



# MMIP Investigations Training

## May 4-5, 2026

### Agenda

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#### Monday

- 8:00 – 8:15            **Check In/ Light Breakfast (provided)**
- 8:15 – 8:45            **Welcome & Blessing**  
*Michael Thompson, Director of Tribal Development, Enterprise Rancheria of Estom Yumeka Maidu*
- Opening Remarks**  
*Thien Ho, District Attorney, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office*  
*Morgan Gire, District Attorney, Placer County District Attorney's Office*  
*Dustin Silva, Captain, Sacramento County Sheriff's Office*  
*Jesus Tarango, Chairman, Wilton Rancheria*
- 8:45 – 9:15            **Native Cultures**  
*Michael Thompson, Director of Tribal Development, Enterprise Rancheria of Estom Yumeka Maidu*
- 9:15 – 10:00          **California Indian Country: Historical Atrocities**  
*Merri Lopez-Keifer, Executive Director, Center for Indigenous Law & Justice at Berkeley Law*
- 10:00 – 10:45        **Intergenerational Trauma, Distrust of Law Enforcement & Culturally Aware Investigations**  
*Greg O'Rourke, Chief, Yurok Tribal Police*
- 10:45 – 11:00        **Break**
- 11:00 – 12:00        **Public Law 280**  
*Dorothy Alther, Legal Director, California Indian Legal Services*
- 12:00 – 1:15         **Lunch (provided)**
- 1:15 – 3:00            **Cold Case & Missing Persons Investigation**  
*Rob Peters, Sergeant, Sacramento County Sheriff's Office Missing Persons Unit*
- 3:00 -3:15            **Break**
- 3:15 – 4:30            **MMIP Active Cold Case Presentation**  
*Maia Mello, Corporal, Del Norte County Sheriff's Investigations Division*  
*Martha RomanNose, Cheyenne Tribal Member, Mother of Victim*
- 4:30 – 5:00            **Bureau of Indian Affairs Resources**  
*Chris Lorenz, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Indian Affairs*
- 5:00 – 6:30            **Reception**



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- 8:15 – 8:45            **Feather Alert Protocols**  
*George Smith, Sergeant, CHP ENTAC*
- 8:45 – 9:45            **Supporting Tribal Victims**  
*Tracy Prior, Chief Deputy District Attorney, San Diego County District Attorney's Office*  
*Keely Linton, Executive Director, Strong Hearted Native Women's Coalition*  
*Imogene Espinoza, Mother of Homicide Victim, Wilton Rancheria*  
*Cheryl Douglas, Director, Wilton Rancheria Department for Indian Child Welfare*
- 9:45 – 10:15        **Tribal Leader Checklist**  
*Chris Lorenz, Special Agent in Charge, Bureau of Indian Affairs*
- 10:15 – 10:30        **Break**
- 10:30 – 11:30        **DNA in Cold Cases**  
*Ryan Nickel, Criminalist, Sacramento County District Attorney's Crime Laboratory*
- 11:30 – 12:30        **Lunch (provided)**
- 12:30 – 2:00        **Forensic Investigative Genetic Genealogy (FIGG)**  
*Kirk Campbell, Lieutenant, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office Homicide and Cold Case Unit*
- 2:00 – 3:00        **Presenting Cold Cases in the Courtroom**  
*TeriAnn Grimes, Supervising District Attorney, Sacramento County District Attorney's Office Cold Case Unit*
- 3:00                    **Closing Remarks**  
*Summer Stephan, District Attorney, San Diego County District Attorney's Office*