

Office of the Under Secretary

Food, Nutrition, and Consumer Services

1400 Independence Avenue, SW

Washington, DC 20250-9600

Dear Tribal Leader:

On behalf of the Secretary, you are cordially invited by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to participate in an upcoming Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) consultation. This consultation will be held in person with a virtual option for attendance.

Registration. All attendees, including those attending in person, must register. Please use the registration link below to kindly register by June 23, 2023.

Registration Link:

https://www.zoomgov.com/meeting/register/vJIsfuCrpj0qH83cUDgw1sXkavXEtlKeveM

Date: Wednesday, June 28, 2023

Time: 9:00 a.m. CDT – 12:00 p.m. CDT

Location: 2023 Tribal Self-Governance Conference

River Spirit Resort Casino

Tulsa, OK

Room: Boardroom 5

Updated information, including an agenda, handouts, and meeting room details, will be posted on USDA's Office of Tribal Relations (OTR) website. Please visit: https://www.usda.gov/tribalrelations/tribal-consultations.

Attendance. COVID protocols for in person attendance will be provided to all registered attendees in advance of the meeting.

Proxies. In the event you cannot attend and wish to send a proxy, please use the attached proxy form, and notify Natalie Christopherson, Tribal Affairs Technical Advisor, Food and Nutrition Service, USDA by <u>Friday</u>, <u>June 23</u>, <u>2023</u>. To designate a proxy for this meeting, please copy the attached delegation form to tribal letterhead. This designation will authorize your designee, in writing, who will attend in your place and the estimated time of your absence. The delegation cannot be in perpetuity. You are also encouraged to bring program leadership and staff from your nation to the tribal consultation as observers.

Please contact <u>Barbara.Lopez@usda.gov</u> if you have any items for the agenda. Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to joining you.

Best wishes,

Stacy Dean

Deputy Under Secretary

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Attachment: CSFP June 2023 Consultation Proxy Letter