

**Tribal Pesticide Program Council Executive Committee**  
**Monthly Conference Call**  
6/15/22  
Call Notes – Final

**Join by Zoom: <https://nau.zoom.us/j/89303644703>**  
**or phone: 312-626-6799 or 888-788-0099 (toll free)**  
**Meeting ID: 893 0364 4703**  
**Password: 186136**

Roll call:

**Tribes (14)**

- Les Benedict, St. Regis Mohawk Tribe
- Jefferson Biakeddy, Navajo Nation
- Jasmine Brown, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Brittani Clairmont, Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes
- Eric Gjevre, Coeur d'Alene Indian Tribe
- Nina Hapner, Kashia Band of Pomo Indians
- Joe Herrera, Yakama Nation
- Daniel Hoyt, Gila River Indian Community
- James Jackson, Muscogee Creek Nation
- Renee Keezer, White Earth Nation
- Jim Mossett, Three Affiliated Tribes
- Jeremy Phillips, Salt River Pima-Maricopa Indian Community
- Larry Scrapper, Cherokee Nation
- Gerald Wagner, Blackfoot Tribe

**EPA (9)**

- Helene Ambrosino, EPA/OECA
- Jeff Dawson, EPA/OCSP
- Amanda Hauff, EPA/OCSP
- Hayley Hughes, EPA/OCSP
- Loren LaPointe, EPA/OCSP
- Kaitlin Picone, EPA/OCSP
- Rachel Ricciardi, EPA/OCSP
- Emily Ryan, EPA/OCSP
- Linsey Walsh, EPA/OCSP

**Other (3)**

- Mark Daniels, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
- Jennifer Glennon, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals
- Mehrdad Khatibi, Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals

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

- Camilo Perez, Quechan Indian Tribe
- Ted Puetz, Ak-Chin Indian Community
- Julie Simpson, Nez Perce Tribe

## **1. Tribal Caucus**

## **2. Welcome/Introductions**

Jasmine Brown facilitated the roll call and welcomed everyone.

## **3. EPA Updates**

Hayley Hughes, EPA/OCSP is moving into a full-time position as the Senior Program Manager with Environmental Justice (EJ) beginning in July. Rachel Ricciardi, EPA/OCSP will serve as the main point of contact going forward as she will continue as the TPPC Project Officer. Numerous TPPC members expressed appreciation to Amanda for her many years of dedication to the Tribal program. She and the team have gained the trust and respect of many tribes and she will be greatly missed.

## **4. EPA Climate Adaptation Plan Overview - Jeff Dawson, OCSP Science Advisor**

EPA's National Program and Regional Offices Draft Climate Adaptation Implementation Plans are currently undergoing tribal consultation from Monday, May 16 – Thursday, June 30, 2022 and can be found at: <https://tcots.epa.gov/ords/tcotspub/f?p=106:5::1535>.

### [Slide Presentation](#)

Jeff Dawson, EPA/OCSP presented an overview of the EPA's Climate Adaptation Plan that is currently open for Tribal consultation until June 30 and will be finalized on August 1, 2022. He covered the background of the plan, the timeline for the process and agency priorities as well as OCSP priorities. The slides include links to additional resources and EPA's approach to climate change. This plan is a living document that will be updated annually to reflect new knowledge.

Amanda mentioned that comments can be sent to her and if needed, the comment period could be extended for Tribes. She will also let Tribes know if there are Climate Adaptation Plan related funding opportunities.

Jasmine commented on a couple of issues, first regarding Section 18 registrations and often laws are silent when it comes to Tribes. Second is about getting more information about Tribe's ability to submit emergency use requests in their counties. Another concern is the excessive use of hydro power and how the lack of water affects pesticide dispersal.

Nina Hapner, Kashia Band of Pomo Indians mentioned that in Northern California they have seen the effects of low water quantity on pesticide dispersal and the effects of poor water quality from inland sources on coastlines.

## **5. TPPC Administrator Updates**

Mark Daniels, ITEP reported that during the Tribal Caucus it was unanimously decided that the October meeting be held at a Tribal facility, most likely Salt River Pima Maricopa Indian Community near Phoenix, AZ. More information will be coming soon as well as a poll for preferred dates.

The TPPC website had 407 views from 170 users in May and year-to-date totals are 2025 views from 682 users.

**6. Tribal Caucus Report-out**

This will be reported at the July meeting.

**7. FIFRA Grant Database Feedback – Loren LaPointe, OCSPP Tribal Team**

Due to lack of time, this will be addressed in the next meeting.

**8. Workgroup Report-out**

This will be reported at the July meeting.

**9. NTC Updates/Hot Topics**

This will be reported at the July meeting.

**10. Next TPPC Conference Call: Wednesday, July 20, 2022, 2:00-4:00 p.m. ES**

\*(Yellow highlighting in the notes above indicates action items)