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The Bureau of Indian Affairs has scheduled public hearings on proposed regulations dealing with the acquisition of trust land, for Indians. Notice of the hearings is being published in the Federal Register.

The proposed regulations were published in the Federal Register July 26, 1978 for review and comment. A number of persons and organizations requested that hearings be held. They expressed concern about the potential removal of land from tax rolls and jurisdictional problems which might arise on lands placed in trust status for Indians.

Hearings are to be held in Seattle, Wash., on March 28; in Minneapolis, Minn., and Oklahoma City, Okla., on April 3; Spokane, Wash., April 4; Albuquerque, New Mex., and Pierre, So. Dak, April 5; and Billings, Mont., on April 11.

Persons desiring to make a statement at any of title hearings should give prior notice to be placed on the agenda.

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