



What's at Stake: An Approach to Identifying Tribal Interests Affected by Land and Natural Resource Agreements

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The First Question: Is the Tribe a Player or Just a Landlord?

- Who's on the other side?
- What is their business?
- What are the opportunities for tribal or tribal member participation in these businesses:
 - As partner;
 - As supplier;
 - As provider of services.
- What are opportunities for other tribes, non-tribal allies?



Impacts on Tribal Regulatory Capability

- Statutes, ordinances, codes, regulations, etc.
- Cooperative agreements, MOUs, etc.
- Legal systems and institutions.
- Human resource development.

Health and Safety Impacts



- Police, fire protection, medical, and emergency response capabilities.
- Possibility of an accidental release of hazardous substances.
- Site safety standards and procedures.

Environmental Impacts



- Resources.
- Aesthetics.
- Roads=increased access.



Impacts on Future Land-Use

- Use impacts.
- Use restrictions.



Economic Impacts

- Employment.
- Business.

Impacts on Religion and Culture



- Access.
- Damage to buildings, sacred sites.
- Impacts on hunting, gathering.
- Intrusion.



Impacts on Tribal Sovereignty and Treaty Rights

- Challenges to tribal authorities.
- Impacts on tribal trust assets.
- Impact on litigation.