



DAY 1 - WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19, 2020

7:30 **Breakfast, Registration and Networking**

9:00-9:15

Opening:

Welcome – Rincon Band of Luiseño Indians Tribal Council
Opening Remarks – La Vonne Peck, Native Network

9:15 – 10:15



HEMP, HEMP, Hooray! Hemp is on the Horizon!

Rick Trojan: Founder Hemp Road Trip & Co-host Let's Talk Hemp podcast

Description: Travelling to 6 continents in 2019, Rick is witness to the global hemp reformation. From farm to retail, Rick travels the globe learning about cultivation, processing & manufacturing, distribution and overall potential of cannabis. He will share with us how he has seen the industry change globally, where he sees it headed, mistakes and successes along the way as well as his ideas on how to best be positioned for the next 10 years. Hemp Road Trip's mission is to increase awareness on industrial hemp through a global grassroots campaign. Rick's work showcases the benefits of the plant for its multipurpose use; health, energy, manufacturing, planet.

10:15 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:00



Tribal Green Symposium Vision, Goals and Overview of Industry

La Vonne Peck & Niki Vandenburg, Native Network

Description: Our goal is to provide you information to take back to your Tribal Nations so you can decide how this plant can bring economic revenue to your Tribe, be it health and beauty, manufacturing, textiles, building materials, plastics, energy, nutraceuticals and pharmaceuticals that serve animals and humans to name a few. We will give you an overview of where Tribes are, industry challenges and how Tribes can be a leader in the Green Industry.

11:00 – 11:30

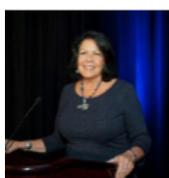


The Cannabis Plant as Seen Historically in Tribal Communities

Muriel Young Bear

Description: With a deep love for her Tribal history, Muriel has uncovered unique Hemp artifacts which prove that her own Tribe, as well as others, have used Hemp in everyday life! She will share her experiences in the growing Industrial Hemp history, from a Tribal perspective. Muriel is an enrolled member of the Meskwaki Tribe.

11:30 – 12:00



Finance and Banking: Future of Banking in Green Industry

VaRene Martin, First Vice President, Director of Tribal and Corporate Relations,

Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA)

Description: As the green industries expand, banking is slowly incorporating hemp and cannabis. With the passing of the Farm Bill 2018, there have been bills introduced to allow financial services to be provided to industrial hemp businesses. VaRene will provide an update on these services. VaRene Martin is an enrolled citizen of Thlopthlocco Tribal Town, Mvskoke (Creek) Nation. VaRene serves on the board of the Native American Finance Officers Association (NAFOA) as the 1st Vice President and Director of Tribal & Corporate Relations. She acts as Tribal Advisor for FS Advisors in a business development capacity. She serves as an advisory board member to the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of California, the American Indian Chamber of Commerce of Oklahoma, a member of and Co-Chair of the National Congress of American Indian's (NCAI) Economic Development, Finance, and Employment Subcommittee.

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12:00 – 1:00

Lunch

1:00 - 2:00

Tribal Leader Panel: Visions and Current Projects Taking Place Today
Fred Nelson Jr., Tribal Chairman, La Jolla Band of Luiseño Indians
Joseph Rupnick, Tribal Chairman, Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation
Brandie Taylor, Tribal Chairwoman, Iipay Nation of Santa Ysabel
Everett Baxter, Tribal Council Member, Omaha Tribe of Nebraska

2:00 – 2:30



Tribal Manufacturing Company: Using Hemp in Existing Production
Robert Huff- General Manager, Dakota Western Corp., Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation

Description: At Dakota Western Corporation, a plastic film manufacturer, General Manager Robert Huff is working hard to see how he can incorporate hemp into making a biodegradable plastic bag option. Robert will share with us his vision and experience of using hemp as a raw material at an existing manufacturing facility.

2:30 – 3:00



Growing and Harvesting Solutions for Hemp Producers
Jacob Bish, Bish Enterprises and Hemp Harvest Works

Description: Bish Enterprises located in Nebraska has been at the forefront of the Hemp industry and is working diligently to provide quality solutions for planting and harvesting. Jacob Bish will share the equipment needs for this crop and the equipment they have available for farmers. Jacob will also discuss the current crop insurance available to hemp crops.

3:00 – 3:15

Break

3:15 – 4:15



U.S. Department of Agriculture and Agriculture Marketing Services
Fiona Pexton, Marketing Specialist, USDA AMS

Description: Fiona Pexton has worked as a Marketing Specialist for USDA's Agricultural Marketing Service for the past four years and has worked with the hemp program for the past year. Prior to joining USDA, Fiona was an agricultural volunteer with Peace Corps where she spent two years living in a rural community in Zambia and an additional year working for a USAID funded development project focused on agriculture, nutrition, health, income and gender equity. She currently lives and works in Washington, D.C

4:15 – 5:00

Day 1 Question and Answer & Wrap Up

5:00 – 7:00

Reception at Rincon Reservation Road Brewery
Sponsored by Rincon Economic Development Corporation



DAY 2 - THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2020

7:30 **Breakfast and Networking**

9:00 - 9:15 **Opening:**
Opening Remarks - La Vonne Peck, Native Network

9:15-10:15 **Hemp is an Undedicated Plant: Where Does Your Tribe Fit In?**



La Vonne Peck and Niki Vandenburg

Description: The industry segments are building and we are creating demand for the use of hemp rapidly. At this time, hemp is not a commodity product. The Hemp industry needs regional processing, that can take on using all parts of the plant. 100% of the hemp plant is useable and can be processed for a vast array of uses; from building houses, pet industry, tools and equipment, raw material for plastics, anti-inflammatory medicine, high protein food additive and much more. We will discuss the industry segments and where it is projected to grow.

10:15 - 10:30 **Break**

10:30 - 11:00 **Success and Challenge of Cannabis on Tribal Lands**



Brandi Taylor, Lipay Nation of Santa Ysabel

Description: The Santa Ysabel Tribe has been involved in the medicinal and recreational cannabis market in California since 2015. Chairwoman Taylor will share how the Tribe decided to enter into this industry and what the journey has been for the past 5 years.

11:00- - 11:45 **Lab Testing: Ensuring Quality and Compliance**



Matt Haskin, CEO, Certus Analytics Laboratory

Description: Matt Haskin was the founder and previous CEO of CannaSafe Analytics, which, under his vision and leadership, became the first cannabis laboratory in the United States to be awarded an ISO 17025:2005 accreditation in 2012. A serial entrepreneur, Matt struck upon the concept of a medical cannabis laboratory in late 2009 after observing close family and friends struggle with concerns over the safety of the cannabis they used as medicine. With no industry established protocols or methods for testing cannabis, Matt set out to develop a lab that would set the standard and earn the trust of its clients. Matt now heads up Certus Analytics, a BCC licensed California cannabis compliance laboratory.

11:45 - 12:00 **Q and A Time**

12:00 - 1:00 **Lunch**

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1:00 – 1:30



Emerging Markets Create Unique Economic Development Possibilities

Lawrence Serbin, CEO, Hemp Traders, Chairman of Industrial Hemp Advisory Board, California

Description: As the markets mature, hemp and cannabis bring unique economic development opportunities. Mr. Serbin has operated Hemp Traders for 25 years, established as the country's oldest and largest company selling hemp textiles and products. Tribes can look at the unlimited possibilities of products that can be made from hemp and craft a vertically integrated business to drive their economy. Mr. Serbin will share his experience with creating Hemp Board, a construction product similar to fiber board. All three areas of hemp will be examined as well as the hemp supply chain grower, processor, manufacturer, retailer, supporter.

1:30 - 2:30



Cultivation: Understanding Agriculture and the Future of Industrial Hemp

Bill Billings, Founder, Colorado Hemp Project

Description: Bill "Wild" Billings is a hemp farmer to the core! Bill's knowledge of farming and agriculture is assisting growers across the globe as they launch farms. As a founder in the Colorado Hemp Project, Bill operates a seed company providing high quality strains for CBD and fiber. Sustainable agriculture is his passion and part the founding team of Colorado Hemp Project is comprised of multiple generations of successful commercial farmers who understand the importance of taking care of the earth.

2:30 – 3:15



The Global Economy: Importing and Exporting Products

Sarah Yetman, CEO, Sovereign Port

Description: Sarah Yetman founded Sovereign Ports and will explain how the process of importing and exporting has been successful for her clients. Sovereign Ports provides CBD shipping and logistics solutions utilizing Foreign Trade Zones. With complete supply chain visibility, her company pre-clears U.S. Customs and is able to bypass various tariffs and taxes with the use of FTZs.

3:15 – 3:30

Break with Snacks

3:30 – 4:15



Hemp Feed Coalition

Hunter Buffington

Description: Hunter Buffington has been working diligently to include the power of the hemp plant in the pet food industry. While the process is quite lengthy due to the clinical trials and research necessary to gain FDA approval for animal feed, she has taken a leading role nationwide in these efforts. Hunter will share with us the status of including hemp in pet food and the opportunities for research and development as well as the benefits and potentials in this industry.

4:15 – 5:00



Farm Bill 2018: What it Means for Tribal Lands / Q and A

La Vonne Peck and Niki Vandenburg, Native Network

Description: Native Network Consulting wrote one of the first three USDA approved plans, announced on December 27, 2019. We will discuss the status of Tribal plans, required components and allow time for questions and answers based on the process outlined in the Interim Final Rule from Department of Agriculture. We will provide an open discussion forum for Tribal leaders to share information, ask questions and collaborate on moving forward during this exciting and historical time.

5:00

Symposium Close