USDA TRIBAL CONSULTATIONS/LISTENING SESSIONS ON BARRIERS/EQUITY:
ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT & NEXT STEPS
April 24-May 1, 2023
2:00-5:30pmET
Virtual Consultation

WHAT: USDA TRIBAL CONSULTATIONS ON BARRIERS/EQUITY:
ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT & FEEDBACK FOR NEXT STEPS

TIME: 2:00-5:30pmET

DATES:
MON APRIL 24 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
TUE APRIL 25 FOOD, SAFETY, AND TRADE
THU APRIL 27 FARMING, RANCHING, AND CONSERVATION
FRI APRIL 28 FORESTS & PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT
MON MAY 1 EDUCATION & RESEARCH
MONDAY APRIL 24
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

REGISTRATION LINK

AGENDA

2-3:00pmET  TRIBAL CAUCUS

3-5:30pmET  TRIBAL CONSULTATION & LISTENING SESSION: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
3:00-4:30 Consultation (Tribal government officials)
4:30-5:30 Listening Session (Open to Indian Country speakers)

Mission Area: Rural Development (RD)
Agencies: Rural Housing Service (RHS), Rural Business-Cooperative Service (RBCS), Rural Utilities Service (RUS), and the Innovation Center

Introduction/Consulting Officials:
- Rural Development, Deputy Under Secretary, Farah Ahmad
- Rural Business-Cooperative Service, Administrator, Karama Neal
- Rural Utility Service, Assistant Administrator, Chris McLean
- Single Family Housing, Deputy Administrator, Cathy Glover
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TUESDAY APRIL 25
FOOD, SAFETY, AND TRADE

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AGENDA

2-3:00pm ET  TRIBAL CAUCUS
Hosted by Intertribal Agriculture Council (IAC)

3-5:30pm ET  TRIBAL CONSULTATION & LISTENING SESSION: FOOD, SAFETY, & TRADE
3:00-4:30 Consultation (Tribal government officials)
4:30-5:30 Listening Session (Open to Indian Country speakers)

Mission Areas: Food, Nutrition and Consumer Services (FNCS), Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), Trade and Foreign Agricultural Affairs (TFAA), and Food Safety
Agencies: Food and Nutrition Service (FNS), Foreign Agriculture Service (FAS), and Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), and Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS)

Introduction/Consulting Officials:
- Food, Nutrition, Consumer Services (FNCS), Deputy Under Secretary, Stacy Dean
- Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), Deputy Under Secretary, Mae Wu
- Food Safety (FS), Deputy Under Secretary, Sandra Eskin
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THURSDAY APRIL 27

FARMING, RANCHING, AND CONSERVATION

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AGENDA

2-3:00pm ET  TRIBAL CAUCUS
Hosted by Intertribal Agriculture Council (IAC), Intertribal Buffalo Council (ITBC), and the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI)

3-5:30pm ET  TRIBAL CONSULTATION & LISTENING SESSION: FARMING, RANCHING, AND CONSERVATION
3:00-4:30 Consultation (Tribal government officials)
4:30-5:30 Listening Session (Open to Indian Country speakers)

Mission Areas: Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC), Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), and Natural Resources and Environment (NRE)
Agencies: Farm Service Agency (FSA), Natural Resource Conservation Service (NRCS), Risk Management Agency (RMA), Agricultural Marketing Service (AMS), and Forest Service (FS)

Introduction/Consulting Officials:
- Farm Production and Conservation (FPAC), Under Secretary, Robert Bonnie
- Marketing and Regulatory Programs (MRP), Deputy Under Secretary, Katherine Zenk
- Natural Resources Conservation Service, Chief, Terry Cosby
- Farm Service Agency (FSA), Administrator, Zach Ducheneaux
- Risk Management Agency, Administrator, Marcia Bunger
- U.S. Forest Service, (USFS), Deputy Chief, Chris French
FRIDAY APRIL 28

FORESTS & PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT

REGISTRATION LINK

AGENDA

2-3:00pm ET   TRIBAL CAUCUS
Coalition of Large Land Based Tribes (COLT)

3-5:30pm ET   TRIBAL CONSULTATION: FORESTS AND PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT
3:00-4:30 Consultation (Tribal government officials)
4:30-5:30 Listening Session (Open to Indian Country speakers)

Mission Area: Natural Resources and Environment (NRE)
Agency: Forest Service

Introduction/Consulting Officials:
- National Resources and Environment (NRE), Under Secretary, Dr. Homer Wilkes
- National Resources and Environment (NRE), Deputy Under Secretary, Meryl Harrell
- U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Chief, Randy Moore
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MONDAY MAY 1

EDUCATION & RESEARCH

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2-3:00pmET  TRIBAL CAUCUS
Co-hosted by American Indian Higher Education Consortium (AIHEC) and American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES)

3-5:30pmET  TRIBAL CONSULTATION & LISTENING SESSION: EDUCATION & RESEARCH
3:00-4:30 Consultation (Tribal government officials)
4:30-5:30 Listening Session (Open to Indian Country speakers)

Mission Areas: Research, Education and Economics (REE)
Agencies: National Agricultural Statistic Service (NASS), Agricultural Research Service (ARS), Economic Research Service (ERS), National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), and 1994 Tribal Land-Grant Colleges and Universities Program

Introduction/Consulting Officials:
- Research, Education, and Economics (REE), Under Secretary & Acting USDA Chief Scientist, Chavonda Jacobs-Young
- Research, Education, and Economics (REE), Deputy Under Secretary, Dr. Sanah Baig
- National Institute of Food and Agriculture (NIFA), Director, Dr. Dionne Toombs