

Dear Partners,

The Climate Science Alliance team would like to express our sincerest gratitude to our partners, more specifically our Tribal and Indigenous partners who share their culture and world perspectives that influence and inspire our work day in and day out. Thank you for your reciprocity, respect, and trust in this work we partner on to steward the land we all live and work on.

The Climate Science Alliance model and our work in community-led climate adaptation is directly influenced and inspired by our Tribal and Indigenous partners and their worldviews of relationships. We understand and honor that we cannot uplift and advance Indigenous management practices without uplifting and respecting Tribal and Indigenous worldviews. We reflect with great appreciation towards our Tribal and Indigenous partners for reminding us that not only must we find ways to connect and be in relation with one another, but also reminding us that as humans, we are all relational people who require these connections in our healing journeys.

In establishing and nourishing our relationships with partners, reciprocity has always been at the center. The Climate Science Alliance team has worked tirelessly to uplift Tribal and Indigenous communities and their way of life, and in return our Tribal and Indigenous partners have uplifted our vision and journey resulting in transformational climate adaptation.

The trajectory and success of the Climate Science Alliance wouldn't be possible without our partners sharing their work and journey with us and we are sincerely grateful for the opportunity to work closely with the original stewards of the lands we all work and live on. We look forward to the meaningful work ahead of us, but most importantly the longstanding relationships that we will cultivate and cherish along the way.

hi'mee'qis qe'ci'yew'yew (big thank you),

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