



Native American Contractors Association

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**NACA TO HOLD NATIVE 8(A) WORKSHOP IN PARTNERSHIP WITH THE SEMINAR GROUP**

*SAVE THE DATE: TULALIP, WASHINGTON AUGUST 19-20, 2010*

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Washington DC (June 7, 2010): The Native American Contractors Association (NACA) will hold a Native 8(a) workshop for Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations (ANCs) and Native Hawaiian Organizations (NHOs) interested in government contracting and the Native 8(a) program. The workshop will be held within The Seminar Group's 6th Annual Re-Emerging Tribal Economies Conference at the Tulalip Resort and Casino August 19-20, 2010.

Tulalip Resort Casino  
10200 Quil Ceda Boulevard  
Tulalip, Washington  
(888) 272-1111

-To reserve, please phone the Reservation Department at (866) 716-7162 and mention "The Seminar Group rate."

NACA's Lael Echo-Hawk is a Program Co-Chair for the conference along with Gabriel S. Galanda of Galanda Broadman, PLLC.

Day two of the conference will focus on the SBA, Native 8(a) program. NACA's Executive Director, Sarah Lukin and Clara Pratte, National Director for the Office of Native American Affairs, U.S. Small Business Administration will present on *Tribal Business Development Opportunities and Challenges Facing the Program*.

NACA Board members Janice Hotch, Manager for the Office of Diversity Solutions, Sealaska Corporation and Kip Ritchie, Chief Operations Officer, Potawatomi Business Development Corporation, will present on *The SBA 8(a) Program: Tribal Success Stories and Strategies*. In addition, NACA alternative member, Steve Cardwell, President of Brenco Industrial Services, LLC will be presenting on *Opportunities for the Individual Tribal Member*.

There will also be Native 8(a) sessions on *How do I Get Started, Getting the Contract, and Laying the Groundwork for Strong Contract Management and Understanding 8(a) Compliance*. NACA member, Jessica Graham, EVP Administration/General Counsel of Afognak Native



Corporation will be presenting on *How to Manage a Federal Contract*. [View the agenda here](#). This workshop is open to Native enterprises. Tuition for the conference is \$397 for NACA members. NACA members must call the Seminar Group at (206) 463-4400 or toll free (800) 574-4852 to receive the NACA tuition rate. Tuition for Non-NACA members is \$695. To register [click here](#). You may also email [Registrar@TheSeminarGroup.net](mailto:Registrar@TheSeminarGroup.net). If you are a NACA member, please let Jennine Elias, External Affairs Coordinator, Native American Contractors Association know ([jennine@nativecontractors.org](mailto:jennine@nativecontractors.org)). If you are interested in joining NACA please contact Jennine.



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*The Native American Contractors Association is a National Native organization based in Washington, DC that advocates for the rights of Tribes, Alaska Native Corporations and Native Hawaiian Organizations in government contracting and the Small Business Administration's 8(a) Business Development Program. Learn more about NACA at [www.nativecontractors.org](http://www.nativecontractors.org).*