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A Native American leader from Nevada recently named to the U.S. Commerce Department's national tourism advisory board says tribes need to learn more about how to better tap into the keen interest so many travelers have in their heritage and the culture and history of the West.

"There's a segment of the market that's really interested in a cultural experience," Sherry Rupert, the executive director of the Nevada State Indian Commission, told the [Nevada Appeal](#).

"That's something we, as Native Americans, can offer. There's nothing like it in the world. Our culture is intact, and our traditions are alive," said Rupert, an American Indian of Paiute and Washoe descent.

U.S. Deputy Commerce Secretary Rebecca Blank recently appointed Rupert as one of six new members of the Travel and Tourism Advisory Board. She's also the vice president of the Albuquerque-based American Indian Alaska Native Tourism Association, which nominated her for the post.

Blank said Rupert was an important addition in the interest of better diversifying the advisory board's point of view. She's the lone Native American on the board.

"These new members of the Travel and Tourism Advisory Board, who come from different regions and industry sub-sectors, will play a valuable role as we work to help maintain the momentum that's currently underway," Blank said.

The tourism board was established in 2003 to serve as the advisory body to the secretary of commerce on matters relating to the travel and tourism industry in the U.S. Its members represent a cross-section of the industry, including transportation services, financial services, and hotels and restaurants, as well as a mix of small and large firms.

"The travel and tourism industry is so important to our nation's economy and important to many of our tribal communities," Rupert said. "This opportunity is a huge step forward for Indian Country. Indian Country now has a seat at the table."

Rupert said she's pushing for increased attention to collecting data on the demographics, interests and habits of visitors to tribal lands, museums and other landmarks.

“I want to know who is traveling to the Native communities and what they are doing,” she said. She said that information should help tribal communities better understand what domestic and international travelers are looking for so they can better match their attractions and destinations.

“As Native people, this is our life,” she said. “It’s just how we live. Sometimes, we think others won’t be interested.”

The Animal That Stands to Lose the Most in the Keystone Pipeline Deal

By TakePart.com

12 May 13

Unless you've been living under a rock, you probably know that for the past five years, an oil company called TransCanada has been [fighting to win an American Presidential Permit](#) to build a 1,700-mile Alberta-to-Texas pipeline that would carry up to 830,000 barrels of oil per day across six American states, terminating in Texas.

The oil supply in question lies in the Canadian Boreal Forest, just downstream from Canada's side of the Rocky Mountain foothills. As you can imagine, that remote forest is filled with wildlife, from lynx to wolves to black bears, and other species. In the years since energy-related development began in the area, several species have been pushed out of their habitats.

But one species in particular could face greater consequences from our government's interest in foreign oil. According to the National Wildlife Federation, woodland caribou in this pristine woodland could face extinction.

Caribou, also known as reindeer, are some of the most mystical creatures in North America. Only a handful live in the U.S., just south of the Canadian border. But in recent years, in southern Alberta, they have also become one of the most critically endangered mammals, thanks to poaching, logging, construction, climate change, and development. "Development" in this case would be a nice word for petroleum extraction.

Elizabeth Shope of the National Resources Defense Council says the pipeline itself doesn't pose direct threat to caribou and other species, but what could is the mining of oil, the activity around the pipeline, and the precedent its completion would set.

"Even industry projections, such as Shell Petroleum's application for a separate tar sands mine in Alberta, show that woodland caribou would lose 40 percent of their habitat if the mine is completed," Shope says.

In the same area, some caribou populations have dropped so low that the Alberta government has talked about penning the remaining caribou herds and shooting wolves to keep them alive. Shope and thousands of others believe that "removing significant habitat of caribou, given how close they are to extinction," would be a heavy price to pay for the pipeline.

Although Keystone XL's application has now been through several State Department-sanctioned Environmental Impact Studies, Shope says, they have failed to address the impact on wildlife in Canada. On April 22, the most recent public comment period for the next-to-last Draft Environmental Impact Statement ended. But according to Shope, it's not too late to tell Obama,

through blogs, letters, and discussions with your representatives, that Americans believe caribou (along with wolves, lynx, black bears, whooping cranes, and other species) are more important than the extraction of oil, which, according to the Rainforest Action Network, would lead to the destruction of pristine forest amounting to an area larger than the state of Florida.

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The Animal which stands to lose the most is HUMANS! We ARE brainless animals, consuming the principal of Nature, and destroying our nest, as well as every other life's.

Ice caps ARE melted, CO2 is now OVER 400PPM, and yet, we still go along with the endless wars, GMO's, Fracking, Tarsands, Fukushima/Nukes , ETC,

We are getting what we deserve and our just rewards, for being a consuming plague, when we could as well be conserving stewards.

Either kiss it goodby folks, or get off our consumer asses and fix this world, and time IS short.

Oops.

Elveda Martinez

Went to the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society conference last week on the Ft. McDowell Res in AZ. It was a great conference and the weather was nice and warm. We were greeted by live Eagles every day and were treated to a great traditional feast by the Hopi Tribe and blessed to have their Eagle dancers dance for us. It was very powerful. Was good to find out what everyone's doing out there in Indian country for our fish, wildlife and natural resources.

Overcoming Addiction, Professor Tackles Perils American Indians

Face **By ALAN SCHWARZ NYT 5.12.13**

David A. Patterson, a professor at Washington University in St. Louis, has firsthand knowledge of the cultural disconnect, substance abuse and other problems facing American Indian communities.

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### [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: Acres for America](#)

Acres for America, a partnership between Walmart Stores, Inc. and the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, was established to provide funding for projects that conserve important habitat for fish, wildlife, and plants through acquisition of interest in real property. The goal of the Acres for America program is to offset the footprint of Walmart's domestic facilities on at least an acre by acre basis through these acquisitions. All grant awards require a minimum 1:1 match of cash or contributed goods and services. Preference will be given to acquisitions that are part of published conservation plans (North American Waterfowl Management Plan, Partners in Flight, etc.), State Wildlife Action Plans, or Endangered Species Act Recovery Plans. Applicants are strongly encouraged to contact the [National Fish and Wildlife Foundation regional director](#) in their area to discuss project ideas prior to applying. Pre-proposals are due June 3, 2013; invited

full proposals must be submitted by August 1, 2013. Visit the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation website for program details.

Grants Promote Oral Health Programs for Babies and Toddlers

**[ADA Foundation: Samuel D. Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health](#)**

The American Dental Association (ADA) Foundation provides grants for sustainable programs in dental research, education, access to care, and also provides assistance for dentists and their families in need. The Foundation's Samuel D. Harris Fund for Children's Dental Health provides grants of up to \$5,000 to nonprofit organizations whose oral health promotion initiatives are designed to improve and maintain children's oral health through primary prevention and education. For 2013, grant funding will be considered for community-based nonprofit organizations that offer parent/caregiver education programs to prevent early childhood caries in babies and toddlers by circumventing primary oral bacterial infection before it can take hold in the baby's mouth. Approximately 17 grants will be provided. Applications must be received by June 10, 2013. Visit the ADA Foundation's website to review the application information.

Exemplary Senior Housing Projects Recognized

**[MetLife Foundation: Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing](#)**

The purpose of the MetLife Foundation Awards for Excellence in Affordable Housing, administered by Enterprise Community Partners, is to recognize nonprofit organizations and Tribes/Tribally Designated Housing Entities that show exemplary leadership, innovation, and quality service delivery in green, health and service-enriched senior housing. Applications will be evaluated on the following criteria: green, sustainable, age-friendly features; commitment about aging and connecting health to housing; and quality of partnerships with service partners and connections to opportunities in healthcare reform. Four grants of \$50,000 will be awarded. Eligible properties must have a minimum of 25 units and have been in operation at least two years. The application deadline is May 31, 2013. Visit the Enterprise Community Partners' website to review the program guidelines and submit an online application.

Funds for Children's Book Acquisitions

**[Lois Lenski Covey Foundation](#)**

The Lois Lenski Covey Foundation is dedicated to advancing literacy and fostering a love of reading among underserved and at-risk children and youth. The Foundation provides grants to school libraries, non-traditional libraries, and bookmobile programs throughout the country for the purchase of books published for young people preschool through grade 8. The focus of the grant program is on libraries that serve economically or socially at-risk children, have limited book budgets, and demonstrate real need. Grants for 2013 will range from \$500 to \$3,000. The application deadline is June 15, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the grant program and the application process.

***Regional Funding Opportunities***

California Projects Addressing Climate Change and Public Health Supported

**[Public Health Institute: Creating a Climate for Health Pilot Projects](#)**

The Public Health Institute (PHI), with funding from the Kresge Foundation, will provide support to nonprofit organizations in collaboration with local health departments in California through the Creating a Climate for Health Pilot Projects initiative. Grants of \$20,000 will be



provided for pilot projects in three geographically diverse, urban communities in California to demonstrate approaches to incorporate climate change into current public health program practice and/or to enhance public health participation in on-going local climate change mitigation, adaptation, and resilience work. The purpose of the pilot projects is to develop models that can be held up, scaled up, and replicated that simultaneously address climate change as well as community health and health equity. Projects must be within urbanized areas in the state of California, meaning a central city or a group of contiguous cities with a population of 50,000 or more. The application deadline is July 1, 2013. Visit the PHI website to download the Request for Applications.

#### Grants Enhance Maine Communities

##### **The Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation**

The Stephen and Tabitha King Foundation focuses on strengthening and supporting communities throughout the state of Maine. The Foundation provides grants of \$500 to \$50,000 for community-based projects that address the underlying causes of social and environmental problems, as well as those that address the consequences. Priority is given to nonprofit organizations that promote literacy, provide community services, or focus on the arts. Requests are reviewed two times per year; the next application deadline is June 30, 2013. Funding guidelines and application forms are available on the Foundation's website.

#### Health Care Programs in Michigan Funded

##### **Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation: Community Health Matching Program**

The Blue Cross Blue Shield of Michigan Foundation is dedicated to improving the health of Michigan residents through the support of research and innovative programs. The Foundation's Community Health Matching Program supports nonprofit community organizations throughout the state that develop, use, and evaluate new ways to solve community health problems. Matching grants of up to \$25,000 are available for programs that help increase access to health care, address critical public health issues, improve the quality of care, and/or enhance efficiency. Requests are accepted throughout the year; however, they should be submitted at least five months before the funds are needed. Visit the Foundation's website to download the program's brochure and application guidelines.

#### Support for Energy Programs and Land Preservation in Illinois

##### **Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation**

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation invests in clean energy development and land preservation efforts by working with communities and citizens to improve environmental quality in Illinois. The Foundation supports projects in the following core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitats throughout the state. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline for most of the Foundation's grant programs is July 16, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Foundation's core program areas and application procedures.

### ***Federal Grant and Loan Programs***

#### Program Supports Savings Accounts for Refugees

##### **Department of Health and Human Services**

The Projects to Establish Individual Development Account Programs for Refugees program supports efforts to establish and manage individual savings accounts for low-income refugee participants. The application deadline is June 17, 2013.

Funding Available to Offer Juvenile Offenders a Second Chance

**Department of Justice**

The Second Chance Act Juvenile Reentry Program provides support to ensure that the transition of incarcerated youth back into the community is successful and promotes public safety. The application deadline is June 17, 2013.

Tribal Energy Efforts Supported

**Department of Energy**

The Tribal Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Deployment Assistance program provides support to install community-scale or facility-scale renewable energy or energy efficiency projects on Indian lands. The application deadline is June 20, 2013.

Program Addresses Youth Violence

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention**

The Youth Violence Training and Technical Assistance program offers support to develop and provide training and technical assistance to local health departments and their partners in high-risk communities to address high rates of youth violence. The application deadline is June 24, 2013.

***Online Education Trainings***

Upcoming Online Education Trainings

*Unless otherwise noted, all Online Education Trainings are webinars, are 90 minutes in duration, and are scheduled to begin at 2 PM Eastern Time. The registration fee is \$89 per person or \$150 for a group.*

**Using Outcome Data to Tell Your Story**

Every nonprofit organization has a story to tell, but many remain as a "best kept secret" year after year. Stories developed around well-documented outcome data are vital to building your organization's relationship with the community. So how do you enhance your organization's compelling stories with solid outcome data in order to advance your mission? During this webinar, Alice Ruhnke will discuss methods to collect the data you need, how to use data-driven stories to communicate your message, and ways to tailor your story to constituencies both inside and outside of your organization. This webinar will be held Thursday, May 16, 2013. Visit the link above to register.

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*On May 13 in 1929 President Hoover issued an executive order temporarily preventing settlement of 144,000 acres in southeastern Nevada because of the discovery of prehistoric ruins near the Moapa and Virgin rivers (dennis m)*

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