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MEMORANDUM

TO: GPTWA Board of Directors
Great Plains Tribal Historic Preservation Officers

FROM: Robert Quiver Jr, Executive Director

DATE: November 5, 2007

RE: **Draft Agenda**
4th Annual William H. Veeder Memorial Conference on Indian Water Rights

Attached please find the **draft** agenda for the December 21 & 22, 2007 Great Plains Tribal Water Alliance – 4th Annual William H. Veeder Memorial Conference on Indian Water Rights to be held at the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center, in Rapid City, SD. Please reply with changes to the agenda either by email or telephone.

The conference agenda and flyer is also available at our website for those interested parties:
<http://www.geocities.com/gptwa2006/index.html>

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Cc: All Tribal Members
All Tribal Water Departments & Agencies
All Treaty Council Delegates
All Tribal Leaders
All Tribal Representatives

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Rushmore Plaza Civic Center
Rapid City, South Dakota
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AGENDA

Moderator: Rick Thomas, Vice Chairman, Black Hills Sioux Nation Treaty Council

DAY ONE – Friday, December 21, 2007:

- 1:30 pm Registration Opens
- 1:40 pm Opening Prayer – TBA
Call to Order
– Richard “Davey” Bird, GPTWA Board Chairman—Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
- 1:45 pm Welcome to William H. Veeder Conference Address
– Michael Catches Enemy, GPTWA Board of Directors – Oglala Sioux Tribe
- William H. Veeder Conference and GPTWA History
– Syed Huq, GPTWA Board of Directors – Rosebud Sioux Tribe
- 2:00 pm Great Sioux Nation Multimedia Presentation: Water Rights and Ft. Laramie Treaty
– Johnson Holy Rock, Treaty and Water Rights Advocate
– Harvey White Woman, Treaty and Water Rights Advocate
- 3:00 pm Basic Water Rights 101—Impact of Water Quantification to the Great Sioux Nation Claim
– Mario Gonzalez, Attorney for Black Hills Land Claim
- 3:30 p.m. BREAK
- 3:45 p.m. Panel Discussion: Indigenous Science on Sacred Sites along the Missouri River
– Faith Spotted Eagle, Yankton Sioux Cultural Resources Advocate
– Kevin LaRose and Kip Spotted Eagle, Cultural Resources Tribal Monitors, Yankton Sioux Tribe
- 4:45 p.m. **Keynote Speaker**
International/ Border Cross Issues in the Great Plains & the Jay Treaty.
– Chief Terrance Nelson, Roseau River First Nation, Manitoba Canada.
- 6:00 p.m. Recess – End Day 1

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Moderator: Harvey White Woman, Treaty / Water Rights Advocate

DAY TWO – Saturday, December 22, 2007:

- 8:30 a.m. Opening Prayer – TBA
Call to Order – Richard “Davey” Bird, GPTWA Chair
Welcome & Introductions—Robert Quiver Jr., Executive Dir. GPTWA
- 8:45 a.m. Impacts to Lands and Groundwater Supplies of the Great Sioux Nation Aboriginal Lands—the Keystone Oil Pipeline Project
– Syed Huq, GPTWA Board of Directors
- 9:15 a.m. Panel Discussion: Environmental Impacts on Cultural Resources
– Tim Mentz, THPO, Standing Rock Sioux Tribe
– Russell Eagle Bear & Ben Rhodd, THPO, Rosebud Sioux Tribe
- 10:15 a.m. BREAK
- 10:30 a.m. Group Exercises (Moderated by Harvey White Woman)
- 12:00 p.m. LUNCH provided by GPTWA
- 1:00 p.m. Panel Discussion: Paradigms for Water Quality and Health Concerns in Indian Country
– OST Environmental Health Tech Team (**Reno Red Cloud—Oglala Sioux Rural Water Supply System; Bob Pille—OST Environmental Protection Program; Joe Amiotte—I.H.S. Environmental Health; Hoopa Yellow Horse – I.H.S. Engineer; Sam O’Roarke--OST Water and Sewer Dept.; and Mike Catches Enemy—OST Natural Resources Regulatory Agency**)
- 1:45 p.m. BREAK
- 2:00 p.m. Programmatic Agreements in the Great Plains & Missouri River Basin
– Peter Capossela, Attorney for Oglala Sioux Tribe
- 2:30 p.m. **Keynote Speaker**
Missouri River Indian Interests & the Ogallala Aquifer
– Robert Gaddis, Future Resource Engineering LLC, Retired Corps of Engineers.
- 3:30 p.m. ADJOURN
- 3:45 p.m. Field Trip for interested participants. Meet at Civic Center Rear Entrance.

Have a safe trip home and thank you for attending.