

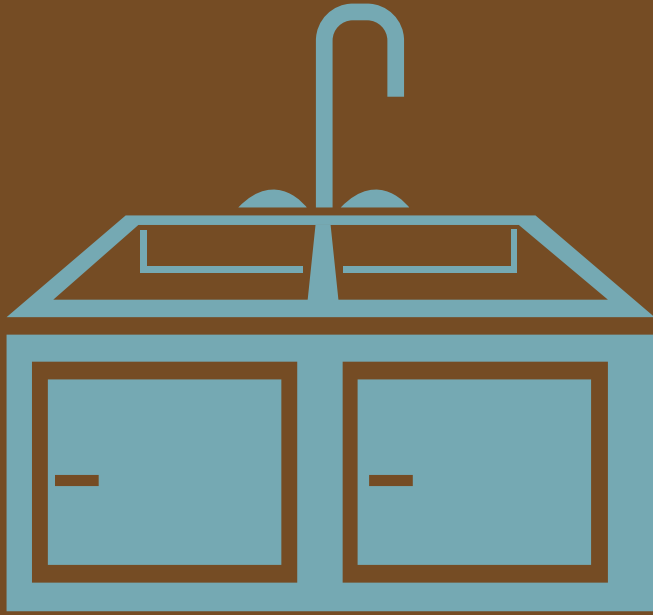
WHY IT MATTERS TO INDIAN COUNTRY

- While this title operates as a “catch-all” for topics not covered in other titles of the Farm Bill, the Miscellaneous Title has many important programs
- This title has the potential to create broad program authority and policy or management changes with sweeping impacts across all USDA programs and mission areas

! The Miscellaneous Title in past Farm Bills has had a positive impact on Indian Country, including the creation of the Office of Tribal Relations and the Tribal Advisory Council. !

INDIAN COUNTRY PRIORITIES

- Include competitive enhancement provisions and priority points for Tribal Promise Zones
- Study food fraud and cultural appropriation of Native foods in the marketplace
- Extend the Buy Indian Act and Indian Preference hiring to all USDA programs
- Establish a “First Right of Refusal” for Tribal Nations to purchase available USDA lands in their ancestral territories
- Apply “638” to All USDA programming and 638 office at USDA
- Seat the Tribal Advisory Committee (TAC)
- Include food assistance programs for urban Indian communities
- Recognize Tribal departments of food and agriculture
- Increase cooperative agreements between Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) and Tribes
- Coordinate with BIA on Agricultural Resource Management Plans (ARMP)



The Miscellaneous Title may sound like the kitchen sink of the Farm Bill, but in reality, this final title is often the place to find cross-cutting, innovative programs and authorities that reach across all or most of USDA.

Programs across all six subsections of the Miscellaneous Title provide support for producers who are strongly represented in Indian Country.

CHECK OUT THE NATIVE FARM BILL COALITION'S REPORT [GAINING GROUND](#) TO FIND MORE INFORMATION ON INDIAN COUNTRY'S PRIORITIES: www.nativefarmbill.com/gaining-ground.



The Native Farm Bill Coalition (NFBC) brings together the voices of Tribes, intertribal organizations, other Native organizations and non-Native allies around the country to advocate with a strong, unified voice in Washington, D.C., to advance investments in Native agricultural production, rural infrastructure, economic development, conservation, and forestry.