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OKLAHOMA NSF EPSCoR
TRIBAL COLLEGE CONFERENCE SERIES ON CLIMATE CHANGE RESEARCH:
Native American Water and Food Security

College of the Muscogee Nation * Okmulgee, Oklahoma * Friday, April 8, 2016

8:00 A.M. **Conference Registration & Breakfast** (*Student Center, Lobby*)

Opening Session

8:45 A.M. **Welcoming Remarks**
Robert Bible, President, College of the Muscogee Nation

9:00 A.M. **Invocation**

9:10 A.M. **Mvskoke Creek Nation Color Guard**

9:15 A.M. **Stomp Dance Presentation**
College of the Muscogee Nation Student Group

9:30 A.M. **Keynote Address, "Discussion of Selections from Dr. Wildcat's Book, *Red Alert*"**
Dr. Dan Wildcat, Director, Haskell Environmental Research Center
Dean, College of Natural and Social Sciences, Haskell Indian University, Lawrence, KS

10:30 A.M. **15-Minute Networking Break**

10:45 A.M. **"Selecting a Degree in the Field of STEM; Balancing School, Culture and Family"**
Dr. Carol Crouch, State Tribal Liaison, Natural Resource Conservation Service Oklahoma-USDA, and Oklahoma Tribal Conservation Advisory Council

11:15 A.M. **"Tribal Climate Career Opportunities"**
Ms. April Taylor, Sustainability Scientist Assistant, South Central Climate Science Center

11:45 P.M. **Invocation and Luncheon**

12:30 P.M. **Luncheon Keynote Speaker: "Butterflies: The Importance of Pollinators"**
Jane Breckinridge, Director, The Euchee Butterfly Farm

Afternoon Session

1:15 P.M. **"Watershed Management and Monitoring for Tribes"**
Yvette Wiley, Environmental Specialist II - Water Resources, Muscogee (Creek) Nation of Oklahoma

1:45 P.M. **"Climate Changes: Far and Near"**
Gordon Yellowman, Assistant Executive Director, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes Dept. of Education
Damon Dunbar, Program Director, Grants and Contracts Developer, Cheyenne and Arapaho Tribes of Oklahoma

2:15 P.M. **15-Minute Networking Break**

2:30 P.M. **Poster Session Highlighting Research Performed by Native American Students** (*Student Center, Lobby*)

3:30 P.M. **Poster Session Decisions Announced**

4:00 P.M. **Talking Circle and Closing Ceremonies**

5:00 P.M. **Meeting Adjourns**

All sessions will be held in Student Center room #109, with the exception of the student poster session, which will take place in the Student Center lobby.