

2024 Annual Meeting Natural Resources Committee

AGENDA At-A-Glance

Date

October 7-9, 2024

Location

Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood, FL

1 Seminole Way Hollywood, FL 33314 Plan for 2 days of topics (3rd day field trip)

- Invite USDA / USDA-NRCS (Invite speakers for the Annual Meeting, but also plan field trip to USDA / USDA-NRSC Office during Impact Week
- Focus on USDA-NRCS Funding and Program, opportunities for Tribal Nations
- NRCS has sister organization such as FSA and RD that also have funding opportunities for Tribal Nations
- Report on EPA National Tribal Committee (Shavonne Smith Region 2 Report can assist with contacting speakers)
- Native American Fish and Wildlife Society (NAFWS)
- Available funding to address PFAS (addressing and testing including air quality-related issues.)
- National Tribal Science Council
- Always looking for a Tribal-based presentation
- Freight farm Container Farming: Presentation offered by the
 Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation Ag. Program Jeremy Whipple
- ← Cattle Beef Slaughter Facility being built by the Poarch Band of Creek Indians should be operational by 2025, NR Committee Vice Chair suggested it and will request permission on presenting.
- Mi'kmaq Nation presentation on Aquacultural Farming with Brook Trout (Impact week 2025)
- Also welcoming Tribal sustainability projects (e.g. recycling food or animal waste for fertilizer for Tribal Ag.