

The Land Buy-Back Program for Tribal Nations (Program) allows interested landowners to receive payments for voluntarily selling their fractional land interests. The Program implements the land consolidation component of the *Cobell* Settlement, which provided a \$1.9 billion fund to purchase fractional interests in trust or restricted land from willing sellers at fair market value within a 10-year period. Interested sellers receive payments directly into their IIM accounts. Consolidated interests are immediately transferred to tribal governments in trust for uses benefiting the tribal community.

You should not wait until the Program is implemented at a location where you own fractional land to learn more. We want to make sure landowners have every opportunity to learn about the Program before purchase offers are sent.

YOU'RE INVITED: April 25, 2017

Tulalip Resort Casino 10200 Quil Ceda Blvd, Tulalip, WA 98271

9 am – 11 am: Landowner Outreach Session: Subject matter experts will conduct an informational session to include appraisals, acquisitions and financial education.

9 am – 1 pm: Staff Available to Answer Questions: Federal and tribal staff will be positioned at multiple Resource Tables and available to discuss the Program, answer landowner questions, provide information about financial education and appraisals, and register interested sellers.

1 pm – 5 pm: Listening Session. The Program will host a Listening Session to hear directly from tribal leaders and landowners.

Refreshments will be served

Financial Awareness. If a landowner chooses to sell their interest, it is important that they think strategically about how to use the funds they receive from selling their land. If a landowner chooses not to sell, there are additional considerations and preparations for estate planning that they should begin making to ensure that fractional interests are passed down to family members. Find more information at: http://www.doi.gov/buybackprogram/landowners/financial-awareness.cfm.

Contact Information: Landowners can contact the Trust Beneficiary Call Center at 888-678-6836 or visit their local Office of the Special Trustee for American Indians (OST) to update their contact information, ask questions about their land or purchase offers, and learn about financial planning resources.

More information and detailed frequently asked questions are available at http://www.doi.gov/buybackprogram to help individuals make informed decisions about their land.