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### **Acting Assistant Secretary Donald “Del” Laverdure Posts to New Blog**

**WASHINGTON** – Acting Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs Donald “Del” Laverdure today posted “[Interior Department Helps Indian Country Go Green.](#)” The Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs blog will be an on-going endeavor to inform the public about programs, activities, and other things that are going on within Indian Affairs. Today’s blog contributors:

- Jodi Gillette, Senior Policy Advisor for Native American Affairs, White House Domestic Policy Council
- Del Laverdure, Acting Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs
- Tracey A. LeBeau, Director for the U.S. Department of Energy's Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs

*The Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs blog can be found at:*  
[www.indianaffairs.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/blog/index.htm](http://www.indianaffairs.gov/WhoWeAre/AS-IA/blog/index.htm)

The Assistant Secretary – Indian Affairs carries out the Secretary’s responsibility for managing the government-to-government relationship between the federal government and the 565 federally recognized American Indian and Alaska Native tribes with a combined service population of about 1.9 million American Indians and Alaska Natives. The Indian Affairs Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development provides assistance to tribal communities with managing and developing their renewable and non-renewable energy resources and helping them to expand job creation, workforce training and economic development.

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