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**WASHINGTON** - Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Larry Echo Hawk will offer remarks at the Society of American Indian Government Employees (SAIGE) 8th Annual National Training Conference being held June 13-17, 2011, at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tulsa in Catoosa, Okla. He will speak during the lunch period on Wednesday, June 15.

SAIGE is a national not-for-profit organization of American Indian and Alaska Native government employees that promotes recruitment, retention, development and advancement of American Indians and Alaska Natives in government; provides a forum for issues that affect them; educates federal agencies about the federal Indian trust responsibility; and aids government agencies in honoring the federal-tribal relationship.

The theme for this year's conference is "Service, Honor, Respect: Strengthening Our Cultures and Communities." Training tracks will be offered on culture and diversity, equal employment opportunity and human resources, Indian Country, natural resources, professional development, and wellness.

**WHO:** Larry Echo Hawk, Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior.

**WHAT:** Assistant Secretary Echo Hawk will be the June 15 luncheon speaker at the SAIGE 8th Annual National Training Conference.

**WHEN:** 12:15 p.m.-1:00 p.m. CDT, Wednesday, June 15, 2011.

**WHERE:** Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Tulsa, Room: Sequoyah I, II, V & VI, 777 West Cherokee Street, Catoosa, Okla. 74015. Phone: 800-760-6700.

**CREDENTIALS:** This invitation is extended to credentialed media representatives, who must display sanctioned media credentials for admittance to the event.

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