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## **Secretary Jewell to Deliver Commencement Address at Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute**

**ALBUQUERQUE, NM** – On Thursday, April 17, U.S. Secretary of the Interior Sally Jewell will address the 2014 graduating class of the [Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute](#) (SIPI), a National Indian Community College and Land Grant Institution located in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

“We are honored to have Secretary Jewell join us for commencement, as we celebrate this important milestone in the lives of our students and their families,” said Dr. Sherry Allison, SIPI President.

SIPI, established in 1971, provides career technical training and transfer degree programs to students from the nation’s 566 federally recognized tribes.

**WHO:** **Sally Jewell**, Secretary of the Interior

**WHAT:** 2014 SIPI Commencement Address

**WHERE:** Southwestern Indian Polytechnic Institute  
Gymnasium  
9169 Coors Blvd., NW  
Albuquerque, NM

**WHEN:** Thursday, April 17, 2014  
10:00 a.m. MDT

**MEDIA:** Media wishing to attend are encouraged to [RSVP here](#) by 5:00 p.m. MDT on Wednesday, April 16.