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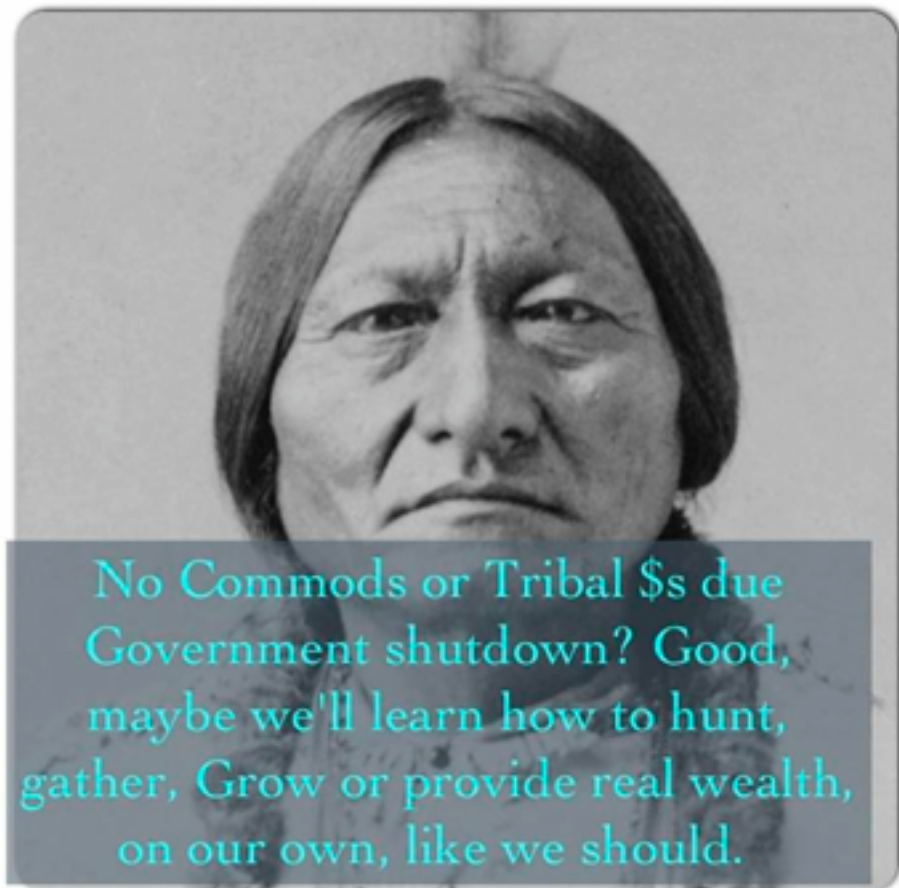
The buzz is growing around the country about Seed School. But don't take our word for it -- read what some of our recent graduates have to say about their experiences in this one-of-a-kind course:

"I came to Seed School to make a movie. I can't believe what has happened. I'm going to go home, finish my movie, and then start my own seed company!"

- M. Sean Kaminsky, filmmaker, [Open Sesame: The Story of Seeds](#) -- Brooklyn, New York

"I have a lot of degrees and diplomas but have never hung one up on my office wall. This will be the first!"

- Nanna Meyer, PhD, Associate Professor at Beth-El College of Nursing and Health Sciences, University of Colorado



*"Seed School has infinitely changed the way I see growing food and living in our world."
- Leah Wagner, owner of [Foundroot](#) seed company -- Palmer, Alaska*

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Passionate about seeds and looking for inspiration, knowledge and support to create sustainable systems in your community? Seed School is on the road and may be stopping in a town near you!

November 3-8, 2013

[Hot, Wet & Wild! - Seed School in Buhl, ID](#)

Special reduced tuition, and held at an organic farm with *hot springs*!

January 12-16, 2014

[Seed School at Hampshire College, Amherst, MA](#)

Our first Seed School in the Northeast! College credit available for Hampshire students.

February 9-14, 2014

[Seed School in Los Angeles, CA](#)

A Seed School for urban gardeners! Presented with the Seed Library of Los Angeles (SLoLA) and its founder (and Seed School alum) David King.

April 13-18, 2014

[Seed School in Tucson, AZ](#)

Our Tucson courses always sell out -- it's not too early to register! Includes tours of the NS/S Seed Bank and Conservation Farm.

[Aquaponics in Oakland -- YAY!!! \[faircompanies.com\]\(#\)](#)

[The land in West Oakland where Eric Maundu is trying to farm is covered with freeways, roads, light rail and parking lots so there's not much arable land and the soil is contaminated. So Maundu doesn't use soil. Instead he's growing plants using fish and circulating water. Farming f...](#)

[Did Bad Fences Make For Bad Neighbors? Vermont Man Pleads Guilty To Stealing Letters From Robert Frost](#) [by jonathanturley](#)

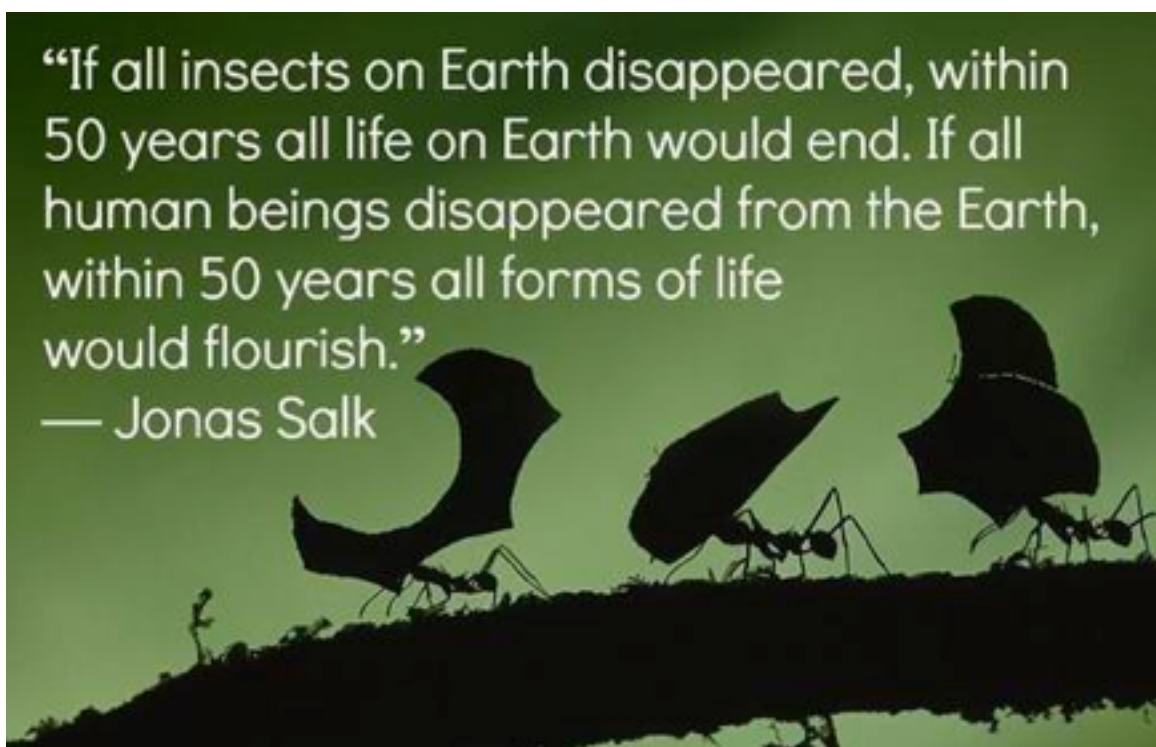
It may be true that "good fences make good neighbors," but is it also true that bad donations make for bad cases? This week, [Tim Bernaby, 44, pleaded guilty](#) and was given a \$100 fine for stealing two letters and 13 Christmas cards written by Frost that were left in a donated desk. The status of the property complicated the criminal case with both the availability of the property and a key witness in doubt. As for the donating family, they insist it never intended to give away the valuable letters and cards. The donor, who has since passed away, saw no need to take the property to a more secure location. After all, Frost himself said "Before I built a wall I'd ask to know what I was walling in or walling out." In this case, it would be walling in property worth tens of thousands of dollars and walling out one Tim Bernaby.

[Read more of this post](#)

[Ernest Tsosie III at Native Comedy All Stars Show](#)

Native Comedy All Stars Show at UMN Conference Center on 4/30/11!

Teach our children when they are young to have no fear and to always remember to use their



*hearts and to love fully. Oh and to always remember their connection to the Web of Life. ***

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[Buffy](#) [Peters's video: Idle No More - Inspirational Video.](#)

[Idle No More - Inspirational Video](#) Length: 19:56

I had a vision for a video I wanted to create. I made this video to inspire and motivate my people.

SONGS:

Drums - sung by Donna Augustine, written by Johnny Cash

Seventh Generation - sung by Seventh Generation Singers

No No Keshagesh - Buffy Sainte-Marie

PHOTOS:

photos are credited to:

Bryson Sylliboy

Nadya Kwandibens / Red Works Studio

Buffy Peters

Rachel Daigle

Bo Augustine

Molly Peters

Eva Gary

various photos were found on the Idle No More page on Facebook

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Robert Wood Johnson Foundation: Health Policy Fellows

The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's Health Policy Fellows program provides the nation's most comprehensive fellowship experience at the nexus of health science, policy, and politics in Washington, DC. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

McKesson Foundation Regional Grants Program

The McKesson Foundation's Regional Grants Program provides support for projects to improve the status of children and youth in communities where company employees live and work in Canada. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

Department of Commerce: Demonstration of a U.S. Marine Biodiversity Observation Network

This program supports projects that demonstrate how an operational Marine Biodiversity Observation Network could be developed for the nation by establishing one or more prototype networks in U.S. coastal waters, the Great Lakes, and the exclusive economic zone. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

National Funding

Support for Sustainable Economic Development Initiatives

Surdna Foundation: Strong Local Economies Program

The Surdna Foundation seeks to foster just and sustainable communities throughout the United States. The Foundation's Strong Local Economies Program supports the development of robust and sustainable economies that include a diversity of businesses and access to quality jobs. The Foundation aims to create opportunities for upward economic mobility among communities that have experienced historical economic barriers, including low-income people, communities of color, women, and immigrants. The three main categories of work in this program area include the following: Business Development and Acceleration, Equitable Economic Development, and Job Quality and Career Pathways. Nonprofit organizations may submit online letters of inquiry at any time. Visit the Foundation's website to review the funding guidelines for each category in the Strong Local Economies Program.

Public Interest Law Projects Funded

Impact Fund

The purpose of the Impact Fund [grant program](#) is to support public interest litigation in the areas of civil and human rights, poverty law, and environmental justice. The Fund focuses on litigation that will potentially benefit a large number of people, lead to significant law reform, or raise public consciousness. Grants averaging \$5,000 to \$15,000 are made to private attorneys, small legal firms, and nonprofit legal entities that do not have sufficient access to funding sources. Requests are reviewed three times per year. The remaining pre-application deadline for 2013 is November 7. Visit the Impact Fund's website for more information and detailed funding guidelines.

Grants Enhance Native Youth Sports Programs in the U.S. and Canada

Nike N7 Fund

The N7 Fund, an initiative of Nike, is committed to bringing sport and all of its benefits to Native

American and Aboriginal communities in the U.S. and Canada. The N7 Fund offers grants to nonprofit organizations that provide sports and physical activity programs for Native American and Aboriginal youth of high school age or younger. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided. To be considered for funding, grant applicants must have a measurement of success for their programs. The application deadline is December 31, 2013. Application guidelines and forms are available on the N7 Fund's website.

Sterile Syringe Initiatives Supported

Syringe Access Fund

The Syringe Access Fund, administered by AIDS United, is a national grantmaking initiative that helps service providers and policy projects reduce the risk of HIV, hepatitis C, and other blood-borne pathogens among injection drug users and their sexual partners through expanded access to sterile syringes. The Fund provides grants of up to \$75,000 to support work in the following areas: Syringe Exchange Direct Services, with a focus on access to sterile syringes through syringe exchange programs (SEPs); and Education/ Mobilization, with a focus on policy/ advocacy campaigns that work to improve public policy at local, state, and/or national levels. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies in the 50 States, District of Columbia, Native American Reservations/Tribal Land, the U.S. Virgin Islands, and Puerto Rico are eligible to apply. The application deadline is November 4, 2013. Visit the Fund's website to download the Request for Proposals in English or Spanish.

Regional Funding

Funds for Cancer Education and Patient Support Programs in Maine

Maine Cancer Foundation: Education and Patient Support Grants

The Maine Cancer Foundation is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the health and well-being of Maine people by funding cancer research, education, and patient support programs. The Foundation is currently accepting proposals for Education and Patient Support Grants. In the Education category, the Foundation seeks to expand the level of knowledge among healthcare professionals, patients, and the public regarding the molecular origins of cancer, the role of genetics in cancer, cancer prevention methods, and early detection strategies. In the Patient Support category, the Foundation focuses on programs that assist patients and their families in dealing with a cancer diagnosis. Typical maximum funding is \$10,000 for one year; however, the Foundation will consider extending funding up to \$50,000 for one project per year. The application deadline is November 1, 2013. Visit the Foundation's website to download the application guidelines and forms.

Grants Promote California Marine Environmental Education

Whale Tail Grants Program

The goal of the Whale Tail Grants Program, an initiative of the California Coastal Commission, is to support projects that teach California's children and the general public to value and take action to improve the health of the state's marine and coastal resources. Funded projects should fall into one of the following categories: Adopt-A-Beach programs, youth programs, or programs for the general public, including projects addressing climate change and/or ocean acidification. Priority is given to projects that reach communities that are currently poorly served in terms of marine and coastal education. Applicants may request any amount up to \$50,000; one quarter to

one half of the funding will be allocated in small grants under \$10,000. The application deadline is November 1, 2013. Application guidelines and forms are available on the California Coastal Commission's website.

Support for Rural Communities in Minnesota and Wisconsin

AgStar Fund for Rural America

The AgStar Fund for Rural America is dedicated to agriculture and rural communities, and to addressing the issues facing rural America. The Fund supports nonprofit organizations in the [service area](#) where AgStar has a significant business presence in Minnesota and northwest Wisconsin. The Fund focuses its giving program in the following four major areas: education, environment, technology, and quality of life. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided for direct project or program costs. Online applications will be accepted through November 30, 2013. Visit the AgStar website to review the funding guidelines and application instructions.

Quality of Life Programs in New Mexico Funded

Albert I. Pierce Foundation

The Albert I. Pierce Foundation supports nonprofit organizations that enrich the lives of the citizens of the state of New Mexico. The Foundation provides grants for initiatives that 1) expand community-based programs related to education, the arts, and the environment; 2) encourage public participation in educational, environmental, and art projects; and 3) develop or conserve valuable environmental and cultural resources for public use and posterity. Applications for grants of up to \$10,000 must be submitted by November 15, 2013; applications for grants of up to \$5,000 are due February 15, 2014. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Foundation's guidelines.

Federal Funding

Coastal Programs Supported

Environmental Protection Agency

The Gulf of Mexico Regional Partnerships program supports projects that address water quality monitoring or improvement, coastal habitat and ecosystems enhancement or protection, community resilience, and environmental education and outreach in the Gulf of Mexico region and its watersheds. The application deadline is November 12, 2013.

Funds Available for Bird Conservation

Fish and Wildlife Service

The Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Grants program supports projects that promote the conservation of neotropical migratory birds and their habitats in the United States, Canada, Latin America, and the Caribbean. The application deadline is November 18, 2013.

Support Available for Rural Health Networks

Department of Health and Human Services

The Rural Health Network Development Grant Program supports rural integrated healthcare networks that have combined the functions of the entities participating in the network. The application deadline is November 22, 2013.

Urban Water Projects Funded

Environmental Protection Agency

The Urban Waters Small Grants program seeks to improve urban water quality through activities that also support community revitalization, economic development, and other local priorities, with an emphasis on underserved communities. The application deadline is November 25, 2013.

Partner Depot

Blackbaud's Grantastic Giveaway: Win \$500 for Your Organization!

Grant management is tough: the deadlines, the paperwork, the late nights. And at Blackbaud, we get that. So we decided to offer the *easiest* grant ever. We're giving away \$500 to a different nonprofit every month for the rest of the year! No restrictions, no reporting, no hassles. How grantastic is that? All you have to do is tell us how you manage your grants. That's it! Five organizations will win; help make sure one of them is yours! Enter to win now. Click [here](#) for the full giveaway details and restrictions.

National 4-H Youth Conference Center: A Hotel for Youth and Leaders in Washington, DC

We believe you're helping to develop youth into future leaders. National 4-H Youth Conference Center is Washington, DC's premier youth and leadership hotel. As a part of 4-H, the largest youth serving organization in the U.S., **the conference center's operations benefit international youth programs**. Minutes from Washington, DC's memorials and museums, our [youth friendly hotel](#) is located on 12-acres with flexible meeting space, indoor and outdoor recreation, and a cafe. We can accommodate over 800 overnight guests and each room has two to four beds. Take advantage of our guided tours and interactive, fun workshops. If you'd like National 4-H Youth Conference Center to plan a remarkable experience for your group in Washington, DC, please email salesinfo@4hcenter.org or call (800) 368-7432.

Hi Shayne - Can you please publish this in your Journal? It looks like there might be issues related to the Government Shut Down. There is also a link in this article to a Movie Trailer "SHADE". It is really scary. The 3 footnotes are interesting as well. I hope this article is wrong! I guess this is what happens with all the drilling and fracking and mining and demand for energy.

Activity at Yellowstone's supervolcano is ramping-up, causing some in-the-know to prepare for what could soon make two-thirds of the United States uninhabitable.

<http://intellihub.com/2013/10/05/new-fears-super-volcano-eruption-will-make-u-s-uninhabitable/>

Thanks, Jennifer Eisele 541-525-4561

Rise and shine: the daily routines of history's most creative minds

www.theguardian.com

[Benjamin Franklin spent his mornings naked. Patricia Highsmith ate only bacon and eggs. The path to greatness is paved with a thousand tiny rituals \(and a fair bit of substance abuse\) – but six key rules emerge, says Oliver Burkeman](#)

Hoover Dam lights up Los Angeles party

Scott Harrison, Los Angeles Times

Oct. 9, 1936: The switch was thrown and electricity generated at the new Hoover Dam arrived in Los Angeles – and as shown in the above photo gallery – Los Angeles threw a big party. The “Light on Parade” proceeded down Broadway, nicknamed “the Canyon of Lights.”

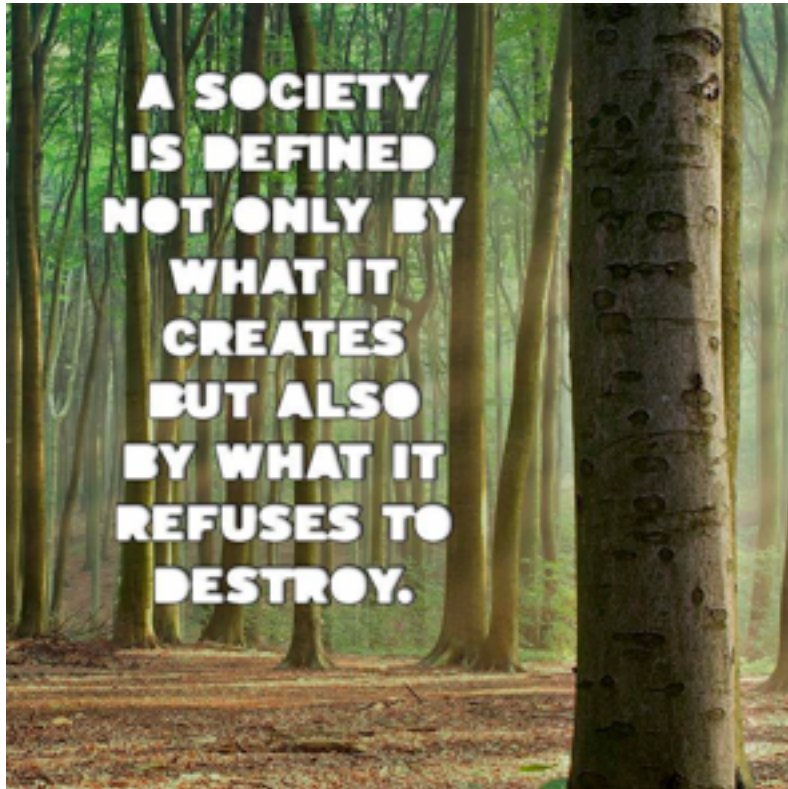
SLIDE SHOW: Breaking Away in the Old West

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Fed Up on the Prairie, and Voting on Seceding From Colorado

By JACK HEALY

In November, 11 rural
counties will hold a
vote on whether to
secede from the state
and work to form their
own - or maybe join
Wyoming.



Sharon Chayra:

200 years ago today (Oct 5), Shawnee Chief Tecumseh passed into the Great Beyond. His words remain relevant.

"So live your life so the fear of death can never enter your heart. Trouble no one about their religion; respect others in their views, and demand that they respect yours.

Love your life, perfect your life, beautify all things in your life. Seek to make your life long and of service to your people. Prepare a noble death song for the day when you go over the great divide.

Always give a word or sign of salute when meeting or passing a stranger if in a lonely place.
Show respect to all people, but grovel to none.

When you arise in the morning, give thanks for the light, for your life and strength. Give thanks for your food and for the joy of living. If you see no reason for giving thanks, the fault lies in yourself.

Touch not the poisonous firewater that makes wise ones turn to fools and robs them of their visions.

When your time comes to die, be not like those whose hearts are filled with fear of death, so that when their time comes they weep and pray for a little more time to live their lives over again in a different way. Sing your death song, and die like a hero going home."

Federal Water Tap, October 7: Shutdown

Weekly U.S. Federal Water News...

Stop Work

Most agency staff have been sent home. Press officers are not returning calls or emails. Only those in "excepted positions" – jobs required to protect human life and property – remain at work.

Federal agencies such as the National Weather Service are still monitoring the nation's water and weather and offering forecasts, but many people are not working. The U.S. Geological Survey, a top science agency, says just 43 of its 8,623 employees (less than 0.50 percent) are excepted and will keep working. Some 200 USGS employees will be on call in case of emergency.

Most research has been halted, and other work is limited. A National Weather Service meteorologist told Climate Central that he can do emergency maintenance on equipment but [not routine repairs](#).

"This will hamstring us in the future, either when the shutdown is lifted and the rush of delayed work hits or when equipment breaks because it is not being maintained properly," the meteorologist said.

The Environmental Protection Agency is retaining less than 4 percent of its employees. Those still at work include project managers at critical Superfund sites and laboratory staff to prevent existing research projects from collapsing from neglect.

The [shutdown plans](#) for nearly every federal agency are available from the Office of Management and Budget.

Supreme Court Lawsuit

Delivering on a promise made in August, Florida's governor and attorney general filed a lawsuit with the U.S. Supreme Court claiming that its upstream neighbor Georgia is taking too much water from a shared river system. Along with Alabama, the third state in the Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint River Basin, the two states were part of a federal water-sharing compact for five years before the compact was terminated. Negotiators failed to complete the chief mission of the compact: agree on water allocations from the river system.

Shale Gas Update

The National Energy Technology Laboratory released an update to its [primer on U.S. shale gas development](#), originally published in 2009.

Navajo Leader Drops His Support for Slaughter of Wild Horses on the Reservation

By [FERNANDA SANTOS](#) NYT October 7, 2013

PHOENIX — Under pressure by animal welfare groups and many of his own people, the president of the Navajo Nation, Ben Shelly, has reversed his stance on horse slaughtering, saying he will no longer support it and will order the temporary suspension of the roundups of feral horses on the reservation.

The agreement, brokered by Bill Richardson, the former governor of New Mexico, is scheduled to be announced on Tuesday. One of its key provisions is to pressure the federal government to do more to help the Navajos handle the tens of thousands of horses that roam freely on their land. Mr. Shelly has estimated that feral horses cost the Navajos \$200,000 a year in damage to property and range.

“I am interested in long-term humane solutions to manage our horse populations,” Mr. Shelly said. “Our land is precious to the Navajo people as are all the horses on the Navajo Nation. Horses are sacred animals to us.”



Mr. Shelly’s recalibrated position is sure to strengthen the arguments against horse slaughter in the nation, just as a legal fight to block the opening of horse slaughterhouses in New Mexico and Missouri reaches its final stages.

It could also smooth relations between his administration and tribal elders in some of the Navajo Nation’s largest chapters, who have stood steadfastly against the roundups even as Mr. Shelly embraced them in August as the best available option, given the tribe’s limited resources, to keep its feral horse population under control.

At the time, his stance put the country's largest federally recognized tribe in a [collision course](#) with Mr. Richardson and the actor Robert Redford, who had justified joining a lawsuit against horse slaughtering filed by animal-rights groups by saying they were "standing with Native American leaders."

In a unanimous vote last month, the Navajo Nation chapter in Shiprock, N.M., [banned](#) horse roundups in its territory. The chapter's president, Duane Yazzie, said members were concerned about the abandoned colts and the sale of the horses to meat plants in Mexico, where slaughter is legal.

On Saturday, several of the chapter's members protested as Mr. Shelly took part in a parade at the Northern Navajo Nation Fair in Shiprock.

Mr. Shelly and Mr. Richardson met in Farmington, N.M., just outside Navajo lands, shortly after the parade to complete the agreement. It charges several animal welfare groups — including [Animal Protection of New Mexico](#) and the Foundation to Protect New Mexico Wildlife, founded by Mr. Richardson and Mr. Redford — with developing alternative policies. One option is rounding up the horses and putting them up for adoption; another is dispensing contraceptives.

"This is a huge event," Mr. Richardson said. "One of the most important and largest tribes in the country is now on the record against horse slaughtering, and that should be a major factor both in Congress and in the courts."

All along, Mr. Shelly had spoken about the "delicate balance," as he put it, between the horses' significance to the Navajos and the cost of repairing the damage caused by feral horses on the reservation, which covers roughly 27,500 square miles across Arizona, New Mexico and Utah.

The Navajos estimate there are 75,000 feral horses roaming the reservation, an estimate based on aerial observations, a method they concede is unreliable. One of the points of the agreement is to find a way to take an accurate count.

During a meeting in Washington last month, Mr. Shelly told several animal welfare groups that the federal government needed to "live up to its responsibilities," according to his spokesman, Erny Zah, and help the Navajos manage the feral horses. It was not until the agreement with Mr. Richardson, however, that he made his new stance on horse slaughtering official.

The [Humane Society of the United States](#) and other groups [sued](#) the United States Department of Agriculture in July to keep horse slaughter plants from opening in New Mexico, Iowa and Missouri, arguing that the agency had failed to carry out all of the environmental checks, and asked the courts to block its inspectors from working there. The owners of the plant in Iowa have since scrapped their plans to slaughter horses and turned their focus to cattle.

In August, Judge M. Christina Armijo of United States District Court in Albuquerque halted the inspections until she makes her final ruling on the case, which is expected by the end of the month.
