Webinar: Tribal Fish Hatcheries and Climate Change Adaptation

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This webinar is an installment of the *Topics in Climate Change Adaptation Planning* webinar series hosted by the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals (ITEP) Tribes & Climate Change Program.

Overview
A fish hatchery is a place where fish are hatched and cared for, which are then released later into lakes, rivers, streams. They are beneficial in maintaining genetic integrity and providing fish and eggs for research. We will highlight three Tribal fish hatcheries that are leading the way in Tribal sovereignty, research, and adaptation to climate change.

**The Micmac Farms** fish hatchery is owned and operated by the Aroostook Band of Micmacs in Maine. The hatchery diverts stress on wild populations of brook trout affected by habitat loss and warming stream temperatures while at the same time promoting healthy foods and food sovereignty.

**Alutiiq Pride Shellfish Hatchery** is the only shellfish hatchery in Alaska and is a division of the Chugach Regional Resources Commission set up to promote Tribal sovereignty and the protection of the subsistence lifestyle of the seven Tribes in the Chugach Region. In addition, the hatchery conducts ocean acidification (OA) monitoring and research. OA is already acute in many areas of Alaska.

**The Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery** in Idaho currently produces 13 million salmon and steelhead annually, which is about 30% of the hatchery fish released in the Snake River Basin. The hatchery operates different projects to buffer against the impacts of climate change and anticipates that hatcheries will play an increasing role as both environmental and genetic refuges in the future with climate change.

Presenters:
ITEP is honored to have the following Tribal managers and directors join us for this webinar to discuss the importance and benefits of fish and shellfish hatcheries:
- **Jacob Pelkey**, Marketing Manager, Micmac Farms
- **Jeff Hetrick**, Director, The Alutiiq Pride Shellfish Hatchery
- **Chelsea Kovalcsik**, IGAP Regional Environmental Coordinator, Chugach Regional Resources Commission
- **Becky Johnson**, Manager, Nez Perce Tribal Hatchery

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