



2018 Tribal Exchange Network Conference

February 27-28, 2018; Tucson, AZ
Desert Diamond Casino Hotel & Conference Center



Tuesday 2/27/18 (Day 1)

~ All sessions in Conference Rooms A/B ~

7:30 am-8:15 am **Exchange Network/E-Enterprise 101 for Tribes**
New to Exchange Network? Come to this introductory session to get a brief overview of the Network and how it fits with the E-Enterprise for the Environment Presenters/Panelists: EN TGG, EPA & ITEP staff; Moderator: Lydia Scheer

7:30-9:30 am **Conference Registration & Continental Breakfast**
Exhibits: Browse and interact with our event sponsors and exhibitors throughout the day.

8:30-10:00 am **Opening Remarks and Attendee Introductions**
Presenters/Panelists: Frank Harjo, TGG Chair; Honorable Austin G. Nuñez, Tohono O'odham Nation; Lisa Gover, Campo Band of Kumeyaay; Matthew Leopard, US EPA OEI

10:00-10:30 am **Break**

10:30 am-12:00 pm **Session #1: Tribal Data Sharing & Exchange in Action**
Four tribes will share information and insight from recent efforts addressing data sharing and exchange, including lessons learned and next steps. Presenters/Panelists: [Abby Welch, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe](#); [Adam Coleman, Redwood Valley Rancheria](#); [Ryan Eberle, Gila River Indian Community](#); [Angela Waupochick, Stockbridge Munsee Community](#); Moderator: Bruce Jones

12:00 pm-1:30 pm **Lunch (on your own)**

1:30-2:00 pm **Session #2: Panel Discussion: EPA EN & EE Representatives**
Panelists from the US EPA who work on Exchange Network and E-Enterprise related efforts will briefly introduce themselves and describe their roles related to EN and EE. Presenters/Panelists: US EPA OEI: Matt Leopard, Wendy Blake-Coleman, Ed Mixon, Beth Jackson; US EPA OCFO: Jessica Snyder; Moderator: Lydia Scheer

2:00-3:30 pm **Session #3: Interactive Roundtable Discussions**
This interactive session will provide an opportunity for attendees to explore their questions and discuss solutions to common challenges associated with environmental data exchange through dialogue with other attendees, both new and experienced. Attendees will have the opportunity to join multiple discussions on pre-selected topics. Moderator: BryAnna Vaughan

3:30-5:00 pm **[Poster & Exhibit Session](#)**
This informal, yet informative, session will feature posters and displays tribal, EPA, and other efforts focused on managing and sharing environmental data and improving environmental decision-making for communities across the nation.

5:00-7:30 pm **[Vendor-Sponsored Reception](#)** **Conference Center Foyer**

*Come visit with conference sponsors and other attendees in a relaxing atmosphere. Refreshments provided courtesy of these sponsors:
Habematolel Upper Lake Pomo Tribe; Windsor Environmental; AWQMS~GoldSystems; GeoTek*



Wednesday 2/28/18 (Day 2)

7:30-9:30 am Conference Registration, Refreshments & Exhibits

8:30-9:00 am Welcome, Announcements, and Preview of Day 2

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9:00-10:30 am Session #4: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

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| Meeting Room 1 | A: EPA OEI/OCFO Listening Session - EPA Panelists will briefly discuss current initiatives or areas of focus for their offices on which they are interested in hearing from tribes, and will invite questions and comments on other topics related to EN, EE, and their respective activities, such as: the EN Grant Solicitation, Shared Services, Lean initiatives, EPA tribal support activities, etc. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> US EPA OEI: Matt Leopard, Wendy Blake-Coleman, Ed Mixon, Beth Jackson; US EPA OCFO: Jessica Snyder; <i>Moderator:</i> Lisa Gover |
| Meeting Room 2/3 | B: Leaving a Legacy using Good Data Management** - This session will guide attendees through creating data management goals that consider project workflows and data "end-products" that allow their data to be used far into the future. Everyone will have an opportunity to share their data management struggles, how they are trying to resolve them, and what help they might need to succeed. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> Dr. Cynthia Annett, KSU; Vicki Flowers, Oneida Nation; Angie Reed, Penobscot Nation; <i>Moderator:</i> Angie Reed |
| Meeting Room 4 | C: Managing Data for Digital Mapping* - This session will introduce attendees to the types of data used for digital mapping software, and include example exercises using Excel and ArcMap to manipulate and manage your data effectively. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> Brad Tatham, BIA; <i>Moderator:</i> Linda Rosas-Bill |
| Conference A-B | D: Air Quality Tools & TREX Discussion** - General information will be shared on tools used for Air Quality assessment projects. Information on how to access the AQS and getting data into the AQS will be provided. An overview of the Tribal Data Toolbox and the Tribal Emissions Inventory Solutions Software (TEISS), and update on the TREX Network will also be discussed. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> April Hathcoat, Cherokee Nation ; Christopher Lee, ITEP-TAMS; Shaina White, Intertribal Council of Arizona ; <i>Moderator:</i> April Hathcoat |

10:30-10:45 am Break

10:45 am-12:15 pm Session #5: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

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| Meeting Room 1 | A: Exchange Network Grants Roundtable - This session will focus on the EPA National Environmental Information Exchange Network (NEIEN) grant solicitation process, and allow tribes an opportunity to ask questions and seek guidance from EPA staff. Topics include identifying an eligible project, writing a successful proposal, and best practices from experienced tribal grant recipients. The TGG and EPA will also discuss the grant solicitation process for the FY2019 grant cycle. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> Wendy Blake-Coleman, EPA OEI; Frank Harjo, Muscogee (Creek) Nation; Ed Mixon, EPA OEI; Salena Reynolds, EPA OEI ; Devon Martin, EPA OEI; <i>Moderator:</i> Frank Harjo |
| Meeting Room 2/3 | B: Moving from Data to Information through Good Analysis** - This session will help link data management considerations with understanding the importance of data analysis. We will discuss basic statistics and other tools that can be used to help your data become information and help you tell your story. <i>Presenters:</i> Dr. Cynthia Annett, KSU; Vicki Flowers, Oneida Nation; Angie Reed, Penobscot Indian Nation; <i>Moderator:</i> Angie Reed |
| Meeting Room 4 | C: Sharing Geospatial Data with External Audiences* - This session will present information on creating and exporting maps for external audiences including best practices and tips for success. <i>Presenters/Panelists:</i> Brad Tatham, BIA; <i>Moderator:</i> Linda Rosas-Bill |
| Conference A-B | D: Mentorship one-on-one available: WQX, Lean/Agile, NHD, etc. - If you are in need of assistance or have questions that need answered, check out the mentors that are available to assist! Sign up at the Registration Table to reserve a spot and we will connect you with a mentor on your selected topic. <i>Moderator:</i> Natasha Fulton |

***Laptops will be provided**

****Recommended attendees bring their own laptops**

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12:15-1:30 pm

Lunch (on your own)

AWQMS-Gold Systems Training Session (optional) - Visit the GoldSystems Booth for more information!

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1:30-3:00 pm

Session #6: Concurrent Breakout Sessions

Meeting Room 1

A: Listening Session to Support E-Enterprise: Initiative on Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPPs) - The purpose of this session is to provide conference attendees an opportunity to share input in the development and approval process of QAPPs as it relates to all media areas. The E-Enterprise Leadership Council identified QAPPs as a priority project in Sept 2017. Since then, discussions among tribal and state environmental professionals and EPA's Quality Management Program have highlighted challenges encountered when developing and seeking EPA approval of QAPPs. Through the input received, EPA, tribes and states can begin to scope out and develop a multi-phased strategy, using E-enterprise as means to streamline and modernize aspects of the QAPP program. *Presenters/Panelists:* Rebecca Moser and Vincia Holloman, EPA OEI; Micco Emarthla, Seneca Cayuga Nation; *Moderator:* Kristen Durance
>> Call-in participants: 1 (888) 326-7492 ; Passcode: 57761271#

Meeting Room 2/3

B: Introduction to the Water Quality Data Analysis Tool** - This session will provide an overview of the EPA Water Quality Data Analysis tool and how it can be utilized for assessing and analyzing WQX data with a [light-weight web-based tool](#). *Presenters/Panelists:* Dwane Young, EPA OW; *Moderator:* Angie Reed

Meeting Room 4

C: Story Maps Workshop** - EPA OEI Staff will share information on how to create a story map using GIS software. *Presenters/Panelists:* Lee Pera, EPA OEI; *Moderator:* Linda Rosas-Bill

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D: Mentorship one-on-one available: ArcGIS, NHD, etc. - If you are in need of assistance or have questions that need answered, check out the mentors that are available to assist! **Sign up at the Registration Table** to reserve a spot and we will connect you with a mentor on your selected topic. *Moderator:* Natasha Fulton

3:00-3:30 pm

Refreshment Break

3:30-5:00 pm

Closing Plenary Session & Award Presentation

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- Tribal Needs Assessment Results, Next Steps, & Looking Ahead
- Robert Holden Tribal Environmental Exchange Network Achievement Award presentation

Thank you for attending the 2018 Tribal Exchange Network Conference! We hope you were able to establish new connections and gain new insight for your data and technology projects! Please be sure to leave us your feedback and ideas for future events! Visit the online evaluation form below.



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