



Agenda

Tribal TAB & Cherokee Nation Brownfields Workshop & Field Trip

Hosted by Cherokee Nation
May 5 – 7, 2026

Day 1 - Tuesday, May 5, 2026; 8:30am – 5:00pm CT

8:30 – 9:00	Arrival & Networking <i>Visit with friends, make yourself comfortable</i>
9:00 – 9:30	Welcome & Introductions <i>Cherokee Nation & Tribal TAB</i>
9:30 – 10:15	Introduction to Cherokee Nation: History, Culture, and Brownfields Program <i>Jason White & Team – Cherokee Nation</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:15	Enhancing Tribal Response Programs: Creative Approaches for 128a Compliance <i>Oral Saulters & Jennifer Clancey – Tribal TAB</i> <i>Tribal Response Program staff</i>
11:15 – 12:00	Community-wide Assessment Grant: A Conversation with Grantees <i>Grant Overview: Marsha Lay, U.S. EPA Region 6</i> <i>Grantee Speakers: Jason White – Cherokee Nation and Kathryn Sunny- Muscogee Creek Nation</i>
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:15 – 2:00	ACRES: How to Input Grant Accomplishments, Leveraged Dollars, and Jobs Created <i>Roundtable Discussion – led by Marsha Lay, U.S. EPA Region 6</i>
2:00 – 2:20	Topic Talk: Using Drones in Brownfields Work <i>Craig Wahwahsuck – Kickapoo Tribe of Kansas</i>
2:20 – 2:40	Topic Talk: Site Data Management <i>Frank Harjo - Muscogee (Creek) Nation</i>
2:40 – 2:50	Break
2:50 – 3:20	Cleanup Grant: A Conversation with Grantees <i>Grant Overview: Marsha Lay, U.S. EPA Region 6</i> <i>Grantee Speaker: Kermit Snow - Fort Belknap Indian Community</i>
3:20 – 3:40	Topic Talk: QAPP Checklist - New EPA expectations, challenges, best practices <i>Adrian Goettemoeller – U.S. EPA Region 6</i>
3:40 – 4:00	Topic Talk: Storytelling in the Modern Age <i>Hayley Veilleux – Tribal TAB</i>
4:00 – 4:45	How States Support Tribal Brownfields Efforts <i>A conversation with: Shannon Martin – Minnesota Pollution Control Agency; Madeline Dillner – Oklahoma Corporation Commission; Aron Samwel – Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality</i>
4:45 – 5:00	Daily Wrap-up Wrap-up & Field Trip Logistics <i>Cherokee & Tribal TAB</i>

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Day 2 - Wednesday, May 6, 2026; 8:00am – 5:00pm CT

8:00 – 8:30	Arrive and Gather at the Shuttle Bus <i>Hard Rock Resort – Catoosa, Oklahoma</i>
8:30 – 9:40	Travel from Catoosa to Tahlequah, Oklahoma
9:40 – 10:00	Cherokee Nation Tahlequah Crisis Shelter – former Phoenix Park Ballparks and Sport Complex <i>192 South Phoenix Avenue, Tahlequah, OK</i>
10:00 – 10:15	Travel to Cherokee Nation Career Readiness Center – former County Fairgrounds Site
10:15 – 11:00	Cherokee Nation Career Readiness Center – former County Fairgrounds Site <i>16430 US-62 Tahlequah, OK 2nd building</i>
11:00 – 11:45	Lunch Travel to Wilma Mankiller Capital Park – former Prewitt Septic Business
11:45 – 1:00	Wilma Mankiller Capital Park <i>18050 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK</i>
1:00 – 1:15	Travel to Cherokee Square & Enjoy Lunch <i>101 S. Muskogee Ave. Tahlequah, OK</i>
1:15– 3:30	Cherokee Square – Split into 3 groups for tours <i>Cherokee Nation Historical Museum – former site and Brownfields Success Story</i> <i>Cherokee Nation Supreme Court – former site and Brownfields Success Story</i> <i>Cherokee Nation Territorial Prison - former site and Brownfields Success Story</i> <i>Cherokee Pavillion – former business torn down and redevelopment into a cultural gathering site.</i> <i>Cherokee Nation Cultural Art Pathway – former UST and tank pull – reused into a walkway/park.</i>
3:30 – 5:00	Travel from Tahlequah to Catoosa, Oklahoma <i>Drive by Cherokee Nation Outpatient Health Center</i> <i>19600 E. Ross Street, Tahlequah, OK</i> <i>Then back to the Cherokee Hard Rock Resort</i>

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Day 3 - Thursday, May 7, 2026; 8:30am – 5:00pm CT

8:30 – 9:00	Arrival & Networking <i>Visit with friends, meet new friends, make yourself comfortable</i>
9:00 – 9:30	Site Visit Recap Q&A about anything that came up on site visits that needs more discussion <i>Cherokee Nation/Tribal TAB</i>
9:30 – 10:15	Brownfields in Alaska <i>Bailey Richards & Jordan Finney – Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium</i>
10:15 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:15	Multipurpose Grant: A Conversation with Grantees <i>Grant Overview: Adrian Goettemoeller, U.S. EPA Region 6</i> <i>Grantee Speakers: Christa Ogden & Sierra Rice - Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma</i>
11:15 – 12:00	Funding: How are you funding programs & projects? Plans for life after IIJA? <i>Roundtable Discussion</i>
12:00 – 1:15	Lunch (On Your Own)
1:15 – 1:35	Topic Talk: Collaborating with Other Departments & Programs for Greater Success <i>Christa Ogden - Choctaw Nation</i>
1:35 – 2:20	Tribal Success & Lessons Learned: Sharing Success, Challenges, Best Practices, & What you Wish Knew Before Starting a Project <i>Roundtable Discussion</i>
2:20 – 2:40	Break
2:40 – 4:30	Tribal Brownfields Talking Circle <i>Tribal TAB & TBKC Community</i>
4:30 – 5:00	Final Comments, Evaluations, & Safe Travels! <i>Cherokee Nation & Tribal TAB</i>

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