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# 2016 Tribal Summit Agenda

## WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 9 (DAY ONE)

7:30 - 9:00a **Registration** (*Sonoma D*)  
Breakfast provided

9:30 - 11:30a **Preconference Breakout Session: BIA Climate Program, Training Opportunities and Tribal Climate Resilience Examples in Arid Environments** (*Sonoma C*)  
Need help figuring out BIA Climate Programs? Want to give feedback to ITEP about climate training needs? Looking for resources to support your tribes climate adaptation planning? Want to learn more climate change impacts for water resources on your reservation? - Then join us for NWAL Preconference workshop! **Discussion Topics:** 1) Understanding climate change projections for your reservation, 2) Cracking the code on BIA Climate Adaptation programs and opportunities, 3) Learning the ropes on climate adaptation planning with ITEP, 4) Sharing your experiences on climate planning and adaptation  
**Facilitator:** *Chris Marchand, MPA, Center for Climate Adaptation Science and Solutions / Haury Native Nations Climate Adaptation Program*  
**Organizer:** *Maureen McCarthy, Co-organizer: Rachael Novak, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Climate Adaptation Program*

- **Michael Dettinger**, USGS, Climate Change Projections on Tribal Lands
- **John Mosley**, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Pacific Region
- **Joe Jojola**, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Southwest Region
- **Nikki Cooley**, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
- **Karen Cozetto**, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals

12:00 - 1:30p **Opening Blessing** (*Sonoma D*)  
Clayton Honyumptewa, Hopi Tribe: Kykotsmovi, Arizona  
Lunch provided

1:30 - 2:30p **Tribal Water Rights** (*Sonoma D*)  
Speaker: Heather Whiteman Runs Him, Staff Attorney,  
Native American Rights Fund: Boulder, Colorado

### **SESSION 1: Ground Water Surface Water Relationships Affecting Reservation Environments** (*Sonoma C*)

This session discusses the historical and present situation affecting ground water and surface water rights for tribes in the Great Basin, and explores the successes, challenges, barriers for tribal water resources in a changing climate.

*Co-chairs: Staci Emm and Vicki Hebb*

- **Tom Davis**, Chief Planning & Development Officer, Agua Caliente Band of Cahulla Indians: Palm Springs, California
- **Bart Powaukee**, Water Quality Coordinator, Ute Indian Tribe: Fort Duchesne, Utah
- **Ron Allison**, Gila River Irrigation & Drainage District, Gila River Indian Community: Sacaton, Arizona
- **Ginny Hatch**, Environmental Director, and **Dietrick McGinnis**, Consultant, Yerington Paiute Tribe: Yerington, Nevada

### **SESSION 2: Invigorating Tribal Economies through Innovative Water Resource Use** (*Napa C*)

This session explores ways in which tribes are strengthening their economies through innovative water resource use.

*Co-Chairs: Loretta Singletary and Bonnie Colby*

- **Bonnie Colby** (Introduction), Department of Agricultural and Resource Economics, University of Arizona: Tuscon, Arizona
- **Mervin Wright**, Environmental Manager, Department of Natural Resources, Pyramid Paiute Tribe: Nixon, Nevada
- **Reggie Premo**, Tribal Outreach Specialist, University of Nevada, Reno, Duck Valley Shoshone-Paiute Tribe: Owyhee, Nevada
- **Wainwright Velarde**, Tribe Legislative Council Member, Jicarilla Apache Tribe: Dulce, New Mexico
- **Amanda Berrera**, Tribal Council Member, Colorado River Indian Tribes: Parker, Arizona

## THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 10 (DAY TWO)

7:30 - 9:00a

### **Tribal Colleges and Universities (TCU) Programs and Internships** (Sonoma D)

Speaker: Virgil Dupuis (Salish Kootenai College) and John Phillips (FALCON)

Breakfast provided

9:30a - 11:30p

### **Concurrent Breakout Sessions** (includes 30 min break)

#### **SESSION 3: Tribal Rangeland and Livestock Conservation Practices** (Sonoma C)

This session explores the successes, challenges, barriers, and solutions for sustaining and expanding economically viable agricultural production on Native Nations managed lands.

Co-chairs: Trent Teegerstrom and Matt Livingston

- **Jinwon Seo**, Director of Fish, Wildlife and Parks, Duck Valley Shoshone Paiute Tribe: Owynee, Nevada
- **Calvert L. Curley**, Division Director for Natural Resources, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Navajo Region: Ft. Defiance Agency, Arizona
- **Robinson Honani**, Department of Natural Resources, Hopi Tribe: Kykotsmovi, Arizona
- **Sisto Hernandez**, Tribal Land Department, White Mountain Apache Nation: Whiteriver, Arizona

#### **SESSION 4: Traditional Knowledge and Ecology** (Napa C)

The Traditional Knowledge and Ecology Session will focus on Case Studies which are using traditional knowledge to improve seeds, to stabilize and sustain production of important foods and which integrate knowledge of ecological processes with practices to sustain productivity.

Co-chairs: Beverly Ramsey and Karletta Chief

- **Kyle Bocinsky**, Director of Sponsored Projects, Crow Canyon Archaeological Center, Hopi Corn Project: Cortez, Colorado
- **Dan Simplicio**, Pueblo of Zuni, Hopi Corn Project: Cortez, Colorado
- **Leigh Kuwanwisiwma**, Hopi Tribe, Hopi Corn Project: Cortez, Colorado
- **Roberto Nutlouis**, Restorative Economy Program Coordinator, Black Mesa Water Coalition; Navajo Nation: Flagstaff, Arizona
- **Jacob Butler**, Community Garden Coordinator, Salt River Maricopa Indian Community: Scottsdale, Arizona

12:00 - 1:30p

### **Dakota Access Pipeline: Saving Our Water for Future Generations** (Sonoma D)

Speaker: Harold Frazier, Chairman, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe: Eagle Butte, South Dakota

Lunch provided

2:00 - 3:30p

### **Breakout Session: Sharing and Discussion** (Sonoma C)

Discussant and Moderator: Derek Kauneckis, Ohio University

Facilitator: Loretta Singletary, University of Nevada Reno

- Assessing and Responding to Tribal Community Needs
- Breakout Session Moderators debrief key findings
- Engaging Tribal Organizations in NWAL Research

3:30 - 4:00p

### **Closing Blessing** (Sonoma C)

Robinson Hananie, Hopi Tribe: Kykotsmovi, Arizona

4:00p

### **Meeting Adjourn**

The background features a stylized illustration of a landscape. On the right side, there is a large, semi-circular sun in shades of orange and yellow. In the center, a tree with a brown trunk and a green canopy is visible. On the left side, there is a large, brown, leaf-like shape that resembles a tree branch or a large leaf. The overall color palette is warm and natural, with soft, muted tones.

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