



TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024

TIME	MORGAN HILL	SAN MARTIN	MONTEREY	EDENVALE
9:00AM - 11:00AM	OPENING CEREMONY / WELCOME ADDRESS (BALLROOM)			
11:00AM - 11:30AM	Vendor & Exhibitor Walk in Hayes Foyers			
11:30AM - 1:00PM	LUNCH BREAK			
1:00PM - 1:50PM	<p>Building Resilience and Adapting to Climate Change Impacts for Tribal Drinking Water and Wastewater Utilities</p> <p><i>Audrey Ramming (USEPA) and Curt Baranowski (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Ya-Mo-Bida So: Seeds for Climate Resilience</p> <p><i>Dakota Perez (Pinoleville Pomo Nation) and Terri McCartney (Pinoleville Pomo Nation)</i></p>	<p>Apps, Trash and Data: From Streams to the Sky - ADEQ's Community Science Program Transforms Environmental Stewardship</p> <p><i>Meghan Smart (Arizona Department of Environmental Quality)</i></p>	<p>Tribal CWA Section 106 Reporting Requirements</p> <p><i>Alan Dorward (Yavapai Prescott Indian Tribe), Kate Pinkerton (USEPA), Kelli Williams (USEPA) and Zach Gigone (Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians)</i></p>
2:00PM - 2:50PM	<p>CPRG - Climate Pollution Reduction Grants (Now What Are We Supposed To Do?)</p> <p><i>Ryan Eberle (Gila River Indian Community)</i></p>	<p>FEMA Assistance Programs & Tribal Affairs</p> <p><i>Jeff Smyly (FEMA)</i></p>	<p>Tribal Beneficial Uses Informational Meeting</p> <p><i>Heidi Brow (Pala Band of Mission Indians), Sherri Norris (California Indian Environmental Alliance), Syndi Smallwood (Jamul Indian Village of California), Sarah Ryan (Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians), and Anna Holder (CA SWRCB)</i></p>	<p>Tribal Resilience: Supporting Indigenous Communities Through Environmental Justice</p> <p><i>Javier Aguiniga (WEST Environmental Justice Center), Daniel Sestiaga Jr. (Indigenous Resilience Center)</i></p>
3:00PM - 3:50PM	<p>Indian Health Service Sanitation Facilities Construction Overview of Current Project Assistance for Water, Wastewater and Solid Waste Facilities</p> <p><i>Christopher Brady (IHS), David Mazorra (IHS), Mark Hench (IHS), Luke Schulte (IHS), and Emmanuelle Rapicavoli (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Fire and Water: Overcoming Information Blind Spots to Empower Tribal Climate Adaptation</p> <p><i>Angie Hacker (Prosper Sustainability), Benjamin Hatchett, Ph.D (CSU Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere), Emily Wells (CSU Cooperative Institute for Research in the Atmosphere) and Shasta Gaughen (Pala Band of Mission Indians)</i></p>	<p>Tribal Stewardship Strategy: Advancing Tribal Access, Co-Management and Ancestral Land Return</p> <p><i>Geneva E. B. Thompson (California Natural Resources Agency) and Meagan Flier (California Natural Resources Agency)</i></p>	<p>Managing and Utilizing Woody Biomass Waste in Tribal Forestry Projects</p> <p><i>Tom Hamilton (Lumbercycle)</i></p>
4:00PM - 5:30 PM	<p style="text-align: center;">USEPA Division Directors: Division Introductions and Highlights (BALLROOM)</p> <p><i>Amy Miller (USEPA), Claire Trombadore (USEPA), Duane James (USEPA), Kerry Drake (USEPA), Laura Ebbert (USEPA), Matt Lakin (USEPA), Michael Montgomery (USEPA), Tomas Torres (USEPA)</i></p>			<p>Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 401 Water Quality Certification Improvement Rule Workshop</p> <p><i>Russ Huddleston (USEPA)</i></p>

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2024

TIME	MORGAN HILL	SAN MARTIN	MONTEREY	EDENVALE
8:30AM - 9:20AM	<p>The Treaty of Ruby Valley and Current Environmental Complexities in the Great Basin</p> <p><i>Cliff Banuelos (Inter-Tribal Council of Nevada, Inc.)</i></p>	<p>EPA Grants 101: EPA Grants Branch Overview, Grant Updates, and Compliance Assistance</p> <p><i>Angela Mendiola (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Indoor Air Quality in Schools: How Tribal Environmental Programs Can Improve Environmental Health by Focusing on Indoor Air Quality (IAQ)</p> <p><i>Alheli Banos-Keener (USEPA), Chase Choate (Quechan Indian Tribe), Laura Bloch (USEPA) and Mansel A. Nelson (Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals)</i></p>	<p>Cybersecurity in the Water Sector</p> <p><i>Greg Gholson (USEPA) Karly Ho (USEPA)</i></p>
9:30AM - 10:20AM	<p>State Director Session: Nevada Department of Environmental Protection</p> <p><i>Administrator Jennifer Carr (NDEP)</i></p>	<p>EPA Grants 102: Demystifying Indirect Cost (IDC) (Beneficial for Finance & Admin Staff)</p> <p><i>Angela Mendiola (USEPA), Jacqueline Smith (USEPA), Katya Obrez (USEPA) and Martha Villarreal (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Indoor Air Quality - Got Mold?</p> <p><i>Mansel Nelson (Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals)</i></p>	<p>Clean Water Act Section 319 Competitive Grants – Tips for Winning Applications</p> <p><i>Howard Kahan (USEPA), Larry Maurin (USEPA) and Margot Buckelew (USEPA)</i></p>
10:30AM - 11:20AM	<p>State Director Session: Arizona Department of Environmental Quality</p> <p><i>Paula Panzino (AzDEQ)</i></p>	<p>GAP 102: Deeper Dive into 2022 GAP Guidance</p> <p><i>Juliann Schroeder (USEPA) and Veronica Swann (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Air 101: How to Start Your Air Program Through GAP</p> <p><i>Chantal Lee (USEPA), Kathryn Harper (USEPA), M. Miglio (USEPA) and Sophia Usow (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>EPA Funding Assistance for Drinking Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Projects</p> <p><i>Dr. John Gichuki (Tule River Indian Tribe of California), Nancy Sockabasin (USEPA) and Thomas Sheffer (Big Valley Rancheria)</i></p>
11:30AM - 1:20PM	CONNOR BYESTEWA JR AWARD BANQUET (BALLROOM)			
1:30PM - 2:20PM	<p>State Director Session: California Environmental Protection Agency</p> <p><i>Deputy Secretary Sabine Talaugon (CalEPA)</i></p>	<p>GAP Management, A Tribal Perspective</p> <p><i>Candi Asuncion (Tejon Indian Tribe), Dave Lewis (Yavapai-Apache Nation), Kerri Vera (Tule River Tribe of California), and Samuel Elizondo (Table Mountain Rancheria)</i></p>		<p>Hot Tips: Developing and Submitting EPA Approvable Water Quality Standards</p> <p><i>CJ Tawiah (USEPA)</i></p>
2:30PM - 3:20PM	<p>Tribal Resilience Garden Greenhouse Newbies!</p> <p><i>Emma Olson (Washoe Tribe) and Logan Gmuender (Washoe Tribe)</i></p>	<p>Creating GAP Workplans and Budgets for Efficient Reporting and End-Of-Year Process</p> <p><i>Guy Taylor (Mooretown Rancheria), Roman Orona (Ak-Chin Indian Community), and Brandie Cooper (Susanville Indian Rancheria)</i></p>	<p>Radon – New Opportunities</p> <p><i>Mansel A Nelson (Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals) and Ryder Freed (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Lead in Drinking Water</p> <p><i>Emma Young (USEPA) and Ian Chinn (USEPA)</i></p>
3:30PM - 4:20PM	<p>Tribal Case Study: Reducing Plastic and Food Waste at a Tribal Hall (Pilot)</p> <p><i>Alexis Wallick (Pala Band of Mission Indians), Erica Yelensky (USEPA) and Heidi Brow (Pala Band of Mission Indians)</i></p>	<p>Getting started with ETEPs</p> <p><i>Abigail Jones (USEPA) and Willard Chin (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Regulatory Program Overview</p> <p><i>Philip Shannin (USACE South Pacific Division)</i></p>	<p>Monitoring and Managing Harmful Algal Blooms on Tribal Lands</p> <p><i>Yeana Kwagh (USEPA)</i></p>
4:30PM - 5:20 PM	<p>Digging into Community Composting</p> <p><i>Brandy Nelson (Ak-Chin Indian Community), Gregg Young (Potter Valley Tribe), Jenny Stephenson (USEPA), Roman Orona (Ak-Chin Indian Community) and Wesley Dunn (Chicken Ranch Rancheria)</i></p>	<p>GRIC Air Quality ICE (Inspections, Compliance and Enforcement)</p> <p><i>Dwight Carlston (Gila River Indian Community)</i></p>	<p>Clean Water Act 401 New Improvement Rule: 401(a)(2) Workshop</p> <p><i>Russ Huddleston (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Water Quality Standards and Treatment in a Similar Manner as a State Applications</p> <p><i>Desean Garnett (USEPA), Loretta Vanegas (USEPA) and Tom Hagler (USEPA)</i></p>

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24, 2024

TIME	MORGAN HILL	SAN MARTIN	MONTEREY	EDENVALE
8:30AM - 9:20AM	<p>Time for Some Trash Talk: GAP, Solid Waste Implementation and Data Collection</p> <p><i>Alan Bacock (USEPA), Edem Yevo (USEPA), Mel O. Joseph (Lone Pine Paiute Shoshone Tribe) and Sophia Usow (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>A Tribe's Definition of Capacity Building</p> <p><i>Kerri Vera (Tule River Tribe of California) and Nina Hapner (Kashia Band of Pomo Indians)</i></p>	<p>Hazardous Waste and Pesticides: Proper Disposal of Disinfectants and Trajectory of Foreign Paraphernalia</p> <p><i>Benjamin Carr (USEPA), Camilo Perez (Quechan Indian Tribe), Jeremy R. Phillips (Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community) and Marisol Anaya (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Clean Water Act (CWA) Funding Opportunities</p> <p><i>Licia Maclear (USEPA) Larry Maurin (USEPA)</i></p>
9:30AM - 10:20AM	<p>SWIFR Funding Opportunity and Successes</p> <p><i>Darin Koupal (Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians), Jenny Stephenson (USEPA), Marissa Snapp (Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation), Megan Poffinbarger (Pechanga Band of Indians), and Ron Sundberg (Cher-Ae Heights Indian Community of the Trinidad Rancheria)</i></p>	<p>Recent EPA Actions to Address PFAS and 6PPD-quinone</p> <p><i>Matthew Small (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Native American Fiber Program CA SB 54 Plastic Pollution Prevention and Producer Responsibility Act</p> <p><i>Fred Briones (Native American Fiber Program)</i></p>	<p>Region 9 Wetlands Program Development Grant - Tribal Success Stories</p> <p><i>Joshua Cahill (Yurok Tribe), Petra Silverman (Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians), Russ Huddleston (USEPA), and Sahrye Cohen (USEPA)</i></p>
10:30AM - 11:20AM	<p>Modernizing a Tribal Transfer Station for a Sustainable Future</p> <p><i>Camille Merchant (Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians), Jeanne BenVau (Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians) and John Wright (Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians)</i></p>	<p>Region 9's Emerging Contaminant Programs: a Review of Drinking Water and Wastewater EC Funding, PFAS Rule and PFAS Sampling</p> <p><i>Amita Muralidharan (USEPA), Ian Chinn (USEPA), Joi Chuketterer (USEPA), Madeleine Tango (USEPA) and Sara McGillewie (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>EPA Tribal Community Lead Awareness</p> <p><i>Angela Baranco (USEPA), Natalie Long (USEPA) and Shayna Sellars (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Integrating Indigenous Knowledge into California Water Governance</p> <p><i>Krystal Moreno (Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians), Malissa Tayaba (Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians) and Max Gomberg (Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians)</i></p>
11:30AM - 1:00PM	LUNCH BREAK			
1:00PM - 1:50PM	<p>Household Hazardous Waste Collection Programs</p> <p><i>Alexis Wallick (Pala Band of Mission Indians), Jenny Stephenson (USEPA) and Sarah Ryan (Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians)</i></p>	<p>Years in the Making - Meeks Meadow Restoration Project</p> <p><i>Josh Alessi (Washoe Tribe)</i></p>	<p>Infrastructure Permitting Assistance Through FAST 41: Benefits, Tools and Resources for Tribes</p> <p><i>Eric Beightel (USEPA)</i></p>	<p>Collaborating with California Tribes to Protect Tribal Beneficial Uses</p> <p><i>Adriana Renteria (California State Water Resources Control Board), Elizabeth Herrera (California State Water Resources Control Board) and Rebecca Fitzgerald (California State Water Resources Control Board)</i></p>
2:00PM - 2:50PM	<p>Regenerating Circularity for Zero Waste and Thriving Communities</p> <p><i>Fidan Aghayarova (CalRecycle), Laura Moreno (CalRecycle), Katrina Leni-Konig (CalRecycle), Roger Kintz (CalRecycle) and Sue Vang (CalRecycle)</i></p>	<p>Revitalize and Thrive: Unlocking Brownfield Opportunities for Tribal Communities</p> <p><i>Ignacio Dayrit (Center for Creative Land Recycling) and Lisa Hanusiak (USEPA)</i></p>		<p>The Intersectionality of Indigenous Emotional Wellbeing and Climate Change: Addressing the Impact of Climate Change / Traumatic Weather Events on Indigenous Behavioral Health</p> <p><i>Carly Blemmel (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration) and Kristopher Engdall (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Administration)</i></p>
3:00PM - 4:00 PM	CLOSING CEREMONY (BALLROOM)			



OTHER NOTABLE CONFERENCE ACTIVITIES

- TRIBAL LEADERS ROUNDTABLE -

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22ND

1:30PM - 3PM

SAN JOSE ROOM

ONE-ON-ONE SESSIONS

- EJ WEST -

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SAN JUAN BATISTA ROOM

- WQX -

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MADRONE ROOM

TIME IS AVAILABLE FOR ONE-ON-ONE ASSISTANCE SUBMITTING YOUR WATER QUALITY MONITORING DATA INTO WQX (PREVIOUSLY STORET). PLEASE SET UP AN APPOINTMENT AHEAD OF TIME BY EMAILING KAYLA GOWER (KAYLAG@GOLDSYSTEMS.COM) AND CC: ADAM GRIGGS (GRIGGS.ADAM@EPA.GOV) AND CC: KATE PINKERTON (PINKERTON.KATE@EPA.GOV). PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NAME, YOUR TRIBE NAME AND YOUR 2 PREFERRED APPOINTMENT TIMES IN YOUR REQUEST. APPOINTMENTS ARE AVAILABLE BEGINNING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22TH AT 1 PM AND WILL END AT 3 PM THURSDAY OCTOBER 24TH. EACH APPOINTMENT WILL LAST 1 HOUR OR LESS BETWEEN THE TIMES OF 8:00 AM-5:00PM – NO APPOINTMENTS WILL BE OFFERED BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 12:00 PM TO 1:00 PM. WALK UP SESSIONS ARE WELCOME - BUT MAY NOT BE GUARANTEED BASED ON AVAILABILITY, SO PLEASE REGISTER FOR AN APPOINTMENT ASAP.