

# TRIBAL SELF-GOVERNANCE AND ECONOMIC PROSPERITY

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# ENTERING THE MODERN ECONOMY

Mojave Indian Railroad Workers



# NATIVE PROFESSIONALS IN MODERN AMERICA

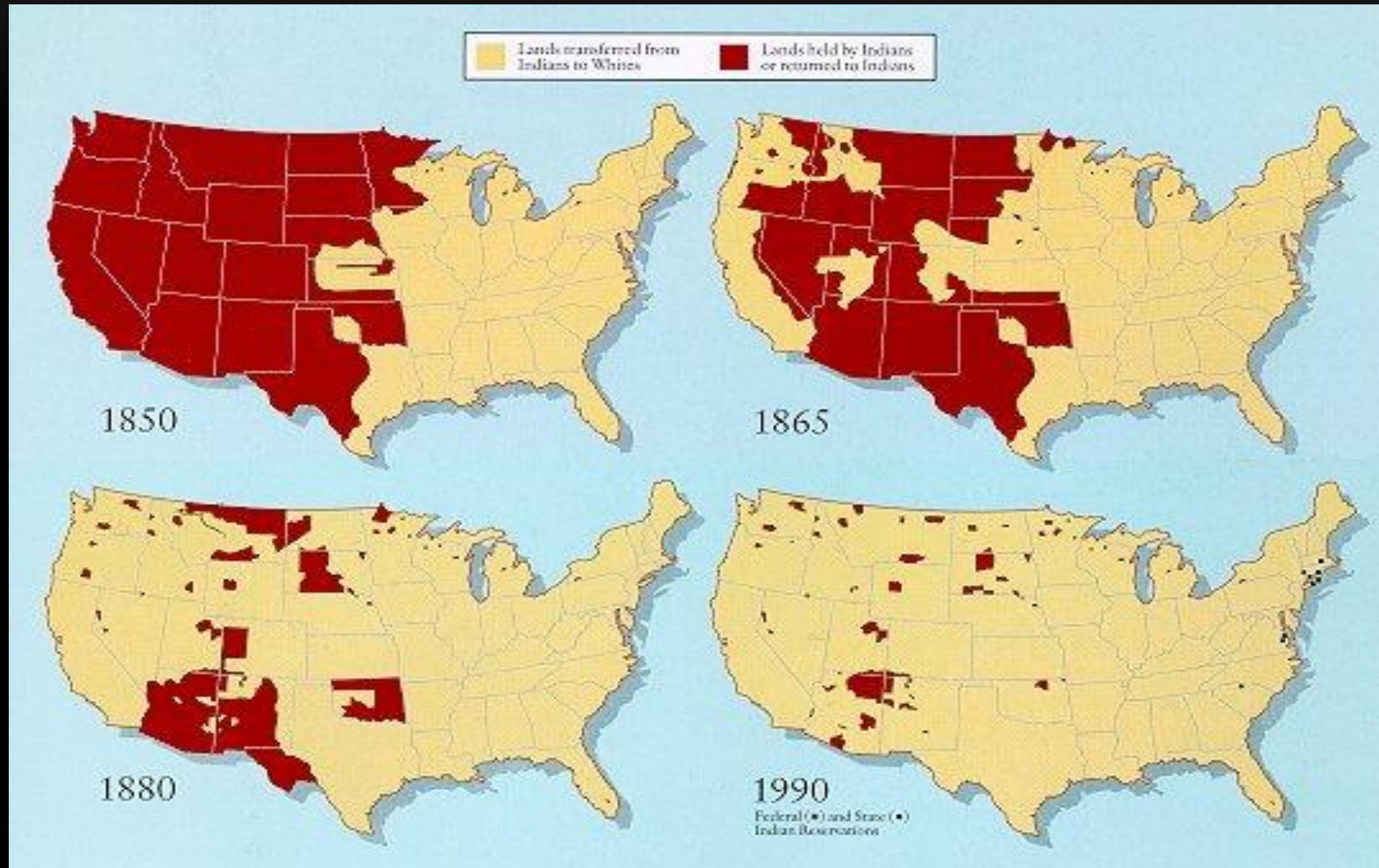




# CHICKASAW NATION SELF-GOVERNANCE



# INDIAN LAND OWNERSHIP OVER TIME

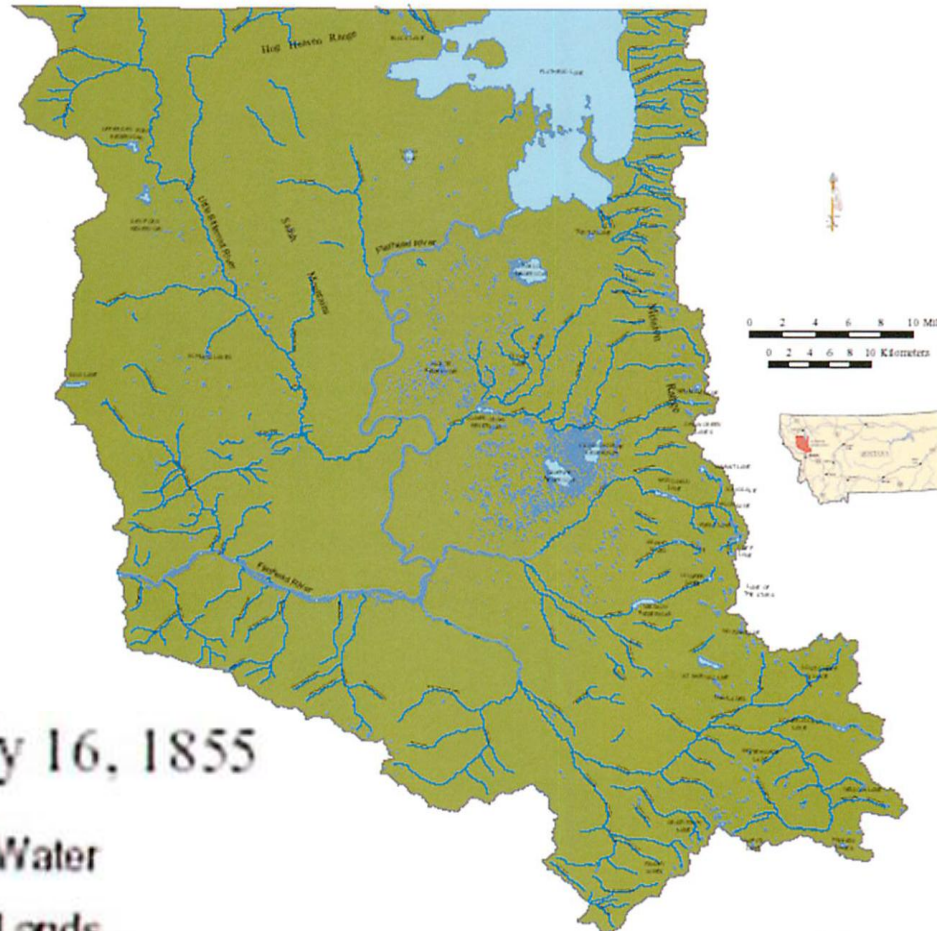


# OUR LANDS AND OUR ECONOMIES





# 1855



Land Status - July 16, 1855



OSAK TRIBES  
NATURAL RESOURCES DEPARTMENT  
GIS PROGRAM





# CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES LAND INTO TRUST POLICY

“The wisdom of past Tribal leaders created a ‘common goal of buying back Tribal land’ and that vision is still alive and well today.”

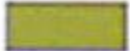


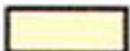


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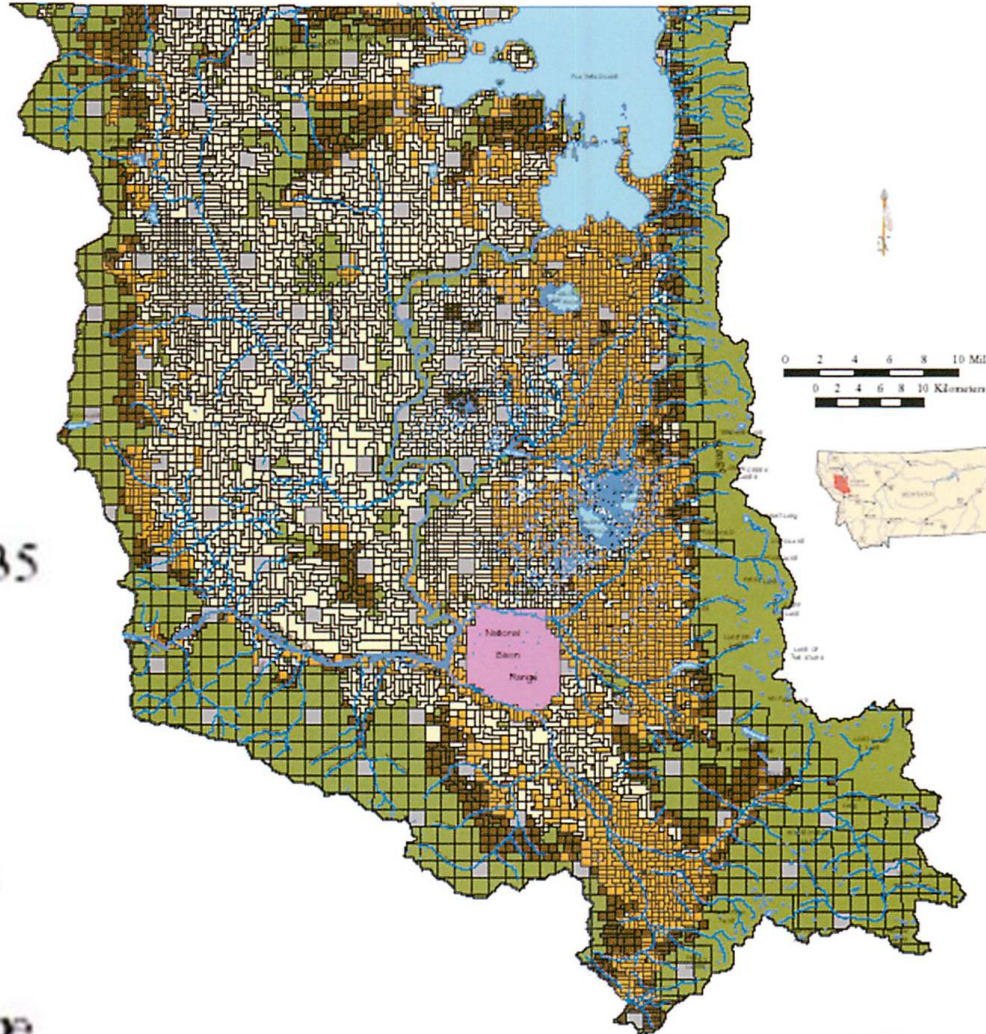
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# 1922 - 1935

## Land Status - 1922 - 1935

-  Tribal Lands
-  Allotments (1908)
-  Allotments (1922)
-  Homesteads (1910)
-  Tribal Water
-  National Bison Range



# FEE TO TRUST PARCELS

## Fee to Trust 2010-2012

 Fee To Trust

### land status

 Tribal

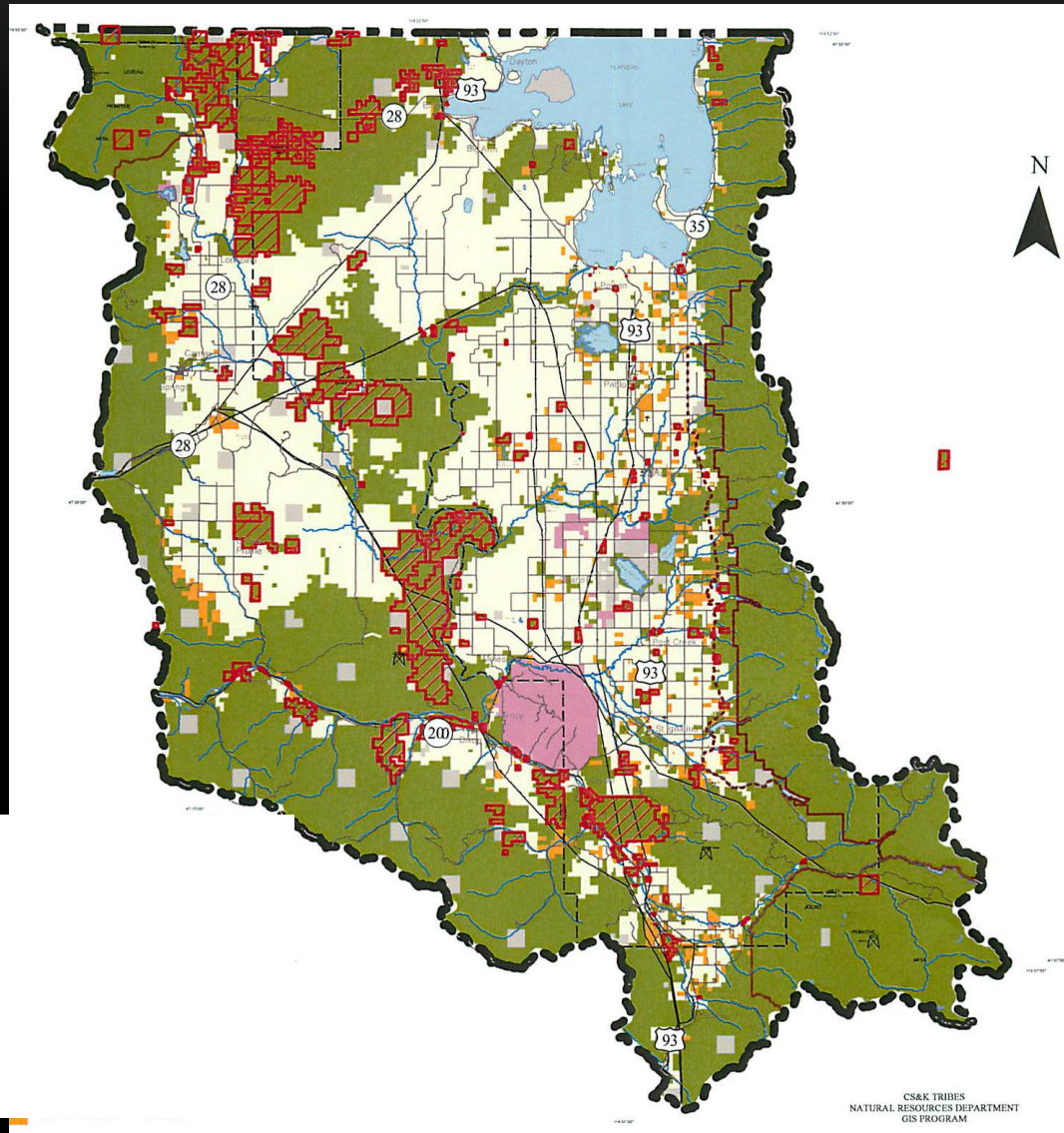
 Individual Trust

 Fee

 State

 Federal

 Water





# OBAMA ADMINISTRATION AGENDA



# RESTORATION OF TRIBAL HOMELANDS AND TRIBAL SOVEREIGNTY

- At least 500,000 acres of land intro trust
- (Cobell) Land Buy Back Program for Tribal Nations
- Newly Amended 162 Leasing Regulations
- Helping Expedite and Advance Responsible Tribal Homeownership (HEARTH) Act
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Rank	Land Area Name	BIA Region	Number of Fractionated Tracts		Associated Acres	Number of Purchasable Fractional Interests	Weighted Proportion	Estimated Initial Purchase Ceiling
1	Pine Ridge	Great Plains	5,982		1,194,669	194,401	8.11%	\$126,110,500
2	Standing Rock	Great Plains	6,268		761,758	214,947	7.09%	\$110,249,500
3	Blackfeet	Rocky Mountain	4,793		892,122	188,894	6.67%	\$103,718,500
4	Crow	Rocky Mountain	4,803		922,907	177,530	6.64%	\$103,252,000
5	Navajo	Navajo	4,355		685,949	255,472	6.62%	\$102,941,000
6	Fort Peck	Rocky Mountain	4,481		718,048	113,183	5.15%	\$80,082,500
7	Cheyenne River	Great Plains	4,026		730,114	64,833	4.48%	\$69,664,000
8	Gila River	Western	4,669		83,840	172,551	3.90%	\$60,645,000
9	Rosebud	Great Plains	3,068		560,021	90,734	3.89%	\$60,489,500
10	Fort Berthold	Great Plains	3,208		464,106	90,976	3.64%	\$56,602,000
11	Fort Belknap	Rocky Mountain	3,007		570,883	55,329	3.50%	\$54,425,000
12	Wind River	Rocky Mountain	2,514		172,503	136,834	3.00%	\$46,650,000
13	Fort Hall	Northwest	2,574		268,830	50,968	2.35%	\$36,542,500
14	Yakama	Northwest	2,190		175,135	53,239	1.94%	\$30,167,000
15	Colville	Northwest	2,039		165,298	35,939	1.66%	\$25,813,000
16	Sisseton - Wahpeton	Great Plains	1,316		93,018	52,882	1.37%	\$21,303,500
17	Minnesota Chippewa	Midwest	979		60,213	71,139	1.35%	\$20,992,500
18	Quinault	Northwest	1,421		103,823	35,838	1.24%	\$19,282,000
19	Spirit Lake	Great Plains	932		56,261	60,075	1.19%	\$18,504,500
20	Chickasaw Nation	Eastern Oklahoma	1,882		111,219	14,297	1.19%	\$18,504,500
21	Winnebago	Great Plains	642		35,888	74,105	1.19%	\$18,504,500
22	Cheyenne Arapaho	Southern Plains	1,129		96,787	39,264	1.16%	\$18,038,000
23	Salt River	Western	1,403		21,673	48,562	1.12%	\$17,416,000
24	Crow Creek	Great Plains	902		98,139	43,217	1.12%	\$17,416,000
25	Ute	Western	1,058		76,738	43,547	1.12%	\$17,416,000
26	Yankton	Great Plains	778		45,248	38,730	0.86%	\$13,373,000
27	Northern Cheyenne	Rocky Mountain	889		104,594	15,284	0.82%	\$12,751,000
28	Lower Brule	Great Plains	594		76,257	30,242	0.80%	\$12,440,000
29	Umatilla	Northwest	1,014		66,832	18,701	0.79%	\$12,284,500
30	Turtle Mountain	Great Plains	582		32,924	25,806	0.61%	\$9,485,500
31	Seminole	Eastern Oklahoma	952		37,627	8,022	0.55%	\$8,552,500
32	Bad River	Midwest	617		29,440	20,382	0.55%	\$8,552,500
33	Nez Perce	Northwest	622		44,498	12,083	0.50%	\$7,775,000
34	Ponca	Southern Plains	403		20,882	25,149	0.50%	\$7,775,000
35	Washoe	Western	409		59,310	14,073	0.49%	\$7,619,500
36	Muscogee (Creek)	Eastern Oklahoma	780		45,130	5,528	0.49%	\$7,619,500
37	Osage	Eastern Oklahoma	609		73,434	2,988	0.48%	\$7,464,000
38	Salish & Kootenai	Northwest	693		38,409	9,250	0.48%	\$7,464,000
39	Omaha	Great Plains	421		22,022	21,374	0.46%	\$7,153,000
40	Fort Yuma	Western	708		6,879	13,060	0.42%	\$6,531,000
	Total Top 40		79,712		9,823,427	2,639,428	89.51%	1,391,569,500
	Remaining Reservations		12,862		800,577	294,603	10.49%	\$163,430,500
	Overall Total		92,574		10,624,004	2,934,031	100.00%	\$1,555,000,000



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# INDIAN GAMING

- Indian Gaming Revenue 2013: \$27.9 Billion
- All Federal Indian Approps 2013: \$18.6 Billion
- (DOI Indian Affairs Budget: \$2.9 Billion)

- Sources: NIGC, July 23, 2013 press release: OMB FY 2014 Native Americans/Tribes Crosscut Funding Summary





# STATE-TRIBAL RELATIONS

## Economic Power . . .

- In Arizona, \$820 million contributed to the state from 2002-2012, including \$93 million in 2012.
- In New Mexico, tribes earned roughly \$700 million and contributed \$70 million to the state in 2012.
- Several other states have similar statistics.

## . . . Brings Government-to-Government Relations

- 29 states have special commissions, offices, or departments to liaise with tribes; New Mexico's has a cabinet-level position, Secretary of Indian Affairs.
- Implication: Tribes are engaged in state policy decisions.

# THANK YOU

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