



California Tribal Water Summit

Call for Design Team Members

Please JOIN US in designing sessions for the
2013 California Tribal Water Summit

The next California Tribal Water Summit will be held in Sacramento on April 24-25, 2013. The Tribal Water Summit Planning Team is recruiting State agency and Tribal representatives to develop content for key Tribal Water Summit agenda topics:

-  Tribal Ecological Knowledge
-  Watershed Management and Land Use
-  Indigenous Rights and Water

Process

Small teams (6-10 people) comprised of Tribal and State agency participants will work together to develop content for each agenda topic. The Design Team will be engaged in activities such as: defining session objectives and deliverables, identifying presenters, outlining key messages and determining the need for white papers.

Additional Details

- Initial team meetings will be occur in August/September 2012
- The physical meeting location will be at 815 S Street, Sacramento with webinar options for remote participation
- The time commitment will be based upon the needs of the teams, the level of effort for team members may average to approximately 1 hour per week.
- Design Team members will be asked to regularly brief their respective Tribal leaders and agency managers on updates and topics regarding the Tribal Water Summit planning effort
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Brief Description of Tribal Water Summit Themes

Tribal and Agency representatives are being sought to service on Design Teams to help develop Summit content for the following areas:

-  Tribal Ecological Knowledge
-  Watershed Management and Land Use
-  Indigenous Rights and Water

A brief description of each theme is provided below.

Tribal Ecological Knowledge

The goal of this session is to encourage greater respect and understanding of tribal ecological knowledge and its value in resource management efforts by:

- showing the interconnectedness of tribal ecological knowledge in federal, state, and local resource management programs;
- highlighting examples of collaboration with Tribes where tribal ecological knowledge is respected and validated; and
- discussing applications where tribal and native science ensures successful water and land stewardship.

Watershed Management and Land Use

This session focuses on integrating aspects of Tribal ecological knowledge and indigenous water rights into:

- local, regional and statewide watershed planning and projects, and
- external projects that define and affect Tribal communities, homelands and trust lands.

Indigenous Rights to Water

This topic is intended to set the context, focusing on broader issues of the relationships between Tribes and water. This discussion frames issues of:

- protecting all waters that support physical and cultural continuation;
- recognizing aboriginal rights to water;
- sustaining traditional practices, resources and access; and
- supporting habitat and ecological health.