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(S.D.)-Sioux Tribes To Discuss Foster Care And Sacred Sites



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SIOUX FALLS, S.D. (AP) - Enforcement of the Indian Child Welfare Act, protection of sacred sites and the Keystone XL pipeline will be among the topics discussed at a gathering of Sioux tribal leaders next week in Rapid City.

The Standing Rock Sioux Tribe is hosting the three-day meeting that starts Monday. It's the third in a series between the seven Sioux tribes in South Dakota and the Spirit Lake Nation in North Dakota.

Terry Yellow Fat is the Indian Child Welfare Act director for the Standing Rock Sioux tribe. He says experiences shows that if the tribes meet with Congress or state leaders separately, it doesn't carry as much weight. He says that as a group, the seven Sioux tribes carry more clout.