Indian Education for All: Essential Understandings Applied

Wilderness Investigation	Essential Understanding	Description
Wilderness Investigation #1: Wilderness in the Classroom	Essential Understanding 3	The ideologies of Native traditional beliefs and spirituality persist into modern day life as tribal cultures, traditions, and languages are still practiced by many American Indian people and are incorporated into how tribes govern and manage their affairs.
		Additionally, each tribe has its own oral histories, which are as valid as written histories. These histories pre-date the "discovery" of North America.
Wilderness Investigation #5: Wilderness in the Classroom	Essential Understanding 7	Under the American legal system, Indian tribes have sovereign powers, separate and independent from the federal and state governments. However, the extent and breadth of tribal sovereignty is not the same for

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