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Greetings Intertribal Nursery Council Participants!

Let me start off by saying it's been an interesting couple of years. I hope you all have been doing OK and have stayed well and persevered.

Joint Annual Meeting:

For the last two years, we've postponed our nursery meetings due to the uncertainty of travel, changing regulations, and concern for your health and well-being. Thanks for bearing with us. Though this year is still presenting its challenges, we are pushing forward for an in-person meeting. For those of you that have come to meetings in the past, you may have already received the announcement. This year we plan on having a **joint meeting of the Intertribal Nursery Council (INC), Western Forestry Conservation Nursery Association (WFCNA), and Intermountain Container Seedling Growers' Association (ICSGA)**. The meeting has been advertised and the agenda and information are posted on the westernforestry.org web page.

The joint meeting is slated for **27-29 September 2022, and will be in Missoula, Montana**. The meeting theme is *The Reforestation Pipeline in the Western United States* and will feature presentation topics spanning the pipeline including seed, nurseries, outplanting, and post-outplanting practices. Three tours are also planned including a visit to the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes' greenhouses.

INC Dinner

As a result of the INC joining the other nursery associations this year, the main agenda has already been determined; however, we will still feature some INC-dedicated meeting time. A **special INC dinner will be held on Tuesday evening (September 27)**, after the day's main activities (technical presentations and field tour). The goal is to get reacquainted, share some announcements, and perhaps have a few dinner presentations. If you or someone you know would like to present a topic, or you have any leads on speakers, please contact Jeremy as soon as possible. ***This dinner is for INC participants only and will not be advertised on the main conference agenda or website. It will require confirmation of your attendance with Jeremy so we can plan for space and food.***

Travel Funds Available

The USDA Forest Service has secured money to help pay travel and registration costs for individuals attending the joint annual nursery meeting. A **limited amount** of funds are available and will be awarded to students and tribes with limited or no travel funds. Priority will be given to those tribes that have nurseries or are in the planning stages of nursery development. Contact Jeremy to find out the details.

Location and Lodging

Activities and lodging will take place at the [Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Missoula-Edgewater](#) at 100 Madison, Missoula, MT. For overnight accommodations, a room block has been held at the hotel. Reservations can be made by calling 406-728-3100 or via this [link](#). Single and double rooms are \$179



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plus tax. The room block is being held until 5 September 2022. Reservations will continue to be accepted after that date on a space/rate available basis. Please reference Western Forestry Annual Meeting to receive the special rates. Alternatively, if you are a government employee, ask if government rates are available.

It's been a tough couple of years, but I'm glad for the opportunity to see you all again soon. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Please feel free to pass this information on to those you think might be interested.

Warmest regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "JPinto".

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Meeting Schedule*

Tuesday, 27 September

Morning Technical Sessions

Lunch (Provided)

Afternoon Field Tour – Great Bear Native Plants

Evening Intertribal Nursery Council Dinner (confirmation required, see above)

Wednesday, 28 September

Morning Technical Sessions

Lunch (Provided)

Afternoon Field Tour – Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes Forestry Greenhouse

Thursday, 29 September

Morning Technical Sessions

Lunch (on your own)

Afternoon Field Tour (optional, attendees responsible for transportation) – Montana Conservation Seedling Nursery

*A more detailed agenda is listed on the web (westernforestry.org).