

Harvesting a Future: Industrial Hemp Production in Indian Country

Wednesday, October 23, 2019 1:30p.m. – 3:00p.m. Albuquerque Center, Room Hopi/Tewa

Abstract:

For tribal nations, industrial hemp marks a potential landmark economic opportunity in Indian Country. The 2018 Farm Bill opened the door to its development by recognizing that tribal nations have primary regulatory authority over the production of industrial hemp and hemp products on tribal lands. In advance of USDA's anticipated Fall 2019 release of interim final hemp regulations, this session will look at the landscape of hemp in Indian Country and address issues and opportunities in this new sector.

- 1. Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Panel Presentations:
 - a. Colby Duren, Director, Indigenous Food and Agriculture Initiative, University of Arkansas
 - b. Darrell G Seki, Sr., Chairman, Red Lake Nation
 - c. TBD
- 3. Adjourn



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