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Central Council Hires Tribal Transportation Manager

The Central Council Tlingit and Haida Indian Tribes of Alaska (Central Council) is pleased to announce the hire of William Ware as the new Tribal Transportation Department Manager.

William will be responsible for managing the Tribal Transportation Program (TTP) and networking with other tribes as well as with local, state, and federal agencies to determine transportation system priorities for shared transportation systems (land, marine, air).

William has worked for Petersburg Indian Association (PIA) for the past 12 years in various capacities, but most recently as PIA's Transportation Director. In addition to his experience working with PIA's Tribal Transportation Department, William will bring his enthusiasm and knowledge of how to administer TTP funding and the numerous benefits the program can offer to the community and its tribal citizens.



William Ware

William is Tlingit, of the Raven moiety, *Taak Dein Taan* clan, and is from Petersburg, Alaska. His Tlingit name is *Lgeik'I Eesh*. William was raised by his mother Patricia Svetlak (*Chanaat Tlaa*) and grandparents Billy (*Sagooch*) and Martha James (*Kaatsu Waa*) in a home where the Tlingit culture, values and traditions were a part of everyday life. William and his wife Christy have four sons ranging in age from six to sixteen.

"We are excited to welcome William to our management team and pleased to have found a highly qualified tribal citizen to administer our transportation program," stated Chief Operating Officer Corrine Garza.

William will begin his new position on June 24, 2013; his office is located at 9097 Glacier Highway. Please join Central Council in welcoming him.

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