**Righting Historical Wrongs: Truth, Healing and Tribal Stewardship**

**Panelists links and bios:**

**Secretary Wade Crowfoot:** <https://resources.ca.gov/About-Us/Who-We-Are/Secretary-for-Natural-Resources>

**Geneva E.B. Thompson,** **Deputy Secretary for Tribal Affairs, California Natural Resources Agency**

California Natural Resources Agency: <https://resources.ca.gov/>

Deputy Secretary for Tribal Affairs: <https://resources.ca.gov/About-Us/Who-We-Are/Deputy-Secretary-for-Tribal-Affairs>

Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Program: <https://resources.ca.gov/Initiatives/Tribalaffairs/Tribal-Nature-Based-Solutions-Program>

California Native American Heritage Commission:

<https://resources.ca.gov/-/media/CNRA-Website/Files/Tribal-Policy/Final_Tribal_Policy.pdf>

**Judge Deborah Lorraine Sanchez**

Superior Court Judge in Los Angeles, Chair of the Board of Directors of the Wishotyo Chumash Foundation

Bio: <https://cla.csulb.edu/departments/americanindianstudies/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/deborah-sanchez-Website-Bio.pdf>

Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation: <https://www.wishtoyo.org/>

Deborah Sanchez is Chumash, O’odham and Raramuri American Indian. She worked to maintain the annual ceremony of the Chumash crossing the ocean channel in their traditional canoe for more than a decade. She studies and teaches the Šmuwič language (Chumash) and has composed several contemporary Šmuwič songs. The songs honor Chumash traditional beliefs and way of life, including songs of wonder and mourning. She has been teaching the Šmuwič language to community members since 2010.

Board of Directors — Wishtoyo Chumash Foundation: <https://www.wishtoyo.org/board-of-directors>

Seventh Generation Fund for Indigenous People: <https://7genfund.org/>

Board Secretary and Treasurer: <https://7genfund.org/who-we-are/our-leadership/>

More on Judge Sanchez here: <https://newsroom.courts.ca.gov/news/honoring-californias-native-american-judges-judge-deborah-sanchez>

How to Become an Ally to Indigenous Peoples: <https://live-7th-generation.pantheonsite.io/2017/11/07/how-to-become-an-ally-to-indigenous-peoples/>

**Tribal Affairs Secretary Christina Snider-Ashtari, Office of the Governor**

The Governor's Office of Tribal Affairs: <https://tribalaffairs.ca.gov/>

Bio: <https://tribalaffairs.ca.gov/tribal-affairs-secretary/>

Christina Snider-Ashtari serves as Tribal Affairs Secretary to Governor Gavin Newsom and leads the Governor’s Office of Tribal Affairs established within the Office of Governor Gavin Newsom on July 1, 2022. Snider-Ashtari was [appointed](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/02/19/appointments-feb-19/) February 19, 2019 by Governor Newsom to continue her service in the Governor’s Office following her [appointment](https://www.ca.gov/archive/gov39/2018/02/06/governor-brown-announces-appointments-9/index.html) on February 6, 2018 by Governor Edmund G. Brown Jr. She has also previously served as Executive Secretary of the California Native American Heritage Commission, appointed by Governors Newsom and Brown. Snider-Ashtari is an enrolled member of the Dry Creek Rancheria Band of Pomo Indians.

California Truth and Healing Council: <https://tribalaffairs.ca.gov/cthc/>

Governor Newsom announces historic land return effort on the 5th anniversary of California’s apology to Native Americans: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2024/06/18/governor-newsom-announces-historic-land-return-effort-on-the-5th-anniversary-of-californias-apology-to-native-americans/>

Governor Newsom Issues Apology to Native Americans for State’s Historical Wrongdoings, Establishes Truth and Healing Council: <https://www.gov.ca.gov/2019/06/18/governor-newsom-issues-apology-to-native-americans-for-states-historical-wrongdoings-establishes-truth-and-healing-council/>

Tribal Nation Grant Fund: <http://tngf.ca.gov/>

California Indian Heritage Center Park Property: <https://www.parks.ca.gov/?page_id=22628>

Newsom-Administration 2020 Annual-Report Tribal Affairs: <https://tribalaffairs.ca.gov/wp-content/uploads/sites/10/2022/12/Newsom-Administration_2020-Annual-Report_Tribal-Affairs_FINAL.pdf>

**Professor William J. Bauer Jr.,** HistoryProfessor, UC Riverside and Author(Citizen of the Round Valley Reservation)

Co-author of *We are the Land* [**https://www.amazon.com/We-Are-Land-History-California/dp/0520280504**](https://www.amazon.com/We-Are-Land-History-California/dp/0520280504)

<https://www.ucpress.edu/books/we-are-the-land/paper>

California Unratified Treaties Map: <https://calindianhistory.org/california-unratified-treaties-map/>

California through Native eyes: reclaiming history: <https://archive.org/details/californiathroug0000baue>

**Erica Pinto, Chairwoman, Jamul Indian Village (Kumeyaay Nation) and Chairwoman, California Tribal Chairperson Association**

**Jamul Indian Village:** <https://jamulindianvillage.com/>

Erica M. Pinto is currently serving as the Chairwoman of the California Tribal Chairpersons Association (CTCA) and the Vice-President of the Southern California Tribal Chairmen’s Association (SCTCA). <https://catribalchairs.org/erica-m-pinto/>

CADEM Native American caucus: <https://nativeamericancaucus.org/erica-pinto/>

Erica M. Pinto currently serves as Chairwoman of the Jamul Indian Village of California, one of the 13 tribes of the Kumeyaay Nation who trace their roots back 12,000 years in San Diego County, California.  Ms. Pinto has served on the Jamul Indian Village Tribal Council since 1997.  In 2015 Ms. Pinto was the first woman elected Chairwoman of Jamul Indian Village and has led JIV through significant economic progress.  Ms. Pinto is committed to giving back to her community, to future generations of the Tribe and to non-gaming Tribes who continue to struggle.  Her mother, Carlene A. Chamberlain continues to be her most influential role model and the driving force behind her strength.