

# Native American telecom veteran joins Native Network team

## Matanane hired as Vice President of Business Development in Indian Country

**WENATCHEE, WA (October 24, 2018)** — Jose "Whiteshirt" Matanane has recently joined the Native Network team as Vice President of Business Development in Indian Country. He brings 30 plus years of telecommunication experience to the Native Network telecom projects and the clients they serve. His seasoned, firsthand management experience has a proven positive impact on Tribal startup companies. The lasting effects in Indian Country, resound.

Matanane states, "I'm impressed at the skill level and responsiveness of the team assembled at Native Network. The opportunity of joining this organization will further my goals to become instrumental in the expansion of telecommunication services in Indian Country. Having this fortunate association will also enable my personal goals of seeing every Indian child, have at his fingertips, the ability to prosper through advanced communications services. A building block foundation within a community. Seeing the world through communication services is a future we can help place in the hands of Indian children."

"The talented team at Native Network is the bridge to allow Indian Country access to the world beyond reservation boundaries. They truly understand the necessity of empowering people to advance Indian country via communications." says Matanane.

Jose's extensive technical background is proven evidence of diverse understanding of the needs of Tribal nations in the world of enhanced communications. He has provided the structure and knowledge within tribally-owned telecom companies to succeed and propel telecommunication on Tribal lands directly impacting its people. After serving as President on the boards of Arizona/New Mexico Telecom (ANIMTA), and the National Tribal Telecommunications Association (NTTA), Jose understands the importance of serving the advocacy needs of Tribal people as it associates relating to unserved and underserved Tribal areas. Previous to joining Native Network, Jose held general manager positions at both Fort Mojave Telecommunications, Inc and Warm Springs Telecom during his career. He is a member of the Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribe in Oklahoma.

Andrew Metcalfe, CEO & co-founder of Native Network indicated, "Jose's history of success with managing tribal telecommunications companies translates directly to our primary goal of helping tribes to protect their sovereignty and become self-reliant through technology, I am pleased to have him on our team."

### **ABOUT NATIVE NETWORK, INC**

*Native Network, Inc. helps Native American Tribes connect with communications technology so they are empowered to reduce costs, generate revenue, create jobs and ultimately diversify their economies. Native Network provides professional services, wholesale telecommunications services, a web based ecommerce platform & full suite of software offerings to enable customers with the tools to connect & realize the benefits of the 21st century digital economy. [www.nativenetwork.com](http://www.nativenetwork.com)*

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