

Affirming Native Voices: Visibility-Leadership-Service 2024 SAIGE National Training Program



PRE-PROGRAM ACTIVITIES
ALL TIMES ARE PACIFIC TIME ZONE
Items are subject to change

Monday, June 3, 2024

Time	Topic	Location
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM	Exhibitor & Vendor Setup	Pavilion I & II Pav Promenade
8:30 AM - 05:00 PM	Student Program Gathering - JoAnn Brant - Student Leaders/Program participants only	Pavilion III
8:30 AM - 10:00 AM	Planning Committee Meeting	Board Room
10:00 AM - 10:30 AM	Registration Volunteers Meeting	Kalispel N
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Moderators' Review Meeting	Kalispel N
	<i>Lunch on your own</i>	
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Registration	Pav Promenade
	Agency Forums	
8:30 AM - 5:00 PM	<i>EPA</i>	Kalispel B
1:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<i>Other</i>	Kalispel N
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	Introduction to SAIGE: Informal session presented by SAIGE official	Kalispel A
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	Evening Cultural Reception - All are Welcome- Food will be served	Pavilion IV

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Opening of SAIGE National Training Program

Tuesday, June 4: Morning Opening Plenary

Time	Topic & Speaker	Location
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Coffee, tea, continental	Pavilion I & II
7:30 AM -	Smudging	TBA -outdoors
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Registration	Pav Promenade
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Pavilion I & II
8:30 AM - 8:45 AM	Opening of the National Training Program Presentation of Colors- Spokane Tribal Veterans, Veterans' Honoring Song	Pavilion IV
8:45 AM - 9:00 AM	Opening Remarks - Fredericka Joseph, Chair, SAIGE Board of Directors	
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Welcome JR Bluff, Kalispel Language Director	
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	DOI Leadership - Tracy Goodluck, Senior Advisor to Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs - Charles Sams, Director, National Park Service - Recorded Message	
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	SAIGE Student Program Overview - JoAnn Brant, Human Capital Support Specialist, Environmental Protection Agency	
10:15 AM - 10:30 AM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	The Rights of Indians and Tribes - Stephen Pevar, Lecturer in Law, Yale Law School	
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP) - Bree Black Horse, Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Washington	
11:20 AM - 11:25 AM	Wrap up - Announcements	
11: 45 AM - 1:00 PM	Luncheon for all registrants Stephen Pevar Book signing - Exhibit Hall	Pavilion IV Pavilion I & II

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Tuesday, June 4: Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Time/Track	Topic & Speaker	Location
1:30 PM - 2:45 PM Federal Indian Law/ Indian Country	Honoring Tribal Sovereignty Through Government Service - Luke Jones, SAIGE - Loretta Tulle, Esq.	Kalispel N/S
Natural Resources/ Culture	Bison and Healthy Indigenous Foods- Tribal Food Sovereignty - Ben Jacobs, Chef, Co-Founder of Tocabe: An American Indian Eatery	Kalispel B
Professional Development	Cross Generational Communication: How All Five Generations Can Work Together Effectively - Cynthia Dunn, Director, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI)	Kalispel A
EEO/DEIA	ABC's of Disability Accommodations - Dexter Brooks, Director, Federal Sector Programs, EEOC	Kalispel C
2:45 PM - 3:10 PM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
3:10 PM - 4:25 PM Federal Indian Law/ Indian Country	Beyond Consultation: Maintaining Gov-to-Gov Partnerships Over Time - Jill A. Conrad, Tribal Affairs Advisor, U.S. Department of Energy Office of Environmental Management	Kalispel N/S
Natural Resources/ Culture	Tribal Relations and National Forests in the Pacific Northwest - Kristine Tapio-Harper, Pacific Northwest Regional Tribal Relations Specialist, U.S. Department of Agriculture-Forest Service	Kalispel B
Professional Development	Leading through Crisis - Nieva Brock, SAIGE Board of Directors	Kalispel A
EEO/DEIA	Hot Topics for Civil Rights - Dexter Brooks, Director, Federal Sector Programs, EEOC	Kalispel C



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Wednesday, June 5: Morning Opening Plenary

Time	Topic & Speaker	Location
7:30 AM - 8:30 AM	Coffee, tea, continental	Pavilion I & II
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Pavilion I & II
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	GENERAL PLENARY SESSION - Opening prayer - Recognition of SAIGE Board of Directors - Updates & announcements	Pavilion IV
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	Tribal Transportation and Safety Issues Progress - Arlando Teller, Assistant Secretary for Tribal Affairs, U.S. Department of Transportation	
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Tribal Energy Sovereignty - Matt Dannenberg, Senior Tribal Liaison for the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy	
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	Agency Partner Comments - Casey Sixkiller, Regional Administrator, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 10	
10:20 AM - 10:40 AM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	Executive Order 14112: Reforming Federal Funding and Support for Tribal Nations to Better Embrace Our Trust Responsibilities and Promote the Next Era of Tribal Self-Determination - Scott Aikin, Senior Advisor, White House Council on Native American Affairs	Pavilion IV
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	Office of Personnel Management - Presidential Management Fellowship Program - Susan "Suzi" Toman-Jones, PMF Program (recorded)	
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	<i>Agency Representative Comments - TBA</i> BREAK	
11:30 AM - 4:00 PM	Career Fair and Community Outreach – Free and open to the public	Pavilion I & II
12:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Lunch - On your own	

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Wednesday, June 5: Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Time/Track	Topic & Speaker	Location
1:30 PM - 2:45 PM Federal Indian Law/ Indian Country	Federal Indian Policy and the Origin of Tribal Employment Rights Offices (TERO) - M. Wheeler, Council for Tribal Employment Rights - Bernice Delorme, Council for Tribal Employment Rights	Kalispel N/S
Natural Resources/ Culture	Restoring Our Connection to Natural and Cultural Resources - DR Michel, Executive Director, Upper Columbia United Tribes (UCUT) - Jill A. Conrad, Tribal Affairs Advisor, Office of Environmental Management, U.S. Department of Energy	Kalispel B
Professional Development	Communication Skills Needed for Effective Feedback - Cynthia Dunn, Director, Internal Revenue Service, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (EDI)	Kalispel A
EEO/DEIA	Together Everyone Achieves More - Dr. Robert Lemon	Kalispel C
2:45 PM - 3:10 PM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
3:10 PM - 4:25 PM Federal Indian Law/ Indian Country	Expanding Tribal Choice in the Delivery of Federal Resources and Programs to Their Citizens and Communities - Jay Spaan, Executive Director of the Self-Governance Communication & Education (SGCE) Tribal Consortium	Kalispel N/S
Natural Resources/ Culture	Interagency Collaboration on Mineral Development on Indian Lands - Mychal Yellowman, Indian Lands Program Branch Manager OSMRE/DOI; Peter Godfrey, BLM/DOI; Lyle Ben, BIA/DOI	Kalispel B
Professional Development	Social Security: With You Through Life's Journey - An Overview of Your Retirement, Survivor, Disability and Medicare Benefits - Kirk Larson, Public Affairs Specialist, Social Security Administration	Kalispel A
EEO/DEIA	Removing Barriers to Employment through Analysis - Dexter Brooks, Director, Federal Sector Programs, EEOC	Kalispel C
6:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Optional Evening Activity - Cultural Class! Beading and shawl fringing	Kalispel A
8:00 PM - 9:00 PM	Optional Evening Activity - Film: "Way of the Warrior"	Kalispel B



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Thursday, June 6: Warrior Program Runs Concurrently in Pavilion IV - See Warrior Agenda

Thursday, June 6: Morning Breakout Sessions

Time	Topic & Speaker	Location
8:45 AM - 10:00 AM Federal Indian Law/ Indian Country	Residential Schools - Gregorio Kishketon, American Indian/Alaska Native Veterans Liaison Office of the Secretary, VHA National Minority Veterans Program	Kalispel A
Professional Development	Suicide Prevention in Indian Country - Emily Stulz, Kennebec Counseling Services	Kalispel B
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
10:20 AM - 11:35 AM Natural Resources/ Culture	Protecting Cultural and Natural Resources: Kalispel Tribe of Indians Fire Safety and Emergency Management Programs - Scott Doughty, Assistant Fire Chief, Kalispel Tribe of Indians	Kalispel A
Professional Development EEO/DEIA	Thrift Savings Plan - Stewart Kaplan, Federal Retirement Thrift Investment Board (FRTIB)	Kalispel B
11:35 AM -12:00 PM	Now is Your Time - Dr. Robert Lemon	Kalispel N
11:35 AM -12:00 PM	BREAK	
12:00 PM- 1:30 PM	Warrior Society Luncheon – All attendees invited to attend	Pavilion IV

Thursday, June 6: Afternoon Breakout Sessions

Time/Track	Topic & Speaker	Location
2:00 PM - 3:15 PM Natural Resources/ Culture	Tribes & NRCS: Working together to help the land - Pedro Torres, Tribal Liaison, Natural Resources Conservation Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture	Kalispel A
Professional Development	Improve Processes, Enhance Performance: Transform your Agency with Process Improvement Strategies - Cynthia Dunn, Director, IRS, TE/GE, Office of Equity, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI)	Kalispel B
3:15 PM - 3:30 PM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
3:30 PM - 4:30 PM	Close-out Session Including Warrior Program Student Program Presentation	Pavilion IV
4:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Closing Ceremony – Retiring of the Colors	

Thank you for attending – Safe Travels and we hope to see you in 2025!

