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The audiences for most SWEHSC environmental health outreach activities are members of tribal communities. She shares her 28 years of experience living and working with tribes with others who do or want to do similar work. The CEC hosted Tribal Forums for Health and the Environment, where American Indian students and collaborators presented, in 2015, 2017, and 2019. The CEC publishes the Indigenous Stewards magazine annually.