

Draft- 2021 ESS Fall Meeting Program

Theme: **“Disruptive Innovation”**

Monday, September 27

10:00 a.m. Registration Opens
Location: SV* Alpine Meadows Main Lobby
*SV is abbreviated throughout while a name change is under consideration by the Resort.

1:00 p.m. Enjoy the wealth of activities available in the area. Additional information is available at:
<https://www.squawalpine.com/events-and-activities/things-to-do-in-lake-tahoe#tab=summer-activities>.

6:00 p.m. Opening Reception
Location: The Tram Car

Tuesday, September 28

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast: SV Conference Center

7:00 – 5:00 p.m. Registration
Location: SV Conference Center

9:00 – 11:30 p.m. Regional Association Meetings
ARD Location: Palisades A (36 occupant capacity)
NCRA Location: Palisades B (24 occupant capacity)
NERA Location: Palisades C (24 occupant capacity)
SAAESD Location: SV Conference Center (120 occupant capacity)
WAAESD Location: Base Camp (36 occupant capacity)

12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Networking Lunch – SV Conference Center

1:15 – 1:45 p.m.

General Session Opening – SV Conference Center
Early History of the Site – Melba Rakow, Washoe Tribe Member
History of the Village – Resort Representative
Welcome – TBD

1:45 – 3:15 p.m.

Session I – SV Conference Center

Title: “Emerging from the Pandemic – Innovations Necessary to Sustain Higher Education”

Moderator: Mridul Gautam, Vice President for Research and Innovation-University of Nevada, Reno

Tentative Panelists: Orlando McMeans, Chancellor and Dean-Southern University Agricultural Research and Extension Center and the College of Agricultural, Family and Consumer Sciences, Noelle Cockett, President-Utah State University, Michael Drake, President, University of California

Session Description: The COVID-19 pandemic was unprecedented in so many ways, not the least of which was innovative approaches to avoid complete collapse. The questions now are what innovations have emerged that will shape the future and what innovations are on the horizon that will affect higher education?

3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

Networking Break – SV Conference Center

3:45 – 5:00 p.m.

Session II - SV Conference Center

Title: “No-Boundary Thinking and the use of Transdisciplinary, Diverse Teams”

Moderator: Susan Duncan

Keynote Speaker: Patrick Sullivan, the CEO of Oceanit and author of *Intellectual Anarchy: The Art of Disruptive Innovation*

Session Description: Learn a definition of disruptive innovation (DI), barriers to DI, strategic principles for innovation for which diversity in all of its incarnations is a cornerstone, delivery strategies and a finale: "Disrupt".

5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Book Signing with Patrick Sullivan

Dinner on your own.

Wednesday, September 29

7:00 – 8:30 a.m. Networking Breakfast
Location: SV Conference Center

8:00 – 11:00 a.m. Registration
Location: SV Conference Center

8:30 – 9:15 a.m. Session III – SV Conference Center

Title: Agricultural Research is the Solution to Climate Change

Moderator: Glenda Humiston

Tentative Speakers: Sally Rockey– FFAR, Adam Chambers– NRCS, Steve Kappes– ARS, Keith Gillis– California BFFE, Sharon Nance– Area 3 Assistant Conservationist NRCS, Environmental Justice.

Session Description: Agriculture faces the challenge of adapting to and mitigating the impacts of climate change on food, feed, fiber, and fuel systems. While agriculture is viewed as a substantial contributor to climate change, this dynamic can be changed by creating solutions to the complex, interrelated causes of climate change through the development of science-based and data-driven practices and policies that reduce greenhouse gas emissions and sequester carbon, while building resilience to the effects of climate change in our food, agricultural and forest systems. To focus the efforts of the Experiment Station Section this session will engage a panel of experts addressing a broad range of climate change issues in agriculture.

9:15 – 9:40 a.m. Tabletop Discussions

Format: Individual table discussions will focus on strategies for the top 5 areas of climate change research capacity that were identified in the ESS Climate Change survey. This information will be used to develop next steps for ESS to provide a robust and engaged role in addressing climate change issues in agriculture and forestry. Use electronic (cell phone) format to consolidate the ideas from each table.

Areas of climate change research capacity

77%* - Natural Resources / Biodiversity / Water Resources

60% - Carbon Emissions / Carbon Sequestration / Carbon Banking

60% - Renewables and Biofuels

55% - Efficiency of Nutrient Use in Managed Livestock or Agronomic Systems

55% - Climate Change Science and Modelling

*% of institutions having existing programs from ESS Climate Change Survey

9:40 – 10:00 a.m. Networking Break – SV Conference Center

10:00 – 11:00 a.m. Session IV – SV Conference Center

Title: Leading Across Differences: Diversity, Inclusion and You

Moderator: Henry Fadamiro

Speaker: Nehrwoodrbot Abdul-Wahid, Lead Consultant, One Umhah Consulting

Session Description: Building diversity and inclusion in an institution requires intentionality of the leadership of its constituent organizations. Nehrwr will engage and challenge the directors in an empathetic and compassionate dialogue with the goal of capacity building in working with and across our differences. This session will focus on building leadership skills by tapping into the diverse talents of leaders, individuals and their work-teams using facilitated self-reflection, authentic dialogue and innovative and adaptive solutions.

11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Tram Ride to High Camp

11:30 – 1:30 p.m. Networking Lunch & Recognition of the 2021 National ESS Award Winners – High Camp

Moderator: Carrie Castille, NIFA Director

Award Presentations:

Excellence in Multistate Research

Excellence in Leadership

Excellence in Diversity & Inclusion

1:30 – 3:30 p.m. Experiment Station Section Business Meeting – High Camp

3:30 – 5:00 p.m. Enjoy free time at High Camp

5:00 p.m. Networking Dinner – High Camp

Thursday, September 30

7:00 – 9:00 a.m. Breakfast – SV Conference Center

9:00 – 11:00 p.m. ESS Standing Committee Meetings
BLC Location: Palisades A
STC Location: Base Camp
DCC Location: SV Conference Center

12:30 – 4:30 p.m. Lunch Cruise on The Tahoe Gal – optional for ESS members and companions not part of standing committee meetings



INNOVATION

Planning Committee:

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