

# Listening Session: Indigenous Communities of Practice and Tribal Engagement

## Natural Hazards Workshop 2023

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# Session Overview

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Session Introduction

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Ice Breaker Questions

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Reflective Self-Introductions

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Group Discussion

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Next Steps

What Best  
Characterizes  
Your Career  
Stage?

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Student

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Early Career

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Mid Career

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Seasoned Professional

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Retired

What is your  
Institutional  
Affiliation?

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Academic

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Tribal Government

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Federal Government

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State Government

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Local Government

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Non-Profit

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Private Industry

What is your  
primary  
discipline?

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Social Science

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Physical Science

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Engineering

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Health

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Public Policy/Admin

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Emergency Management

How would you rate your  
experience engaging with  
Tribal Nations on Issues  
related to public  
health/hazards/disasters?

(1=Not Extensive ... 5=Extensive)

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How would you  
characterize  
your  
experience  
engaging with  
Tribal Nations?

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I'm ready to learn and begin engaging with Tribal representatives!

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I've worked with one or a few Tribes on some projects or initiatives

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I oversee or work on projects that include Tribal engagement

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I regularly work closely with professional Tribal colleagues

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Working with Tribes is one of my primary professional duties/goals

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I have spent the majority of my personal or professional life engaging with Tribes

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I am an enrolled Tribal member or work for a Tribal Government or organization

How many of our virtual listening sessions did you attend?

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# Shout it out!

What brought  
you to this  
session?

Here are some  
ideas...

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To be part of an ongoing community  
of practice

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To learn about approaches for  
engaging Tribes

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To learn about resources and  
opportunities for Tribal engagement

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To share my current work and find  
collaborators

# Reflective Self Introductions: Guiding Questions

Tell us about the collaborative experiences between Tribal nations and institutions you've been part of.

What lessons have you learned?

In what areas of Tribal engagement and collaboration do you hope that you or your organization can develop, grow, and learn?

(We'll dig into each of these much more during the group discussion that follows!)

# Group Discussion

- Describe your experience engaging with Tribes on Public Health, Hazards and Disaster initiatives/research
  - For Tribal Government representatives/professionals, Tribal Members, and Indigenous people:
    - What type of work do you do with government agencies or academic institutions?
    - What questions do you have about collaborating with these institutions?
    - What do you need from these institutions to help you in your work of reducing the disasters and public health emergencies affecting you?
  - For non-Native professionals who engage with Tribal nations (or seek to):
    - What type of work do you do with tribes, or what types of work would you like to do with tribes?
    - What questions do you have about collaborating with tribes?
    - How can your academic institution/government agency support and empower tribes/indigenous communities (what are your capabilities) in addressing disaster impacts and public health emergencies?
- What challenges impede collaboration between government agencies or academic institutions and Tribes?
- How can we adapt the requirements from funding agencies to properly address the needs of Tribes and/or researchers who work with Tribes? What financial resources are out there for working with Tribal Nations (research grants, EM/Climate/Health grants for Tribes)?
- What kind of resources, financial or otherwise, are needed to sustain these collaborations?

# Next Steps

- What method of communication would you prefer for keeping in touch with this community of practice moving forward?
- Are you interested in supporting this community of practice by providing leadership and direction or organizational support?