

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR INDIGENOUS RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

**ROUNDTABLE ON THE ROLE OF AMERICAN INDIAN AND OTHER INDIGENOUS SPIRITUAL
LEADERS AND HEALERS IN PROTECTING AND PRESERVING BIODIVERSITY AND SACRED
LANDSCAPES AFFECTED BY FEDERAL FACILITIES ENVIRONMENTAL RESTORATION
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**28-30 August 2002
Sheraton Denver West Hotel and Conference Center
360 Union Boulevard
Lakewood, CO 80226**

AGENDA

28 AUGUST 2002

6:00 pm Registration

Welcome

Purpose of the Roundtable

Mervyn L. Tano, President
International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

The Role of Healers in Protecting Biodiversity in Malawi

Manuel Sande Phiri
Traditional Healer
Malawi

Protecting Biodiversity and Sacred Landscapes: A Maori Case Study

Morris Te Whiti Love, Director
New Zealand Department of Justice, Waitangi Tribunal Division

29 AUGUST 2002

8:00 am Coffee and Registration

8:30 am Welcome, Introductions, and Overview

Mervyn L. Tano, President
International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

9:30 am Protection of and Access to Sacred Sites at Department of Defense Installations

John Paul Woodley, Jr.
Assistant Deputy Under Secretary of Defense (Environment)

10:00 am The Role of Healers in Protecting Biodiversity in Malawi

Manuel Sande Phiri

Traditional Healer
Malawi

10:45 am **The Salt Song Project**
Matthew Leivas, Co-founder
The Salt Song Project

11:30 am **The Link Between Culture and Biodiversity**
Russel Barsh
Institute for Law and Society
New York University

Facilitated Discussion: What cultural systems and institutions are needed to help spiritual leaders and healers protect biodiversity and sacred landscapes?

Mervyn L. Tano and Kim Epley, Facilitator
International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

12:30 pm **Lunch**

2:00 pm **Geographic Information Systems for Preserving Biodiversity and Sacred Landscapes: The Coeur d'Alene Experience**

Felix Aripa
Frank Roberts, Manager, Geographic Information Systems Program
Coeur d'Alene Tribe

2:45 pm **Designing Risk Assessments to Preserve Biodiversity and Sacred Landscapes**

Stuart Harris
Special Sciences and Resources Program
Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

3:30 pm **Facilitated Discussion: What technical and scientific systems and institutions are needed to help spiritual leaders and healers protect biodiversity and sacred landscapes?**

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5:30 pm **Adjourn**

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8:30 am **International Approaches to the Protection of Biodiversity and Sacred Landscapes**

Patrick O'Keefe and Lyndel Prott
Cultural Resource Consultants

9:30 am **Legal Strategies, Systems, and Institutions for Protecting Biodiversity and Sacred Landscapes**

David J. Stephenson, Jr.
Enichen & Stephenson, LLC

10:30 am **The Longue Durée: A Braudelian Framework for Managing Contaminated Federal Properties**

Mervyn L. Tano, President
International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

- 11:00 am** **Facilitated Discussion: What legal strategies, systems, and institutions are needed to help spiritual leaders and healers protect biodiversity and sacred landscapes?**
- 12:30 pm** **Working Lunch: What research and action agenda items are required to support the efforts of spiritual leaders and healers to protect biodiversity and sacred landscapes?**
- 3:30 pm** **Adjournment**