Goals and Objectives:
- Outcomes from the 2019 National Drought Forum, including Priority Actions where NIDIS and partners have a critical role to play, and determine next steps where the Executive Council can help
- Development of reinsurance industry’s resilience-related solutions, including those that could be applied to build greater drought resilience
- Drought Portal’s Spring 2020 Re-Launch plans and Highlights and new features on the site
- Updates from NOAA and USDA partners on opportunities in the 2018 Farm Bill and 2019 NIDIS Reauthorization initiatives related to the U.S. Drought Monitor and a strategy for a National Soil Moisture Network
- Update on the National Drought Resilience Partnership (NDRP)

AGENDA

8:30–9:00am: Continental Breakfast

9:00–9:20am: Welcome, Goals, Updates
9 – 9:05am: Co-Chairs provide welcome remarks
9:05 – 9:10am: Review agenda and goals for the meeting
9:10 – 9:20am: NIDIS updates to the Council on 2019 implementation activities

9:20–9:50am: Council Member Updates relevant to Drought (Round Robin)

- Highlights from the Forum and Report
- Identify action areas where NIDIS and partners have a critical role to play, and determine next steps
11:20–11:30am:  *Break*

11:30–12:15pm:  *Insurance and Reinsurance Solutions for Drought Resilience*

12:15–1:15pm:  *Working Lunch, NDRP Update*

1:15pm - 2:00pm  *NCEI Presentation on Drought Portal Relaunch and New Capabilities*

2:00–2:30pm:  *Sec. 12512 of the 2018 Farm Bill: U.S. Drought Monitor (USDM) and USDA Review*

2:30–2:45pm:  *Break*

2:45–3:15pm:  *NIDIS 2019 Reauthorization and the National Soil Moisture Network Strategy*

3:15–3:45pm  *Public Comments*

3:45–4:00pm  *Wrap Up and Next Steps*