

### **2023 Annual Gathering**

"Engaging Communities for a Thriving Future"

### March 22-24, 2023 University of Arizona Tucson, AZ

- Cultural Immersion
- Guest Speakers
- Networking
- Student Programming

#### More Info at:

https://resilience.arizona.edu/events/2023-annual-native-fews-gathering

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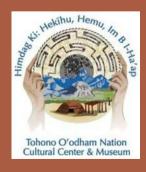












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### 2023 Annual Gathering Goals:

- 1. Address urgent FEWS challenges in Indigenous communities.
- 2. Co-develop integrated, Indigenous, place-based FEWS curricula, mentoring, and practice experiences.
- 3. Transform institutional STEM fields to be relevant and accessible to Indigenous communities.
- 4. Use curricula and interventions to recruit, retain and graduate Indigenous students to pursue higher education and careers in FEWS and bring their knowledge back to their communities.

#### **Zoom Link:**



# "Engaging Communities for a Thriving Future"

The FEWS Alliance vision is to build a diverse workforce at the nexus of Food, Energy and Water Systems, and design curricula and mentoring that combine Indigenous ways of learning with physical sciences and engineering methodologies.

The 2023 Annual Gathering theme, "Engaging Communities for a Thriving Future," focuses on efforts to bring together members of tribal communities and university representatives, and alliance members to discuss ways to prepare our students in the realm of FEWS.

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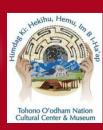












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## LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT:

We respectfully acknowledge the University of Arizona is on the land and territories of Indigenous peoples. Today, Arizona is home to 22 federally recognized tribes, with Tucson being home to the O'odham and the Yaqui. Committed to diversity and inclusion, the University strives to build sustainable relationships with sovereign Native Nations and Indigenous communities through education offerings, partnerships, and community service.





# COVID-19 INFORMATION:

COVID-19 is still present in our communities. We are asking that all attendees do their best to mitigate risk of exposure during the gathering.

This includes compliance with all COVID-19 guidelines that are in place during the Native FEWS Alliance Annual Gathering. This includes locations such as the University of Arizona, Tohono O'odham Nation, Tohono O'odham Community College and South Tucson.

#### TOCC

The TOCC Board of Trustees approved the following update to our COVID-19 vaccination requirements during their regular meeting on December 9: "Fully vaccinated' shall be understood to include booster shots recommended by the Center for Disease Control (CDC). TOCC administration will identify, publish, and enforce reasonable dates for implementation of this requirement."

Pursuant the above, TOCC is hereby requiring all full-time and part-time staff members and full-time faculty members to provide proof of receiving a booster shot by February 1, 2022. The same requirement applies to all persons coming onto the TOCC campus and sites (excluding San Carlos Apache) effective February 1, 2022. This also applies to adjunct faculty whose duties require them to be present in person at a TOCC site. It also applies to TOCC students and community members who seek access to TOCC campus and sites.

Please submit Covid-19 Vaccination cards here: https://forms.gle/nC1uqtcDRjwhZEjW7

#### TON Museum

Mask mandates and temperature checks are in effect for the Tohono O'odham Nation.

#### **University of Arizona**

Mask mandates are encourage at the University of Arizona.



### AGENDA: Wednesday, March 22, 2023

North Side ENR2 6:25am Meet at UA Vehicles

**6:35am** Depart of University of Arizona

**6:45am** Meet at Buses

**7:00am** Depart for Tohono O'odham Community College

8:30am Arrive & check-In at Tohono O'odham Community College

8:30am-9:00am Grab & go breakfast

#### TOHONO O'ODHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE AMPHITHEATRE

**9:00am** Welcome from Tohono O'odham Community College

Paul Robertson, PhD, President, Tohono O'odham Community College

Ofelia Zepeda, PhD, Chairwoman, Tohono O'odham Community College Board of Trustees

Ned Norris Jr., PhD. Chairman, Tohono O'odham Nation

#### TOHONO O'ODHAM COMMUNITY COLLEGE PROGRAMMING

Group Colors: RED BLUE PURPLE

**GOLD** 

#### 9:30am-12:00pm

Demo 1: 9:30am-10:00am Mesquite Cookies: Yvette Ventura (I-We:mta Ki: Wapto)

Demo 2: 10:10am-10:40am Traditional Foods: Jacelle Ramon-Sauberan (I-We:mta Ki: Patio)

Demo 3: 10:50am-11:20am Apedag Ki: Drew Harris (Apedag Ki:)

Demo 4: 11:30am12:00pm O'odham Jewed - TOCC Ag Extension and Office of Sustainability

(Under Tent)

#### TOCC Board Room -

#### AIHEC & TOCC ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING TIME: TBD

I-We:mta Ki: Kitchen **12:00pm-12:45pm** Lunch (I-We:mta Ki: Kitchen)

Tepary beans and short ribs, green salad with Ciolim, ratatouille, wheat roll, agave sweet tea, and unsweet tea, frybread dessert

**12:45pm** Depart for Tohono O'odham Himdag Ki:

Indigenous Correspondents Depart for Tucson

**1:30pm** Arrive at Tohono O'odham Himdag Ki:

Tohono O'odham Nation Culture and History Museum



### AGENDA: Wednesday, March 22, 2023

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Ki:			Museum Administrator							
	Naomi Tom, Curator of Education  TOHONO O'ODHAM NATION HIMDAG KI: PROGRAMMING									
Himdag										
Ki:	2.00pm 4.40pm	Demo 1: 2-3:15pm	2) Nacho Flores - Basket Making							
		Demo 2: 3:30-4:45pm	3) Kathy Vance - Pottery 3) Teresa Choyguha - Pottery							
			4) Keith Norris - Silhouette Painting							
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North Side ENR2	7:00pm	Arrive at ENR2 Northsic	de							
	7:00pm	Dinner on Your Own								



### AGENDA: Thursday, March 23, 2023

7:30am Meet at UA Vehicles

7:45am Depart for University of Arizona (ENR2)

ENR2 604 8:00am-9:00am Native FEWS Alliance Leadership Sponsored Breakfast hosted by University of Arizona

ENR2
Court Yard

8:00am-9:00am Registration/Check-in Breakfast

ENR2 S107

9:00am-9:50am Blessing & Morning Welcome

Blessing and Housekeeping Items

Miguel Flores Jr., LISAC, CSOTS, Chief Executive Officer, Holistic Wellness Counseling & Consultant Services, LLC

Daniel Sestiaga Jr., MPH, Program Manager, Indigenous Resilience Center, University of Arizona

Morning Welcome

Levi Esquerra, Senior Vice-President, Native American Advancement and Tribal Engagement Herminia Frias, Council Member, Pascua Yaqui Tribe Betsy Woodhouse, Associate Director, Arizona Institute for Resilience

Principal Investigators

Alice Agogino, PhD, University of California, Berkeley Karletta Chief, PhD, University of Arizona

ENR2 S107 9:50am-10:45am State of FEWS in the Southwest

Nicole Yanes, NDN Collective Pennelys Droz, NDN Collective

ENR2
Court Yard

10:45am-11:00am Coffee Break

ENR2 S107 **11:00am-11:50am** Native FEWS in Practice: Perspectives from Tribal Professionals and Departments

Clifford Pablo, Farm Manager/Extension Agent, Tohono O'odham Community College Joyce Miguel, Farm Manager Assistant, Tohono O'odham Community College Pennelys Droz, NDN Collective

Herminia Frias, Pascua Yaqui Council (Invited)

Roman Orona, Environmental Programs Manager, Ak-Chin Indian Community (Invited)



### AGENDA: Thursday, March 23, 2023

ENR2
Court Yard

12:00pm-12:45pm Lunch

#### 1:00PM-3:00PM - TENTATIVE ADVISORY BOARD MEETING

**ENR2 S215** 

1:00pm-1:50pm Student Session: Panel and Mixer

IndigeFEWSS and Native FEWS Student Participants

**ENR2 S107** 

**2:10pm-3:00pm** STAR School: Decolonizing Curriculum through K-8 Faculty Engagement

Karletta Chief, PhD, Professor & Extension Specialist, Environmental Science, University of Arizona Valerie Shirley, PhD, Associate Professor of Indigenous Education, College of Education, University of Arizona Andy LaFrate, PhD, Assistant Principal, The STAR School

Alberta Nells, Faculty, The STAR School

Sean Ryan, M.S., Research Associate, Center for Science Teaching and Learning, Northern Arizona University

Nugent 2nd Floor

3:00pm-3:15pm Tour of Native American Student Affairs/University of Arizona

Brandi Espuma, Native American Student Affairs Program Coordinator, University of Arizona

ENR2 Court Yard & S107

3:00pm-3:15pm Coffee Break

ENR2 S107

**3:15pm-4:00pm** Building a Liaison Certificate in FEWS: Considerations and Next Steps

David Mays, Professor in Department of Civil Engineering and ESIL Co-Director, University of Colorado Denver Rafael Moreno Sanchez, Professor in Department of Geography and Environmental Sciences and ESIL Co-Director, University of Colorado Denver

Timberley Roane, Associate Professor in Department of Integrative Biology and ESIL Co-Director, University of Colorado Denver

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Christine Velez, Associate Director at The Evaluation Center and ESIL Advisory Board Member, University of Colorado Denver



### AGENDA: Thursday, March 23, 2023

**ENR2 S215** 

**3:15pm-4:00pm** Cultivating Indigenous Transferable Skills to Guide Your Professional Journey

Veronica Hirsch, American Indian College Fund

ENR2 S107 **4:00pm-5:30pm** Evaluation and Reflection Everyone; Facilitated by Evaluation Team

5:30pm Free Evening/Dinner on Your Own

Marriott Hotel

**6:30pm** Program Leads Dinner



**S210** 

S215

**S225** 

Mentoring Ladder II

Mentoring Ladder I

**TCUs** 

Preparing a FEWS Ready Workforce

	8:00am Meet at UA Vehicles
	8:15am Depart for University of Arizona (ENR2)
ENR2 S107	8:30am-9:00am Morning Blessing & Breakfast  Miguel Flores Jr., LISAC, CSOTS, Chief Executive Officer, Holistic Wellness Counseling & Consultant Services, LLC
ENR2 S107	9:00am-9:45am Agriculture: Perspectives on the Past, Present and Future  Michael Kotutwa Johnson, PhD, Assistant Specialist at the School of Natural Resources and the Environment,  Associate Faculty, Indigenous Resilience Center  Trent Teegerstrom, University of Arizona (Invited)  Ginger Sykes-Torres, United States Department of Agriculture  Amy Juan, San Savier Coop  Padgley Gonzales, Intertribal Agriculture Council
ENR2 S107	<b>10:00am</b> NIC Agenda Overview  Cheryl Schwab, PhD., UC Berkeley
ENR2 S107	<b>10:15am</b> Overview of Networked Improvement Communities  Karletta Chief, PhD., University of Arizona
ENR2 S107	<b>10:30am</b> Introduction to the Native FEWS Alliance NIC Clusters  Karletta Chief, PhD., University of Arizona
ENR2 S107	11:00am-1:00pm NIC Clusters: Breakout Sessions 5 breakout groups  K-12/Community  Montaring Ladder II



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12:30pm-1:00pm Lunch

#### ENR2 S107

**1:00pm-2:00pm** Cluster Report Out Presentation *Kathy Isaacson, AIHEC* 

ENR2 S107 2:00pm-2:45pm Final Plenary Discussion

Kathy Isaacson, AIHEC

ENR2 S107

2:45pm-3:00pm Closing of the Cluster Sessions

ENR2 S107 3:00pm-3:50pm Final Reflections

**Evaluation Team** 

**ENR2 S107** 

**3:50pm-4:00pm** Closing of Alliance Annual Gathering Sessions

Daniel Sestiaga Jr., University of Arizona

North Side **ENR2** 

6:00pm Meet at Buses

North Side **ENR2** 

6:15pm Depart for Cafe Santa Rosa

CAFE SANTA ROSA (SOUTH TUCSON)

**6:30pm** Closing Dinner

Dinner Blessing- Anselmo Ramon Dinner Served Music: South Image Band

Keynote Address: Native FEWS Alliance PIs

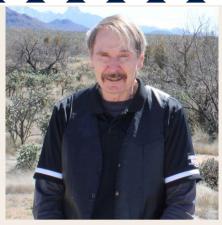
Music: South Image Band

Give Away Dance- Tohono O'odham Nation Youth Council
Departing Blessing



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	9:45pm	Depart for ENR2	
North Side ENR2	10:00pm	Arrive at ENR2	





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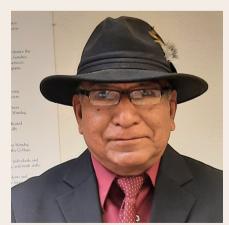
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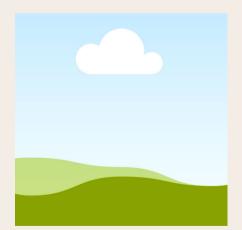
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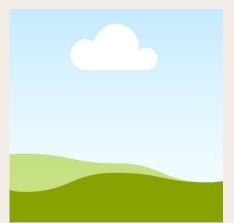
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