

A photograph of a forest fire. In the background, a large pile of brush and dry vegetation is on fire, with bright orange flames and thick white smoke rising into the air. The fire is situated in a forest of tall, thin evergreen trees. In the foreground, four firefighters wearing yellow and black gear and helmets are walking away from the camera on a dirt path. The ground is covered with green ferns and other low-lying vegetation. The overall scene is a controlled burn in a forest setting.

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About Me

- **Grew up on Muwekma Ohlone Land (East Bay Area)**
- **University of California, Los Angeles, B.S**
 - Geography/Environmental Studies
 - Conservation Biology
- **University of Michigan, M.S**
 - Environmental Justice
 - Behavior, Education, and Communication
 - Ecosystem Science Management

Focused Research and Areas of Experience:

- Indigenous rights and self determination
- Tribal and data sovereignty
- Community-based participatory research
- Environmental Justice
- Fire history and ecology
- Fire suppression policies
- Climate adaptation and resilience
- CEQA/NEPA planning
- Biological monitoring



Program Goals and Objectives

Goal: Support Tribal communities in building a more fire resilient ecosystem that aligns with their social, economic, and cultural priorities

Objectives:

1. Establish Relationships/Introductions
2. Develop a Needs Assessment
3. Foster Reciprocal Partnerships
4. Organize Educational Workshops and Community Events
5. Pre/Post-Fire Monitoring and Research supporting culturally significant species or other Tribal stewardship priorities