

The International Institute for Indigenous Resource Management

Risk-Based Decision-Making in Indian Country

A Workshop for Tribal Council Members, Planners, Attorneys, Natural and Cultural Resource Specialists and Environmental Protection Professionals

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**March 14-16, 2000
Sheraton Denver West
360 Union Boulevard
Lakewood, Colorado**

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

MARCH 14, 2000 AN INTRODUCTION TO RISK AND RISK ASSESSMENT

- 12:00 p.m.** **Registration; Coffee**
- 1:00 a.m.** **Introductions and Purposes of the Workshop**
Mervyn L. Tano, IIRRM
- 1:40 p.m.** **Introduction to Risk and Risk Assessment**
Marilyn Null, US Air Force
- 2:20 p.m.** **Overview of Tribal Perspectives of Risk and Risk Assessment**
Stuart Harris, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
Richard Pacheco, All Indian Pueblo Council
- 3:00 p.m.** **Overview of Federal Perspectives of Risk in Indian Country**
Dr. Alvin Young, DOE, Center for Risk Excellence
- 3:30 p.m.** **Risk and Risk Assessment in Indian Country: Law and Policy**
Mervyn L. Tano, IIRRM
- 4:00 p.m.** **Facilitated Discussion**
Kim Alire-Epley, The Alire Group, Facilitator

MARCH 15, 2000 FEDERAL AND TRIBAL RISK INITIATIVES

- 8:00 a.m.** **Coffee**
- 8:30 a.m.** **Panel: Federal Agency Risk Initiatives in Indian Country**
Dr. Alvin Young, Director, Center for Risk Excellence, DOE
Moderator
- Col. John Selstrom, Director, DOD Environmental Cleanup Programs
Richard Mattick, EPA, Leaking Underground Storage Tank Programs

Dr. Daphne B. Moffett, ATSDR, Office of Tribal Affairs

Dr. Mary Lauterbach, EPA

Jim Konz, EPA, OSWER, Emergency Response & Remedial Response

11:30 a.m. Facilitated Discussion

Kim Alire-Epley, The Alire Group, Facilitator

12:30 p.m. Lunch

1:15 p.m. Panel: Tribal Risk Initiatives

Stuart Harris, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation
Moderator

John Persell, Minnesota Chippewa Tribe

Maggie Gover, National Tribal Environmental Council

Richard Pacheco, All Indian Pueblo Council

3:45 p.m. The Native American Cancer Initiative

Dr. Linda Barhansteipanoff, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center

Dr. Lynne Bemis, University of Colorado Health Sciences Center

4:30 p.m. Facilitated Discussion

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MARCH 16, 2000 NEAR AND LONG TERM RISK ISSUES IN INDIAN COUNTRY

8:00 a.m. Coffee

8:30 a.m. The Genome Project: Ethical, Social and Legal Issues

Dr. Daniel Drell, DOE, Life Sciences Division

9:15 a.m. Bioremediation: Tribal Issues

Mervyn L. Tano, IIRM

9:45 a.m. Break

10:15 a.m. Cultural Risk: Issues and Applications

Stuart Harris, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

11:30 a.m. "Barefoot" Epidemiology: Getting the Numbers and Getting Them Right

Dr. Ralph Bryan, M.D., IHS Albuquerque Area Office (Invited)

12:30 p.m. Lunch

International Risk Issues: Should Tribes Weigh In?

Dr. Gail Charnley, President, HealthRisk Strategies (Invited)

1:45 p.m. Intergenerational Risks: The Health of Indian Children

Dr. Elaine Faustmann, University of Washington (Invited)

3:00 p.m. Where Do We Go From Here? A Tribal Leader's Response

Matthew Leivas, Hualapai Tribe

4:00 p.m. Adjourn