

**Tribal Pesticide Program Council Executive Committee**  
**Monthly Conference Call**  
08/19/20  
Call Notes – Final  
Call in number: 202-991-0477, Pass Code 6135015#

Roll call:

**Tribes (7)**

- Jasmine Brown, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Ted Puetz, Ak-Chin Indian Community
- James Jackson, Muscogee Creek Nation
- James Williams, Muscogee Creek Nation
- Larry Scrapper, Cherokee Nation
- Ryan Evans, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Eric Gjevre, Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe

**Tribal Organizations (2)**

- Diania Caudell, California Indian Basketweavers Association
- Carolyn Smith, California Indian Basketweavers Association

**EPA (4)**

- Emily Ryan, EPA/OPP
- Lauren LePont, EPA/OPP
- Peter Earley, EPA/Region 9
- Amanda Hauff, EPA/OCSP

**Other (2)**

- Suzanne Forsyth, University of California Davis Continuing and Professional Education
- Bob Gruenig, TPPC

**Reported in advance as absent (1)**

- Andrea Mitchell, Cocopah

**1. Welcome/Introductions (00:00 - 00:05)**

Jasmine Brown, Vice Chair, facilitated the roll call. Attendance was logged throughout the call for the 9 tribes and tribal organization representatives.

**2. EPA Updates (Emily, Amanda, Peter, et. al.) (00:05 - 00:15)**

Emily Ryan, EPA/OPP – Rachel could not be present today as she's doing C&T training. No other updates.

Peter Earley, EPA/OPP - nothing to report from the Regions.

Amanda Hauff, EPA/OCSP – EPA is working to outline tribal consultations in the next few months on the FIFRA Cooperative Agreement Guidance and will share with TPPC soon. EPA is doing early outreach on the NPM document. Amanda will be sending out outreach efforts for that so they can have before next draft written. TLEF is going on this week and hopes that tribes could engage in that effort. Ryan Evans shared his experience and said that most of the content is Brownfield related.

### **3. TPPC Tribal Administrator Update (Suzanne) (00:25 – 00:25)**

- a) Administrative
  - Quarterly reporting to EPA.
  - Web updates.
  - Spending time on the Status Report workgroup and coordinating with the report formatter on timeline.
  - Beginning talks with EPA about grantee transition.
  - Andrea from Cocopah will report out on local information on how COVID restrictions are impacting harvests, group housing, and how workers are being transported to the field.
  - Topics for September calls.

Ted asked about a list of recent “bad actors” and products with fictitious claims. OCSPP shared an advisory on this 6/1/20.

Action item: ask OECA to present on next month’s call for an update on this list.

### **4. Updates from Status of Pesticides in Indian Country Report Workgroup (Bob) (00:25 – 00:35)**

The workgroup submitted the draft report to the formatter, Brandon Lee. Brandon provided a first draft late last week and it’s out for review with the workgroup. Bob identified additional images to include beyond the ones that TPPC members selected.

Two outstanding items:

1. A draft EPA disclaimer – there’s a draft in the report and EPA needs provide feedback on this.
2. Discrepancy in the number of cooperative agreements being addressed.

Based on the review feedback, Brandon could have a draft for the TPPC by late August / early September. It goes to the full TPPC and EPA after that and folks will be asked if there are any outstanding issues. The intent is to give all a snapshot of what’s to go out. Last chance to make a change on incorrect information. Timeline: 9/30/20 distribution date.

### **5. Other Issues/Concerns/Hot Topics (All) (0:35 – 01:00)**

Jasmine wanted to ask James Jackson if they already did their PIRT. He said it was postponed to March 17, 2021.

### **6. Next TPPC Conference Call: Wednesday, September 16, 2020, 2:00-4:00 p.m. EST**

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Aug 24-27, 2020: PREP: Compliance and Enforcement Management PREP (moved to online)
- Sept 14-17, 2020: PREP: Comprehensive Combo Course (moved to online)
- Sept 21-22, 2020: SFIREG Joint Working Committees Meeting, location TBD
- Sept 28–October 2, 2020: Basic Inspector Training PIRT, Savannah, GA
- Oct 2020 (dates TBD): Region 3 FIFRA Inspectors Workshop
- Oct 20-22, 2020: PREP: Senior Executive Program Management Course, Davis, CA
- Nov 4-5, 2020: Region 5 Pre-SFIREG, Chicago, IL
- Nov 16-19, 2020: PREP: Registration & Re-evaluation Course, Arlington, VA (rescheduled from May 2020)
- Nov 17-18, 2020: Region 10 Pesticide Directors Meeting with SLAs and Tribes, Seattle, WA
- Dec 7-8, 2020: Full SFIREG Meeting, Arlington, VA