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Assessing Climate Change Induced Vulnerabilities in Tribal Transportation Systems in California Project

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THE PROJECT

The National Indian Justice Center (NIJC) is proud to announce its Assessing Climate Change Induced Vulnerabilities in Tribal Transportation Systems in California Project to address training needs for California Tribes. This project is funded by a grant from the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Program to Support Tribal Resilience and Ocean and Coastal Management and Planning.

The purpose of the project is to provide training to tribes to identify climate change-related vulnerabilities in their transportation systems to engage in tribal transportation adaptation planning and participate in the adaptation planning of surrounding jurisdictions.

An online training course and virtual workshops are offered to California Tribal government personnel, leaders, transportation planners, and environmental planners to increase their knowledge and skills to perform tribal transportation climate change vulnerability assessments. The online training course is available to tribes 24/7.

VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

In a three-day training session participants will learn about culturally-appropriate frameworks and methods for conducting a tribal community-informed vulnerability assessment of a tribal transportation system. The curriculum will provide strategies for incorporating Traditional Knowledges (TKs) into planning where appropriate. Participants will learn about and use tools that will support their climate change planning efforts.

Due to COVID-19, the workshops will be conducted online via Zoom software. The training curriculum will be presented in a series of webinars. Rather than offering them in a three-day online workshop, we will be delivering them by day (i.e., two live deliveries of day one, etc.), one day at a time throughout a couple of weeks from March/April to June.

Links

- Virtual Workshops Interest Form

RESOURCES

This section includes informational resources such as websites, presentations, articles, reports, and data resources for California Tribes, including leaders, transportation planners, and environmental planners on Traditional Knowledges, Climate Change, and Vulnerability in Tribal Transportation Systems in California. The resources used in the training curriculum can be found in this list.

Training materials including the agendas, training manual, PowerPoints, and handouts will be posted on this webpage section. Go to the project webpage and select Resources or click the link below.

Links

- Resources List

PROJECT WEBPAGE

https://nijc.org/ca-climate-change.html

Climate change poses even greater long-term transportation challenges to Tribes.