

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



ALL TIMES ARE PACIFIC TIME ZONE  
*Items are subject to change*

## **Monday, June 3, 2024**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic</b>	<b>Location</b>
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 S
10:30 AM - 11:00 AM	Moderators' Review Meeting	Kalispel S
	<i>Lunch on your own</i>	
12:30 PM - 5:00 PM	Registration	Pav Promenade
	<b>Agency Forums</b>	
8:30 AM – 5:00 PM	<i>EPA</i>	Kalispel B
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM	<i>Other -TBA</i>	
4:00 PM - 5:00 PM	<b>Introduction to SAIGE:</b> Informal session presented by SAIGE Board	Kalispel A
7:30 PM - 9:00 PM	<b>Evening Cultural Reception - All are Welcome</b>	Pavilion IV

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## Opening of the 21st SAIGE National Training Program

### **Tuesday, June 4: Morning Opening Plenary**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic &amp; Speaker</b>	<b>Location</b>
7:00 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	<b>Opening of the National Training Program</b> Presentation of Colors- Spokane Tribal Veterans, Veterans’ Honoring Song	Pavilion IV
8:45 AM – 9:00 AM	<b>Opening Remarks</b> - Fredericka Joseph, Chair, SAIGE Board of Directors	
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Welcome</b> TBA	
9:30 AM - 10:00 AM	<b>Department of the Interior Leadership</b> - Tracy Goodluck, Senior Advisor to Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs - Charles Sams, Director, National Park Service - Recorded Message	
10:00 AM - 10:15 AM	<b>SAIGE Student Program Overview</b> - 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	<b>The Rights of Indians and Tribes</b> - Stephen Pevar, Senior Counsel ACLU (Retired) Author, Attorney	
11:00 AM - 11:20 AM	<b>Missing or Murdered Indigenous Persons (MMIP)</b> - Bree Black Horse, Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of Washington (invited)	
11:20 AM - 11:25 AM	Wrap up	
11: 45 AM - 1:00 PM	<b>Luncheon for all</b> Stephen Pevar Book signing - Pavilion Promenade	Pavilion IV

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### **Tuesday, June 4: Afternoon Breakout Sessions**

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

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## **Wednesday, June 5: Morning Opening Plenary**

<b>Time</b>	<b>Topic &amp;</b>	<b>Location</b>
7:00 AM - 8:30 AM	<b>Speaker</b> Coffee, tea, continental	Pavilion I & II
7:30 AM - 5:00 PM	Exhibit Hall Open	Pavilion I & II
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	<b>GENERAL PLENARY SESSION</b> - Opening prayer - Recognition of SAIGE Board of Directors - Updates & announcements	Pavilion IV
9:00 AM - 9:30 AM	<b>Tribal Transportation and Safety Issues Progress</b> - Arlando Teller, Assistant Secretary for Tribal Affairs, U.S. Department of Transportation	
9:30 AM – 10:00 AM	<b>Tribal Energy Sovereignty</b> - Matt Dannenberg, Senior Tribal Liaison for the Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Affairs, U.S. Department of Energy (Invited)	
10:00 AM - 10:20 AM	<b>Agency Partner Comments</b> - Casey Sixkiller, Regional Administrator, U.S. EPA Region 10	
10:20 AM - 10:40 AM	BREAK	Pavilion I & II
10:40 AM - 11:00 AM	<b>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</b> - <i>Morgan Rodman, Executive Director, White House Council on Native American Affairs (WHCNA)</i>	
11:00 AM - 11:15 AM	<b>Office of Personnel Management - Presidential Management Fellowship Program</b> - Susan "Suzi" Toman-Jones, PMF Program (recorded)	
11:15 AM - 11:30 AM	<b>Agency Representative Comments - TBA</b>  BREAK	
<b>11:30 AM - 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Career Fair and Community Outreach</b> – Free and open to the public	Pavilion I & II
<b>12:00 PM - 1:30 PM</b>	<b>Lunch - On your own</b>	

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### **Wednesday, June 5: Afternoon Breakout Sessions**

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

### **Thursday, June 6: Morning Breakout Sessions**

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

### **Thursday, June 6: Afternoon Breakout Sessions**

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