

**Forty-Third Annual  
National Indian Timber Symposium**

*"500 Years of Change"*

**June 10 - 13, 2019**



**Hosted by:  
Intertribal Timber Council  
& Seminole Tribe of Florida  
At the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, FL**

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Host: Seminole Tribe of Florida

Hollywood, FL

## Welcome

The Seminole Tribe of Florida welcomes you to the Intertribal Timber Council's 43rd Annual Symposium being held at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, FL. Come experience the beauty and unpredictability of peninsular Florida. This year's symposium will be held at the end of our wildfire season so don't be surprised to see smoke in the air in close proximity to thunderstorms as you fly into the Fort Lauderdale airport. Symposium attendees will get chances to see famous Florida images of the Everglades, alligators, sunshine, and after meeting outings to the beaches and casinos. Hotels are just a few minutes from the airport with convenient shuttle buses to most locations. Most activities will be held at the Hard Rock Casino and Event Center or the Big Cypress Reservation. Local outings and events are available for the entire family including airboat tours, swamp safaris, and the beaches. We look forward to seeing you in June. SHO NA BISH.

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## Monday, June 10, 2019

**7:00 – 8:00 am**

**Location**

### **Pre-Symposium Workshop Registration**

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function

**8:00 am**

### **Pre-Symposium Workshops**

Fees for Monday Workshops directly fund ITC's Truman D. Picard Scholarship, dedicated to the support of Native Americans pursuing a higher education in natural resources.

**8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Coordinator**

Michael Lightsey, Field O.S.-Brighton, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Okeechobee, FL

**Moderator**

Anthony Currella, Field O.S.-Big Cypress, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Clewiston, FL

**Location**

Busses depart from the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino.

**Maximum**

20

### **Lunch (provided)**

Swamp buggies will take participants on a tour of the Big Cypress Reservation Native Area. Stops will talk about prescribed fire, wildfire, invasive plants and animals, threatened and endangered plants and animals, and hydrological changes to the landscape. Participants will be given insight into how the management of land, water, and fire affects the Tribe and how the managing departments work together.

**8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Coordinator**

Bobby Frank, Hollywood Cultural Ctr. Dir., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**Instructor**

Hollywood Res. Cultural Center Staff, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**Location**

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Salon East 1/2/3

**Maximum**

20

### **Lunch (provided)**

More than just cloth-wrapped palmetto fiber husk stuffed with cotton, the Seminole Doll accurately portrays the clothing and hairstyle worn by traditional Seminole men and women. It is a favorite item at the many festivals and "powwow" events.

**8:00 am – 4:00 pm**

**Coordinator**

Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT

**Moderator**

Lee Kemp, Assistant FMO, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Clewiston, FL

**Location**

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom A

### **Lunch (provided)**

Wildland fire continues to be a driving force across Indian country. The number of fires, burn severity, and acres burned continue to increase from year to year. It is essential that Indian country understands the role fire plays in maintaining healthy ecosystems, and prioritize investments to optimize benefits and minimize unwanted fire impacts. This workshop will allow both the DOI and BIA Leadership in the OWF to provide updates.

**8:00 – 8:15 am**

### **Wildland Fire Management from a Tribal Perspective**

Christine Thompson, Fire Use Specialist, San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos, AZ

**8:15 – 9:15**

### **Department of Interior, Office of Wildland Fire Director**

Active Management Initiative, New Technology in Fire Management, Unmanned Aerial Systems, Tribal Consultation, and Post Fire Recovery.

Jeff Rupert, Director, DOI, Office of Wildland Fire, Washington, D.C.

<b>9:15 – 10:00</b>	<p><b>BIA, National Fire Director</b></p> <p>Workforce Development, Allocation of Suppression Resources and the National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group.</p> <p>Leon Ben, Jr., Chief, BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Management, Boise, ID</p>
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	<p><b>Break</b></p>
<b>10:15 – 11:00</b>	<p><b>BIA, Fire Operations</b></p> <p>Succession planning, fire crew training and support.</p> <p>Jacqueline Martin, Deputy Fire Operations Director, BIA-NIFC, Boise, ID</p>
<b>11:00 – 11:45</b>	<p><b>BIA, Fire Use/Fuels</b></p> <p>Funding allocation and outlook, scope and scale of fuels management, Reserved Treaty Rights Lands, and Avoided Cost.</p> <p>Mark Jackson, Assistant Director, Fire Use/Fuels, BIA-NIFC, Boise, ID</p>
<b>11:45 am – 12:30 pm</b>	<p><b>Lunch (provided)</b></p>
<b>12:30 – 1:00</b>	<p><b>BIA, Fuels Management</b></p> <p>Fire Prevention efforts and impacts of prevention on human caused fire starts.</p> <p>Sam Scranton, Deputy Director Fuels Management, BIA-NFC, Boise, ID</p>
<b>1:00 – 1:30</b>	<p><b>BIA, Inter-Regional Post Fire Response</b></p> <p>Burned area recovery and backlog of rehabilitation.</p> <p>Darryl Martinez , Inter-Regional BAER Coordinator, BIA-NIFC, Albuquerque, NM</p>
<b>1:30 – 2:00</b>	<p><b>BIA, National Aviation Program</b></p> <p>Aviation Resources, contracting, and Helitack Crew succession planning.</p> <p>Joel Kerley, Director of Aviation and Safety, BIA-NIFC, Boise, ID</p>
<b>2:00 – 2:30</b>	<p><b>BIA, Contracting Specialist</b></p> <p>Contracting including PL-93-638 and Cooperative Agreements</p> <p>Joshua Simmons, Director of Fire Operations, BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Management, Boise, ID</p>
<b>2:30 - 4:00</b>	<p><b>Round-table Discussion about Wildland Fire Management on Tribal Lands</b></p> <p>Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT</p>

<b><u>8:00 am – 4:00 pm</u></b>	<p><b><u>Workshop 4: Everglades Tree Island Airboat Tour</u></b></p>
<b>Coordinator</b>	Gene Duncan, Water Resources Director, Miccosukee Tribe, Fort Lauderdale, FL
<b>Speaker(s)</b>	Miccosukee Wildlife Department Personnel
<b>Location</b>	Busses depart from the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino.
<b>Maximum</b>	20
	<p><b>Lunch (provided)</b></p> <p>Airboat tour of the southern Everglades tree island ecosystem. The everglades is one of the most studied and damaged ecosystems in north America. Development and hydrological changes have drastically changed how the flora and fauna are impacted by human disturbances and management. Topics will cover historical use of the tree islands by Seminole and Miccosukee tribal members, hydrological changes, and restoration efforts to protect the fragile ecosystems.</p>

<b><u>8:00 am – 5:00 pm</u></b>	<b><u>Workshop 5: Lidar, Drones, Inventory, Production, and Investment for Working Forests</u></b>
<b>Coordinator/Moderator</b>	Mark Corrao, Ph.D., Partner, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID
<b>Location</b>	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Room: Salon East 4/5/6
	Currently, Forest Inventory Analysis (FIA), Continuous Forest Inventory (CFI), and variable-radius plot (VRP) conventional forest inventory methods provide the field data foundation of natural resource management and financial valuations of forestlands. Through recent remote sensing technology improvements such as Light Detection and Ranging (Lidar), the advent of recreational drones using Structure-from-Motion (SfM), and increases in computational power of civilian computers (Gigabytes to Terabytes), technology has begun to revolutionize the industry. Participants will receive information on the technologies available, accuracies, and derived products these technologies offer that enable on-ground action.
<b>8:00 – 8:15 am</b>	<b>Workshop Overview</b>
<b>8:15 – 8:40</b>	<b>Lidar Technology for Forest Resources</b>
	General history of Lidar technology development and historical uses. Discuss current Lidar technologies available for natural resource and forestry applications including specifications and acquisition parameters managers should look to when identifying the best application of the technology.  Kimberley Denney, Executive Vice President, Atlantic, Huntsville, AL
<b>8:40 – 9:00 am</b>	<b>Drones and UAV Technology for Forest Resources</b>
	An overview of drone technology and UAVs available in natural resources. Examples of UAV technology being applied in forest management and forestry settings globally. An introduction to SfM and acquisition parameters managers should look to when deciding to purchase a UAV and in identifying what will achieve their goals.  Sarah Pitcher-Campbell, Remote Sensing Team Leader., Interpine Group, New Zealand
<b>10:00 – 10:15</b>	<b>Break</b>
<b>10:15 – 11:00</b>	<b>Lidar-Assisted Single-Tree Forest Inventory Project Examples</b>
	<b>Background: Applying Lidar Technology for a Single-Tree Inventory</b>  Handling 3D data, landscape classifications and statistical sampling for validation. The importance of accurate data and flexible outputs for management action applications. Opportunities, challenges and limitations that come with higher-resolution data and/or complex methods.  Dan Kluskiewicz, Geospatial Statistician/Progr., Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID
<b>11:00 – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Example 1: 1-Million Acre Landscape-Scale Lidar Assessment – Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation</b>
	Discussion of the Lidar, processing and field data for the Colville Lands project. A tour of the processing deliverables as well as the Lidar assisted forest-stratification maps, site index overlays, and harvest-method selection tools. A management-value discussion comparing conventional and Lidar-assisted inventory given the grid-level constraints of pre-2014 Lidar.  Cody Desautel, Natural Resources Director, Colville Tribes, Nespelem, WA  Mark Corrao, Ph.D., Partner, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID
<b>12:00 – 1:00</b>	<b>Lunch (provided)</b>
<b>1:00 – 2:45</b>	<b>Example 2: White Mountain Apache Timber Company’s Interest in Log Size, Log Quality and Production Using Lidar-Assisted Single-Tree Forest Inventory, Growth, Economic Modeling and Forecasting.</b>

Discussion of the purpose, process and objectives of the WMATCO forest Lidar project. Tour the process, field plots/data, and deliverables as well as the product resolution and application value for management and milling. How the project results, accuracies, and uses are being applied as well as potential beneficial applications of this method in other areas.

Robert LaCapa, Board of Directors Member, White Mountain Apache Timber Company, White River, AZ

Mark Corrao, Ph.D., Partner, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID

**2:45 – 3:05**

**Break**

**3:05 – 4:20**

**White Mountain Apache Project Results Using Lidar-Assisted Single-Tree Inventory to Inform Harvest Planning and Investment-Grade Financials**

A continued discussion of how the WMATCO success story is being applied to sawmilling and alternative fiber utilization strategies, using the PSPR© Suite of tools in Arizona, to improve forest health and workforce development through; medium & long-range forest planning, emphasis on forest-supported economic development, resource-investment prioritization, and risk mitigation.

Gary Cantrell, President, ATICA, Inc., Terrebonne, OR

**4:20 – 5:00**

**Question & Answer**

**4:00 – 7:00 pm**

**Symposium Registration**

**5:00 – 7:00 pm**

**Host Tribe Icebreaker at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Corridor D/C**

## **Tuesday, June 11, 2019**

**Moderator**

Stacy Meyers, Acting Exec. Director, ERM Dept., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**Location**

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom

**7:00 am**

**Registration Opens**

**Exhibits Open**

**Raffle Begins**

**8:00 – 8:30**

**Opening Ceremonies**

**Invocation**

Bobby Henry, Tampa Cultural Center Dir., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Tampa, FL

**Posting of the Colors**

Veterans Group, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**Welcomes**

Marcellus W. Osceola, Jr., Chairman, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

Mitchell Cypress, President, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

Vernon Stearns, Jr., President, Intertribal Timber Council

**8:30 – 9:30**

**Keynote: Health of the Land in the Southeast and Connection to Fire**

Cecil Frost Ph.D., Landscape Fire Ecologist Research Collaborator, University of North Carolina, Rougemont, NC

**9:30 – 10:00**

**Morning Break**

**10:00 – 11:00**

**Host Tribe Presentation**

Bobby Frank, Hollywood Cultural Ctr. Dir., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

Joe Frank, Big Cypress Board Rep., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**11:00 am – 12:00 pm**

**Panel 1: Hydrology Changes Over Time**

**Coordinator**

Whitney Sapienza, EPS III, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

**Moderator**

Dorothy F. Sifuentes, Ph.D., Supervisory Hydrologist, USGS Caribbean-Florida Water Science Center, Davie, FL

Panel 1 will look at two examples of tribes working to overcome hydrological changes to improve the land health. Water is the basic element of life and overlooked as how it pertains to forest and fire management. Water quality and quantity can be the most important factor in the resiliency of the land before and after the fires.

**11:00 - 11:30**

**Seminole Native Area Water Quality Analysis and Interpretation?**

Surface water quality analyzed using whole genome RNA Sequencing and Quantitative PCR Analysis to detect and quantify all microbes (bacteria, viruses, fungi, parasites and protozoa). Water quality samples were obtained from natural condition, Mixed Wetland Hardwood, Inland Slough, and Cypress Dome habitats and compared. Surface water quality samples were also obtained from nearby Central Southern Florida Flood Control/South Florida Water Management District canals and are compared with the natural area results.

Lisa Meday, ERMD, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL

Nwadiuto Esiobu, Professor, Florida Atlantic University / Consultant, Applied Biotech Inc., Plantation, FL

Brian Mercer, Microbiology Director, Florida Spectrum Environmental Laboratories, Fort Lauderdale, FL

**11:30 - 12:00**

**Managing Land for Water in the Southwest: Realities & Challenges in a Changing Climate**

This presentation will focus on ecological restoration and other land management activities, both natural and anthropogenic, which have direct and indirect impacts to water runoff and capture within different biomes and locations within their watersheds. The adaptation and use of multiple management techniques, including application and timing, is crucial to their success when coping with the climactic changes occurring in the desert southwest on the San Carlos Apache Reservation.

Paul Buck, Supervisory Soil Conservationist, San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos, AZ

**12:00 - 1:15**

**ITC Luncheon**

**1:15 – 2:30 pm**

**Panel 2: Changes in Fire Management Through the Years**

**Coordinator**

Lucas Minton, Regional FMA, BIA-Eastern Regional Office, Nashville, TN

**Moderator**

Jim Schortemeyer, Former Wildlife Biologist, Florida Fish & Wildlife Conservation Commission, Naples, FL

Panel 2 will look at two examples of how fire has stayed on the landscape and how the two areas have utilized fire and responded to wildfire to promote the health of the land. The First Nations people have a very long history of positive use of fire and mitigation of the negative effects while the southeastern states learned from tribes on how to use fire and resisted the efforts to remove fire from the landscape. The two speakers have similar messages from dissimilar habitats thousands of miles apart.

1:15 – 2:00

**Wildfire Prevention and Mitigation – BC First Nations Perspective**

This presentation will provide an overview of the First Nations burning practices based on research and interviews with Elders regarding traditional burning practices. We are seeking to gather First Nations values, objectives & practices, and combine that knowledge through contemporary Provincial burn plans, with the intent of developing of a burn plan that meets both objectives and seek implementation for reserve lands and adjacent crown lands. Plans are in place for a spring 2019 burn with the Xwisten First Nation and Shacken Band.

Jeff Eustache, RFT Manager Forest Fuel Mgmt. Dept., First Nations' Emergency Services Society-Kamloops Regional Office, Kamloops, BC

Amy Cardinal Christianson, Research Scientist, Canadian Forest Service, Edmonton, Alberta

2:00 – 2:30

**Keeping the Flames: How Tall Timbers Legacy of Prescribed Fire can Solve America's Wildfire Trap**

Tall Timbers was formed from the refusal of southern game managers to abandon woods burning during the U.S. Forest Service focus on fire suppression. The consequences of removing fire from North American forests has been catastrophic for biodiversity and society. This talk presents recent efforts to expand the culture of fire from the SE United States to northern and western forests. Critical to this effort is rediscovery of our connection to fire, innovative policies, traditional ecological knowledge, and new science to overcome risks to increasingly complex landscapes.

Kevin Heirs, Wildland Fire Scientist, Tall Timbers, Tallahassee, FL

2:30 – 3:00

**Afternoon Break**

3:00 – 4:30

**Panel 3: Workforce Development: The Emerging Needs and Opportunities for Tribal Forestry and Our Federal Partners**

**Coordinator**

Adrian Leighton, Director, SKC TREES, Polson, MT

**Moderator**

Stephanie Cowherd, Student / Forest and Ecosystem Services Program Associate, Ecotrust, Portland, OR

**Speaker(s)**

James Allen, Ph.D., Professor and Executive Director, Northern Arizona University, School of Forestry, Flagstaff, AZ

Serra Hoagland, Ph.D., Certified Wildlife Biologist Liaison Officer, U.S. Forest Service, RMRS, Fire, Fuels & Smoke Program, Missoula, MT

Cody Desautel, Natural Resources Director, Colville Tribes, Nespelem, WA

Kelly Hetzler, Inventory & Planning Forester, BIA-NWRO, Portland, OR

This round-table discussion will explore some of the complex issues around work force development and the many different threads that it contains including youth opportunities, higher education, technician training and professional development. This diverse group of panelists will share their experiences and attempts to meet some of the challenges around providing a skilled, diverse and prepared workforce to meet the needs of tribes and their federal partners for the years to come and address the role that ITC can play in finding opportunities to meet these needs.

4:30

**Adjourn**

6:00 pm

**Host Tribe Welcome Dinner at the Fort Lauderdale Grand Hotel**



**Wednesday, June 12, 2019**

**8:00 am – 4:30 pm**

**Big Cypress Reservation Tribal Tour**

Buses depart the Hard Rock Casino & Hotel. Lunch provided at the Big Cypress Rodeo arena. The Seminole Tribe of Florida was driven to small plots of lands on the fringe of the Everglades in the 1800's. These lands do not support traditional economic forestry practices. Therefore, the tribe learned to utilize the lands for other resources and committed to conserving the natural lands for traditional and cultural needs of the members. Visitors will get to see some history of the tribe and land management practices utilized since the 1960's.

**Stop 1: Seminole Cattle and History with the Tribe**

The Seminoles' relationship with cattle has endured for centuries. Prior to their arrival in Florida and subsequent designation as Seminoles, Creek Indians in Alabama and Georgia were engaged in cattle production. By 1740, the followers of the Oconee Creek leader, Cowkeeper, established Florida's largest settlement in the Alachua area. Continued aggression between the Seminoles and European-American settlers over cattle and grazing lands contributed significantly to starting the Second (1835-1842) and Third Seminole Wars (1855-1858), which reduced the Seminole population to around 200. After the Civil War, Seminole families in Big Cypress and around Lake Okeechobee raised cattle despite harassment by rustlers. A new era of Seminole cattle ranching began in the 1930s, when the Dania and Brighton Seminoles acquired starter herds. The Seminole Tribe established the Indian Livestock Association in 1939. In 1944, they created separate cattle enterprises for Brighton and Big Cypress, with the Central Tribal Cattle Organization providing general supervision. Seminoles banded with other Native American stockmen in 1974 to form the National American Indian Cattlemen's Association. Today, the Seminole Tribe is one of Florida's leading beef producers.

Alex Johns, Director of NR, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Brighton Reservation, FL

**Stop 2: Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum, Collection, and Village Tour**

The Ah-Tah-Thi-Ki Museum is home to more than 180,000 unique artifacts and archival items featuring five exhibit galleries. The permanent galleries also provide a glimpse into life as a Seminole in the late 19th century. A must see is our expansive mile-long boardwalk where visitors can gain a deeper understanding of the Florida Everglades flora and fauna, while delighting their senses of sight, sounds and smell.

Carrie Dilley, Visitor Svcs. & Dev. Mgr., Seminole Tribe of Florida, Big Cypress Res., FL

**Stop 3: Billie Swamp Safari**

Whether its airboat rides, swamp buggy tours or live alligator shows, Billie Swamp Safari is the perfect destination to experience the Everglades. Each year, thousands explore 2,200 acres of untamed Florida Everglades preserved by the Seminole Tribe of Florida.

Melissa Sherman, OM, Billie Swamp Safari, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Big Cypress Res., FL

**Stop 4: Big Cypress Native Area Management**

The Big Cypress Native Area is highly impacted by past land use. Narrow gauge rails for timber, roads for the great swamp sale, ditches and canals for citrus and row crops, invasive plants and animals, drought, floods, hurricanes, and wildfires are some of the major impacts on the landscape. Recent tribal member management plans requested focus be placed on managing the natural plants and animals for their cultural importance. Restoring the hydrology, allowing natural and prescribed fires, and removing invasives combine work to heal the land from the past and ensure the culture for the future.

Michael Lightsey, Field OS-Brighton, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Okeechobee, FL

Anthony Curella, Field OS-Big Cypress, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Clewiston, FL

**5:30 – 7:30 pm**

**General Membership Meeting at the Holiday Inn-Fort Lauderdale Airport**

## Thursday, June 13, 2019

<b>Moderator</b>	Will Putman, Forestry Director, Tanana Chiefs Conference, Fairbanks, AK
<b>Location</b>	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom
<b><u>7:30 am</u></b>	<b><u>Registration Opens</u></b> <b><u>Exhibits Open</u></b> <b><u>Raffle Continues</u></b>
<b><u>8:00 – 8:20</u></b>	<b><u>ITC President’s Report</u></b> Vernon Stearns, Jr., ITC President / Fuels Manager, Spokane Tribe, Wellpinit, WA
<b>Updates</b>	
<b><u>8:20 – 8:40</u></b>	<b><u>Office of Wildland Fire</u></b> Jeff Rupert, Director, DOI, Office of Wildland Fire, Washington, D.C
<b><u>8:40 – 9:00</u></b>	<b><u>Bureau of Indian Affairs</u></b> Peter Wakeland, Chief, BIA-Office of Trust Services, DFWFM, Washington, D.C.
<b><u>9:00 – 9:20</u></b>	<b><u>Legislative</u></b> Matt Hill, Information & Research Specialist, Lone Rock Strategies, Washington, D.C.
<b><u>9:20 – 9:40</u></b>	<b><u>U.S. Forest Service, Office of Tribal Relations</u></b> Fred Clark, Director, USDA Forest Service, Office of Tribal Relations, Washington, D.C.
<b><u>9:40 – 9:45</u></b>	<b><u>Workshop Introductions</u></b>
<b><u>9:45 – 10:00</u></b>	<b><u>Retire Colors</u></b> Veterans Group, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Hollywood, FL
<b><u>10:00 – 10:30</u></b>	<b><u>Morning Break</u></b>
<b><u>10:30 am – 4:30 pm</u></b>	<b><u>Workshop 1: Contracts and Consultations</u></b>
<b>Coordinator</b>	Leon Ben, Jr., Chief, BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Management, Boise, ID
<b>Moderator</b>	Steve Smith, Wildland Fire Management Specialist - Fuels Planner/Program Analyst/National RAWS Manager, BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Management, Boise, ID
<b>Location</b>	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Salon East 1/2/3  This workshop will provide information on the benefits and cost of contracting forestry and fire programs along with changes in the contracting formats and expectations. Two long-standing programs give insight on the highs and lows of contracts and show how to work efficiently within the contracting system.
<b>10:30 – 11:00 am</b>	<b>638 Contracts</b> Sunshine Jordan, Chief, Office of Indian Services, Division of Self-Determination, BIA, Washington, D.C. <i>(Invited)</i>
<b>11:00 – 11:30</b>	<b>Compact Tribal Programs</b> Sharee Freeman, Director, DOI, Office of Self-Governance, Washington, D.C. <i>(Invited)</i>
<b>11:30 am – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Cooperative Agreements</b> Joshua Simmons, Director-Fire Operations, BIA, Branch of Wildland Fire Mgmt., Boise, ID
<b>12:00 – 1:00</b>	<b>Lunch (provided)</b>

<b>1:00 – 1:45</b>	<b>Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma Program Overview</b> Tom Lowry, Senior Director of Natural Resources, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma, Talihina, OK
<b>1:45 – 2:30</b>	<b>Yakama Nation Program Overview</b> Phil Rigdon, Deputy Director, Yakama Nation, Department of Natural Resources, Yakama, WA
<b>2:30 – 2:45</b>	<b>Afternoon Break</b>
<b>2:45 – 3:15</b>	<b>Cooperative Agreement Invoice Assistance</b> Joanne Metcalfe, Certified Grant Specialist, BIA, Reston, VA
<b>3:15 – 3:45</b>	<b>Question and Answer</b>
<b>3:45 – 4:30</b>	<b>Workshop 1 Summary</b>
<b><u>10:30 am – 4:30 pm</u></b>	<b><u>Workshop 2: Funding Opportunities for Tribes</u></b>
<b>Coordinator</b>	Don Motanic, Technical Specialist, Intertribal Timber Council, Portland, OR
<b>Moderator</b>	Alicia Bell-Sheetter, Policy Analyst, U.S. Forest Service, Office of Tribal Relations, Washington, D.C.
<b>Location</b>	Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Salon East 4/5/6  This workshop will be a showcase of private, foundation, and natural resource funding opportunities and processes available to tribes.
<b>10:30 – 10:35 am</b>	<b>Workshop Overview</b> Don Motanic, Technical Specialist, Intertribal Timber Council, Portland, OR
<b>10:35 – 11:15</b>	<b>Farm Bill: Tribal Forestry 638</b> Colby Duren, Director, Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative, Fayetteville, AR
<b>10:45 am – 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Funding Sources: Federal, Foundation and Private</b> Dawn Houle, President / CEO, SunSinger Consulting, LLC, North Potomac, MD
<b>12:00 – 1:15</b>	<b>Lunch (provided)</b>
<b>1:15 – 2:00</b>	<b>U.S. Forest Service Funding Opportunities and Processes</b> Alicia Bell-Sheetter, Policy Analyst, U.S. Forest Service, Office of Tribal Relations, Washington, D.C.
<b>2:00 – 2:30</b>	<b>USDA NRCS Funding Opportunities and Processes</b> Barry Hamilton, National Tribal Relations Liaison, USDA NRCS, Washington, D.C.
<b>2:30 – 2:45</b>	<b>Afternoon Break</b>
<b>2:45 – 3:15</b>	<b>BIA Funding Opportunities and Processes</b> Travis Britton, Rangeland Management Specialist, BIA, Pacific Regional Office, Sacramento, CA
<b>3:15 – 3:45</b>	<b>Speaker Discussion: Coordinating Federal and Other Funding</b>
<b>3:45 – 4:30</b>	<b>Workshop 2 Summary</b>

**10:30 am – 4:30 pm**

**Coordinator**

**Workshop 3: Indigenous Use of Fire**

Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT

**Moderator**

Zachary A Prusak, Fire Manager, The Nature Conservancy, Maitland, FL

**Location**

Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom A

This workshop will provide background and provide some relevance from research and consideration of climate disturbance, to the importance of recognizing the Tribal worldview of allowing fire to take a more natural role on the landscape. Most Tribal managers understand that fire is an ecological necessity to create landscapes that provide benefits to tribal lifeways. We will explore various aspects of way Tribes are using fire management to provide resource benefit.

**10:30 – 10:45 am**

**Workshop Overview**

Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT

**10:45 – 11:30**

**Future Fire 2.0**

Mark Finney, Research Forester, U.S. Forest Service, Rocky Mt. Research Station, Missoula, MT

**11:30 am – 12:15 pm**

**The Implications of a Changing Climate**

Gary Morishima, Technical Advisor, Quinault Indian Nation, Bellevue, WA

**12:15 – 12:45**

**Lunch (provided)**

**12:45 – 1:30**

**Case Study 1: San Carlos Apache Tribe**

Tribal Managers will provide case studies showing how their respective fire programs are using wildfire and/or prescribed fire to provide benefits to tribal cultural, traditional resources on their landscapes.

Dee Randall, Forest Manager, San Carlos Apache Tribe, San Carlos, AZ

**1:30 – 2:15**

**Case Study 2: Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes**

Darrell Clairmont, Fuels Program Manager, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, Division of Fire, Ronan, MT

**2:15 – 2:30**

**Afternoon Break**

**2:30 – 3:15**

**Case Study 3: Seminole Tribe of Florida**

Grant Steelman, Forester / FMO, Seminole Tribe of Florida, Clewiston, FL

**3:15 – 4:00**

**Case Study 4: Karuk Tribe**

Bill Tripp, Deputy Director Eco-Cultural Revitalization, Karuk Tribe, Orleans, CA

**4:00 – 4:30**

**Workshop 3 Summary**

**4:00**

**Raffle Closes**

**4:30**

**Adjourn**

**5:00 pm**

**Annual Business Meeting at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Salon East 4/5/6**

**6:30 pm**

**Annual Awards Banquet at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino: Terrace Ballroom**

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Seminole Tribe of Florida



BIA, DFWFM



Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes



Confederated Tribes of Colville



Confederated Tribes of Warm Springs



Coquille Indian Tribe



Grand Portage Band of Lake Superior Chippewa



Hoopa Valley Tribe



Nez Perce Tribe



Quinault Indian Nation



San Carlos Apache Tribe



Spokane Tribe



Yakama Nation

# Lodging Information

**Hard Rock Hotel & Casino**  
1 Seminole Way, Hollywood, FL 33314

Major renovations and/or construction are scheduled to take place at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino during our event dates. The hotel will make all reasonable arrangements to limit inconvenience. The number of available rooms will be limited. Book a single or double occupancy standard room for \$124.00 per night, plus taxes. Daily housekeeping fee of \$4 per person, per day. To make reservations call **1-800-937-0010** and reference the group code **GINTT19**. **This special rate is only available until May 10, 2019.** Additional hotel details can be found on ITC's website at [www.itcnet.org](http://www.itcnet.org).

**Holiday Inn Fort Lauderdale-Airport**  
2905 Sheridan St, Hollywood, FL 33020

Complimentary round trip transportation to and from the airport. A shuttle will be provided to and from the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino. Book a standard room with one king or two queen beds for \$105.00 per night, plus taxes. To make reservations call **1-954-925-9100** and reference the **43<sup>rd</sup> Annual National Indian Timber Symposium** or visit the direct link on ITC's website at [www.itcnet.org](http://www.itcnet.org). **This special rate is only available until May 10, 2019.** Reservation requests after this date will be booked at the best available rate and are not guaranteed availability.

## Event Schedule

Day	Time	Description	Location
Monday	8:00 am to 4:00 pm	WS 1: Swamp Buggy Tour	HRH&C: Buses load from Lobby
	8:00 am to 4:00 pm	WS 2: Traditional Seminole Craft	HRH&C: Salon East 1/2/3
	8:00 am to 4:00 pm	WS 3: Wildland Fire Update	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom A
	8:00 am to 4:00 pm	WS 4: Everglades Tree Island Tour	HRH&C: Buses load from Lobby
	8:00 am to 5:00 pm	WS 5: Lidar, Drones, Inventory, Production, & Investment for Working Forests	HRH&C: Salon East 4/5/6
	11:45 am to 1:00 pm	Workshop Attendee Lunch	HRH&C: Terrace Corridor B
	2:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Exhibitor Set Up	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	4:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Registration	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Icebreaker	HRH&C: Terrace Corridor D/C
Tuesday	7:00 am to 4:30 pm	Registration & Raffle	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	7:00 am to 4:30 pm	Exhibits	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	8:00 am to 4:30 pm	Symposium General Session	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom
	12:00 pm to 1:15 pm	ITC Luncheon	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom
	6:00 pm to 9:00 pm	Host Tribe Welcome Dinner	*Fort Lauderdale Grand Hotel
Wednesday	7:30 am to 8:00 am	Bus Loading for Tribal Tour (Parking lot of both hotels)	HRH&C **Holiday Inn Fort Lauderdale Airport
	8:00 am to 4:30 pm	Big Cypress Reservation Tribal Tour	Off Property
	5:30 pm to 7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	**Holiday Inn Fort Lauderdale Airport
Thursday	7:30 am to 4:00 pm	Registration & Raffle	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	7:30 am to 4:00 pm	Exhibits	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	8:00 am to 9:40 am	Symposium General Session	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom
	10:30 am to 4:30 pm	WS 1: Contracts and Consultations	HRH&C: Salon East 1/2/3
	10:30 am to 4:30 pm	WS 2: Funding Opportunities for Tribes	HRH&C: Salon East 4/5/6
	10:30 am to 4:30 pm	WS 3: Indigenous Use of Fire	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom A
	12:00 pm to 1:00 pm	Boxed Lunches	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	2:15 pm to 2:45 pm	Afternoon Break	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom Pre-Function
	5:00 pm to 6:30 pm	Annual Business Meeting	HRH&C: Salon East 4/5/6
6:30 pm to 9:30 pm	Annual Awards Banquet	HRH&C: Terrace Ballroom	
All	Varies	Society of American Foresters CFE Credits	Current members sign in at Registration
<b>Hard Rock Hotel &amp; Casino (HRH&amp;C), 1 Seminole Way, Hollywood, FL 33314</b>			
<b>*Fort Lauderdale Grand Hotel, 4900 Powerline Rd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309</b>			
<b>**Holiday Inn Fort Lauderdale Airport, 2905 Sheridan St, Hollywood, FL 33020</b>			

## Registration

Register online at  
<https://www.eventsquid.com/event/5871>

Registration Fee Types	Early Price Up to 5/10/2019	Late Price After 5/10/2019
General or Associate Member	\$275.00	\$375.00
Government Employee	\$300.00	\$400.00
All Others	\$325.00	\$425.00
Pre-Symposium Workshops	\$105.00	\$120.00
Exhibit Booth Space (2 registrations)	\$750.00	\$850.00

**Exhibiting Terms**  
 Subletting or sharing space is not permitted. The 2 registrations are for the use of exhibitors & nontransferable.

**Merchandise**

Company Registration Packet Inserts	\$500.00
Guest Luncheon Ticket	\$ 50.00
Guest Awards Banquet Ticket	\$ 85.00

**Onsite Guest Tickets**  
 Sales end on Monday, June 10, 2019.  
 Please purchase in advance online.

The Symposium Registration fee includes a Registration Packet, Tuesday Luncheon, Host Tribe Welcome Dinner, Wednesday Tribal Tour, Thursday Luncheon, Thursday Awards Banquet, and Final Proceedings CD.

Pre-conference workshop fees include lunch.

Registration fees may be paid online by credit card or through the mail by check or money order.

If paying with a check or money order, please mail payments to:

**Intertribal Timber Council**  
 Symposium Registration  
 1112 NE 21st Ave, Suite 4  
 Portland, OR 97232-2114

Payments must be received by Friday, May 31, 2019.

The ITC uses symposium fees to cover symposium-operating costs. Therefore, we have established the following refund policies:

- All refund requests must be in writing.
- Refund requests received after Friday, May 24, 2019, will be charged a \$100 processing fee.
- No refunds will be issued after Friday, May 31, 2019.
- A NSF fee of \$12 will be charged for returned checks.

If you have any questions, please call us at 503-282-4296.