

29th Annual

# **INTER-TRIBAL ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL CONFERENCE**



July 23-24, 2024

**HARD ROCK HOTEL & CASINO**

777 West Cherokee Street

Catoosa, OK 74015

# AT A GLANCE

## TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024

8:00 am - 9:30 am: Continental Breakfast  
8:00 am - 4:00 pm: Registration Open  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm: Exhibits Open  
9:00 am - 9:30 am: Opening Ceremonies  
9:30 am - 11:00 am: Plenary Session  
11:00 am - 12:00 pm: ITEC Meeting  
12:00 pm - 1:30 pm: Lunch Break (on your own)  
1:30 pm - 5:00 pm: Breakout Sessions

## WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024

8:00 am - 9:30 am: Continental Breakfast  
8:00 am - 3:00 pm: Registration Open  
8:00 am - 4:30 pm: Exhibits Open  
9:00 am - 11:50 am: Breakout Sessions  
11:50 am - 1:00 pm: Lunch Break (on your own)  
1:00 pm - 4:10 pm: Breakout Sessions

**Continental breakfast/refreshments will be served in the exhibit hall daily.**

# TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024

8:00 am - 9:30 am: Continental Breakfast: *Sequoyah 5/6*

8:00 am - 4:00 pm: Registration Open: *Lobby*

8:00 am - 5:00 pm: Exhibits Open: *Sequoyah 5/6*

9:00 am - 11:00 am: Opening Ceremonies: *Sequoyah 1/2/3*

Emcee: *Shaun West, Cherokee Nation/ITEC*

Presentation of Colors: *Cherokee Nation Color Guard*

Drum Group: *Tulsa Indian Club*

Cherokee National Youth Choir Performance

Invocation: *James Williams, Muscogee Nation*

Plenary Session:

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Screening & Discussion

*Loren Waters, Director/Producer*

*Rebecca Jim, Producer, Executive Director LEAD Agency*

*Pam Kingfisher, Cherokee Water Protector*

*Jared Wahkinney, Moderator, Indigenous Communities Project  
Manager, National Park Service*

11:00 am - 12:00 pm: ITEC Meeting: *Sequoyah 1/2/3*

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

1:30 pm - 4:20 pm: Breakout Sessions

# TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2024

Time	Sequoyah 1	Sequoyah 2	Sequoyah 3
1:30 pm - 2:20 pm	<p><i>"Demonstration: New Federal Sustainability &amp; Environmental Justice Online Toolkits",</i> Andrea Taylor, Indian Health Service</p> <p><i>"Cherokee Nation Brownfields Video &amp; Resource Tool Demo",</i> Chelsea Jones, Cherokee Nation/ITEC</p>	<p><i>"PFAS Updates for 2024",</i> Dr. Kenneth Ede, KFE &amp; Associates, LLC</p> <p><i>"PFAS Methods &amp; Sampling",</i> Dr. Ali Fazel, Accurate Environmental Labs</p>	<p><i>"Tribal Accomplishments &amp; USDA Funding",</i> Dr. Carol Crouch, Troy Marshall, Cody Parker, Mattie Alewine &amp; Kenneth Corn, U.S. Department of Agriculture</p>
2:30 pm - 3:15 pm	<p><i>"Comanche Nation's Updates Regarding Westwind Elements Refinery",</i> Christina Cooper &amp; Tito Lindsey, Comanche Nation</p>	<p><i>"Indoor Air Quality: Everything BESIDES Mold",</i> Neil Brown, CIH, CSP, Southwest Environmental Training Institute</p>	<p><i>"Rainwater Harvesting Program",</i> Jacob Shaffer, U.S. Department of Agriculture</p>
<p><b>3:15 pm - 3:30 pm      Refreshments (Sequoyah 5/6)</b></p>			
3:30 pm - 4:20 pm	<p><i>"Pentachlorophenol: Killing it is no Longer a Mistique!",</i> Jami Olson, Great Bear Technologies/DeepEarth Technologies</p>	<p><i>"Tribal Orphaned Wells Program",</i> Trent Luellen &amp; Tiger Carman, Muscogee Nation</p>	<p><i>"Bureau of Indian Affairs Branch of Tribal Climate Resilience: FY24 RFP Updates",</i> Sheena Schemm, Bureau of Indian Affairs</p>

# WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024

Time	Sequoyah 1	Sequoyah 2	Sequoyah 3
9:00 am - 9:50 am	<i>"Integration of Environmental Monitoring Data for Tribal Consortia"</i> , Mark LeBaron, Gold Systems & Shawna Littlecrow, Otoe-Missouria Tribe	<i>"Assessment of Mercury Concentrations in Water and Fish Tissue Analysis in Kaw Lake"</i> , Emily Douglas, Kaw Nation  <i>"How to Use Federal Funding to Engage and Encourage Native Youth to Become the Next Generation of Environmental Stewards"</i> , Brandon Worcester & Cameron Roberts, Caddo Nation, Sarah Williams & Bryce Emhoolah, Comanche Nation	<i>"Materials Recycling Facility Assessment: Conducting A Recyclables Characterization"</i> , Wes Davis, Modoc Nation
10:00 am - 10:50 am	<i>"106 &amp; 319 Challenges"</i> , Curry Blankenship & Andrew Thomas, Muscogee Nation	<i>"Recolonizing Black Bears in Eastern Oklahoma"</i> , Sue Fairbanks, Oklahoma State University	<i>"Feral Swine Control Efforts"</i> , Ryan Williams, Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, & Forestry
11:00 am - 11:50 am	<i>"Back By Popular Demand! MCN UST"</i> , Judy Ausmus, Muscogee Nation  <i>"UST R6 Round Up"</i> , David Hayes, Cherokee Nation/ITEC	<i>"From Remediation to Restoration: A Tar Creek Story"</i> , Summer King, Quapaw Nation  <i>"ITEC Superfund Program Overview"</i> , Chelsea Jones, Cherokee Nation/ITEC	<i>"Rich in Culture and Tradition"</i> , Garland Kent, Jr., Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma

# WEDNESDAY, JULY 24, 2024

Time	Sequoyah 1	Sequoyah 2	Sequoyah 3
<b>11:50 am - 1:00 pm Lunch</b> (on your own)			
<b>1:00 pm</b> - <b>1:50 pm</b>	<p><b><i>"Eastern Shawnee's Lost Creek Restoration Project"</i></b>, Kristy Laughlin, Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma</p> <p><b><i>"Peoria Tribe's Mussel Restoration Project"</i></b>, Erin Barnes, Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma</p>	<p><b><i>"Transforming Okchamali (Green) Data"</i></b>, Blake Robinson, Choctaw Nation</p> <p><b><i>"Tribal Exchange Network Group Updates"</i></b>, April Hathcoat, Cherokee Nation/ITEC</p>	<p><b><i>"DOE Update on Strengthening Tribal Energy Sovereignty"</i></b>, David Conrad, U.S. Department of Energy</p>
<b>2:00 pm</b> - <b>2:50 pm</b>	<p><b><i>"HUD Environmental Field Officer Assistance to Tribes"</i></b>, John Derinzy, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development</p>	<p><b><i>"Institute of American Indian Arts Land-Grant Programs Weave Agriculture, Habitat Restoration, and Pollinator Conservation Through Art, Science, and Stewardship"</i></b>, Melanie Kirby, The Institute of American Indian Arts</p>	<p><b><i>"Environmental Considerations in Emergency Response"</i></b>, Brad Wagnon, Cherokee Nation</p>
<b>2:50 pm - 3:20 pm Refreshments (Sequoyah 5/6)</b>			
<b>3:20 pm</b> - <b>4:10 pm</b>	<p><b><i>"Wild Turkey Research in Oklahoma"</i></b>, Colter Chitwood, Oklahoma State University</p>	<p><b><i>"Productive Produce: How CNEP's Office Garden Benefits its Employees"</i></b>, Laura Downing, Cherokee Nation/ITEC</p>	<p><b><i>"Talking Leaves to Lightening Paper"</i></b>, Joseph ᏊᏊᏪ Erb, Cherokee Citizen</p>

# THANK YOU TO OUR PRESENTERS!

Accurate Environmental Labs	Modoc Nation
Bureau of Indian Affairs	Muscogee Nation
Caddo Nation	National Park Service
Cherokee Nation/ITEC	Oklahoma State University
Choctaw Nation	Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, & Forestry
Comanche Nation	Otoe Missouria Tribe
DeepEarth Technologies/Great Bear Technologies	Pam Kingfisher
Eastern Shawnee Tribe of Oklahoma	Peoria Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
Gold Systems	Ponca Tribe of Indians of Oklahoma
Indian Health Service	Quapaw Nation
Institute of American Indian Arts	Southwest Environmental Training Institute
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