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## FY 2012 Appropriations Update

The National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, assists tribes and tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs) in reaching their goal of providing culturally relevant, decent, safe, sanitary, quality, and affordable housing for native people in Indian communities, Alaska Native villages, and on native Hawaiian Home Lands.

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### **House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development (THUD) Postpone FY 2012 Bill Mark-Up**

On July 11, 2011, the House Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development announced the postponement of the mark up of their Fiscal Year 2012 bill until September. The bill had originally been scheduled for subcommittee action this Thursday, July 14<sup>th</sup> and full committee consideration on July 26<sup>th</sup>. NAIHC will provide further information as it becomes available.

### **House Approves Agriculture Funding Bill for Fiscal Year 2012**

On June 16, 2011, the House of Representatives approved H.R. 2112, the FY 2012 United State Department of Agriculture (USDA) Appropriations Bill. The legislation funds the various programs within the Department of Agriculture and related agencies, and totals \$125.5 billion in both discretionary and mandatory funding. The discretionary spending in this bill totals \$17.2 billion, which is a decrease of \$3 billion below the amount included in the fiscal year 2011 Continuing Resolution and a decrease of \$5 billion below the President's FY 2012 Budget Request. A large portion of this spending bill is mandatory spending, or mandated by programs outside of the budgetary process, such as food stamps and other food aid programs. Programs eligible to Indian housing entities are outlined below. The bill passed on a vote of 217-203.

- Section 502 Single-Family Loans (Direct) - \$845,666,000
- Section 502 Single-Family Loans (Guaranteed) - \$24,000,000,000
- Section 515 Multi-Family Loans (Direct) - \$58,617,000
- Section 538 Multi-Family Loans (Guaranteed) - \$0\*\*
- Section 533 Housing Preservation Grants - \$0

\*\* Changes in the Application of Existing Law - Language included in the Rural Housing Insurance Fund Program account that authorizes Section 502 of the program may be used for Section 538 of the program.

## Reminder

### **HUD Tribal Leaders' Teleconference & Meeting on Indian Housing Needs Assessment Study**

The National American Indian Housing Council (NAIHC) and the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) are co-hosting two events in July: 1) a national teleconference, and 2) a tribal leaders' meeting to discuss the process being followed by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the implementation of the Indian Housing Needs Assessment Study.

Further information regarding these events can be found on our website, [www.naihc.net](http://www.naihc.net), and additional materials related to the HUD Indian Housing Needs Study will be distributed by COB on July 12, 2011.

### **NAIHC/NCAI National Teleconference**

Date: Thursday, July 14, 2011

Time: 1:00 EDT

Call In #: 1.877-419-6600

Participant

Passcode: 1704510

### **Tribal Leaders Summit**

Date: Wednesday, July 27, 2011

Time: 1:30 p.m.

Locate: Senate Committee on Indian Affairs Hearing Room  
628 Dirksen Senate Bldg.  
Washington, DC

HUD's Office of Public and Indian Housing (PIH) and Policy Development and Research (PD&R) will meet with tribal leaders to address issues and concerns regarding the upcoming HUD Indian Housing Needs Assessment Study. Dr. Raphael Bostic, Assistant Secretary of PD&R and Rodger Boyd, Deputy Assistant Secretary of PIH's Office of Native American Programs will answer questions and receive input from tribal leadership.

***Do not miss this opportunity to participate in the critical planning stages of this important study.***

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