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By [Chris Sieroty](#)    LAS VEGAS REVIEW-JOURNAL    Jun. 22, 2012

With the U.S. Supreme Court stepping aside, a lawsuit seeking to shut down the Gun Lake casino in Michigan, which was developed and managed by Station Casinos LLC, is likely to be remanded to the U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Analysts caution the high court's decision to permit the lawsuit by casino opponent David Patchak could affect more tribes and casino operations than just the \$160 million resort in Wayland Township, 20 miles south of Grand Rapids.

"The decision has the potential to change how the federal government takes land into trust for tribes," said Steven Light, co-director of the Institute for the Study of Tribal Gaming Law and Policy at the University of North Dakota. "It's potentially a huge problem for expansion of gaming for recently recognized tribes."

Patchak challenged how the federal government took 147 acres of land in trust for the Match-E-Be-Nash-She-Wish Band of Pottawatomi Indians, also known as the Gun Lake Tribe, in order for them to build a casino.

The tribe announced plans for a casino shortly after being formally recognized by the federal government in 1999. Patchak's lawsuit challenges how the government placed the land in trust for the tribe.

His lawsuit argues that the land could not have been placed in trust under the Indian Gaming Regulatory Act of 1988 because the tribe was not recognized in 1934. Light said the high court's decision "lines up with the *Carcieri (versus Salazar)* decision of 2009," in which the Supreme Court held that only tribes "under federal jurisdiction" in 1934 are eligible to have land taken in trust on their behalf.

The federal government's ability to make land-in-trust decisions is crucial for tribal casino operations because if the land can't be held in trust, it's ineligible for Class III gaming, which would include slot machines, blackjack, craps and roulette.

In a three-page report, Michael Paladino, senior director with Fitch Ratings in New York, wrote the ruling could have several key "credit implications for the gaming" industry.

He said it is likely to result in increased challenges from anti-gaming interests regarding land-into-trust decisions, as it lengthens the statute of limitations on judicial review to six years from 30 days. Casino operators faced with competition from potential casinos tied to land-into-trust decision could benefit from a longer regulatory process.

"Raising capital for Native American casino projects could become more difficult (and) expensive as investors are likely to have heightened concern about potential challenges regarding land-into-trust decision," Paladino wrote.

Station Casinos executives declined to comment on the high court's decision. The Las Vegas-based gaming company developed the 76,000-square-foot Gun Lake casino and manages the facility through MPM Enterprises LLC, in which Station Casinos is a 50 percent partner.

The company earns an annual management fee equal to 30 percent of net income over the seven-year contract.

Paladino noted that Station Casinos \$433 million tribal casino project with the Federated Indians of Graton Rancheria is not affected by the Patchak lawsuit. The U.S. Department of the Interior's land-into-trust approval was authorized by Congress in the Omnibus Indian Advancement Act of 2000.

"Graton Rancheria's casino project in the San Francisco/Sacramento market will likely remain unaffected by the ruling," Paladino wrote. The compact reached between the state and the Graton Rancheria allowing the tribe to operate the casino awaits Interior Department approval.

The casino is located on 254 acres in a lucrative area of Sonoma County about 43 miles from San Francisco. Station Casinos expects construction on the 535,000-square-foot project to take 18 to 24 months to complete.

The 100,000-square-foot casino will operate up to 3,000 slot machines. Ground breaking on the project began Monday, the tribe said.

Station Casinos also has a development and management agreement with the North Fork Rancheria of Mono Indians. The North Folk's casino near Madera, Calif., was approved by federal officials last year and will be built on land that was placed in trust.

The deal requires Gov. Jerry Brown's support by Sept. 1 for planning to continue.

Light said it remains to be seen if Patchak prevails in court.

"The growth of tribal gaming has been remarkable in the last 25 years," Light said. "There have been blips along the way. I wouldn't classify this as a blip. We don't know yet what will happen."

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### *National Funding Opportunities*

Competition Seeks Innovative Ideas for Cities

#### **Bloomberg Philanthropies: Mayors Challenge**

The Mayors Challenge, an initiative of Bloomberg Philanthropies, is a competition to inspire American cities to generate innovative ideas that solve major challenges and improve city life – and that ultimately can be shared with cities across the nation. Ideas must show potential to achieve at least one of the following: address a serious social or economic problem; improve customer service for residents or businesses; enhance accountability to or engagement with the public; and create efficiencies that make government work better, faster, and cheaper. Mayors of cities of 30,000 or more residents are eligible to apply. One grand prize of \$5 million and four additional prizes of \$1 million each will be awarded. Online RSVP cards must be submitted by July 16, 2012. Applications are due by September 14, 2012. Visit the Mayors Challenge website to learn more about the competition.

Support for K-12 Service-Learning Programs in the U.S. and Canada

#### **Youth Service America: State Farm Good Neighbor Student Achievement Grants**

Youth Service America (YSA) is a resource center that partners with thousands of organizations committed to increasing the quality and quantity of volunteer opportunities for young people to serve locally, nationally, and globally. The State Farm Good Neighbor Student Achievement Grant program, administered by YSA, provides grants of up to \$1,500 for programs that enhance student achievement through service-learning in K-12 public schools in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and in the Canadian provinces of Alberta, New Brunswick, and Ontario. The program requires a 12-to-14 week *Semester of Service* starting on Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service (January 21, 2013) and ending on Global Youth Service Day (April 26-28, 2013). Eligible candidates include teachers, service-learning coordinators in public schools, and staff in community-based organizations working within public schools. The application deadline is July 31, 2012. Visit the YSA website to submit an online application.

Land Conservation Coalitions Funded

#### **National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: America's Great Outdoors Landscape Conservation Stewardship Program**

America's Great Outdoors Landscape Conservation Stewardship Program, an initiative of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) in cooperation with the National Wildlife Refuge System, aims to develop community-based partnerships that further the conservation of fish, wildlife, plants, and other natural resources in distinct landscapes. The program will provide grants in the following categories: The Training and Mentoring by Existing Conservation Coalitions category will award grants in the amount of \$10,000 to \$40,000 to support existing landscape coalitions to conduct mentoring and training for newly-formed conservation coalitions. The Capacity Building for Newly Formed Landscape Conservation Coalitions category will award grants in the range of \$25,000 to \$75,000 to support the creation and/or capacity growth of new regional community-driven coalitions to support landscape scale habitat

protection and restoration. The application deadline is July 31, 2012. Visit the NFWF website to review the request for proposals.

Grants Promote Music Education Programs

**[The Mockingbird Foundation](#)**

The Mockingbird Foundation is a nonprofit organization founded and managed entirely by Phish fan volunteers. The Foundation offers competitive grants to schools and nonprofit organizations that focus on music education for children in the United States, with an emphasis on geographic diversity throughout the country. The Foundation is particularly interested in projects that encourage creative expression in all musical forms, especially unusual musical styles. While the Foundation's board values music in all settings, the Foundation does not fund either music therapy or music exposure, but only participatory music education. The target age is children eighteen years or younger, but the Foundation will also consider projects that benefit college students, teachers/instructors, or adult students from disenfranchised groups. The next deadline for letters of inquiry is August 1, 2012. Visit the Foundation's website to submit an online initial inquiry form.

***Regional Funding Opportunities***

Southern Performing Arts Presenters Supported

**[South Arts: Southern Fast Track Touring Grants](#)**

South Arts is dedicated to building on the South's unique heritage and enhancing the public value of the arts in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee. South Arts' Southern Fast Track Touring Grants are provided to presenting organizations with operating budgets of \$150,000 or less. The program offers these smaller organizations in the region the opportunity to receive fee support to present performing artists and writers from outside the presenter's state. Support is awarded to theatre, music, opera, literary, and dance projects that pair a public performance or reading with an educational component. The maximum request is 50% of the artist fee, up to \$2,500. Projects must take place between July 1, 2012 and June 30, 2013. Applications must be submitted online at least 60 days prior to the project start date. Visit the South Arts website to submit an online application.

Funds for LGBTQ Groups in the Pacific Northwest

**[Pride Foundation](#)**

The Pride Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that strengthen and serve the lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer (LGBTQ), and straight ally community in Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, and Washington. The Foundation's grant categories include the following: Arts and Recreation; Education, Advocacy, and Outreach; Health and Community Service; HIV/AIDS Service Delivery and Prevention; Lesbian Health; and Youth and Family Services. Funded projects must directly benefit the LGBTQ community, people affected by HIV/AIDS, and/or their friends and families. Grants of up to \$5,000 are provided. The deadline for letters of inquiry is July 31, 2012. Visit the Foundation's website to review the grant guidelines and submit an online application.

Grants Address American Indian Issues in Minnesota and Wisconsin

**[Headwaters Foundation for Justice: The Fund of the Sacred Circle](#)**

The Headwaters Foundation for Justice is a catalyst for social change that supports grassroots

communities working to create social, economic, environmental, and racial justice. The Fund of the Sacred Circle, administered by the Headwaters Foundation, supports American Indian organizations throughout Minnesota and Wisconsin addressing issues such as language and cultural revitalization, land and environmental restoration, sovereignty and treaty rights, and self-determination and civil rights. The Fund provides Planning Grants up to \$5,000 and Implementation Grants up to \$10,000 for projects that address systemic injustice affecting American Indian communities. The application deadline is August 1, 2012. Visit the Headwaters Foundation's website to download the grant application materials.

Grants Improve the Quality of Life in Railway Communities

**[Union Pacific Foundation: Community-Based Grant Program](#)**

The Union Pacific Foundation's mission is to improve the quality of life in the [communities](#) served by Union Pacific Railroad, primarily in the midwestern and western United States. Through the Community-Based Grant Program, the Foundation gives priority to requests that address the following categories: Community and Civic, and Health and Human Services. The majority of these grants are intended to help nonprofit organizations build their capacity, increase their impact, and operate more effectively. Nonprofit organizations in the railroad's service area are invited to submit a preliminary application form online by 4 pm CDT on August 14, 2012. (Early submissions are encouraged.) Selected organizations will receive instructions on accessing the online final application form, which must be submitted by midnight CDT on August 15, 2012. Visit the Foundation's website for more information on the Community-Based Grant Program.

***Federal Grant and Loan Programs***

Visioning Initiative Supports Economic Development Strategies

**[Department of Commerce](#)**

The Strong Cities, Strong Communities Visioning Challenge provides support to assist cities experiencing chronic economic distress with leveraging innovative ideas and approaches to create and adopt economic development proposals. Each awarded city will hold challenge competitions that will incentivize teams of professionals from various fields related to economic development to submit economic development proposals outlining cutting-edge ideas to address the persistent economic development challenges faced by the city, culminating in a set of strategies derived from submitted economic development plans that meet the specific needs of each recipient city. The application deadline is July 23, 2012.

Projects Conserving Wetland Ecosystems for Migratory Birds Funded

**[Fish and Wildlife Service](#)**

The Standard Grants Program provides support for conservation projects that involve long-term protection, restoration, or enhancement of wetlands and associated uplands habitats for the benefit of all wetlands-associated migratory birds. Proposed public-private partnerships will carry out projects in the United States that further the goals of the [North American Wetlands Conservation Act](#). The application deadline is July 27, 2012.

Grants for National-Scale Arts in Education Initiatives Available

**[Department of Education](#)**

The Arts in Education National Program provides support for national-level arts education

activities and services for pre-K through 12th grade children and youth, with special emphasis on serving children from low-income families and children with disabilities. Proposed projects will provide services and develop initiatives in multiple schools and school districts throughout the country, including at least one urban, one rural, and one high-need community. Special consideration may be given to projects addressing one or more of the following priorities: turning around the persistently lowest-achieving schools, technology, enabling more data-based decision-making, and building evidence of effectiveness. The application deadline is July 30, 2012.

#### Supportive Housing Demonstration Projects Supported

##### [Department of Health and Human Services](#)

The Partnerships to Demonstrate the Effectiveness of Supportive Housing for Families in the Child Welfare System Program provides support for demonstration projects to examine and further efforts of the child protective services system to reduce family separation due to a lack of adequate housing. Proposed projects will build upon and adapt supportive housing services that provide a variety of community-linked services to increase children's safety and well-being and positive family functioning. The application deadline is July 30, 2012.

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#### **“INDIGENOUS PEOPLES GLOBAL CONFERENCE ON RIO+20 AND MOTHER EARTH”**

KARI-OCA 2 DECLARATION      Photo Credit: Ben Powless

We, the Indigenous Peoples of Mother Earth assembled at the site of Kari-Oka I, sacred Kari-Oka Púku, Rio de Janeiro to participate in the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development Rio+20, thank the Indigenous Peoples of Brazil for welcoming us to their territories. We reaffirm our responsibility to speak for the protection and enhancement of the well-being of Mother Earth, nature and future generations of our Indigenous Peoples and all humanity and life. We recognize the significance of this second convening of Indigenous Peoples of the world and reaffirm the historic 1992 meeting of the Kari-Oca I, where Indigenous Peoples

issued The Kari-Oca Declaration and the Indigenous Peoples Earth Charter. The Kari-Oca conference, and the mobilization of Indigenous Peoples around the first UN Earth Summit, marked a big step forward for an international movement for Indigenous Peoples' rights and the important role that Indigenous Peoples play in conservation and sustainable development. We also reaffirm the Manaus Declaration on the convening of Kari-Oca 2 as the international gathering of Indigenous Peoples for Rio+20.

### **The institutionalization of Colonialism**

We see the goals of UNCSO Rio+20, the "Green Economy" and its premise that the world can only "save" nature by commodifying its life giving and life sustaining capacities as a continuation of the colonialism that Indigenous Peoples and our Mother Earth have faced and resisted for 520 years. The "Green Economy" promises to eradicate poverty but in fact will only favor and respond to multinational enterprises and capitalism. It is a continuation of a global economy based upon fossil fuels, the destruction of the environment by exploiting nature through extractive industries such as mining, oil exploration and production, intensive mono-culture agriculture, and other capitalist investments. All of these efforts are directed toward profit and the accumulation of capital by the few.

Since Rio 1992, we as Indigenous Peoples see that colonization has become the very basis of the globalization of trade and the dominant capitalist global economy. The exploitation and plunder of the world's ecosystems and biodiversity, as well as the violations of the inherent rights of Indigenous Peoples that depend on them, have intensified. Our rights to self determination, to our own governance and own self-determined development, our inherent rights to our lands, territories and resources are increasingly and alarmingly under attack by the collaboration of governments and transnational corporations. Indigenous activists and leaders defending their territories continue to suffer repression, militarization, including assassination, imprisonment, harassment and vilification as "terrorists." The violation of our collective rights faces the same impunity. Forced relocation or assimilation assault our future generations, cultures, languages, spiritual ways and relationship to the earth, economically and politically.

We, Indigenous Peoples from all regions of the world have defended our Mother Earth from the aggression of unsustainable development and the over exploitation of our natural resources by mining, logging, mega-dams, exploration and extraction of petroleum. Our forests suffer from the production of agro-fuels, bio-mass, plantations and other impositions of false solutions to climate change and unsustainable, damaging development.

The Green Economy is nothing more than capitalism of nature; a perverse attempt by corporations, extractive industries and governments to cash in on Creation by privatizing, commodifying, and selling off the Sacred and all forms of life and the sky, including the air we breathe, the water we drink and all the genes, plants, traditional seeds, trees, animals, fish, biological and cultural diversity, ecosystems and traditional knowledge that make life on Earth possible and enjoyable.

Gross violations of Indigenous Peoples' rights to food sovereignty continue unabated thus resulting to food "insecurity". Our own food production, the plants that we gather, the animals that we hunt, our fields and harvests, the water that we drink and water our fields, the fish that we



catch from our rivers and streams, is diminishing at an alarming rate. Unsustainable development projects, such as mono-cultural chemically intensive soya plantations, extractive industries such as mining and other environmentally destructive projects and investments for profit are destroying our biodiversity, poisoning our water, our rivers, streams, and the earth and its ability to maintain life. This is further aggravated by Climate change and hydroelectric dams and other energy production that affect entire ecosystems and their ability to provide for life.

Food sovereignty is one fundamental expression of our collective right to self-determination and sustainable development. Food sovereignty and the right to food must be observed and respected; food must not be a commodity to be used, traded and speculated on for profit. It nourishes our identities, our cultures and languages, and our ability to survive as Indigenous Peoples.

Mother Earth is the source of life which needs to be protected, not a resource to be exploited and commodified as a 'natural capital.' We have our place and our responsibilities within Creation's sacred order. We feel the sustaining joy as things occur in harmony with the Earth and with all life that it creates and sustains. We feel the pain of disharmony when we witness the dishonor of the natural order of Creation and the continued economic colonization and degradation of Mother Earth and all life upon her. Until Indigenous Peoples rights are observed and respected, sustainable development and the eradication of poverty will not be achieved.

### **The Solution**

This inseparable relationship between humans and the Earth, inherent to Indigenous, Peoples must be respected for the sake of our future generations and all of humanity. We urge all humanity to join with us in transforming the social structures, institutions and power relations that underpin our deprivation, oppression and exploitation. Imperialist globalization exploits all that sustains life and damages the Earth. We need to fundamentally reorient production and consumption based on human needs rather than for the boundless accumulation of profit for a few. Society must take collective control of productive resources to meet the needs of sustainable social development and avoid overproduction, over consumption and over exploitation of people and nature which are inevitable under the prevailing monopoly capitalist system. We must focus on sustainable communities based on indigenous knowledge, not on capitalist development.

We demand that the United Nations, governments and corporations abandon false solutions to climate change, like large hydroelectric dams, genetically modified organisms including GMO trees, plantations, agro-fuels, "clean" coal, nuclear power, natural gas, hydraulic fracturing, nanotechnology, synthetic biology, bio-energy, biomass, biochar, geo-engineering, carbon markets, Clean Development Mechanism and REDD+ that endanger the future and life as we know it. Instead of helping to reduce global warming, they poison and destroy the environment and let the climate crisis spiral exponentially, which may render the planet almost uninhabitable.

We cannot allow false solutions to destroy the Earth's balance, assassinate the seasons, unleash severe weather havoc, privatize life and threaten the very survival of humanity. The Green Economy is a crime against humanity and the Earth. In order to achieve sustainable development, states must recognize the traditional systems of resource management of the Indigenous Peoples that have existed for the millennia, sustaining us even in the face of colonialism. Assuring Indigenous Peoples' active participation in decision making processes



affecting them, and their right of Free Prior and Informed Consent is fundamental. States should likewise provide support for Indigenous Peoples appropriate to their sustainability and self determined priorities without restrictions and constricting guidelines.

Indigenous youth and women's active participation must also be given importance as they are among the most affected by the negative impacts brought by the commodification of nature. As inheritors of Mother Earth, the youth play a vital role in continuing defending what is left of their natural resources that were valiantly fought for by their ancestors. Their actions and decisions amidst the commercialization of their resources and culture will determine the future of their younger brothers and sisters and the generations to come.

We will continue to struggle against the construction of hydroelectric dams and all other forms of energy production that affect our waters, our fish, our biodiversity and ecosystems that contribute to our food sovereignty. We will work to preserve our territories from the poison of monoculture plantations, extractive industries and other environmentally destructive projects and continue our ways of life, preserving our cultures and identities. We will work to preserve our traditional plants and seeds, and maintain the balance between our needs and the needs of our Mother Earth and her life sustaining capacity. We will demonstrate to the world that it can and must be done. In all matters we will gather and organize the solidarity of all Indigenous Peoples from all parts of the world, and all other sources of solidarity with non-indigenous of good will to join our struggle for food sovereignty and food security. We reject the privatization and corporate control of resources such as our traditional seeds and food. Finally, we demand the states to uphold our rights to the control of our traditional management systems and by providing concrete support such as appropriate technologies for us to develop our food sovereignty.

We reject the false promises of sustainable development and solutions to climate change that only serve the dominant economic order. We reject REDD, REDD+ and other market-based solutions that focus on our forests, to continue the violation of our inherent rights to self determination and right to our lands, territories, waters, and natural resources, and the Earth's right to create and sustain life. There is no such thing as "sustainable mining." There is no such thing as "ethical oil."

We reject the assertion of intellectual property rights over the genetic resources and traditional knowledge of Indigenous peoples which results in the alienation and commodification of Sacred essential to our lives and cultures. We reject industrial modes of food production that promote the use of chemical substances, genetically engineered seeds and organisms. Therefore, we affirm our right to possess, control, protect and pass on the indigenous seeds, medicinal plants and traditional knowledge originating from our lands and territories for the benefit of our future generations.

### **The Future We Want**

In the absence of a true implementation of sustainable development, the world is now in a multiple ecological, economic and climatic crisis; including biodiversity loss, desertification, deglaciation, food, water, energy shortage, a worsening global economic recession, social instability and crisis of values. In this sense, we recognize that much remains to be done by international agreements to respond adequately to the rights and needs of Indigenous Peoples.

The actual contributions and potentials of our peoples must be recognized by a true sustainable development for our communities that allows each one of us to Live Well.

As peoples, we reaffirm our rights to self-determination and to own, control and manage our traditional lands and territories, waters and other resources. Our lands and territories are at the core of our existence – we are the land and the land is us; we have a distinct spiritual and material relationship with our lands and territories and they are inextricably linked to our survival and to the preservation and further development of our knowledge systems and cultures, conservation and sustainable use of biodiversity and ecosystem management.

We will exercise the right to determine and establish priorities and strategies for our self-development and for the use of our lands, territories and other resources. We demand that free, prior and informed consent must be the determinant and legally binding principle of approving or rejecting any plan, project or activity affecting our lands, territories and other resources. Without the right of Free Prior and Informed Consent, the colonialist model of the domination of the Earth and its resources will continue with the same impunity.

We will continue to unite as Indigenous Peoples and build a strong solidarity and partnership among ourselves, local communities and non-indigenous genuine advocates of our issues. This solidarity will advance the global campaign for Indigenous Peoples rights to land, life and resources and in the achievement of our self-determination and liberation. We will continue to challenge and resist colonialist and capitalist development models that promote the domination of nature, incessant economic growth, limitless profit-seeking resource extraction, unsustainable consumption and production and the unregulated commodities and financial markets. Humans are an integral part of the natural world and all human rights, including Indigenous Peoples' rights, which must be respected and observed by development.

We invite all of civil society to protect and promote our rights and worldviews and respect natural law, our spiritualities and cultures and our values of reciprocity, harmony with nature, solidarity, and collectivity. Caring and sharing, among other values, are crucial in bringing about a more just, equitable and sustainable world. In this context, we call for the inclusion of cultures as the fourth pillar of sustainable development.

The legal recognition and protection of the rights of Indigenous Peoples to land, territories, resources and traditional knowledge should be a prerequisite for development and planning for any and all types of adaptation and mitigation to climate change, environmental conservation (including the creation of “protected areas”), the sustainable use of biodiversity and measures to combat desertification. In all instances there must be free, prior and informed consent of Indigenous Peoples.

We continue to pursue the commitments made at Earth Summit as reflected in this political declaration. We call on the UN to begin their implementation, and to ensure the full, formal and effective participation of Indigenous Peoples in all processes and activities of the Rio+20 Conference and beyond, in accordance with the United Nations Declaration on the rights of Indigenous Peoples (UNDRIP) and the principle of Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC).

We continue to inhabit and maintain the last remaining sustainable ecosystems and biodiversity hotspots in the world. We can contribute substantially to sustainable development but we believe that a holistic ecosystem framework for sustainable development should be promoted. This includes the integration of the human-rights based approach, ecosystem approach and culturally sensitive and knowledge-based approaches.

We declare our solidarity and support for the demands and aspirations of the Indigenous Peoples of Brazil found in the Annex to this Declaration.

We Walk in the Footsteps of our Ancestors.

Accepted by Acclamation, Kari-Oka Village, at Sacred Kari-Oka Púku, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 17 June 2012.

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