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Environmental Justice Webinar - Tribal & Indigenous Knowledge in Policy

What role does Tribal & Indigenous Knowledge have in policy-making?

EUGENE, OR. – Beyond Toxics and the NAACP Eugene/Springfield are gearing up to host their next EJ Webinar - ***The Right to a Healthy Workplace*** on September 16th at 12 pm. This is the fifth webinar in the EJ Webinar Series, launched in May 2020.

"I am excited to share with our supporters the wisdom and intelligence of our four panelists. We hope next Wednesday's online discussion will help advance a better understanding of how Tribes implement Traditional Ecological Knowledge in management and policy." says Haley Case-Scott, Beyond Toxics Climate Justice Grassroots Organizer.

Our panelists:

Robert Kentta - Treasurer, Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians

Susan Fricke - Water Quality Program Manager, Karuk Tribe

Colleen Sanders - Climate Adaptation Planner, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Wenix Red Elk - Public Education and Outreach Specialist, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation

Moderator: **Lara A. Jacobs** - Ph. D. Student, Forest Ecosystems and Society, Oregon State University

We will hear from Tribal staff, community members, and scholars as they explore the role of TEK in data collection, research, and policy-making. Our panelists will also discuss best practices when learning about the use of TEK, and how to avoid knowledge appropriation and exploitation.

The EJP Webinar series will lead up to the Environmental Justice Pathways Summit, scheduled for April 2021 at the University of Oregon. Past webinars have featured panelists from throughout the state of Oregon, and have focused on the right to a healthy workplace, using art to advocate for change, and other topics of importance for environmental justice.

Beyond Toxics promotes environmental justice engagement and community-based environmental grassroots organizing to ensure environmental protection and health for all communities.