



**SPRING 2024 MEETING – REGION 9**



**TRIBAL CAUCUS (Tribal representatives only)**

**In-Person Attendees:**

Room: Manzanita West/Sage. Table Mountain Casino, 777 Jackpot Lane, Friant, CA 93626

**Virtual Attendees:** Registered attendees should have received Microsoft Teams meeting links; otherwise email [Yevoo.Edem@epa.gov](mailto:Yevoo.Edem@epa.gov)

Time (Pacific)	Tuesday, May 28 <sup>th</sup>		
8:00- 8:30 AM	SIGN ONS/ARRIVALS		
8:30 – 8:35 AM	Opening Prayer – Savannah Marquez, Table Mountain Rancheria		
8:35 – 8:40 AM	Welcome – Samuel Elizondo, Table Mountain Rancheria		
8:40 – 9:00 AM	Review of Agenda/Introductions – Roman Orona, Tribal Co-Chair, Ak-Chin Indian Community		
9:00 – 10:00 AM	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•Tribal Co-Chair Opening Remarks</li> <li>•Discussion of Future RTOC Locations and Dates</li> <li>•Other Housekeeping</li> </ul>		
10:00 – 10:15 AM	BREAK		
10:15 – 11:30 AM	<b>Important Updates</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•RTOC Reps</li> <li>•NTC Reps</li> <li>•Workgroup Leads</li> </ul>		
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM	BREAK (LUNCH ON OWN)		
1:00– 2:00 PM	<b>CA area Tribes</b> Location: Manzanita West/Sage	<b>NV area Tribes</b> Location: Manzanita East	<b>AZ area Tribes</b> Location: Redbud
2:00 – 2:15 PM	BREAK		
2:15 – 3:30 PM	<b>Caucus Discussion-</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• What topics should RTOC focus on in 2024? Follow-up from Winter RTOC discussion.</li> <li>• What do we hope to achieve? What are our asks for EPA?</li> <li>• Next steps</li> </ul>		
3:30 – 3:45 PM	<b>Tribal Waste Assistance and Response Steering Committee Priorities Document</b> – Rob Roy, La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians & Committee Chair Rebecca Stevens, Coeur d'Alene Tribe		
3:45 – 4:15 PM	RTOC Charter Update – Clifford Banuelos, ITCN		
4:15 – 5:00 PM	Review Response to Winter RTOC Action Items, Identify Any New Action Items for EPA		
5:00 PM	ADJOURN		

*Note: The Tribal Caucus Agenda items are solely selected by the tribal participants without any input from EPA. EPA neither sanctions nor endorses any individuals or organizations speaking during the Caucus. Furthermore, the opinions expressed during the Caucus are those of the speaker.*



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FULL PLENARY RTOC**



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<b>Time (Pacific)</b>	<b>Wednesday, May 29<sup>th</sup></b>
8:00- 8:30 AM	<b>SIGN ONS/ARRIVALS</b>
8:30 – 8:35 AM	<b>Opening Prayer</b> – Savannah Marquez, Table Mountain Rancheria
8:35 – 8:40 AM	<b>Welcome</b> – Michelle Heredia-Cordova, Table Mountain Rancheria Chairperson
8:35 – 8:45 AM	<b>Review of Agenda/Roll Call</b> – EPA and Tribal Co-Chairs
8:45 – 9:15 AM	<b>Opening Remarks</b> – Roman Orona, RTOC Tribal Co-Chair & Cheree Peterson, Office of the Regional Administrator
9:15 – 9:30 AM	<b>BREAK</b>
9:30 –10:45 AM	<b>National Tribal Caucus Changes Discussion</b> – Kenneth Martin, EPA HQ, American Indian Environmental Office
10:45 – 11:15 AM	<b>Region 9 Reorganization Discussion</b> – EPA R9 Division Directors
11:15 – 11:45 AM	<b>Preview of General Assistance Program Academy</b> – William Post, American Indian Environmental Office
11:45 – 12:05 AM	<b>RTOC Charter Update</b> – Clifford Banuelos, Charter Workgroup Co-Lead, ITCN
12:05 – 12:15 PM	<b>Announcements &amp; Updates</b>
12:15 PM – 1:45 PM	<b>BREAK (LUNCH ON OWN)</b>
1:45 – 2:45 PM	<b>Mining: Exploration to Permitting to Reclamation</b> – Sarah Samples, Region 9 NEPA Program
2:45 – 3:30 PM	<b>Indian Health Service Presentation</b> – Dave Mazorra & Chris Brady, IHS
3:30 – 3:45 PM	<b>BREAK</b>
3:45 – 3:55 PM	<b>Request to Review Region 9 Tribal Website</b> – Chris Sebastian, EPA Region 9 Web Team
3:55 – 4:45 PM	<b>Presentation on Caucus Priorities &amp; Action Items</b>
4:45 – 5:00 PM	<b>Closing Remarks</b> – Kristin Gullatt & Roman Orona, RTOC Co-Chairs
5:00 PM	<b>ADJOURN</b>



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**OPEN DISCUSSION & BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

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Time (Pacific)	Thursday, May 30 <sup>th</sup>		
8:00 - 8:30 AM	SIGN ONS/ARRIVALS		
8:30 - 10:30 AM	<p><b>Open Discussion on Caucus Priorities- Determining Next Steps</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome by Martha Guzman, EPA R9 Administrator</li> <li>Discussion led by RTOC Co-Chairs</li> </ul> <p><b>Location – Manzanita West/Sage</b></p> <p><b>Virtual Attendees: <a href="#">Join Microsoft Teams Meeting</a></b>            +1 323-553-2644, Conference ID: 525 207 38#</p>		
10:30– 11:00 AM	30 min break		
<b>Breakout Sessions</b> 11:00 AM – 3:45 PM	<p><b>Manzanita East Breakout Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Virtual Attendees:</b>  <a href="#">Join Microsoft Teams Meeting</a>            +1 323-553-2644            Conference ID: 191 155 361#</p>	<p><b>Redbud Breakout Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Virtual Attendees:</b>  <a href="#">Join Microsoft Teams Meeting</a>            +1 323-553-2644            Conference ID: 322 050 431#</p>	<p><b>Manzanita West/Sage Breakout Sessions</b></p> <p><b>Virtual Attendees:</b>  <a href="#">Join Microsoft Teams Meeting</a>            +1 323-553-2644            Conference ID: 525 207 38#</p>
11:00 AM – 12:00 PM	<p><b>Cleanup of the Celtor Chemical Works Superfund Site: How Tribal Partnership Improves Superfund Cleanups</b></p> <p><b>Leads:</b> Eric Canteenwala, Tonya Lindsey</p>	<p><b>Clean Water Act Rulemaking Updates Pt. 1</b></p> <p><b>Leads:</b> Erica Fleisig, Tina Yin</p>	<p><b>National Environmental Policy Act 101</b></p> <p><b>Leads:</b> Desean Garnett, Laney Gordon, Connell Dunning</p>
12:00 – 1:30 PM	Lunch Break (lunch on own)		
1:30 – 2:30 PM	<p><b>Particulate Matter Designations</b></p> <p><b>Lead:</b> Lindsay Wickersham</p>	<p><b>CA Issues Workgroup Pt. 1 – Bay Delta Plan (CA Waterboard)</b></p> <p><b>Leads:</b> Sarah Ryan, Jose Ayala, Robert McCarthy</p>	<p><b>GAP Evaluation Process Revamp</b></p> <p><b>Leads:</b> Kerri Vera, Veronica Swann</p>
2:30 – 2:45 PM	15 min break		
2:45 – 3:45 PM	<p><b>US EPA’s Clean School Bus and Diesel Emissions Reduction Act Grant Program</b></p>	<p><b>CA Issues Workgroup Pt. 2 – Water Supply Modeling Efforts (CA Waterboard)</b></p>	<p><b>Funding Opportunity and Early Engagement for the Region 9 Clean Water Indian</b></p>

	<b>Leads:</b> Esperanza Perez, M. Miglio ( <i>they/them</i> )	<b>Leads:</b> Sarah Ryan, Philip Dutton	<b>Set-aside Emerging Contaminant Program Lead:</b> Nancy Sockabasin
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