

# ***The 10<sup>th</sup> Lay J. Gibson Opening Session***

## **Special Panel Session**

### ***Impacts of the Covid-19 Pandemic on the 2020 U.S. and 2021 Canadian Censuses and on North American Spatial Demographic/Economic Trends***

Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> (Mon), 3:30 – 5:15 PM (in Pacific Time of the U.S., GMT-8)

Virtual Room: Monterey

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88160798548>

Organizer and Chair:

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#### ***Panelists:***

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#### ***Description:***

Among the myriad repercussions of the Covid pandemic have been impacts on the April 1, 2020 decennial enumeration of the U.S. population, on planning for the upcoming May 11, 2021 Canadian census, and on numerous spatial demographic/economic patterns and trends.

- What have been some of the most significant of these impacts?
- How have different demographic/economic repercussions evolved as the pandemic has diffused around the continent and globe?
- What are the effects of the pandemic on the spatial distribution—at multiple scales—of North America’s populations?
- How enduring will various Covid pandemic–altered spatial patterns and trends prove to be?

Following short presentations to frame key issues and themes by a panel of regional scientists with expertise on census matters and the analysis of demographic/economic patterns, this brainstorming session will segue into a wide-ranging, open-ended discussion to which all session attendees will be encouraged to contribute. All conference registrants are welcome to participate!