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AN INDIAN AGRICULTURE SYMPOSIUM

Hosted By

**Intertribal Agriculture
Council (IAC)**

and

**Indian Nations
Conservation Alliance
(INCA)**



DECEMBER 5TH - 9TH
2011



Welcome to
**THE LARGEST GATHERING
OF INDIAN AG PRODUCERS
IN AMERICA.**

Cutting edge information in agriculture
straight from research, private
industry, federal programs and other
successful producers.



SUNDAY
DEC. 4



10:00 - 3:00

Registration Preparation - STAFF

3:00 - 8:00

IAC Youth & Adult Scholarship Pre-Registration
(Sunset Registration Booth)

MONDAY
DEC. 5



8:00 - 5:00

General Registration Begins *(Sunset Registration Booth)*

8:00 - 5:00

Federally Recognized Tribes Extension Program (FRTEP) Meetings *(Laughlin II)*

8:00 - 12:00

Staff & Hotel Set-up *(Vista Ballroom)*

8:00 - 9:00

Board of Directors Continental Breakfast *(Conference Suite A – upstairs)*

8:00 - 5:00

USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service – Working Effectively with American Indian Tribes
(Laughlin I)

9:00

South Dakota USDA Organizational Meeting – STAFF ONLY *(Virginia City II)*

9:00 - 12:00

IAC Board of Directors Meeting *(Conference Suite A – upstairs)*

INCA Board of Directors Meeting *(Conference Suite B – upstairs)*

9:00 - 12:00

Livestock Record Keeping Training – **Trent Teegerstrom**, University of Arizona
(Reno II)

10:00 - 12:00

Become a Successful Grant Writer – Training & Grant Opportunities with
Risk Management Education,
Dave Goeller, Deputy Director of the North Central Risk Management Education Center,
University of Nebraska *(Laughlin III)*

12:00 - 1:00

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 - 5:00

Exhibitor set-up *(Vista Ballroom)*

1:00 - 5:00

IAC Board of Directors Meeting *(Conference Suite A – upstairs)*

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MONDAY - CONTINUED

1:00 - 5:00

INCA Board of Directors (*Conference Suite B – upstairs*)

1:00 – 5:00

USDA Farmer & Rancher Workshops

1:00 – 1:15 **Welcoming Remarks** (*Virginia City*)

1:25 – 2:05 **Sessions 1, 2, 3, and 4**

Workshop sessions run concurrently four times so attendees can attend all four sessions

Session 1: Conservation Programs (*Virginia City I*)

Session 2: Crop Insurance and Disaster Emergency Programs (*Virginia City II*)

Session 3: Grants and Loans Programs (*Virginia City III*)

Session 4: Livestock and Animal/Plant Pests and Health/National Agriculture Statistic Service (*Reno II*)

2:05 – 2:20 BREAK

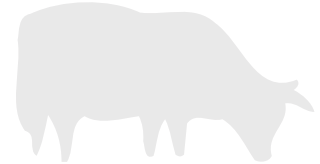
2:20 – 3:00 **Sessions 1, 2, 3 & 4** continued

3:00 – 3:15 BREAK

3:15 – 3:55 **Sessions 1, 2, 3 & 4** continued

3:55 – 4:10 BREAK

4:10 – 4:50 **Sessions 1, 2, 3 & 4** continued



CAUCUS ROOMS AVAILABLE, PLEASE SIGN UP FOR A ROOM AT THE REGISTRATION DESK

TUESDAY
DEC. 6



**MORNING
SESSION
SUNSET
BALL ROOM**

Moderator:
Robert Miller

7:30

GENERAL REGISTRATION Continues

8:00

Exhibits Open – (*Vista Ballroom*)

8:00 – 9:20

Opening Ceremonies General Session – (*Sunset Ball Room*)

Flag Presentation: YOUTH

Traditional Invocation: *Harold Joseph, Jr.*, President,
Hopi Conservation District & Arizona Association of Conservation Districts.

Youth Drum & Dance Group: Spirit of the Buffalo Dancers & Singers,
Blackfeet Tribe, Browning, Montana

Welcome & Opening Remarks:

- *Harlan Beaulieu*, President, IAC
- *Richard Thompson*, President, INCA

9:30 – 9:45

Indian Nations Conservation Alliance Report: *Dick Gooby*, Executive Director

9:45 – 10:20

IAC 25th Anniversary Recognition: *Ross Racine*, Executive Director

10:20 – 11:00

Keynote: *Tina M. Osceola*, Consultants, Inc., Owner

Topic: “Travel & Tourism: Building a Strategy to Tell Your Own Story Your Own Way.”

11:00 – 11:30

Internal Revenue Service 1099G Form discussion for Tribal Trust Lands and Individual Trust Lands: USDA RMA– *Dr. Ruby Ward*, Associate Professor and Extension Specialist,
Utah State University



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TUESDAY - CONTINUED

AFTERNOON
SESSION

SUNSET
BALL ROOM

Moderator:

Zach Ducheneaux, Secretary
IAC Board of Directors

11:30 – 1:30

Native Women & Youth in AG (NWYIA) - (*El Dorado Ballroom*)

LUNCH PROVIDED

Drum & Dance Group

Introduction & Welcome: *Vicki Hebb*, Executive Director NWYIA

Master of Ceremonies: *Ray Champ*, 2008 - 2011 Indian National Finals Rodeo (INFR)
Announcer of the Year

Special Guests: *Derrick Begay*, 3-time Wrangler National Finals Rodeo Qualifier,
Marty Hebb, 6-time INFR Saddle Bronc Champion,
Joe Beaver, 8-time World Champion and *Don Gay*, 8-time World Champion

NWYIA Essay contest winners' readings:

"What Should Indian Agriculture Look Like 25 Years From Now?"

- *Jess Begaye Oldham*, Navajo
- *Nitara Cheykaychi*, Pueblo of Santo Domingo
- *J'Kye Wientjes*, Cheyenne River Sioux

1:30 – 2:00

BLENDING PROGRAMS FOR SUCCESS

Fanny and Jess Brewer, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Producers

Dave Pesicka, NRCS Tribal Liaison

Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP)

Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP) & Organic Certification

1:30 – 4:00

Tribal Relations: *Janie Hipp*, Office of the Secretary, (*Reno I*) — Rural Council Roundtable Listening sessions will be held on a come-and-go basis. Roundtable topics will include food, agriculture, nutrition, conservation, jobs, economic development, energy, education, and youth. Please stop by and provide your verbal and written input on your top issues! Technical Assistance Network specialists will be on hand, in addition to Janie and Office of Tribal Relations staff, to hear from you.

TUESDAY - CONTINUED

2:00 – 2:30

Ute Ethnobotany Project School & Community Gardens - UTE Indian Tribe of Uintah and Ouray Reservation, Fort Duchesne, Utah: **Betsy Chapoose**, Director of Cultural Rights & Protection, **Kessley LaRose**, Assistant Researcher, **Nicole Jim**, Technical Support, Boyd Kitchen, University of Utah Extension

2:30 – 3:00

Hoop House Success Story – **Reggie Premo**- UNR, **Rae Nino**- Duck Valley and **Sandra Barela**- Chair, Ely Tribal Conservation District

3:00 – 3:15

BREAK FURNISHED (*Vista Ballroom*)

3:15 – 3:45

PREVENTING DISASTERS AND MITIGATING THEM

Risk Management Agency – **Grant Martin**, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Producer
John Lockie, Livestock Risk Protection (LRP)

Animal and Plant Health and Inspection Service (APHIS) Grasshopper Suppression Program 2010
Kevin Keckler, Cheyenne River Sioux Tribal Chairman

3:45 – 4:15

Ownership Lessons for American Indian Allottees
Staci Emm, University of Nevada Cooperative Extension

4:15 – 5:00

PANEL: Indigenous Stewardship Methods-Heidi Rader- FRTEP, **Jonathan Pyatskowitz**- Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council and **Dave Wise**-Natural Resource Conservation Service Fond du Lac

WEDNESDAY
DEC. 7

MORNING
SESSION
SUNSET
BALL ROOM

Moderator:
Terry Tatsey, INCA

8:00 – 8:15

General Session

Invocation: Youth presentation and Drum & Dance Honor Song

8:15 – 9:30

Introductions Made By: Ross Racine, IAC Executive Director
Special Guest Speakers: Thomas Vilsack, Secretary of Agriculture USDA
Janie Hipp, Office of the Secretary, Tribal Relations

9:30 – 5:00

IAC Export Seminar (*Carson City I*)

WEDNESDAY - CONTINUED

10:00 - 5:00

IAC TA Staff (*Laughlin II*)

AFTERNOON SESSION

SUNSET BALL ROOM

Moderator:

Art Muller, INCA

9:30 – 10:00

Long Leaf Pine Agroforestry Project- Alabama:

Kyle Williams, Coushatta Tribe, Texas

10:00 – 10:15

BREAK FURNISHED – (*Vista Ballroom*)

10:15 – 10:45

Umpqua Tribe Cowcreek Band of Umpqua Indians-Roseburg, OR, -**Tim Bare**, K-Bar Ranch Manager

10:45 – 11:15

“Cows Eat Weeds”- **Marni Thompson**, Resource Conservationist, NRCS Montana

11:15 – 12:00

PANEL: Tribes who have succeeded with & without USDA programs:

1) Shoshone Bannock Tribes-Arnold Appeney, Land Use Director,

2) Klamath Tribes-Leroy Jackson Jr., General Manager,

3) Otoe Missouria-John Shotten, Tribal Chairman

12:00 – 1:00

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 1:30

Wisconsin Tribal Conservation Advisory Council - **Jonathan Pyatskowitz**

• New TCD Recognition

1:30 – 2:00

Rangeland Improvements Success – NRCS EQIP – **Leandrew Austin**, Rancher, Navajo Chinle SWCD

2:00 – 2:30

Keepseagle & the IAC Tribal Technical Assistance Network – **Zach Ducheneaux**, Program

Manager IAC/USDA Technical Assistance Centers and **Anu Varma** of Patton Boggs LLP

2:30 – 3:00

Animal Disease Traceability - **John Wiemers**, USDA, APHIS, VS Animal Disease Traceability Staff Veterinarian

3:00 – 3:15

BREAK FURNISHED – (*Vista Ballroom*)

3:15 – 5:00

Breakout Sessions

1) “Cows Love Weeds” continued (*Virginia City I*)

Marni Thompson, Resource Conservationist, NRCS Montana

2) 1099G Training: Federal Income Tax Basics: USDA RMA continued (*Virginia City II*)

Dr. Ruby Ward, Associate Professor and Extension Specialist, Utah State University

3) Indigenous Stewardship Methods continued (*Virginia City III*)

Jonathan Pyatskowitz, Dave Wise, Jerry Thompson, Pat Leavenworth

– NRCS Wisconsin

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WEDNESDAY - CONTINUED

THURSDAY
DEC. 8

MORNING
SESSION
SUNSET
BALL ROOM

Moderator:
Willie Gray Eyes, INCA Board

9:00 – 5:00

IAC Export Seminar (*Carson City I*)

- 4) **American Indian Farmer and Rancher Outreach and Assistance Improvement Project** (*Laughlin I*) - Research Results: **Staci Emm, Loretta Singletary, Kathy Frazier, Fara Brummer, Vicki Hebb**
- 5) **“Haa Aani and Mariculture”** (*Laughlin I*)
Anthony Lindoff -Business Development Analyst for Hoonah Indian Association
- 6) **Horse Coalition** (*Reno II*) – **Jason Smith**

8:00 – 8:15

Invocation – **Brian Thomas**; Spirit of the Buffalo Dancers & Singers

8:15 – 8:40

“Revealing the Wonders of Arctic Botanicals” - **Michelle Sparck, Amy Sparck** and **Cika Spark**-Qissunamiat Tribe, Arxotica, Inc.

9:00 – 12:00

Youth Conclave (*Virginia City II*)

8:40 – 9:00

USDA Farm Service Agency Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program (NAP) Success Story- **Gordy Adams** -Business Development Coordinator for Bois Forte Development Corporation: Trying to fit native food production into somewhat historically slanted USDA “agriculture” programs

9:00 – 9:20

Red Lake “Migration Routes”– **Darwin Sumner** - Migration Routes Coordinator for Red Lake Tribe, Red Lake Tribal Youth participate in learning traditional practices: fishing, gathering wild rice, berries, and tapping trees.

9:20 – 10:00

PANEL: Ranchers who have succeeded with & without USDA programs:
Leonard Bird, Santo Domingo Pueblo rancher & **Rosa Marie Williams**, Navajo rancher

10:45 – 12:00

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THURSDAY - CONTINUED

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FRIDAY
DEC. 9

10:00 – 10:30

White Earth Land Recovery Project-Farm to School: Food from farm into the local school lunch program – **Winona LaDuke**

10:30 – 10:45

BREAK FURNISHED (*Vista Ballroom*)

10:45 – 12:00

Break Out Sessions

1) **Alaska Tribal Conservation District Alliance** – (*Virginia City I*) **Angela Sandstol**

2) **USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service** Navajo success stories (*Virginia City III*)
- **Barry Hamilton**

3) **Agroforestry** (*Laughlin I*) – **Bruce Wight**, USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service
National Forester

4) **Oneida Tribe of Indians** of Wisconsin (*Laughlin II*), Farmers Market, Direct Marketing, **Bill Ver Voot**,
Oneida Community Integrated Food Systems Coordinator

5) **1994 Tribal College presentation** (*Laughlin III*) – Student Speaker **Lindsey Deswood**,
Dine` College and Director of USDA 1994 Programs, **Lawrence Shorty**

6) **Rancher Panel** Continued (*Reno II*)

7) **APHIS** (*Carson City II*) - Veterinarian Service & Plant Protection Quarantine

12:00 **SILENT AUCTION CLOSES** – Pay for your items at the registration desk

12:00 – 1:00

LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

1:00 – 3:00

Youth Conclave Continued (*Virginia City II*)

2:00 – 3:00

Parent Conclave: FSA Youth Loan Sponsors –
Chris Beyerhelm, Deputy Director (*Laughlin II*)

1:00 – 5:00

INCA - Tribal Conservation Districts Capacity Building Meeting (*Laughlin III*)

1:00 – 3:00

IAC - General Membership Meeting (*Laughlin I*)

8:00 – 12:00

INCA - Staff Meeting (*Laughlin II*)



**SPECIAL
THANKS TO**



**2011 Symposium
Planning Committee**

USDA Agencies

**Animal Plant Health
Inspection Service**

Rural Development

Civil Rights

Forest Service



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