**Keynote:** Kelsey Scott, Chief Strategy Officer, Intertribal Agriculture Council

- **Implementing NRCS Conservation Practices on Trust Lands**
  Panel Description: Federal trust lands are attached to unique administrative barriers seen nowhere else in the U.S. This panel discusses the unique challenges faced by Native producers working on Trust lands from multiple perspectives.

- **Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge (ITEK) in USDA Conservation Practices**
  Panel Description: Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge (ITEK) is an experiential science and knowledge based focused on Indigenous ways of knowing and being. The White House has committed to elevating ITEK in federal scientific and policy processes. This panel gathers insights from ITEK practitioners and experts and the Federal government to gain insight into how ITEK will inform Federal policy and conservation efforts.

- **Implementing NRCS Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFAs)**
  Panel Description: Following the 2018 Farm Bill, Alternative Funding Arrangements (AFAs) present unique avenues for Tribes to participate in USDA NRCS programming. AFAs enable Tribes to address distinct priorities in their communities and that programming aligns with Tribal cultural values and the needs of Tribal producers. This panel discusses current successes and challenges facing producers and USDA as they implement these projects together.

- **Telling Their Story: Communicating the Impact of Conservation in Agriculture**
  Panel Description: Delve into the crucial realm of messaging and communication strategies to convey the impact of conservation in agriculture, specifically focusing on implementing Natural Climate Solutions (NCS). Learn more about the national poll results that reinforce the overwhelming support for expanding climate-friendly solutions. The survey indicates public support of implementation approaches that assist farmers and forest landowners in adopting climate-smart management practices in diverse ecosystems such as forests, grasslands, and coastal wetlands.
DAY 1 CONTINUED...

- Climate Smart Agriculture: Growing and Marketing Local Foods
  Panel Description: This panel discusses how Tribes across the U.S. are growing and marketing crops and livestock endemic to their region outside of the established cow/calf and row-crop market. NAAF grantees will present the history and growing strategies for foods that feed communities, drive economies, and promote cooperation with the land.

- Research, Policy and Conservation: Perspectives from the Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative
  Panel Description: Forthcoming

DAY 2, 1:00 - 5:00 PM CT

- Acquiring and Utilizing Capital to Fund Conservation on Native Lands
  Panel Description: Capital is necessary to make agricultural production profitable while enhancing conservation practices. Hear from some of the top minds in Native agriculture as they discuss how Native producers can better acquire capital and apply it towards effective conservation practices.

- Using Data to Inform Decision Making for Producers and Decision-Makers
  Panel Description: Discover how data is collected, processed, and utilized to help producers and other decision-makers make the most informed decisions they can about the land, their businesses and their communities.
DAY 2 CONTINUED...

**Regenerating Our Lands: Perspectives from the Intertribal Agriculture Council**

Panel Description: Intertribal Agriculture Council’s (IAC) Stakeholder Services teams regularly lead comprehensive and Tribal producer-led conservation initiatives across Indian Country. Our panel will share insights, experiences, and success stories showcasing how the IAC’s five Stakeholder Services departments play a vital role in promoting regenerative food systems, kinship with our land and natural systems, and conservation planning efforts that uplift Traditional Ecological Knowledge through diversified resource pursuits.

**Beyond the Classroom: How Extension Partnerships Yield On-the-ground Conservation Results**

Panel Description: Learn how a dynamic new partnership between the Sovereign Equity Fund and the National Institute for Food and Agriculture is expanding how extension programming is carried out in Native communities, and the impacts thus far.

**Youth and Beginning Farmers and Ranchers: Conservation for the Next Generation**

Panel Description: Panelists will discuss how their organizations promote agriculture and conservation for youth and beginning farmers and ranchers, including how youth view risk and early adoption of technologies.