



Save the date California Native American Tribal GIS Summit 2025

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You are cordially invited to attend & submit proposals to present at the Tribal GIS Summit. This event is free to attend and will be open to all, please share this announcement with your networks!

Dates: July 31 and August 1, 2025

Location: Virtual and Cal/EPA Building in Sacramento, CA (1001 I Street)

Registration: **Free event**, registration will start mid-April 2025

Website: <https://catribalgis.org/gis-summit-1>



About the Tribal GIS Summit

The inaugural California Native American Tribal GIS Summit will be a two-day gathering taking place on July 31, 2025, and August 1, 2025. This summit will focus on the role of Geographic Information Systems (GIS) mapping technology in supporting Tribal efforts to manage natural resources and protect cultural landscapes. Over the course of the summit, participants will explore the opportunities, challenges, and practical solutions related to GIS use in Tribal communities.

Key topics will include:

- State of GIS among California Tribes,
- Data sovereignty and governance,
- Environmental stewardship, land management, and climate adaptation,
- Cultural preservation, and integration of Indigenous Traditional Ecological Knowledge (ITEK)
- Workforce development and youth engagement
- GIS software and tools

This gathering serves as a platform for California Native American Tribes, GIS professionals, scholars, and partners to collaborate, share knowledge, and strengthen tribal capacity in geospatial technology. The event is being spearheaded by Dr. Donna Begay, founder of the California Tribal GIS (www.catribalgis.org). The Water Boards are co-hosting this event alongside other supporting partners.

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