

## **11<sup>th</sup> Annual Gathering OCRS and Chihene Nde (Chiende Band) of NM**

**On the week of June 20 through 23, 2019**, we are requesting volunteers to help prepare the campsite and ceremonial grounds at the Manzano Land Grant Property. Many of the leadership of OCRS and extended family members will be arriving early to set up campground. We will be going out there earlier on June 4th to prepare committees for logistics and planning work crews.

**The activities will officially take place on June 20-23, 2019.** The co-ordinance of the property is **665316, -106.353511.**

### **The directions to get to the property are from Albuquerque, NM:**

Take I-25 south to Exit 175. Proceed on US 60 eastbound to Mountainair, NM, once in this village, take NM 55 northbound for 16 miles northwest into the village of Manzano, NM. One will arrive at a Catholic Church and Cemetery on the right-hand side and soon thereafter will need to turn left onto County Road BO65 to New Canyon and Capilla Peak Rd for approximately 1.5 miles. The property will be located to the left in front of Saw Mill.

### **From Las Cruces, NM:**

Take I-25 north to Exit 175. Proceed on US 60 eastbound to Mountainair, NM, once in this village, take NM 55 northbound for 16 miles northwest into the village of Manzano, NM. One will arrive at a Catholic Church and Cemetery on the right-hand side and soon thereafter will need to turn left onto County Road BO65 to New Canyon and Capilla Peak Rd for approximately 1.5 miles. The property will be located to the left in front of Saw Mill.

## ITINERARY/AGENDA:

**Thursday, June 20, 2019-** Setting up Campground and Common Kitchen, Portable Toilets and prepping the campsite and grounds.

### **Friday, June 21, 2019-**

8:00 am- Coordination of Arbor and Common Kitchen

12:00 pm- check in and Reception Area at Arbor

5:00 pm- Dinner- Potluck -Bring for family and extra.

6:00 pm- 7:00 pm- Social Activities Games

Sundown- Social Songs and Stories (Common Fire)

### **Saturday, June 22, 2019-**

8:00 am- 9:00 am- Breakfast (Potluck)

9:00 am to 12:00 pm- Social time

12:00 pm- 1:30 pm- Lunch (Potluck)

1:30 pm- 2:30 pm- OCRS Meeting and Debriefing

2:30 pm to 3:00 pm- Tribal Meeting

3:00 pm to 6:00 pm- Strategic Planning

6:00 pm- Dinner (Potluck)- Social Hour

7:00 pm (sundown) Social Songs Common Fire

### **Sunday, June 23, 2019-**

8:00 am- Breakfast (Potluck)

10:00 am- Debriefing

12:00 pm- Closure

## **NOTICE**

- 1. No photographs, videotaping or recording devices!**
- 2. No Alcohol or controlled substance on ceremonial ground property (During Ceremonies)!**
- 3. Our traditions and customs are to stay through the entire Ceremony. Like church, we don't leave mass half way. We are praying for all of us and our preservation efforts. All our prayers together make a difference.**
- 4. Although we desire for folks to have a joyous and memorable time, we also need to teach those that are not acclimated to the culture that we don't applaud during ceremonies and each ceremony is considered sacred. These events are not intended to be entertainment in the sense of mere performance. These ceremonies are sacred, and we are trying to maintain them for future generations as our ancestors would desire us to continue.**
- 5. Please don't take offense to elders correcting folks and others on the proper protocol and customs. Our intentions are to teach everyone how to properly observe our ways and traditions.**
- 6. The elections of tribal officers and council results will appear on the Governance Section of the website.**