
- DAS' commitment in areas of mutual concern.
- DAS will consider impacts to Tribal governments when developing policy.

This annual report is submitted in accordance with ORS 182.166 (3), which requires agencies to submit a report on agency activities under ORS 182.162-182.168.

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Mission and Focus

The Oregon Department of Administrative Services (DAS) is the central administrative agency of Oregon state government. Our mission is to lead state agencies through collaboration in service of Oregonians.

DAS works to effectively implement the policy and financial decisions made by the Governor and the Oregon Legislature. The department also sets and monitors high standards of accountability to ensure that state government uses tax dollars productively. To fulfill its mission, DAS supports state agencies by providing a strong and stable management infrastructure. As part of this effort, DAS works with private enterprise, citizens and other government entities to develop an efficient service delivery system.

Program Engagement |

Procurement

The Office of Procurement Equity (OPE) within State Procurement Services (SPS) is committed to strengthening relationships with native governments across Oregon. These initiatives include partnership with the Klamath Tribes' procurement team during outreach events in March 2024 aimed at connecting government and private sector representatives in the procurement space and the sponsorship and attendance of the 2024 Northwest Native Gathering organized by the Northwest Native Chamber (NUNC).

Additionally, OPE engaged the Northwest Native Chamber directly in the [2023 State of Oregon Disparity Study](#), the results of which will guide equity work within SPS.

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Enterprise Asset Management

DAS Enterprise Asset Management (EAM) division endeavors to maintain regular and meaningful outreach to Tribal government partners when work done by EAM may have an impact on neighboring government operations or land interests.

As DAS progresses with renovation work on the Oregon State Executive Building, EAM has engaged with multiple tribes around several Executive Building projects, including notification of ground disturbing activities, through the City of Salem Round Table meetings with Grand Ronde, Siletz and Warm Springs tribes. As a result, the ground disturbing activity was done under Tribal monitoring.

As interior renovations are also considered, DAS was responsive to Tribal concerns about a specific conference room mural which depicted native people through a colonial lens. DAS hired a contractor to manage collaborative conversations for a resolution of this concern. The agreed upon outcome was to install a wall covering in order to preserve the history captured in the mural while also ensuring it could be covered at the discretion of those present in the room.

In support of green energy development, DAS met, again through the Salem City Round Table, on Oct. 21, 2024, with the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde to discuss solar panel installation at DAS Motor Pool sites. This meeting was recorded and will be shared with the Confederated Tribes of the Siletz Indians and the Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs as they were unable to attend but Round Table participants wanted to ensure information sharing with neighboring tribal governments.

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Government-to-Government Summit

Each year, the governor convenes a meeting “at which representatives of state agencies and tribes may work together to achieve mutual goals.”¹

In 2023 the Annual Government-to-Government Summit was cancelled because of an unanticipated scheduling conflict with the White House Tribal Nations Summit. That summit was rescheduled for summer 2024 which DAS was not able to attend.

DAS looks forward to engaging in upcoming summits and the sharing of ideas, challenges, and successes faced by Tribal and state governments alike.

Looking Ahead |

Looking ahead

The establishment of a tribal relations director in the Governor’s Office is a welcome addition to the government-to-government structure between Oregon and the nine Tribal nations.

¹ ORS 182.166

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Throughout 2025 the department looks forward to engaging with the newly established Governor's tribal affairs director to support the Governor's commitment to Tribal engagement and communication.