BIOGRAPHY

MARILYN DELGADO

Marilyn Delgado was appointed by Governor Gray Davis as the Director of Office of the American Indian Coordinator. She advises Governor and Cabinet on all Tribal issues and ensures government-to-government consultation on policy actions and activities. She facilitates and coordinates the unique political relationship between the State of California and the 109 federally recognized tribes. She serves as liaison for highly complex political activities and representative to all tribal issues and concerns. She has developed the Office of Indian Affairs, set policy, focus and mission of office. Marilyn has been an instrumental member in the negotiations of Tribal gaming compacts and she pursues and promotes mutually beneficial tribal-state objectives on all issues involving tribes and ensures Tribes inclusion on all State policy and within governmental planning reports.

Marilyn Delgado was appointed by Governor Gray Davis as the Tribal Government Liaison to the California Department of Social Services (CDSS) in January 2001. Marilyn has worked for the State of California for 23 years. She works on all Tribal issues within the CDSS to strengthen Tribal/State relationships and to ensure that Tribal Governments are involved in policy planning and development.

Before coming to CDSS, Ms. Delgado worked for the Department of General Services, Office of Small and Minority Business where she provided assistance and direction to State Agencies and the public on the Minority, Women and Disabled Veteran Business Enterprise (M/W/DVBE) program. She conducted workshops and conferences at the request of legislative members on various small business programs

Ms. Delgado has also worked for the California Highway Patrol, California Lottery and the Franchise Tax Board.

Marilyn Delgado obtained her Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Management from Golden Gate University and an Associate of Arts Degree in Legal Assisting (Paralegal) from American River College.

She is an enrolled Native American – Nor-Rel-Muk Nation Band of Wintu Indians.