

Forty-Seventh Annual National Indian Timber Symposium

"Restoring Tribal Relations and Values to the Land"

May 13-16, 2024



**Hosted by:
Intertribal Timber Council & Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
At Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort in Cherokee, NC**

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Host: Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, NC

Welcome

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians welcomes you to the Intertribal Timber Council’s Forty-Seventh Annual National Indian Timber Symposium being held at the Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Resort and Convention Center in Cherokee, NC. Aligning with this year’s symposium theme “Restoring Tribal Relations and Values to the Land” with the oldest of beliefs and stories of the Cherokee is that we are just visitors here. Everything in the natural environment came before humans and plays an important role and contributes to the balance of the world as we know it. During the symposium we wish to display this connection to the land and forests that make up the Qualla boundary, as well as the extended traditional homelands of the Cherokee. Speakers and tribal tours will attempt to highlight the importance of tribal lands and reestablishing management in line with traditional cultural knowledge to restore tribal trust as well as wider surrounding lands through the cooperative relationships formed across multiple agencies.

2024 Symposium Committee

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Monday, May 13, 2024

Pre-Symposium Workshops Require Additional Registration Fee

7:00 – 8:00 am

Pre-Symposium Workshop Registration for Workshop Attendees

Fees for the optional Pre-Symposium Workshops directly fund the Truman D. Picard Scholarship, dedicated to Native students pursuing an education in Natural Resources. Workshop attendees should check in at the registration desk at this time to pick up name tags. Full registration starts at 3:00 pm.

Location

Cherokee Convention Center: Registration

8:00 am – 4:00 pm

Pre-Symposium Workshop 1: Forest Technology

Coordinator

Tia Beavert, Tribal Forest Manager, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, WA

Moderator

Mark Corrao, PhD, Chief Innovation Officer, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID

Location

Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103-104

Deadline / Limit

Register online by May 6, 2024 (75 maximum)

Description

An overview of Lidar technology and new developments regarding forestry applications. Topics included will cover landscape scale fire risk, landscape inventory viewing tools; On-ground forester tools in ArcPro; drone uses for updates and monitoring; and data security and confidentiality.

8:00 – 9:00 am

Lidar Technology Developments, Your Digital Inventory, and What Does a Digital Landscape Include?

Mark Corrao, PhD, CIO, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID

9:00 – 10:00

Using a Digital Inventory and Fire Risk to Drive On-ground Practices and Support Funding Requests

Ryan Sanchey, Forest Operations Manager, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, WA

10:00 – 10:30

Break

10:30 – 11:15

Digital Forester ArcPro Tool Demonstration

Greg Howisey, Senior Forester, Northwest Management Inc., Moscow, ID

11:15 am – 12:00 pm

Hand-On ArcPro Tool Workshop and Training for Attendees

Eli Saltzman, Software Engineer, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID

Greg Howisey, Senior Forester, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID

Dan Sims, Fuels Planner, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, WA

Sean Crisman, Forest Development Forester, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, WA

12:00 – 1:00

Lunch (provided)

1:00 – 2:00

Practical Uses of Drones for Forest Inventory Applications: Harvest Depletion Ortho Mosaics for Planting, 5-year Free-to-Grow Surveys, and TSI/PCT Applications

Ryan Eide, Forest Inventory Applications / Lead Drone Pilot, Quinault Indian Nation, Taholah, WA

2:00 – 2:30

Break

2:30 -3:15

Fire Modeling and 3D Scenario Tools a Demonstration on CSKT Lands

Russ Parsons, PhD, Research Ecologist, USDA Forest Service, Missoula, MT

3:15 – 4:00

Data Sovereignty and Next-Generation Natural Resource Professionals: Protecting Both Our Natural and Digital Resources

Maranda Compton, Founder & President, Lepwe, Missoula, MT

<u>8:00 am – 4:00 pm</u>	<u>Pre-Symposium Workshop 2: Fire Ecology and Traditional Knowledge - Sharing Experiences and Knowledges to Restore Relationships with Peoples and Places</u>
Coordinator / Moderator	Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 111
Deadline / Limit	Register online by May 6, 2024 (30 maximum)
Description	This workshop will provide participants the opportunity to gain understanding from cultural burning knowledge directly from researchers, scientists and tribal practitioners using shared learning and workforces.
8:00 – 8:30 am	Fire Ecology and Traditional Knowledge Frank Lake, PhD, Research Ecologist, USDA Forest Service, Arcata, CA
8:30 – 9:00	Cultural Burning Knowledges Bill Tripp, ITC Fire Subcommittee Chair / Director of Natural Resources & Environmental Policy, Karuk Tribe, Orleans, CA
9:00 – 10:30	Flash Presentations Each speaker will have 10-15 minutes to highlight their respective work to restore fire to the land. Analisa Tripp, Collaborative Stewardship Program Mgr., Karuk Tribe, Orleans, CA Whitney Malatare, Reserved Treaty Right Lands Coordinator, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, Ronan, MT Nisogaabokwe – Melonee Montano, TEK Outreach Specialist, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, Odanah, WI
10:30 – 11:00	Break
11:00 – 11:30	Partnership with The Nature Conservancy, Indigenous Peoples Burning Network John Waconda, Indigenous Partnership Program Director., TNC, Santa Fe, NM
11:30 – 12:00	Fire Science Consortiums and Learning Networks Emily Jane Davis, Fire Program Director & Associate Professor, Oregon State University / Principal Investigator, NW Fire Science Consortium, The Dalles, OR
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 1:15	Van Loading
1:15 – 4:00	Field Tour
Coordinator	Reese Kerbow, Regional FMO / Chief-Division, BIA DWFM, Nashville, TN
Description	The field tour will explore three prescribed fire projects including Lewis, Jenkins Ridge, and Big Witch. It will also delve into the cultural significance of burning oak/hickory stands for Tribal artists and the importance of habitat enhancement for key culturally significant vegetative species. Cultural burning examples will be highlighted, focusing on the firing methods defined by Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Elders from a 1999 interview with the USFS-Daniel Boone National Forest.

8:00 am – 4:00 pm**Instructors****Location****Deadline / Limit****Description****8:00 am – 4:00 pm****Instructors / Basket Weavers****Location****Deadline / Limit****Description****12:00 pm – 2:00 pm****Coordinators****Moderator****Location****Registration****Description****12:00 – 12:30****12:30 – 1:30****1:30 – 2:00****Symposium Officially Begins****3:00 – 6:00 pm****5:00 – 7:00 pm****Description****Pre-Symposium Workshop 3: Mask Carving**

Butch Goings, Wood Carver/Pres., Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual, Inc., Cherokee, NC

Louise Goings, Basket Weaver, Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual, Inc., Cherokee, NC

Cherokee Convention Center: Room 105

Register online by May 6, 2024 (25 maximum)

Traditional and modern mask carving. Lunch (provided) at 12:00 pm

Pre-Symposium Workshop 4: Basket Making

Mary W. Thompson, Owner, Cherokee Baskets & Vessels, Cherokee, NC

Betty Maney, Owner, Betty Maney Gallery, Cherokee, NC

Cherokee Convention Center: Room 108

Register online by May 6, 2024 (25 maximum)

Cherokee basketry, our culture, our art. The workshop will review the history of basketry of the southeast discussing different techniques and view materials used to weave Cherokee basketry. Participants will also make a small round Reed basket. Lunch (provided) at 12:00 pm.

Private Event: Native Women & Allies in Forestry Luncheon

Stephanie Gutierrez, Forest & Community Program Dir., Ecotrust, Portland, OR

Jessica Douglas, Indigenous Community Engagement Mgr., Ecotrust, Portland, OR

Elisha Flores, Regional Tribal Climate Resilience Coordinator, BIA, Oakland, CA

Jaime Yazzie, Research Coordinator, Southwest Mountains Climate Resilience Center, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ

Serra Hoagland, PhD, CWB, National Program Lead Tribal Research, USDA Forest Service R&D, Missoula, MT

Cherokee Convention Center: Room 106

RSVP with the link provided in your email invitation to reserve your space, for inquiries contact Jaime Yazzie at jaime.yazzie@nau.edu

Join us for a complimentary luncheon bringing together Native women, non-binary, two-spirit, trans, and allies in forestry to build a more inclusive and supportive environment for Native women in forestry. This is a grassroots initiative and the first women-in-forestry event held during the Symposium in collaboration with the Women's Forest Congress (WFC). The event aims to create space, foster connection, and community for women and allies within the forestry sector as well as share professional and personal experiences. Please email jaime.yazzie@nau.edu if you are interested in attending this or future Native Women in Forestry events. Lunch (provided).

Introduction and Lunch

Robin Harkins, ITC Secretary / NR Dir., Coquille Indian Tribe, North Bend, OR

Jaana Korhonen, PhD, WFC Advisory Council & Research Scientist, Oak Ridge Institute of Science and Education / USDA Forest Service, Raleigh, NC

Conversation**Closing and Survey****Symposium Registration at Cherokee Convention Center: Registration**

All attendees check in and pick up name tags before heading to Host Icebreaker.

Host Icebreaker at Unto These Hills Outdoor Theater

Enjoy hors d'oeuvres and mingle with attendees. Guests welcome. Musical performance. Parking available. Shuttle starts at 4:45 pm.

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

Moderator

Larry Blythe, Past ITC President / Retired BIA Cherokee Agency Forest Mgr. / Past Vice Chief, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC

7:00 am

Registration Open / Exhibits Open/ Raffle Begins

Location

Cherokee Convention Center: Registration

8:00 am – 4:30 pm

General Session

Location

Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 101-102 and 111-114

8:00 – 8:30

Opening Ceremony: Posting of the Colors / Invocation / Welcomes

Cherokee Legion Post, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC

Michell Hicks, Principal Chief, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC

Cody Desautel, ITC President / Executive Director, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA

8:30 – 9:30

Keynote

Tom Belt, Elder / Earthkeeper, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC

9:30– 10:00

ITC Connections

Larry Blythe, Past ITC President / Retired BIA Cherokee Agency Forest Mgr. / Past Vice Chief, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC

10:00 – 10:30

Morning Break

10:30 am – 12:00 pm

Panel 1: Building a Resilient Workforce in Tribal Forestry & Wildland Fire

Coordinator

Nicole Stiffarm, Program Manager, SKC TREES, Pablo, MT

Moderator

Carly Quisenberry, Senior Manager, Indigenous Negotiations & Inclusive Technologies, Conservation International, Fort Collins, CO

Description

The future of Tribal Forestry & Wildland Fire is dependent upon a healthy and thriving workforce. This panel will address the complex nature of workforce development within the tribal and federal sector, and the vision behind current initiatives to develop the future workforce.

Speakers

Caleb Cain, Acting Chief Forester, BIA Division of Forestry, Billings, MT

Phil Rigdon, ITC VP / DNR Superintendent, Yakama Nation, Toppenish, WA

Cindi Tonasket, Fire Management Officer, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA

Eric Ellison, FWDP Training Specialist, BIA DWFM, Henderson, NV

12:00 - 1:00

ITC Luncheon (provided)

1:00 – 1:30

Featured Guest Speaker

Meryl Harrell, Deputy Under Secretary for Natural Resources and Environment, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Atlanta, GA

1:30 – 3:00

Panel 2: Turning Recommendations into Action - IFMAT-IV Implementation & Outreach Strategies

Coordinator

Nicole Stiffarm, Program Manager, SKC TREES, Pablo, MT

Moderator

Jason Robison, Land & Resource Officer, Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians, Roseburg, OR

Description

A comprehensive overview of the outreach and implementation strategies spearheaded by the ITC. These approaches are strategically aligned with four main goals identified by the Implementation committee as priorities.

Speakers

Stacie Holmes, PhD, Program Analyst Forester, BIA, Albuquerque, NM

Cody Desautel, ITC President / Executive Director, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA

Adrian Leighton, PhD, Director & NR Dean, SKC TREES, Pablo, MT

Matt Hill, Information & Research Specialist, Lone Rock Strategies, Glide, OR

Sarah Cline, Creative Director, Ecotrust, Portland, OR

3:00 – 3:30	Afternoon Break
3:30 – 5:00	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Host Presentation The presentation will focus on the role EBCI's traditional ecological knowledge in developing silviculture methods for traditional arts and crafts. Tommy Cabe, Forest Resource Specialist, EBCI, Cherokee, NC Mike LaVoie, Natural Resources Manager, EBCI, Cherokee, NC Josh Parris, CWB, Forestry Manager, EBCI, Cherokee, NC
5:00	Adjourn
<u>6:00 – 9:00 pm</u>	<u>Host Welcome Dinner at Wolfstown Community Building</u>
Description	Guests welcome. Parking available.

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

<u>8:00 am – 4:30 pm</u>	<u>Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Tour</u>
Coordinator	Tommy Cabe, Forest Resource Specialist, EBCI, Cherokee, NC
Description	Lunch (provided) at Cowee Mound. Guests welcome. Permethrin tick spray will be given to treat clothing and shoes prior to departure. Wear long pants tucked into your boots or socks and check for ticks after returning from wooded areas.
Speakers	Tom Belt, Elder / Earthkeeper, EBCI, Cherokee, NC Katie Tiger, Air Quality Program Supervisor, EBCI, Cherokee, NC Peter Bates, Professor, Western Carolina University & Interim Executive Director, Forest Stewards, Inc., Cullowhee, NC Brandon L. Stephens, Silviculturist, USFS Nantahala Ranger District, Franklin, NC Jordan Smith, Executive Director, Mainspring Conservation Trust, Franklin, NC Jill Gottesman, Southern Appalachian Landscape Director, The Wilderness Society, Asheville NC
7:30 – 8:00 am	Bus loading at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort: Lobby Please be on time for bus loading. Departs promptly at 8:00 am.
8:00 – 9:00	Travel to Stop 1
9:00 – 11:15	Stop 1: Waterrock Knob Cultural stop to discuss the origin of Waterrock Knob and its significance to Kituwah, songs, and medicine. Tribal Elder Tom Belt will lead this stop to discuss air quality and relative work including climate trends and prescribed burns.
11:15 am - 12:30 pm	Travel to Stop 2
12:30 – 4:00	Stop 2: Cowee Mound Lunch (provided) at Cowee Mount. Tour this diplomatic site and its history and significance to Cherokee and the Trail of Tears.
2:30 – 4:00	Shuttle attendees up to Eagle Mountain Community Forest Discuss prescribed burned and oak management.
3:00 – 4:00	Travel back to Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort
<u>5:30 – 7:30 pm</u>	<u>General Membership Meeting at Cherokee Convention Ctr.: Rooms 111-113</u>

Thursday, May 16, 2024

Moderator	Shawn de France, FMIP Program Manager, Confederated Salish & Kootenai Tribes, Pablo, MT
<u>7:30 am</u>	<u>Registration Open/ Exhibits Open/ Raffle Continues</u>
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Registration
<u>8:00 am – 10:30 am</u>	<u>General Session Updates</u>
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 101-102 and 111-114
8:00 – 8:20	ITC President's Report
	Cody Desautel, ITC President / Executive Director, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA
8:20 – 8:40	Department of the Interior, Office of Wildland Fire Update
	Jeff Rupert, OWF Director, Department of the Interior, Washington, DC
8:40 – 9:00	Bureau of Indian Affairs Update
	Caleb Cain, Acting Chief Forester, BIA Division of Forestry, Billings, MT
	Aaron Baldwin, Division Chief of Wildland Fire Management, BIA OTS, Boise, ID
9:00 – 9:20	Legislative Update
	Matt Hill, Information & Research Specialist, Lone Rock Strategies, Glide, OR
9:20 – 9:40	USDA Forest Service, Office of Tribal Relations Update
	Reed Robinson, Director OTR, USDA Forest Service, Washington, DC
9:40 – 9:45	Workshop Introductions
9:45 – 10:00	Retire Colors
	Cherokee Legion Post, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC
10:00 – 10:30	Morning Break
<u>10:30 am – 4:15 pm</u>	<u>Workshop 1: Engaging Federal and Non-Federal Partners to Meet Tribal Management Objectives</u>
Coordinator	Jim Durglo, Wildland Fire Technical Specialist, ITC Contractor, St. Ignatius, MT
Moderator	Joshua Rosenau, Program Coordinator, SKC TREES, Pablo, MT
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103
Description	This workshop will provide information to participants about opportunities to engage both federal and non-federal partners to meet tribal natural resource management objectives. As tribes continue to face ongoing challenges of workforce development, the need to identify non-traditional partnerships is increasing. These partnerships can support tribes with both capacity, and workforce sharing, and research and information to better meet tribal land management needs.
10:30 – 10:40 am	Introduction Overview, Intent, Outcomes
	Joshua Rosenau, Program Coordinator, SKC TREES, Pablo, MT
10:40 – 11:30	USDA Forest Service Engagement Opportunities
	Jen Croft, Applied Fire Ecologist, USDA Forest Service., Washington, DC
11:30 am – 12:00 pm	A Means to an End: Collaborating to Build Capacity
	Zachary Erickson, Forest Resource Specialist, Wiyot Tribe, Loleta, CA
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 1:30	Opportunities with Universities/Tribal Colleges
	Jaime Yazzie, Research Coordinator, Southwest Mountains Climate Resilience Center, Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, AZ

1:30 – 2:00	DOI U.S. Geological Survey Paul F. Steblein, Wildland Fire Science Coordinator, USGS, Reston, VA
2:00 – 2:30	Afternoon Break
2:30 – 3:00	Joint Fire Science Program Cavan Fitzsimmons, Deputy Forest Supervisor, Forest Service, Asheville, NC
3:00 – 3:30	Engagement Opportunities for Working with the Joint Venture Todd Fearer, Coordinator, Appalachian Mountains Joint Venture, Blacksburg, VA
3:30 – 3:50	Question and Answer
3:50 – 4:15	Workshop 1 Summary
<u>10:30 am – 4:15 pm</u>	<u>Workshop 2: Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK)</u>
Coordinator / Moderator	Mike Dockry, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 105-106
Description	Tribes are bringing their own knowledge and cultural values into forest and natural resource management. Federal and State agencies are also developing policies to incorporate TEK into public land management. This workshop will provide participants an opportunity to share their own visions, examples, and challenges with using TEK as a basis for natural resource management. The first part of the workshop will serve as a mutual teaching and learning and take the form of a talking circle. The second part of the workshop will highlight specific examples from across the country. The final part will be developing a workshop summary that can be used by tribes, researchers, and ITC to further the call for increasing TEK in natural resource management.
10:30 am – 12:00 pm	TEK Talking Circle: An Opportunity for Mutual Teaching and Learning to Foster Natural Resource Management Based on Indigenous Values Mike Dockry, PhD, Assistant Professor, University of Minnesota, St. Paul, MN
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 1:45	TEK and Cultural Fire Use in the Midwest Kyle Whyte, Professor, University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, MI Eric Clark, Director of The Consortium for Cooperative Ecological Resilience, Sault Ste. Marie of Chippewa Indians, Sault Ste. Marie, MI
1:45 – 2:30	Understanding TEK and Exploring Opportunities for Cultural Renewal Nisogaabokwe – Melonee Montano, TEK Outreach Specialist, Great Lakes Indian Fish and Wildlife Commission, Odanah, WI Frank Lake, PhD, Research Ecologist, USDA Forest Service, Arcata, CA Lydia Jennings, Presidential Postdoctoral Fellow, University of Arizona, Durham, NC
2:30 – 2:45	Afternoon Break
2:45 – 3:30	TEK, Cultural Fire Use, and Federal Collaboration in the Southeast Tommy Cabe, Forest Resource Specialist, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC Josh Parris, CWB, Forestry Mgr., Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, NC Michelle Baumflek, Research Biologist, USDA Forest Service, Asheville, NC
3:30 – 3:50	Question and Answer
3:50 – 4:15	Workshop 2 Summary

<u>10:30 am – 4:15 pm</u>	<u>Workshop 3: Carbon Compliance & Voluntary Market Opportunities</u>
Coordinator / Moderator	Cody Desautel, ITC President / Executive Director, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA
Location	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 104
Description	Carbon project development and available markets have been an ongoing discussion in Indian country over the last decade. These opportunities continue to expand as the compliance and voluntary markets evolve. There are also questions about BIA involvement if projects are developed. This workshop is intended to share opportunities in carbon space, BIA inclusion/exclusion in the process, and tribal examples to demonstrate the potential.
10:30 – 11:15 am	Compliance Markets Dylan Jenkins, ACF CF, VP Origination, Finite Carbon, Williamsport, PA
11:15 am – 12:00 pm	Voluntary Markets Overview & Reforestation Funding Julius Pasay, Executive Director, Climate Trust, Asheville, NC
12:00 – 1:00	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 1:45	BIA Obligations and Trust Determination Orvie Danzuka, Timber Sales Forester, BIA, Albuquerque, NM
1:45 – 2:30	Carbon Inventory and Verification Mark Stutzman, Professional Resource Manager, Northwest Management, Inc., Moscow, ID
2:30 – 2:45	Afternoon Break
2:45 – 3:30	Colville Tribe's Carbon Example Rebecca Hunt, Natural Resources Director, Colville Tribe, Nespelem, WA
3:30 – 3:50	Question and Answer
3:50 – 4:15	Workshop 3 Summary
<u>3:00</u>	<u>Raffle Closes</u>
<u>4:15</u>	<u>Adjourn</u>
<u>4:30 pm</u>	<u>Annual Business Meeting at Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103</u>
<u>6:30 pm</u>	<u>Annual Awards Banquet at Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 111 - 113</u> Cody Desautel, ITC President, Nespelem, WA Shawn de France, ITC Education Chair, Pablo, MT Robin Harkins, ITC Awards Chair, North Bend, OR Tommy Cabe, Forest Resource Specialist, EBCI (2024 Host Tribe), Cherokee, NC Stephen McDonald, Forest Manager, CSKT (2025 Host Tribe), Pablo, MT

2024 Event Schedule

Pre-Symposium Workshops

Day	Time	Description	Location
Mon, Jun 12	7:00 am – 8:00 am	Pre-Symposium (PS) Registration	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	PS WS 1: Forest Technology	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103-104
	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	PS WS 2: Fire Ecology and Traditional Knowledge - Sharing Experiences and Knowledge's to Restore Relationships with Peoples and Places	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 111 Vehicles loading from 1:00 pm – 1:15 pm for tour
	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	PS WS 3: Mask Carving	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 105
	8:00 am – 4:00 pm	PS WS 4: Basket Making	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 108
	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	PS Workshops Attendee Lunch	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 107
	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Private Event: Native Women & Allies in Forestry Luncheon (Invite only)	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 106
	2:00 - 7:00 pm	Exhibitor Set Up	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function

Symposium Officially Begins

Day	Time	Description	Location
Mon, May 13	3:00 - 6:00 pm	Registration	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	5:00 - 7:00 pm	Host Icebreaker	Unto These Hills Outdoor Theater
Tue, May 14	7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Raffle	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 101-102
	7:00 am - 5:00 pm	Exhibits	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	8:00 am - 5:00 pm	General Session	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 113-114
	12:00 - 1:00 pm	ITC Luncheon	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 107-110
	6:00 - 9:00 pm	Host Welcome Dinner	Painttown Gym and community Center
Wed, May 15	7:30 - 8:00 am	Bus loading for Tribal Tour	Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort: Lobby
	8:00 am - 4:30 pm	Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Tour	Off Property
	5:30 - 7:30 pm	General Membership Meeting	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 107-110
Thu, May 16	7:30 am - 3:00 pm	Registration	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	7:30 am - 3:00 pm	Raffle	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 101-102
	7:30 am - 4:00 pm	Exhibits	Cherokee Convention Center: Pre-Function
	8:00 am - 10:00 am	General Session Updates	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 113-114
	10:30 am - 4:15 pm	WS 1: Engaging Federal and Non-Federal Partners to Meet Tribal Management Objectives	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103
	10:30 am - 4:15 pm	WS 2: Traditional Ecological Knowledge (TEK)	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 105-106
	10:30 am - 4:15 pm	WS 3: Carbon Compliance & Voluntary Market Opportunities	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 104
	12:00 - 1:15 pm	Lunch	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 107-110
	4:30 - 6:00 pm	Annual Business Meeting	Cherokee Convention Center: Room 103
	6:30 - 9:30 pm	Annual Awards Banquet	Cherokee Convention Center: Rooms 113-114
All	Varies	SAF CFE Credits	Current members sign in at Registration
Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, 777 Casino Dr., Cherokee, NC 28719			
Cherokee Convention Center, 123 Harrahs Service Dr., Cherokee, NC 28719			
Unto These Hills Theater, 688 Drama Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719 (2.4 miles, 6-minute drive)			
Painttown Gym and Community Center, 10 Old Gap Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719 (0.8 miles, 2-minute drive)			

2024 ITC SYMPOSIUM SCHEDULE & MORE

Visit the event website or scan the QR code!

<https://www.eventsquid.com/event/23216>



INDIAN FOREST MANAGEMENT ASSESSMENT TEAM (IFMAT-IV) CHALLENGES & OPPORTUNITIES

Breaking Point: The State of Tribal Forestry Today

Visit the IFMAT IV ArcGIS StoryMap, created by the Intertribal Timber Council. This site presents video, audio, maps, infographics, and more to illustrate the challenges and opportunities that exist in tribal forest management today. There are several ways to move through this rich experience:

1. You will have the best experience on a PC or laptop
2. Use the navigation at the top of the page to jump to a specific section of interest
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2023 IFMAT-IV STORYMAP

Visit the Arc GIS website or scan the QR code!

<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/c1f1ca11f6774341b70550e8b8cc1801>

