



**ATNI**  
CLIMATE CHANGE

## ATNI Climate Resilience Newsletter March 2024

### HIGHLIGHTED EVENTS

**2024 National Tribal Leaders Climate Summit**  
*Honoring Traditions, Shaping Futures*

**Register Today!**

**April 15-17, 2024**  
Muckleshoot Casino Resort  
[www.atntribes.org/climatechange/ts](http://www.atntribes.org/climatechange/ts)

Featuring Keynotes from:

 <b>Se-ah-dom Edmo</b> Shoshone-Bannock/ Yakima/Nez Perce Seeding Justice	 <b>Kenneth Martin</b> Bad River Band of Lake Superior, Chippewa EPA Office of Intertribal and Tribal Affairs	 <b>Dr. Kyle Whyte</b> Potawatomi White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council	 <b>Valerie Segrest</b> Muckleshoot Tahoma Peaks Solutions	 <b>Brook Thompson</b> Yurok/Karuk PHD Student
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*And More!*

**Partner Logos:** Affiliated Tribes of Northwest Indians, First Nations Development Institute, The Nature Conservancy, Energy Foundation, Audubon Washington, North Central Climate Adaptation Science Center, Northwest Climate Adaptation Science Center, Oregon State University, Oregon State University College of Forestry, Port of Seattle, PSC Puget Sound Energy, Resource Synergy, Trust for Public Land, VertueLab, South Central Environmental Solutions, NOAA Energy Question, PSCU, University of Oregon.

Learn [more](#) and register [here](#)!

**2024 Tribal Climate Camp**  
*Asserting Tribal Sovereignty through Climate Planning*

**Apply Today!**

**August 25-30, 2024**  
Menucha Retreat and Conference Center, Corbett, OR  
[www.atntribes.org/climatechange/tcc](http://www.atntribes.org/climatechange/tcc)

Learn more [here](#). [Applications](#) to attend are being accepted through May 1.

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

### [America's Ecosystem Restoration Initiative: America the Beautiful Challenge 2024;](#)

The National Fish and Wildlife Foundation announced \$119 million will be awarded in nationwide funding to conserve, connect, and restore the lands, waters, and wildlife. This Request for Proposals consolidates funding from multiple federal agencies and the private sector to enable applicants to conceive and develop large-scale, locally led projects that address shared funder priorities spanning public, Tribal, and private lands. **Pre-Proposal Deadline: April 4.**

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[Advancing Tribal Nature-Based Solutions Grant;](#) First Nations Development Institute expects to award 6 grants up to \$200,000 each to eligible tribes and organizations for projects designed to provide tribes and Native nonprofits with resources to support climate action that addresses adaptation and disaster preparation (e.g., wildfires, flooding, drought) through the application of nature-based solutions based on Native knowledge. **Deadline: May 22.**

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[Inflation Reduction Act Community Change Grants Program;](#) EPA is accepting applications on a rolling basis for \$2 billion in Inflation Reduction Act funding available to support community-driven projects that build capacity for communities to tackle environmental and climate justice challenges, strengthen their climate resilience, and advance clean energy. Awards vary depending on application track. Technical assistance available. **Deadline: November 21.**

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[Click here for additional funding opportunities.](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**The ATNI Energy Program has a newsletter!** Subscribe to this monthly newsletter to stay up-to-date on relevant funding opportunities, announcements, and resources. Subscribe [here](#) or contact ATNI Energy Liaison, Eli Duncan-Gilmour, at [eli@atnitribes.org](mailto:eli@atnitribes.org), and request to subscribe.



[The Northwest Environmental Justice Center](#) provides no-cost technical assistance and support for communities to address environmental and energy justice issues and work towards thriving futures in Alaska, Idaho, Oregon, and Washington. The Center is now accepting intake forms, reaching out to communities, and has launched a full website of resources, funding opportunities, and events.

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[The Oregon Climate Change Research Institute](#) is seeking brief narratives highlighting Tribal members' experiences with the effects of climate-related extreme events on infrastructure to include in the seventh Oregon Climate Assessment. Read [past](#)

[assessments](#) and share your experiences [using this form](#).

**Deadline: March 31.**



[The Quinault Indian Nation is soliciting proposals](#) for consulting services to assist with tribal consultation on spending decisions from accounts created in the Climate Commitment Act and provide expertise and consultation services related to clean energy siting projects and climate resiliency issues. The overall purpose is to support tribal consultation on funding decisions and proposed clean energy siting projects that may impact tribal resources. **Deadline: April 1.**



## POLICY HIGHLIGHT

[The Department of the Interior announced that more than \\$120 million](#) from President Biden's Investing in America agenda will fund 146 projects to help Tribal communities plan for and implement projects to tackle severe climate-related environmental threats to their homelands.

This investment from the Inflation Reduction Act, Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, and annual appropriations will help Tribes proactively plan for and adapt to these threats and safely relocate critical community infrastructure, where necessary. It is the largest amount of annual funding awarded to Tribes and Tribal organizations in the history of the Bureau of Indian Affairs' [Tribal Climate Annual Awards Program](#), with 102 Tribes and 9 Tribal organizations receiving funding.

## TRAININGS AND WORKSHOPS

[Webinar Series: Incorporating Climate and Environmental Justice into Research and Resource Management](#); every other Thursday (12-1 PM Pacific) from Feb. 29 – May 9, 2024. Virtual.



[Sagebrush and Climate Training Series](#); March 20 (9 AM PT), April 4 (12 PM PT), April 30 (12 PM PT). Virtual. Registration required.






[Climate Change Adaptation for Tribes and Tribal Partners Workshop](#); May 20 – 22. Sulpher, OK.  
Registration deadline: April 22.





## EVENTS

 Northwest Environmental Justice Center

# Save the Date!

## Launch Event

With EPA's Casey Sixkiller and Dr. Alai Reyes-Santos

 April 30, 2024  Portland, Oregon

Learn more at [nwejc.org](https://nwejc.org)

# NTFAQ 2024

NATIONAL TRIBAL FORUM ON AIR QUALITY

MAY 6, 2024- MAY 9, 2024

HARRAHS CHEROKEE CASINO & RESORT, NORTH CAROLINA

[nau.edu/NTFAQ2024](https://nau.edu/NTFAQ2024)  
#NTFAQ2024

# Tribal Lands and Environment Forum

August 12 - 15, 2024  
Eugene, Oregon

## NATIONAL TRIBAL & INDIGENOUS CLIMATE CONFERENCE

September 9-12, 2024  
Anchorage, Alaska

Shared Responsibility for



Indigenous Climate Resilience

### IN THE NEWS



[How the Colville Tribes are restoring traditional lands and wildlife](#)



[White House, tribal leaders hail 'historic' deal to restore salmon runs in Pacific Northwest](#)



[Boundary spanners: a critical role for enduring collaborations between Indigenous communities and mainstream scientists](#)



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