



# **Tribal Green Symposium** **May 25-26, 2021**



Rincon Indian Reservation, Harrahs Resort & Casino, Valley Center, CA

## **Day 1 Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

9:30 **Registration and Networking**

10:00 **Opening:** Welcome – Bo Mazzetti, Chairman Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians  
Opening Remarks – La Vonne Peck, Native Network  
Albert Dun, Dun Agro Hemp Group

10:15 – 11:45 **Use of Cannabis for Serious and Chronic Medical Conditions**



### **Dr. Bonni Goldstein**

**Description:** Bonni S. Goldstein, M.D. is the Medical Director of Canna-Centers Wellness and Education, a California-based medical practice devoted to educating patients about the use of cannabis for serious and chronic medical conditions. After years of working in the specialty of Pediatric Emergency medicine, she developed an interest in the science of medical cannabis after witnessing its beneficial effects in an ill friend. Over the last 13 years she has evaluated thousands of patients for use of medical cannabis and is recognized as an expert in the clinical application of cannabis therapeutics. She has a special interest in treating children with intractable epilepsy, autism, cancer and other conditions.

11:45 – 12:30 **Tribal Green Symposium Vision, Goals and Overview of Green Industry for Tribes**

### **La Vonne Peck, Native Network**



**Description:** Our goal is to give 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 where Tribes are, challenges and how Tribes can be a leader in the Green Industry.

12:30 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 1:45 **Regulating Hemp on Tribal Lands**



### **Charlie Galbraith, Partner, Jenner and Block Law Firm & Navajo Nation Citizen**

**Description:** Charles W. Galbraith is co-chair of the firm's Native American Law Practice and a partner in the Government Controversies and Public Policy Litigation Practice, and the Government Relations Practice. Drawing on his decade of experience in the federal government as a member of the White House staff, a federal prosecutor and Senate staff, Mr. Galbraith represents tribal governments, businesses and individuals navigating complex and interconnected legal, political and policy challenges.

1:45 – 2:15

### **Hemp In Our History**

#### **Muriel Youngbear, Hemp Director, Prairie Band Ag Inc. & Meskwaki Member**

**Description:** "Muriel Young Bear is a member of the Meskwaki Tribe in Tama, Iowa and has been an avid industrial hemp advocate and business professional. She has experience in Industrial Hemp research programs since 2019, at both the State and Tribal level. Her work is primarily in education and cultivation, with a huge focus on developing domestic supply chain opportunities on reservations. Currently, she has taken on the role of Hemp operations manager at Prairie Band Ag, LLC, a subsidiary of Prairie Band LLC; wholly owned by the Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation in Mayetta, KS."

2:15 – 3:15

### **Tribal Panel**

Pauma Tribal Economic Development Committee  
Prairie Band Potawatomi Nation, Prairie Ag LLC  
Omaha Tribe of Nebraska  
Tribal Hemp and Cannabis Magazine

**Description:** This panel reflects a diverse group of Tribal representatives operating businesses in hemp and cannabis industries. They will share their experiences, vision and current projects.

3:15 – 4:30

### **Creating Tribal Regulatory Oversight Departments**

#### **Niki Vandenburg**

**Description:** This session will focus on how Tribes are assuming regulatory oversight for projects under the USDA Hemp Program as well as Tribally legal cannabis projects. We will also outline ordinance components and various structures for regulatory documents. This will be a Q & A format, so please bring your questions and we do our best to address them.



5:00

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## Day 2 Wednesday, May 26, 2021

8:00 **Breakfast**

9:00-9:30 **Opening:** Opening Remarks - La Vonne Peck, Native Network

9:30-10:30 **Department of Agriculture (USDA) and Agriculture Marketing Services (AMS)**  
William Richmond, Hemp Program Director and Fiona Pexton,  
Marketing Specialist



**Description:** Update on Final Rule and discussion on Tribal Hemp Plans with time for Q & A

10:30 – 11:30 **Agronomy, Farming Practices**

Mike Lewis, National Center for Appropriate Technology



**Description:** Today, Lewis is a regularly sought after speaker and educates audiences on Agrarianism, Regenerative Agriculture, Farm Safety, Veterans in Agriculture and local economics. He also serves as an Advisory Board Member of Growing Warriors.

In addition, Lewis is on the Board of the Hemp Industries Association (HIA) a non-profit trade association representing more than one thousand supporters, farmers and business members serving the hemp industries where he is involved in helping to shape policy, standards and educational resources for farmers. He was the first president of the board of the Kentucky chapter of HIA and is a former member of the KY Hemp commission- the group that crafted Kentucky and federal legislation surrounding the Farm Bill that was passed in January 2019.

He has been recognized as a Farm Aid hero for his work with Veterans and sustainable agriculture and holds the position of director of the KY AgrAbility project at University of Kentucky Cooperative. The vision of AgrAbility is to enhance quality of life for farmers, ranchers, and other agricultural workers with disabilities, so that they, their families, and their communities continue to succeed in rural America.



11:30 – 12:00 **HEMP TRADERS**



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

**Description:** Lawrence Serbin has been in the hemp industry since 1990. He is currently the



president and owner of Hemp Traders, the largest supplier of hemp fabric and fiber products in the country. He is the past president of the Hemp Industries Association and Chair of the California Industrial Hemp Advisory Board. Mr. Serbin has also started the company, Cannagrove to manufacture hemp particle board. Currently he is growing one of the first hemp fiber crops in California and setting up a hemp fiber processing facility.

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch

1:00 – 1:30 **Recognizing Hemp for Animal Feed on a Federal Level**  
**Hunter Buffington, Hemp Feed Coalition**



**Description:** Hunter Buffington is the Executive Director of the Hemp Feed Coalition, a diverse set of stakeholders from across the United States and Canada. The Coalition will play a historic role in the recognition of Hemp as animal feed and creates an opportunity to work across other industries to create new markets and gain FDA approval. As the Executive Director, Hunter utilizes her experience working with regulators, policy makers, nonprofits and businesses to implement strategies for developing our emerging hemp industry. “I believe by celebrating enterprise, supporting our farmers, capitalizing relationships and working together we can change the world.”

1:30 - 2:00 **Tribal Commerce; How Tribes Across the Nation are Engaging**



**Mary Jane Oatman,**

**Description:** Mary Jane Oatman is an enrolled member of the Nez Perce Tribe and descendant of the Delaware Tribe and proud mother of three beautiful people. She is the founder of the Indigenous CANNabis Coalition (ICANNC) and publisher of THC Magazine, host of THC SmokeSignals Podcast and is in the early stages of starting THC Global Media. The mission of Tribal Hemp & Cannabis Global Media (THCGM) is to inform, engage, and connect people around the world in support of the preservation and protection of Indigenous homelands, stories and self.

Mary Jane has been dedicated to the preservation and protection of our Indigenous cultures and the restoration of pre colonial economies in hemp and cannabis through storytelling. She has worked for her tribe, as well as state and federal agencies to elevate the protection of tribal sovereignty and to ensure more effective government to government relationships are stewarded by building bridges between diverse stakeholders. In 2009, Oatman was the youngest member appointed by President Barack Obama to serve on the National Advisory Council on Indian Education, while also serving as the first Director of Indian Education for the state of Idaho.

2:00 - 3:00 **Safe Harbor Credit Union**

**Amanda Mc Comb, Vice President of Safe Harbor Financial**



**Description:** Amanda brings her unique experience to the cannabis and hemp banking conversation with years of hands on experience from the front line to managing and monitoring the credit unions greatest risk; BSA/AML practices. The Cannabis Banking Program has withstood the scrutiny of 14 Federal and States examinations and banks over \$100 million per month in cannabis funds; resulting in more than a 35% market share of the Colorado cannabis industry. As of January 2019, her focus has shifted from the Colorado cannabis banking

program to act as the liaison between Partner Colorado Credit Union and the national expansion of the cannabis program through the Credit Union Service Organization, Safe Harbor Services.

3:00-3:15 **Break with snacks**

3:15 – 4:15 **Farming, Processing, and Manufacturing of Consumable and Commercial HEMP Products**



**Albert Dun, CEO Dun Agro Hemp Group, Oude Pekala, Netherlands**

**Description:** Dun Agro Hemp Group has been operating since 1994, farming and processing hemp. We are extremely honored to have Albert Dun present on his experience working with this plant for 27 years. Dun Agro is a family owned and operated company and they have built the hemp market from the ground up and are now supporting hemp products on a global scale. Dun Agro makes custom fabricated housing panels, animal bedding and fiber insulation materials for automotive and paper industry. This will be a packed hour of information and will spark interest in the opportunities to scale this industry.



4:15 – 5:00 **Discussion, Q & A and Symposium Close**