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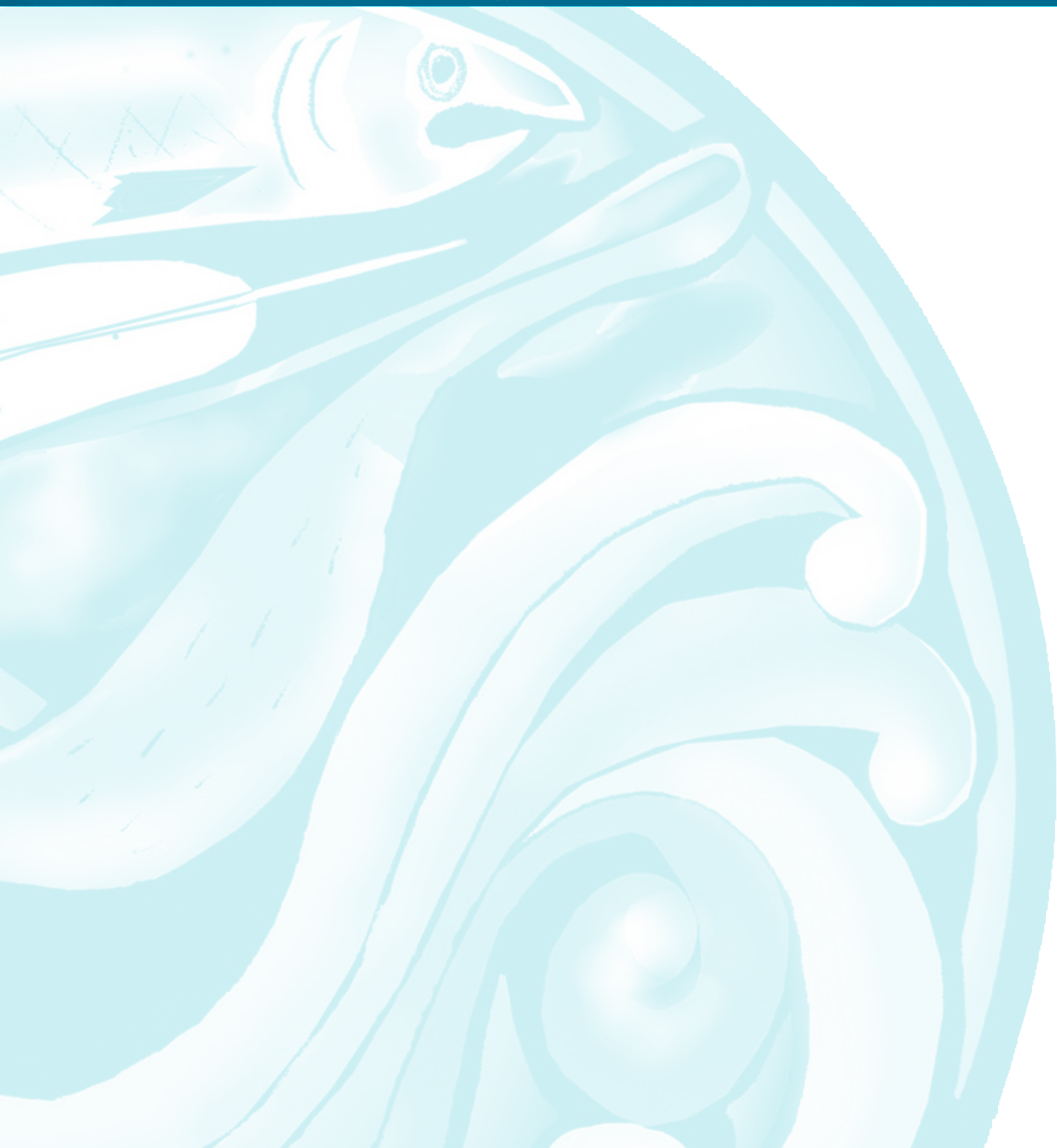


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Welcome from DWR's Director

Dear Tribal Water Summit participants

On behalf of the Department of Water Resources, I would like to welcome you all to the fourth California Tribal Water Summit. This Summit is a unique opportunity to bring together Tribal leaders, water managers, and community members to discuss the critical issues surrounding water management on Tribal lands.

Water is one of the most precious resources we have, and it is essential for our survival. As many of you know, Tribes across the country face significant challenges in managing and protecting their water resources. The issues are complex and require collaborative efforts to find viable solutions.

The purpose of this and prior (2009, 2013, and 2018) Summits is to provide a platform for discussion, knowledge-sharing, and problem-solving and to discuss how Tribal recommendations can align with current state policies, such as the Governor's Water Resilience Portfolio and Water Supply Strategy. The 2023 Tribal Water Summit will continue that unique collaboration and inclusion of Tribal perspectives and contributions to California Water Plan Update 2023.

The 2023 Tribal Water Summit demonstrates how we can work together to ensure climate change resilience for future generations. DWR is committed to honoring sacred traditions and respect for Tribal Sovereignty. I encourage everyone to participate fully in the Summit's events and take advantage of the opportunity to build relationships and network with fellow attendees. Together, we can explore ways to protect our water resources, preserve our cultural traditions, and promote sustainable practices for future generations.

Thank you for attending this important Summit. I look forward to productive and meaningful discussions over the next few days.

Sincerely,



Karla A. Nemeth

Director, Executive Division
Department of Water Resources

Welcome from Planning Team

Dear Tribal Leaders, State and Federal partners, and Community Participants:

On behalf of the 2023 Tribal Water Summit Planning Team, it is our honor to welcome you to the statewide California Tribal Water Summit. Over the next three days, our goal is to provide high-level dialogue between Tribal Governments and State/Federal government officials to discuss the most important water policy and water management issues Tribal Governments face today.

The California Tribal Water Summits convenes every five years. The 2023 Tribal Water Summit is the fourth summit which follows the 2009, 2013, and 2018 Summits as a unique collaboration created and organized on behalf of California's Native American Tribes and the Department of Water Resources. The 2023 summit will include Tribal perspectives, resource management strategies, and policy recommendations for California Water Plan Update 2023 (Update 2023).

Thank you to the Tribal Governments and other community partners for your commitment and support of the Tribal Water Summit. You have generously participated in the selection of the speakers, plenary topics, financial sponsorships, and guidance throughout the planning process.

We encourage you to share your unique perspectives on behalf of your Tribal Governments, so that this information will be shared widely with California's water industry professionals via Update 2023. We strive to ensure cultural resource protection and opportunities to create local and regional partnerships for continued success of water resource management that benefits your Tribal Communities.

Welcome to the 2023 Tribal Water Summit.



Honorable Ron W. Goode

Chairman, North Fork Mono Tribe
Chairman, 2023 Tribal Water Summit Planning Team

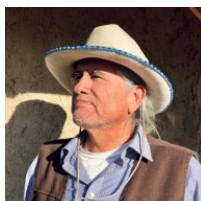


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Honoring Our Elders In Memoriam

A Tribute to early founders of the 2009, 2013, and 2018 Tribal Water Summits



Monty Bengochia
1951–2022

Monty Bengochia, Nüümü (Bishop Paiute) elder and internationally recognized expert in food sovereignty, water rights, cultural resources, and environmental protection of Payahuunadü — Owens Valley.

Monty grew up on the Bishop Paiute Indian Reservation, attending Bishop public schools. He attended several colleges where he played rugby, learned to mountain climb, and enjoyed the challenge of a chess game. It's basketball that people remember him loving the most. He worked for the United States Forest Service as a smoke dancer, youth counselor, and Tribal waterman. He served as the Bishop Paiute Tribe Historic Preservation Officer and in other capacities. His career led him to become the leader and the man the community came to know. He was passionate about paya (water) rights, food sovereignty, and cultural/environmental preservation. Monty advocated for the youth and for the self-sufficiency of Tribal people. He worked for the people, serving several terms on the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council and the Toiyabe Indian Health Project Board, at Owens Valley Career Development Center and Owens Valley Indian Water Commission. He traveled across Indian Country advocating for land/water rights and the sovereign rights of the American Indian people. Monty was on California Department of Water Resources' Tribal Advisory Committee and was an original Tribal Water Summit Planning Team

member. It was through his efforts that the first Tribal Water Summit in 2009 was created and a plan of action was developed to support Tribal issues in water management in California.

We honor Monty as one of California's earliest water protectors, cultural advisor to many programs and state agencies, and as a role model for Tribal youth to consider careers in environmental protection. His advocacy for water rights, cultural resources, and environmental protection will live on through the goals and objectives of the California Tribal Water Summits.



Jene McCovey
1951–2021

Jene McCovey, respected Yurok Elder, passionate leader, visionary, and internationally recognized advocate for Indigenous rights and environmental and women's issues.

Her early involvement in North Coast environmental issues led to the movement to take down the Klamath Dams and save the Headwaters Forest. Her work included Board President of Californians for Alternatives to Toxics, Board Member of Tri-Valley Communities Against Radioactive Environment, advisor to the Yurok Tribe's Social Services and Natural Resource Advisory Committee, and advisor to the Humboldt County In-Home Support Services. She worked to un-dam the Klamath River, fought to pro-

tect old-growth forests in the Humboldt Headwaters and Dillon Creek, opposed offshore oil drilling, and was a passionate speaker at hearings and rallies. Her passion to be involved with environmental and social justice issues stems from her upbringing in Hoopa, having family exposed to toxic aerial spraying of chemical herbicides from the timber industry.

We honor and remember Jene as an amazing, resilient, and innovative leader. She had a broad constituency among her own Yurok Tribal members and other Northern California Natives. She was an active leader involved in Humboldt Headwater preservation issues regarding spawning salmon and other tribal concerns, as well as in CalTrans spraying of basketry materials unique to California Indian Basket weavers.

She was an advocate for disabled people nationwide. She testified at state, federal, and county levels for disability and environmental issues. She managed her own disabilities while becoming a statewide advocate for the Rights of Water. She spoke frequently to promote California Tribes as important references to salmon and protectors of headwaters. She was an original committee member of California Department of Water Resources' Tribal Advisory Committee and Tribal Water Summit Planning Committee.



Harry Williams
1956–2021

Harry Williams, Nüümü (Bishop Paiute) elder and internationally recognized expert in the ancestral water systems of Payahuunadü — Owens Valley.

In his lifetime, Harry was responsible for recovering knowledge of his Tribe's traditional irrigation networks and water practices, thus strengthening the

Paiute's claims for water rights in Owens Valley. His work as an activist for the health of his people and their homelands left a lasting impact on his community and on water management in the region.

We honor Harry Williams as a Warrior and known Water Protector and friend to many and especially to Mother Earth. Harry dedicated his life to activism and advocating for the land, water, and people. He loved his Paiute Pima heritage and was proud to be Nüümü. Harry was always generous with his time and knowledge and never hesitated to teach the young and old what he knew about his people's history and culture. Harry's passion was paya (water), and he spent most of his life traveling near and far to speak out and advocate for the protection and return of land and water to the Indigenous People in Payahuunadü. Harry gave his time to causes that he believed in. Throughout his life, he served on many boards, committees, and councils, including the Bishop Paiute Tribal Council, Inter-Tribal Council of California, California Indian Manpower Consortium, Bishop Tribal Environmental Protection Agency, Bishop Tribal Scholarship Committee, California Environmental Protection Agency Tribal Advisory Committee, and Owens Valley Committee. He also was an original committee member of California Department of Water Resources' Tribal Advisory Committee and Tribal Water Summit Planning Committee. Harry had a special connection to the land, and some of his favorite things to do were to soak in the local hot springs and sing Paiute songs, fish, hike, find medicinal plants, cruise the dirt roads especially up in the Coyote area, and explore nature. Harry appeared in many commercials, films, and documentaries, including Obsidian Trail, Maverick, and Paya: Water Story of the Paiute. Harry was most proud of his role in the film Paya and the work he did to help recover the Paiute knowledge of their ancient irrigation systems. Soon after Harry passed, there was thunder, lightning, and rain – a tribute to his life.

SUMMIT AGENDA

Day 1 | April 11

Time	Item
9:00 am	Early Check-In and Set Up - Volunteers, Exhibitors and Poster Presenters <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Registration set up Poster Session and Exhibitors set up
10:00 am	Check In Open <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Check in will be open throughout the day on each day of Tribal Water Summit Opportunities to Network <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meet and Greet Tour of Meeting Facilities, Break Out Rooms, Working Lounge and Elders Lounge Visit Exhibitors and Poster Presentations
11:15 am	LUNCH with State and Tribal Colleagues <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Light refreshments served. Participants encouraged to do lunch on their own, visit exhibitors and poster presenters, and network.
1:00 pm	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Anecita Agustinez, Diné (Navajo) Nation, Tribal Policy Advisor, Department of Water Resources (DWR)
1:10 pm	Traditional Opening Blessing by Wilton Rancheria and Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Jesus Tarango, Chairman, Wilton Rancheria Honorable Malissa Tayaba, Vice Chairwoman, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
1:30 pm	Opening Remarks - Department of Water Resources (DWR) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cindy Messer, Lead Deputy Director, DWR Kristopher Tjernell, Deputy Director, Integrated Watershed Management Program, DWR
1:45 pm	Opening Plenary and Panel Discussion with State and Tribal Leadership <p>Objective: A Panel Discussion with Tribal Government and State Leadership will follow a video presentation of 'Good Fire' to set the tone for an engaging conversation on how Tribes can be engaged in statewide water management and planning efforts, what State partners can do to strengthen these efforts, and how to advance Tribal priorities into state policy.</p> <p>Moderated by Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR</p> <p>Tribal Government Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Ron Goode, Chairman, North Fork Mono Tribe Honorable Bo Mazzetti, Chairman, Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians Honorable Janet Bill, Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians <p>State and Federal Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Karla Nemeth, Director, DWR Martha Guzman Aceves, Regional Administrator Pacific Southwest Region 9, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Yana Garcia, Secretary, California Environmental Protection Agency

Day 1 | April 11 (continued)

Time	Item
3:00 pm	<p>Discussion with State Department Leaders on Major State and Tribal initiatives including (but not limited to) MOUs for protection of Tribal and Cultural resources</p> <p>State Department Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Armando Quintero, Director, Department of Parks and Recreation Charlton “Chuck” Bonham, Director, Department of Fish and Wildlife
3:30 pm	BREAK - Visit Exhibitors and Poster Presenters (Lobby)
3:45 pm	Honoring Our Elders - In Memoriam Tribute to Honored Elders Monty Bengochia, Jene McCovey and Harry Williams
4:15 pm	<p>Tribal Water Summit Youth Water Protector Presentations</p> <p>Objective: Through a creative partnership with California Tribal College, DWR launched the first Tribal Water Protector Youth Training program for high school students. Tribal youth participated in a training curriculum on Tribal Water Law and Policy and an introduction to Geographic Information Systems (GIS). Tribal Youth participants will share a capstone presentation from a selected watershed that will showcase their training on Tribal waterways.</p> <p>Certificate Presentation</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Juliet Maestas, Executive Director, California Tribal College Karla Nemeth, Director, DWR Kristopher Tjernell, Deputy Director, Integrated Watershed Management, DWR
5:00 pm	RECEPTION - Enjoy Light Refreshments

Day 2 | April 12

Time	Item
8:00 am	Registration
8:30 am	<p>Opening Blessing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Neil Peyron, Chairman, Tule River Tribe A video presentation will follow the blessing
9:00 am	Welcome by Karla Nemeth, Director, DWR
9:10 am	Opening Remarks by Governor Gavin Newsom (invited)

Day 2 | April 12 (continued)

Time	Item
9:20 am	Remarks by Deb Haaland, U.S. Secretary of the Interior (invited)
9:30 am	<p>Summit Overview</p> <p>Objective: A brief discussion of the history of the Tribal Water Summit and how the California Water Plan Update can serve as a strategic tool to incorporate Tribal recommendations from the Summit into State water policy. Provide a walk-thru of Summit logistics and workshops.</p> <p>Speakers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kamyar Guivetchi, Manager, DWR Division of Planning (Summit history and overview) • Tito Cervantes, Senior Land and Water Use Scientist, DWR Northern Region Office (workshops)
9:50 am	<p>Opening Plenary and Panel Discussion</p> <p>Objective: Opening presentation and panel discussion of Tribal Water Rights issues that cover surface water rights settlements, groundwater settlements and proposed settlements. Discussion on how Tribes have used or could use those rights for economic development to improve water supply, domestic, agriculture, and water transfers that could increase California water supply.</p> <p>Moderated by Michelle C. Lee, Pit River Tribe, The Circle Law Group</p> <p>Tribal Government Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honorable Neil Peyron, Chairman, Tule River Tribe (settlement issues) • Honorable Daniel Salgado, Chairman, Cahuilla Band of Indians (settlement negotiations) • Art Bunce, Special Counsel, San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority (Agua Caliente case study) <p>State Agency Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Sandino, Office of General Counsel, DWR • Erik Ekdahl, Deputy Director, Division of Water Rights, State Water Resources Control Board
11:00 am	BREAK - Visit Exhibitors and Poster Presenters (Lobby)
11:15 am	<p>Plenary - Tribal, Local Government, State, Federal Nexus: Colorado River and the Salton Sea</p> <p>Objective: Share insights on two of California's most critical and pressing issues highlighting the nexus between Tribes and local, state, and federal government; the need to work together and the importance of Tribal partnership.</p> <p>Moderated by Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR</p> <p>Tribal Government Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Honorable Stephen Lewis, Governor, Gila River (Colorado River Issues) • Honorable Thomas Torte, Chairman, Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians (Salton Sea) <p>Federal Agency Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Secretary of Interior, Deb Haaland, Department of Interior (invited) • Commissioner M. Camille Calimlim Touton, US Bureau of Reclamation (invited) • Brig. General Antoinette R. Gant, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Day 2 | April 12 (continued)

Time	Item
11:15 am	Plenary (continued) State Agency Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Karla Nemeth, Director, DWR Mario Llanos, Assistant Deputy Director, California Natural Resources Agency (CNRA) Salton Sea Program
12:15 pm	LUNCH - Provided (Lobby)
1:15 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions (75 min) <small>More info about workshop sessions on pages 12-14</small> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Ethics - ROOM 2309 Decommissioning and Removal of Dams - ROOM 2302 Groundwater Management: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and Aquifer Storage/Capacity - ROOM 2221 C Tribal Water Rights - ROOM 2221 B Utility Relicensing and Permitting- ROOM 2310 Water Quality and Water Quantity: Tribal Beneficial Uses Case Studies from Headwaters to Ocean - ROOM 2301 Tribal Participation in California Water Markets: Emerging Opportunities and Challenges - ROOM 2221-A
2:30 pm	BREAK - Visit Exhibitors and Poster Presenters (Lobby)
2:45 pm	Plenary - Climate Change & Climate Resilience Funding for Tribes Objective: Discussion of Tribal partnerships and funding opportunities to build resilient communities. Moderated by John Andrew, Deputy Director of Climate Resilience, DWR Tribal Government Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Andrea Reich, Chairwoman, Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians Noah Williams, Water Program Coordinator, Big Pine Paiute Tribe Shasta Gaughen, Environmental Director and Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, Pala Band of Mission Indians State Agency Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Katrina Leni-Konig, Deputy Public Advisor and Tribal Liaison, CA Energy Commission Patricia Kennedy, 5th Assessment Tribal Program Manager, Governor's Office of Planning & Research
3:45 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions (75 min) <small>More info about workshop sessions on pages 12-14</small> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Adaptation of Best Available Science: Incorporation of Tribal Knowledge and Tribal Science into Watershed Management - ROOM 2302 Energy Resources Development - ROOM 2301 Fire and Water: Cultural Burning and Wildfire, Water Quality and Meadow Restoration - ROOM 2221 A

Day 2 | April 12 (continued)

Time	Item
3:45 pm	Concurrent Workshop Sessions (continued) 11. Leveraging Federal Funding for State and Tribal Action - ROOM 2221 B 12. Tribal Cultural Resources - ROOM 2221 C 13. California's 5th Climate Change Assessment - ROOM 2310
5:00 pm	ADJOURN

Day 3 | April 13

Time	Item
8:00 am	Registration
8:30 am	Opening Blessing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Joseph James, Chairman, Yurok Tribe
8:45 am	Welcoming Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Laurel Firestone, Board Member, State Water Resources Control Board
8:55 am	Report out from day 2 Workshop Sessions Objective: Reflection and key takeaways from the Day 2 Workshop Sessions Moderated by Anecita Agustinez, Tribal Policy Advisor, DWR Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Miguel Luna, Tribal Historic and Cultural Preservation Department Director of Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians
9:30 am	Strengthening Tribal, Federal, and State Partnerships: Presidential TEK Policy, Ancestral Land Return, Tribal Access and Co-Management, Funding, and More Objective: Discussion on building Tribal, federal, and state partnerships through the Presidential Traditional Ecological Knowledge Policy, return of ancestral lands, increasing access and co-management of public lands, funding of Tribal priorities, and more. Moderated by Geneva Thompson, Assistant Secretary for Tribal Affairs, CNRA Tribal Government Leaders <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Reno Franklin, Chairman Kashia Tribe

Day 3 | April 13 (continued)

Time	Item
9:30 am	<p>Tribal Government Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Rudy Ortega, President, Fernandeño Tataviam Band of Mission Indians <p>Federal Agency Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fatima Abbas, Director, Office of Tribal and Native Affairs, U.S. Department of the Treasury Douglas Garcia, Pacific Region Water Rights Specialist, Bureau of Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of Interior
10:30 am	BREAK - Visit Exhibitors and Poster Presenters (Lobby)
10:45 am	<p>Moving Tribal Knowledge and Voices Forward: Policy and Action Planning Workshop Session</p> <p>Objective: An opportunity to discuss topics and recommendations developed during Day 2 Workshop Sessions. The goal is for Tribal and State agency leadership to dialogue with participants and create a list of key takeaways for specific actions that will be categorized for state, federal, Tribal and legislative action.</p> <p>Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Co-Moderated by Darcie Houck, Mohawk and Ottawa Descendent and Commissioner, California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) Co-Moderated by Michelle C. Lee, Pit River Tribe, The Circle Law Group Elder Reflection by Charlie Toledo, Director, Suscol Intertribal Council
12:15 pm	LUNCH - Provided (Lobby)
12:15 pm until 4:00 pm	<p>Technical Assistance Workshop Session - Applying for State Grants- ROOM 2301</p> <p>Moderated by Maria Lorenzo Lee and Gabriel Edwards, Division of Regional Assistance, DWR</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE: This pop-up session will run concurrently with the main program in the Auditorium. Participants may join at any time!</p>
1:15 pm	<p>Plenary and Panel Discussion – A Call to Action: Tribal Perspectives on Beneficial Equity in the California Water Plan</p> <p>Objective: Discussion on what is equity and how Tribal Governments and Tribal communities are historically underrepresented in local and regional funding; panelists will explore Human Right to Water policies and how beneficial equity can ensure funding resources will be equitably distributed.</p> <p>Moderated by Kristopher Tjernell, Deputy Director, Integrated Watershed Management Program, DWR</p> <p>Tribal Government Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Honorable Bo Mazzetti, Chairman, Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians Terri Red Owl, Executive Director, Owens Valley Indian Water Commission <p>State Agency Leaders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bianca Sievers, Deputy Director of Special Initiatives, DWR Moisés Moreno-Rivera, Deputy Secretary for Environmental Justice, Tribal Affairs and Border Relations, California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA)

SUMMIT AGENDA / WORKSHOP SESSIONS

Day 3 | April 13 (continued)

Time	Item
2:15 pm	Rights of Nature, The Water That Connects Us Objective: This closing panel discussion will explore the Rights of Nature and how Tribes can use this policy directive as an effective water management tool for protecting cultural resources and water management supply, quality and quantity for fish and plant species and sacred waterways. Moderated by Donna Begay, Tübatulabal/Paiute/Diné (Navajo) Nation Tribal Government Leaders Honorable Toby Vanlandingham, Councilmember, Yurok Tribe Honorable Caleen Sisk, Chief, Winnemem Wintu Tribe Honorable Jesus Tarango, Chairman, Wilton Rancheria
3:15 pm	Closing Tribal Leader Remarks Honorable Quirina Geary, Chairwoman, Tamien Nation Honorable Thomas Lozano, Tribal Council Treasurer, Enterprise Rancheria
3:30 pm	Closing Prayer by Wilton Rancheria and Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians
4:15 pm	ADJOURN SUMMIT

April 12 | 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm

TOPIC / OBJECTIVE / SPEAKERS / LOCATION	
1.	Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Ethics: A panel of data experts will explore and discuss Indigenous Data Sovereignty and Ethics to understand implications for water and ecological data that is collected, stored, and managed by State and federal entities or shared by Tribal Nations. Moderators: Mariko Falke (moderator) and Jane Schafer-Kramer, DWR Speakers: Honorable Matthew Williford, Chairperson (Acting) for Konkow Valley Band of Maidu Indians; Andrew Martinez, Native Nations Institute, University of Arizona; Carol Ostergren, US Geological Survey Tribal Liaison ROOM 2309
2.	Decommissioning and Removal of Dams: Discuss the history of the Klamath Dam removal project, Tribal Involvement in the decommissioning, fish and ecosystem restoration opportunities associated with dam removal, and discuss the impacts of Klamath dams to Tribes and Tribal Beneficial uses. We will also address the benefit of dam removal on the Klamath and potential benefits of decommissioning additional dams in California. Moderator: Barry McCovey, Yurok Tribe Speakers: Michael Belchik, Yurok Tribe; Tommy Williams, NOAA Fisheries; Anthony Meyers, DWR ROOM 2302
3.	Groundwater Management: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and Aquifer Storage/Capacity Updates: Discuss current status of SGMA and share case studies on Tribal engagement with groundwater sustainability agencies. Discuss current aquifer conditions and storage. Discuss how water rights are to be respected. Moderators: Art Bunce, Special Counsel, San Luis Rey Indian Water Authority; Paul Gosselin, Deputy Director, Groundwater Management Program, DWR ROOM 2221 C
4.	Tribal Water Rights: Develop shared understanding of the legal framework governing Tribal water rights by examining them through a Tribal perspective. Workshop leaders will outline the different types of water rights based on both state and federal legal and judicial precedent, to start the discussion. This will be followed by a presentation on recent funding programs and new initiatives that can be utilized by Tribal Governments to develop or enhance existing Tribal water rights.

WORKSHOP SESSIONS

April 12 | 1:15 pm - 2:30 pm (continued)

TOPIC / OBJECTIVE / SPEAKERS / LOCATION

4. (continued from page 12) **Moderator:** Michelle C. Lee, Pit River Tribe, The Circle Law Group **Speaker:** Marianna Aue, Office of Chief Counsel, State Water Resources Control Board **ROOM 2221 B**
5. **Utility Relicensing and Permitting:** Discuss the FERC relicensing/permitting process; study plans; negotiate what to look for, what we're working with. **Moderator:** Honorable Ron Goode, Chairman, North Fork Mono **Speakers:** Dirk Charley, Dunlap Mono; Shelly Davis-King, Hydro Consultant; Theresa Simsiman, American White Water; Dawn Alvarez, Hydro USFS; Parker Thaler, State Water Resources Control Board; Brendon Greenaway, Associate State Archaeologist, California State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) **ROOM 2310**
6. **Water Quality and Water Quantity: Tribal Beneficial Uses Case Studies from Headwaters to Ocean:** The agencies and issues associated with water quality and water quantity will be discussed to provide the framework for Tribal development of programs to protect cultural and subsistence uses of water. Discussion will include the process of Tribal beneficial use engagement, Tribal water quality programs, working with Tribal communities, inclusive water objectives, sound science development and more. **Moderators:** Sarah Ryan, Big Valley Band of Pomo Indians; Sherri Norris, California Indian Environmental Alliance **Speakers:** Honorable Charlotte Lange, Chairwoman, Mono Lake Kutzadika's Tribe; Emily Moloney, Water Program Coordinator, Buena Vista Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians; Dr. Jon Rosenfield, Director of Science for San Francisco Baykeeper **ROOM 2301**
7. **Tribal Involvement in Water Management Strategies:** Discuss water management strategies that address economic development compatibility with environmental and cultural resource protection through use of Tribal Water Rights. This session will cover groundwater banking, water leases, water transfers, and water storage. **Moderator:** Holly Roberson, Shareholder, Kronick Moskowitz Tiedemann & Girard **Speakers:** Honorable Robert Smith, Chairman, Pala Band of Mission Indians; Honorable Amelia Flores, Chairwoman, Colorado River Indian Tribes; Honorable Denise Turner-Walsh, Attorney General, Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians; Margaret Vick, Water Consultant, Colorado River Indian Tribes **ROOM 2221 A**

April 12 | 3:45 pm - 5:00 pm

TOPIC / OBJECTIVE / SPEAKERS / LOCATION

8. **Adaptation of Best Available Science; Incorporation of Tribal Knowledge and Tribal Science into Watershed Management:** An opportunity to discuss the incorporation of Tribal Knowledge, Tribal Science, and the best available science into watershed management. **Moderator:** Dr. Chuck Striplen, Tribal Advisor **Speakers:** Honorable Malissa Tayaba, Vice-Chair, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians; Meyo Maruffo, Environmental Director, Guidiville Rancheria; Dr. Louise Conrad, Lead Scientist, DWR; Dr. Stanley Rodriquez, Commissioner Native American Heritage Commission **ROOM 2302**
9. **Energy Resources Development:** Address emerging issues regarding Tribal energy and water. **Moderator:** Darcie Houck, CPUC Commissioner **Speakers:** Honorable Thomas Torte, Chairman, Torres-Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians; William McCabe, Vice President of Navajo Nation Oil and Gas, McCabe & Associates; Daniel Cardenas, National Tribal Energy Association; Kenneth Holbrook, Tribal Advisor, CPUC **ROOM 2301**
10. **Fire and Water: Cultural Burning and Wildfire Water Quality/Meadow Restoration:** Discussion on cultural and prescribed burning and examples how to implement TEK into policies and practices. **Moderator:** Honorable Ron Goode, Chairman, North Fork Mono Tribe **Speakers:** Honorable Shine Nieto, Vice Chair, Tule River Tribe; Honorable Jesse Valdez, Tribal Council, North Fork Mono Tribe; Len Nielson, Tribal Liaison, California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection; Dr. Beth Rose Middleton Manning, UC Davis; Dr. Erica Tom, Santa Rosa Junior College; Christina Oraftik, Fallon Strategies/NFMT **ROOM 2221 A**
11. **Leveraging Federal Funding for State and Tribal Action:** Invite Federal Agencies to discuss how they prioritize and fund Tribal projects. Identify funding gap strategies. **Moderator:** Chuck Jachens, U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs **Speakers:** Greg Perry, Bureau of Indian Affairs; Melissa Weymiller, United States Army Corps of Engineers **ROOM 2221 B**

WORKSHOP SESSIONS / SUMMIT SPEAKERS

April 12 | 3:45 pm - 5:00 pm (continued)

	TOPIC / OBJECTIVE / SPEAKERS / LOCATION
12.	Tribal Cultural Resources: Discuss the AB 52 Process, Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK), Mitigation Issues, and Cultural Resources Confidentiality. Moderator: Mariko Falke, DWR Speakers: <i>Dr. James Sarmento, Shingle Springs Band of Miwok Indians, Ivan Senock, Tribal Historic Preservation Officer (THPO), Buena Vista Rancheria; Robert Geary, Cultural Practitioner, Ceremonial Roundhouse Leader and Citizen, Elem Indian Pomo Tribe of Lake County; Buffy McQuillen, THPO, NAGPRA, Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria; Commissioner Native American Heritage Commission</i> ROOM 2221 C
13.	Climate Change - California's 5th Climate Change Assessment: A discussion on California's Fifth Climate Change Assessment and Tribal Research Program and how the State is supporting Tribally led climate change research initiatives to address this critical need and further support the work already underway in Tribal communities. Moderator: Emily Alejandrino, DWR Speakers: <i>Connor Magee, Payomkawichum/Cahuilla; Dean Tonenna, Mono Lake Kootzaduka'a Tribe; Patricia Kennedy, Governor's Office of Planning & Research</i> ROOM 2310
14.	Technical Assistance Workshop Session - Applying for State Grants: An opportunity for Tribes to participate in a 1:1 drop-in format with State and Federal granting agencies to discuss grant opportunities and needs. Workshop Lead: Maria Lorenzo Lee, DWR Speaker: <i>Gabriel Edwards, Division of Planning, DWR</i> ROOM 2301

Summit Speakers



Amelia Flores
Chairperson, Colorado River
Indian Tribes



Andrea Reich
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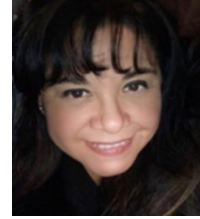
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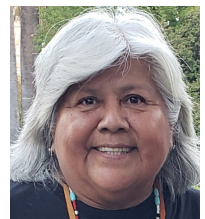
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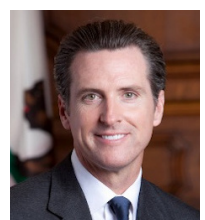
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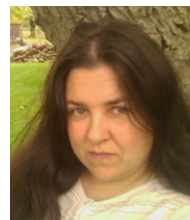
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Tribal Water Summit Film Festival

April 12, 2023 • 9:00 AM – 4:00 PM • Secretary of State Auditorium • 1500 11th St., Sacramento, CA

A long standing tradition of the 2009, 2013 and 2018 Tribal Water Summits has been collecting and sharing through print media Tribal Water Stories.

This year, the Tribal Water Summit is highlighting our Tribal Water Stories through film.

Each of the films being screened were produced in collaboration with California Native American Tribes and the stories are being told in their own words.

Each film captures the unique perspectives, and exemplify the beauty and diversity of California's landscape, the legal and political complexities of water, and shares the natural beauty of our Native culture and traditions.

Special appreciation to Jack Kohler, from On Native Ground (a tribally chartered film and media corporation) who served as the film advisor and coordinator of the inaugural 2023 Tribal Water Summit Film Festival program.

Jack is assisted by Native youth from Resources for Indian Student Education, Inc. (RISE) program, and emerging youth water protectors from their Native Traditional Ecological Knowledge program, known as RISE NTEK.

We wish to thank RISE NTEK participants, under the direction of Dr. April Lea Go Forth, for their assistance in introducing and facilitating the 2023 California Tribal Water Summit Film Festival.

RISE NTEK representing Pit River: **Thomas Anguiano, Lee Ann Craig, and Hope Gali**

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Use the QR codes to see the Tribal Water Stories.

Film Festival Schedule

Time	Movie Title and Information
9:00 AM Runtime: 0:05:00	Good Fire 2021 Director: Dr. Erica Tom, Producer: Emily Alejandrino - California Department of Water Resources • The North Fork Mono Tribe has used fire for thousands of years and has put fire on the land in Mariposa over the past twenty years, as well as fire in Madera, Fresno, and Tulare Counties. Tribal Chairman Ron Goode shows how tribal ecological knowledge can be used to sustainably manage California's wilderness.
9:06 AM Runtime: 0:07:00	Good Fire 2021 Director: Jack Kohler, Producer: United Auburn Indian Community • The United Auburn Indian Community highlights the use and practice of cultural burns as a cultural practice to sustainably manage and steward their traditional lands.
9:14 AM Runtime: 0:07:00	Pomo Land Back: A Prayer From the Forest 2022 Director: Evan-Marie Petit, Producer: Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians, Evan-Marie Petit & Louis Fox • This film documents the alliance-building and inter-tribal gathering led by the Coyote Valley Band of Pomo Indians, calling for protection and co-management of the 48,652-acre Jackson Demonstration State Forest.
9:22 AM Runtime: 0:12:00	Tule River Water Rights 2019 Producer: Tule River Tribe Indian Tribe of California; in partnership with BBC • "The Tule River Indian Tribe of California struggles for water rights to provide water security for those on the reservation. Focused on the South Fork of the Tule River, concerns for water sustainability are portrayed through interviews with Tribal members, water technicians, and members of the water team.
9:35 AM Runtime: 0:18:00	Sovereign's Water 2015 Director: Verel Moon, Producer: On Native Ground • Severe drought in 2002 created low flows and high water temperatures on the Klamath River causing death of over 70,000 adult salmon. Poor environmental conditions repeated in 2014 prompted Tribes along the Klamath River who depend on salmon to take an active role in water releases from the dams.

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Time	Movie Title and Information
9:54 AM Runtime: 0:22:00	Long Line of Ladies 2022 Director: Shaandiin Tome & Rayka Zehtabchi, Producer: Yurok Tribe • A young Karuk woman and her community prepare for her Ihuk, a coming of age ceremony to facilitate her transition to womanhood, in today's modern world.
10:17 AM Runtime: 0:56:00	Dancing Salmon Home 2012 Director: Will Doolittle, Producer: Winnemem Wintu Tribe • Follow 28 members of the Winnemem Wintu Tribe of Northern California on a journey to New Zealand's Rakaia River to meet and reunite with Chinook salmon relatives and conduct a 4-day ceremony. Through cultural bonds with the Maori people and a shared respect for the natural world, plans were launched to bring salmon home to above Shasta Dam.
11:15 AM Runtime: 0:56:00	River of Renewal 2009 Producer and Narrator: Jack Kohler • Jack Kohler journeys to his ancestral lands of the Hoopa Valley in search of connection to his roots, and to create a film about the issues on the Klamath. Starting with the 1978 Salmon wars, and culminating with the conflict between the Klamath tribes and the farmers of the Klamath Basin.
12:15 PM Runtime: 0:20:00	Climate Conversations 2018 Director: California Department of Water Resources, Producer: Emily Alejandrino • A series of short videos featuring tribal members across the State, discussing their perspectives of and experiences with a changing climate, and how it is affecting their livelihoods and culture.
12:36 PM Runtime: 0:56:00	Once We Had A River 2014 Director: Jack Kohler, Producer: On Native Ground • The San Luis Rey River is responsible for the Spanish naming of the Luiseno people, and now it is rarely seen flowing on the 5 reservations which it runs through. Follow Tribal leaders of the Pauma, Pala, La Jolla, Rincon, and San Pasqual Indian Reservations that relied on the San Luis Rey River for drinking water and irrigation as they highlight 60 years of litigation to preserve their Tribal Water Rights.

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1:33 PM Runtime: 1:14:00	Gather • 2020 Director: Sanjay Rawal, Producer: First Nations Development Institute, A-dae Briones, Jennifer Buffet, Wendy Schmidt, Jason Momoa, Tanya Meillier, Sterlin Harjo • Gather is an intimate portrait amongst Native Americans to reclaim their spiritual, political and cultural identities through food sovereignty, while battling the trauma of centuries of genocide. Gather follows Tribal community members from around the country as they work to achieve this mission of healing.
2:50 PM Runtime: 0:37:00	Paya: The Water Story of the Paiute 2017 Director: Jenna Cavelle, Producer: Owens Valley Indian Water Commission • The untold story of America's longest lived war between the Owens Valley Paiute and the City of Los Angeles. Interviews, 2-D animation, and archival information documents the history of the Owens Valley Paiute as builders and managers of intricate water systems prior to diversion of the Owens River through construction of the Los Angeles Aqueduct.
3:30 PM Runtime: 0:22:00	Killing the Klamath 2021 Director: Jeff Ostenson, Charles Atkinson, Producer: Taylor R. Tupper • Known for its scenic beauty and spectacular wildlife, the Klamath Basin also sees its share of controversy as communities grapple with how to meet the water needs of people, farms, and fish. Told by Tribal leaders and scientists, Killing the Klamath explores the causes, consequences, and potential solutions to toxic algae blooms in Upper Klamath Lake that are driving C'waam and Koptu fish to extinction.
3:53 PM Runtime: 0:01:37	The Theft of Fire 2017 Director: Desiree Walker • This is a short, animated story about coyote bringing fire to people. The story is adapted from the Miwok/Yokut story as told by Bill White and Captain Charlie among Chukchansi natives. The printed version of the story in which this animation is derived from can be found in A. L. Kroeber's book, "Indian Myths of South Central California."

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Salton Sea presented by James Newcomb, Mario Llanos, Evon Willhoff, and Miguel Hernandez

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