



2021 IAC ANNUAL CONFERENCE DECEMBER 7-9, 2021



AGENDA

Monday, December 6, 2021

- 4:00pm - 5:00pm **Empowering Agriculture through Tribal Sovereignty (EATS) Academy - Ag Resources for Tribes and Tribal Producers**
(Sage Hall 3)
- 5:00pm - 7:00pm **Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations - consultation prep session for Tribal Leaders and their staff** *(Sage Hall 1)*

Tuesday, December 7, 2021

All General Sessions through Thursday will be held in Primrose Hall

- 8:30am **Breakfast Served**
- 9:00 am **Opening Ceremonies Begin in Primrose Hall**
9:00am Parade of Flags Processional (National Anthem)
9:15am Welcome: **Harlan Beaulieu**, IAC Board President
9:30am IAC Update: **Kari Jo Lawrence**, IAC Executive Director
- 9:45 am - 10:15am **Janie Hipp, USDA General Counsel**
- 10:15am - 10:45am **Sarah Vogel, Advocate, Attorney, Author - The Farmer's Lawyer**
- 10:45am - 11:15am **Zach Ducheneaux, Administrator, USDA Farm Service Agency**
*Free livestream on our platforms, FREE section available at separate entrance



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- 11:15am - 11:30am **IAC's Regenerative Finance Model; Impact Investment**
Tomie Peterson, IAC Regenerative Economies Director
- 11:30am **Exhibit Hall Opening** (Agave Hall)
Artisan Market Open (Manor)
- 12:00pm - 1:30pm **Annual Banquet Luncheon sourced by IAC's -**
American Indian Food's Trademark Producers
Menu presentation by Guest Chefs - Matt Chandra and Ben
Jacobs, Co-founders of Tocabe: An American Eatery (10 minutes)
- Virtual Keynote Address
Tom Vilsack, USDA Secretary of Agriculture
- 1:30pm - 2:30pm **Native Farm Bill Coalition 2023 Re-Launch**
Lexie Holden, IAC, Associate Director of Policy & Govt Relations
Erin Parker, Executive Director, Indigenous Food & Agriculture
Initiative
- 2:30pm - 3:00pm **Importance of Agricultural Statistics in the Changing Ag**
Landscape - 2022 Census of Agriculture Update
Hubert Hamer, Administrator, USDA National Agricultural Statistics
Service
- 3:00pm - 3:30pm **The Farmer's Lawyer Book Signing Break** (Agave)
Sarah Vogel, Advocate, Attorney, Author
- 3:30pm - 4:30pm **Agricultural Resource Management Plan Development, Panel**
Discussion
Intertribal Agriculture Council/Indigenous Food and Agriculture
Initiative/Indian Land Tenure Foundation (Collaboration to support
development)

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Afternoon Listening Session

1:00pm - 6:00 pm

Tribal Consultation on the FDPIR (Sage Hall 1) (Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations)

All Tribal leaders or those holding proxies for elected officials are invited to join the Tribal Leaders Consultation Work Group on FDPIR and speak at this consultation about any matters concerning FDPIR, the Food Distribution Program on Indian Reservations. FDPIR is a USDA food assistance program that serves 83,000 Tribal citizens monthly, providing food-- including some traditional foods and fresh fruits and vegetables-- to families across Indian Country. Tribal staff and the public are welcome to attend and listen to this government-to-government dialogue between Tribal leaders and USDA officials.

1:30pm - 6:00pm

FRTEP Meeting (Sage Hall 3)

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7:30am

Breakfast served (Primrose Hall)

7:30am - 5:00pm

Exhibit Hall Open (Agave Hall) Artisan Market Open (Manor)

8:00am - 9:00am

Supporting Tribal Self Governance in Food Systems at USDA **Lexie Holden**, IAC Associate Director of Policy & Govt Relations **Erin Parker**, Director Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative **Dr. Carrie Castille**, Director, National Institute of Food and Agriculture **Stacy Dean**, Deputy Under Secretary, USDA Food, Nutrition & Consumer Services

9:00am - 10:00am

Resilience & Profitability through Soil Health **Kelsey Scott**, IAC Director of Programs **Mackenzie Fenton Conlan**, Sales Manager, Barn2Door

10:00am - 10:15am

Break (Agave Hall)

10:15am - 11:00am

The Road Map USDA - Custom Mobile Slaughter **Staci Emm**, Professor, County Educator, University of Nevada Reno



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- 11:00am - 12:00pm **On the Ground Success**
Team Members of the Intertribal Agriculture Council
- 12:00pm - 1:00pm **Lunch Keynote**
12:15 **Terry Cosby**, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service
12:45 **James Mountain**, Executive Director, Native Food & Nutrition Resource Alliance
- 1:00pm - 2:00pm **Native Americans: The First Americans Fighting Invasives Threatening Their Resources**
Dan Fagerlie, Colville Reservation Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program & Animal Plant Health Inspection Service Plant Protection and Quarantine, NATIVE Project Director
- 2:00pm - 3:00pm **The Impact of Prairie Fires on the Density of Cultural Keystone Species**
Luke Black Elk, Tribal Environmental Science Student, United Tribes Technical College
Linda Black Elk, Food Sovereignty Coordinator, United Tribes Technical College
- 3:00pm - 3:15pm **Break** (Agave Hall)
- 3:15pm - 4:00pm **Innovative Approaches to Mitigating Climate Impact Panel**
Connor Magee, Graduate Student Researcher, University California Davis, Institute of the Environment, Working Lands Innovation Center
Crystal Stiles, Tribal Engagement Coordinator, National Integrated Drought Information System
- 4:00pm - 4:30pm **Tribal Conservation Districts & Tribal Engagement with NRCS**
Kristine Harper, Alaska Native Liaison & National Tribal Liaison Officer (Acting), Natural Resources Conservation Service
Theo Garcia, IAC Board of Directors, Alaska Region & Knik Tribe Natural Resources Manager



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4:30pm - 5:00pm

Tribal ARMPs: How can Bureau of Indian Affairs better support their development?

BIA Tribal Climate Resilience Program (Virtual Presentation)

Alyssa Samoy, Natural Resources Specialist

Anthony Ciocco, Natural Resources Specialist

Corwin Carroll, Natural Resources Specialist

5:00pm - 6:00pm

NIFA/FRTEP Listening Session (Sage Hall 1) (National Institute of Food and Agriculture/Federally Recognized Tribal Extension Program)

Moderator:

Lexie Holden, IAC Associate Director of Policy & Govt Relations

Panelists:

Dr. Carrie Castille, Director, National Institute of Food & Ag

Janie Hipp, USDA General Counsel

Cris Stainbrook, President, Indian Land Tenure Foundation

Dr. Joe Hiller, Professor Emeritus, University of Arizona

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences

Thursday, December 9, 2021

7:30am

Breakfast Served (Primrose Hall)

7:30am - 2:00pm

Exhibit Hall Open (Agave Hall)

7:30am - 2:00pm

Artisan Market Open (Manor)

8:00am - 9:00am

Regenerative Economics - Real World Examples from Indian Country

Rez Chicks Co-op and Enu Di'ip -

Katherine Minthorn, Rez Chicks Co-partner and IAC Technical Assistant, Northwest Region (Virtual)

Dan Cornelius, IAC Technical Assistant, Great Lakes Region

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8:00am - 9:00am

Regional Pilot Food Distribution Cooperative Efforts

Jen Falck, Menominee Dept. of Agriculture and Food Systems
Gary Besaw, Menominee Dept. of Agriculture and Food Systems
Stephanie Jung Dorfman, Feeding Wisconsin

9:00am - 10:00am

Innovative Food Sovereignty Outreach and Developments Panel Presentation

Linda McLean, Washington State University Extension, Colville Reservation Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program (virtual)
Laura Mendoza, Education Coordinator, California Indian Museum and Cultural Center

10:00am - 11:00am

Traditional Farming Practice to Integrate Cultural Values Panel Presentation

Spring Alaska Schreiner, Owner and Principal Ecologist-Indigenous Agriculturalist of Sakari Farms
Justin Pioche, Chef at Pioche Food Group and partner of Navajo Ethno-Agriculture

11:00am - 11:30am

Localizing Food Together

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Tauni Bearcub, Farm Manager, Konbit Micro-Farm
Ricky Gabriel, Strategic Partner, Konbit Micro-farms Infrastructure
Sanjay Rajan, Founder, Konbit Public Benefit Corporation

11:30am - 1:00pm

Closing Luncheon

12:15pm

Stress Hotline Network

12:30pm

Profitability in Indian Ag Businesses

Barn2Door/Distributor

12:45pm

Heather Dawn Thompson, Director, USDA Office of Tribal Relations (Virtual Address)

1:00pm - 2:00pm

2021 Intertribal Agriculture Council Membership Meeting



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3:00pm - 4:30pm

Highly Fractionated Indian Land Loan (HFIL) Program (Sage Hall 3)

The USDA Farm Service Agency will be holding an overview and listening session to discuss barriers to access the Highly Fractionated Indian Land Loan (HFIL) Program and ways to improve lending in Indian Country. The (HFIL) Program administered through the USDA Farm Service Agency and authorized by the 2014 Farm Bill, provides a way for tribes and tribal members to obtain loans to purchase fractionated interests through intermediary lenders.