Update for February 13, 2017 Nevada Indian Commission Board Meeting
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- The Territory has received the following FY17, 2nd Cycle Nevada Commission on Tourism (NCOT) Marketing Grants: 2017 Nevada Tribal Tourism Conference $7,000; Indian Territory Website Maintenance $4,800; 2017 Stewart Father’s Day Powwow $1,500; and Indian Territory Promotional Items $4,500.

- The Territory has identified the following priority projects: revision of Territory Flickr page, a one page (front and back) Indian Territory profile sheet, revisions to the Indian Territory website (update native artist page and add current news, camping and tribal museums pages) and planning for a photo workshop at the Stewart Indian School.

- The Territory is currently working on the logistics for temporarily taking down the Indian Territory exhibit at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport so that the Peppermill can complete a remodel of their exhibit. The Peppermill has agreed to pay for this and the airport has agreed to store the exhibit until the Territory is ready to reinstall. In the long term, the Territory will need to look at relocating the exhibit as the airport is required to add another elevator in the current exhibit location to adhere to ADA requirements. At the last meeting, Reno-Tahoe Airport staff showed Territory members two possible locations that have been identified for the new exhibit. The first location is near the current exhibit space and the second space is in the current passenger waiting area.

- The 9th Annual Nevada Tribal Tourism Conference will be held April 4-6, 2017 at the Bristlecone Convention Center in Ely, Nevada. Each year the Conference includes top notch keynote speakers and presenters and this year will include a familiarization tour of the Great Basin National Park, home to the Western Shoshone people. The save the date for the Conference has already been sent out and a limited number of registration-only scholarships are available on a first come first serve basis to Tribes who would like to attend.

- Territory members will be attending the 2017 Rural Roundup at the Elko Convention Center April 26-28, 2017. The Rural Roundup is Nevada’s signature rural tourism conference hosted by the Nevada Division of Tourism.

- The next Indian Territory meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2017 from 10am-12pm at the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe Museum and Visitors Center.