

NCIO Meeting Set for Oct. 2 In Fairbanks

A regional meeting sponsored by the National Council on Indian Opportunity (NCIO) will be held in Fairbanks, Oct. 2, at the Chamber of Commerce.

The one-day session will open at 9 a.m. and will be chaired by Mrs. Laura Bergt of Fairbanks, a member of the National Council.

The hearing is the last of eight that have been held across the nation to inform Indians of the contents of President Nixon's historic message to the Congress on Indian Affairs in July.

Also, at the meeting legislation will give Indians much larger control over their own affairs and the expenditure of federal funds.

Participants in the Fairbanks session will include delegates from the Alaska Federation of Natives, and any other natives or non-natives are welcome to at-

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tend.

According to Robert Robertson, executive director of the NCIO, the meetings were set up so that Indians could state their views and take part in the policies affecting their lives.

He said that after the Indian leaders have discussed the first group of meetings with their people, a second round of meetings is to begin in November to incorporate, as much as possible, the Indians' comments and suggestions into the legislation.

For further information contact Mrs. Bergt in Fairbanks at 479-2862.