



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

**USDA TRIBAL CONSULTATION/LISTENING SESSION ON PUBLIC ACCESS TO  
USDA-SUPPORTED RESEARCH RESULTS AND  
INDIGENOUS DATA SOVEREIGNTY:**

**April 11, 2024**

**1:30-3:30pmET**

Virtual Consultation

**AGENDA**

1. Introductions
  - a. Opening Prayer
  - b. Opening Remarks
  - c. Introduction of USDA Leadership and Tribal Leadership
  - d. Approval of Today's Agenda
2. Background
  - a. Overview of Issues
  - b. 2022 White House Office of Science and Technology (OSTP) Memorandum on [Ensuring Free, Immediate, and Equitable Access to Federally Funded Research](#)
  - c. [Implementation Plan to Increase Public Access to USDA-Funded Research](#)
  - d. [DR 1020-006: Public Access to Scholarly Publications and Digital Scientific Research Data](#)
3. Indigenous Data Sovereignty Exemption
4. Maximizing the benefits of public access and open science for Tribal Nations
  - a. Equity in Capacity to Meet Requirements and in the Derived Benefits
  - b. Support and Training
5. Tribal Nation Data Management and Sharing Plans
6. Closing Prayer
7. Adjourn

**TUESDAY APRIL 25**  
**FOOD, SAFETY, AND TRADE**

**AGENDA**

**2-3:00pmET**      **TRIBAL CAUCUS**  
Hosts TBD

**3-5:30pmET**      **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 and Deputy Under Secretary Katherine Zenk
- Food Safety (FS), Deputy Under Secretary, Sandra Eskin

THURSDAY APRIL 27

## FARMING, RANCHING, AND CONSERVATION

### AGENDA

**2-3:00pmET**     TRIBAL CAUCUS  
Hosts TBD

**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 Mae Wu and Deputy Under Secretary Katherine Zenk
- Natural Resources Conservation Service, Chief, Terry Cosby
- Farm Service Agency (FSA), Administrator, Zach Ducheneaux
- U.S. Forest Service (USFS), Deputy Chief, Chris French

**FRIDAY APRIL 28**

## **FORESTS & PUBLIC LANDS MANAGEMENT**

### **AGENDA**

**2-3:00pmET**      **TRIBAL CAUCUS**  
Host TBD

**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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## EDUCATION & RESEARCH

### AGENDA

2-3:00pmET

TRIBAL CAUCUS

Hosts TBD

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