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Recent APHIS Tribal Relations Training and Workshop Highlights

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APHIS and the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission cohosted the first APHIS/Tribal Emergency Preparedness and Response Training on Stillaguamish lands in Washington State in April 2022. The training covered federal incident emergency response and support functions, the benefits of establishing a ERP for animal/plants and emergency MOUs, current plant pests and animal diseases threats and surveillance activities, funding opportunities, and other topics important to tribes.

APHIS also hosted a Tribal Biologist Workshop for Disease Detection and Surveillance at the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Annual National Conference held at the Miccosukee Tribe, in Miami, Florida in May 2022. Participants learned how to test waterfowl for highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI), collect samples from deer to test for SARS-CoV-2, and collect material from feral swine to test for swine diseases.

Visit Tribal Relations <u>Training Opportunities</u> to see photos of the trainings and find out how to register for future training events.