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Net Neutrality and the Future of Museums Online

Posted on May 6, 2014 by Nancy Proctor

We at Museums and the Web are deeply concerned about the impact of the new Internet regulations proposed by FCC Chairman, Tom Wheeler. The new rules would allow ISPs to charge a premium for those (wealthy companies) who can afford to pay to deliver their content better and faster to their online audiences. Needless to say, museums, libraries and archives, not to mention artists, writers, scholars, and everyone else publishing digital content online without the financial backing of global conglomerates like ESPN, Disney, Google, Yahoo, Apple, (fill in the blank) would struggle to compete. It's not hard to imagine a scenario in which the only way museum content gets seen online is if the museum has done a deal with a major online publisher.

Are you and your museum colleagues concerned? Will you and your museum's director contact local representatives, the FCC and the press to protest? Can you sign this petition and join the "firewall" to <u>picket the FCC</u> in Washington, DC from May 7-15?

The Association for Computers and the Humanities has written this <u>open letter</u> signed by 33 presidents, chairs, founders, leaders, and editors of 27 major, international digital humanities scholarly organizations and platforms. What can museums do to lend their considerable voice and constituency to the movement? We'd like to hear from you and invite all who want to preserve freedom of speech and equal access to the Internet to get involved TODAY, before the FCC's vote on May 15.

Here are links to online resources and organizations who are leading the protest. Please add more in the comments on this post!

- Freepress.net: Stop the FCC from Breaking the Internet
- PopularResistance.org: <u>Save the Internet!</u>
- ACH's excellent Net Neutrality Info and Action page

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Do you have an opinion about the Direction WCSD is headed? How about the way WCSD makes its budget? Don't waist your valuable ideas on Facebook rants that just annoy your friends. Get involved! Take our survey at http://ow.ly/vHhd0 or go to a board meeting and express your ideas, concerns, and other brilliant nuggets of inspiration. If you do not participate you have no right to complain.

Bike to Work Week is May 12-16, 2014

More than half of the US population lives within five miles of their workplace, making bicycling a feasible and fun way to get to work. With increased interest in healthy, sustainable and economic transportation options, it's not surprising that, from 2000 to 2011, the number of bicycle commuters in the U.S. grew by more than 47% (Bike Leagues website)

Hundreds of American communities have been successful in increasing bicycle commuting by providing Bike to Work Week and Bike to Work Day events.

Some interesting stats (<u>From People for Bikes Website</u>):

- * 1 pound of C02 pollution reduced for every mile pedaled
- * \$8,000 spent on average each year owning and operating a car
- * 3 hours of riding per week reduces the risk of heart disease & stroke by 50%
- * \$10 saved each day by commuting 10 miles RT by bicycle instead of car
- * 50% of trips Americans make are less than 3 miles
- * 47% of Americans would like to see more bike lanes, trails and bridges in their communities

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HUD AND ENTERPRISE SHOWCASE SUSTAINABLE CONSTRUCTION DESIGN IN INDIAN COUNTRY

WASHINGTON – The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and Enterprise Community Partners (Enterprise) showcased Native American communities' use of sustainable design and construction strategies today at the National Museum of the American Indian. The event is part of HUD's and Enterprise's continuous effort to promote sustainable construction techniques in Indian Country.

HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research (PD&R) and the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) co-hosted a program with Enterprise that featured 22 Native American communities' work that incorporates sustainable and resource-efficient elements in their affordable housing and community development projects. The program is part of the **Sustainable Construction in Indian County initiative**, in which PD&R and ONAP partner with Native American communities. This joint venture was developed to promote understanding of the benefits of sustainable construction and help spur wide-spread adoption of sustainable construction technologies in Indian Country.

"Building sustainable housing allows tribes to better control operating and utility costs, and produce homes that are healthier, more comfortable, durable, and energy efficient," said Rodger Boyd, Deputy Assistant Secretary for HUD's Office of Native American Programs. "The event illustrates the long-term value of thoughtful planning and integrated whole building design."

"From the inception of this initiative HUD has worked hand-in-hand with Native American communities to help construct better homes that use the latest building technologies while respecting traditional building techniques," said Todd Richardson, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy Development for HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research. "We're pleased to document the use of sustainable construction practices and share them to benefit tribal communities looking for best practices and to learn from their peers."

"There are challenges throughout the country to develop better sustainable housing including on Indian reservations," said Terri Ludwig, President and CEO of Enterprise Community Partners. "Because of HUD's support, through training and technical assistance, today's program gives a glimpse of promising solutions underway by tribes across the country."

The showcase featured the deliberate efforts these tribes have undertaken to incorporate elements of sustainability in their construction efforts – sustainability that has both recently, and traditionally, played a key role in all Native American traditions. The gathering gave Native communities an opportunity to showcase their sustainability work; discuss their efforts with colleagues and Washington policymakers; and underscore how Native American communities can work together to learn about and incorporate sustainable strategies in both housing and community design and development.

The chart below lists the tribes that are part of the Sustainable Construction in Indian County initiative.

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The following tribal communities were recognized today:

Native Village of Kwinhagak (NVK), Housing Department, Quinhagak AK

NVK is constructing two housing designs that can withstand the region's wet and windy weather and developing a self-help housing construction program to defray housing costs. The designs focus on durability, energy efficiency, and light-weight materials. They include a number of design innovations, such as a continuous monolithic thermal envelope, which is a lightweight wall system coated with spray foam on the inside of its exterior wall.

Cocopah Indian Tribe, Cocopah Indian Housing and Development (CIHAD), Somerton, AZ

To combat desert heat and dryness, the CIHAD has worked with its utility provider to make affordable energy efficiency improvements to three apartment buildings. The CIHAD is in the process of installing low- emissivity windows, 30-year shingles, upgraded air conditioning, and energy efficient appliances. A utility program provided compact fluorescent lamps (CFLs), faucet aerators, and low-flow showerheads as well as utility bill data to assist the CIHAD in determining baseline costs.

Navajo Nation, Navajo Housing Authority (NHA), Window Rock, AZ

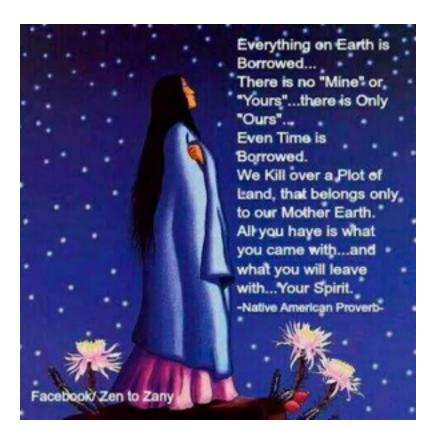
As part of a move to integrate sustainability into their regular housing development practices, the NHA is exploring the potential for developing an interdisciplinary design review commission, revising the RFQ/RFP selection process to reflect cultural/sustainable goals, and adopting a community-based design/planning process, together with a modified Navajo version of Enterprise Green Communities criteria.

Nez Perce Tribe, Nez Perce Housing Authority (NPHA), Lapwai, ID

NPHA is planning 20 duplex housing units, which will be constructed with straw bale infill, timber framing, and structural insulated panels (SIPs) for the roof, all on a frost protected shallow foundation. Cultural design features include east-facing doorways and circular housing clusters with primary eastern orientation, materials that recall traditional reed mat homes, "shed roof forms" to recall extended teepees, and carports constructed with wood frames to recall Nez Perce traditional shade structures.

Pokagon Band of Potawatomi Indians, Department of Natural Resources, Dowagiac, MI

The Band's long-term plan views water management and conservation as an integral aspect of a well-thought-out land use and community planning strategy. As such, the project's watershed protection features include bioswales, cluster housing design, permeable pavement, and replacement of invasive plant species with prairie grasses and indigenous vegetation.



Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (MBCI), Choctaw Housing Authority (CHA), Choctaw, MS

Over the past 3 years, the CHA has constructed 74 single-family homes and eight duplexes with SIP walls and roof. Additionally, all of the homes are additionally equipped with low-emissivity windows and doors, CFL lighting, high efficiency HVAC systems, and ENERGY STAR® appliances.

St. Regis Mohawk Tribe, Akwesasne Housing Authority (AHA), Hogansburg, NY

The AHA completed construction on five quadplex buildings for elders in a sustainable community setting. The units feature geothermal heating (and cooling in the training center only), six solar photovoltaic arrays, solar domestic hot water (DHW) systems, insulated concrete form wall systems, metal roofing, skylighting tubes, stormwater management and pollution control, ENERGY STAR® appliances, light-emitting diode (LED) and CFL lighting, as well as dual flush toilets, faucet aerators, and low-flow showerheads.

Muscogee Creek Nation, Environmental Services, Okmulgee, OK

The Muscogee Creek Nation housing authority is constructing homes with structural insulated panel (SIP) walls and roofs, which are assembled at the tribe's SIPs plant. The houses also include energy efficient windows, LED lighting, ENERGY STAR® appliances, and hot water tanks operating off a geothermal system. Additionally, the tribe is incorporating geothermal heating systems, installed by the tribe using its own geothermal rig.

Truckee Trashion Gets National Attention

P2 Week Video - The Trashion Show

Seven years ago, trashion was introduced in the town of Truckee California by the Truckee High School <u>Envirolution</u> Club led by Missy Mohler, Executive Director of the Sierra Watershed Education Partnerships (<u>SWEP</u>).

What better way to build public awareness for source reduction than having a fun fashion show with teenagers clad in trash. The purpose of the Trashion Show Assemblies held by the Truckee High School Envirolution Club is for high school youth to empower younger students and the community to take action towards conservation measures in the areas of energy efficiency, water conservation, composting and recycling, through "Lead it, Live it" Trashion Show Assemblies.

Then SWEP educators, along with high school student mentors, facilitate weekly club meetings for grades K-12 student participants to explore green service learning projects including waste reduction, reuse, recycling, gardening, composting, energy and water conservation, and pollution prevention. Through these green team meetings, students work together to develop their knowledge, create a sense of civic responsibility, foster a school environment that emphasizes sustainability while practicing data, monitoring and important language arts, math and science skills.

Today, trashion show assemblies are held in public venues throughout California and Nevada. On April 9-12 the Truckee High School Envirolution Club performed for the first time in Washington D.C. as part of the 25th Annual National Service-Learning Conference.

TTUSD Lunch Assembly

Environmental awareness at Tahoe schools is really taking off. Most recently, "Smart Bins" were introduced at Truckee, Tahoe Lake and Kings Beach Elementary Schools with a special assembly run by green team students explaining what goes in each bin and what each student can do to make a difference. For example audits showed that many students grab more food than they can eat and this is one of the first places students can help to reduce waste!

So, what started out as a trashion statement has now evolved into a community wide movement to address sustainability through its youth.

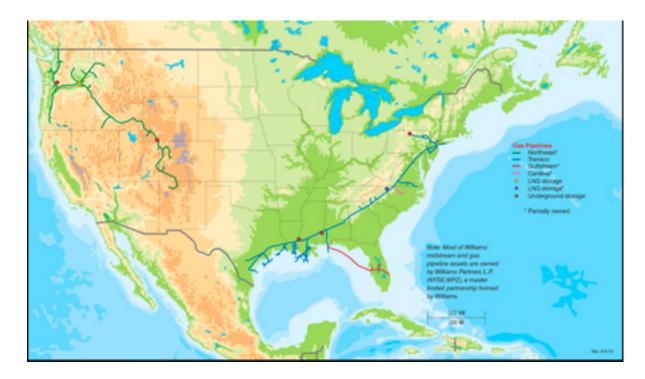
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Arizona's enormous solar plant is up and running

The project, located outside Phoenix, can provide 290 MW of electricity, or enough juice for 230,000 homes. BY HOLLY RICHMOND

NIPTON JOURNAL A Ghost Town, Going Green By DIANE CARDWELL

Nipton, Calif., is one of many places trying to generate its own power, and maybe sell some back to the grid.



<u>Gulf Stream: Williams Suspends Bluegrass Gas Export Pipeline, Announces New Export Line</u>

Steve Horn, News Investigation: Right before the champagne bottles began popping for activists engaged in a grassroots struggle to halt the construction of Williams Companies' prospective Bluegrass Pipeline project—which the company suspended indefinitely in an April 28 press release—Williams had already begun raining on the parade. The pipeline industry giant took out the trash on Friday, April 25, announcing its intentions to open a new Louisiana pipeline named Gulf Trace.

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Electric Auto Association of Northern Nevada (EAANN)'s timeline.

G.O.P. Hopeful Finds Tribal Tie Cuts Both Ways

By JONATHAN MARTIN

T. W. Shannon, a member of the Chickasaw Nation who has emerged as a formidable candidate in the Oklahoma Senate race, is a symbol to some Republicans but a target for others because of his tribal roots.

Video: Race and Politics in Oklahoma

Nevada Implements First Bighorn Sheep Ewe Hunt

The Nevada Board of Wildlife Commissioners voted to allow the hunting of female bighorn sheep, saying that reducing the herd numbers will make the animals more healthy.

KTVN Channel 2 NewslBy Paul Nelson

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Strategies: A Path to Retirement, for Those Far From It

The Bundy Ranch Militia Is Wearing Out Its Welcome

Sara Morrison, The Atlantic Wire

from Tela Hale Barrick:

It's emerging as one of the primary dimensions of successful functioning across the lifespan," Paul Tough writes in "How Children Succeed." "It really goes cradle to grave in terms of how people do."

Tough says that people who test high in conscientiousness get better grades in school and college, commit fewer crimes, and stay married longer.

They live longer, too, he says. And not just because they smoke and drink less. They have fewer strokes, lower blood pressure, and a lower incidence of Alzheimer's disease.

There's a staggering amount of research linking conscientiousness with





success. A National Institute of Mental Health study found that conscientious men earn higher salaries. The National Institute on Aging also found that conscientiousness is linked to income and job satisfaction. Other studies show that conscientiousness is the most important factor for finding and retaining employment.

How do you know if you're conscientious? Conscientious people tend to be super organized, responsible, and plan ahead. They work hard in the face of challenges and can control their impulses

Federal Water Tap

The U.S. Department of Agriculture brought a bounty of farm data to the public market on Friday when it released the <u>2012 agriculture census</u>.

Published every five years, the census is a trove of information down to the county level on production practices, farm economics, and rural demographics. Being a water news site, Circle of Blue is interested in the irrigation trends.

On the whole, irrigation is declining in the dry West and making inroads in the humid East. Since 1997, irrigated acreage is down 11 percent in California, 20 percent in New Mexico, and

25 percent in Colorado. Over the same period, irrigated acreage shot up 49 percent in Mississippi, 71 percent in Indiana, and 212 percent in Tennessee – albeit each from a much lower starting base.

Irrigation also adds value. Only 14 percent of farms are irrigated, but they account for 39 percent of the market value of farm sales.

Hydropower Potential

By squeezing every bit of dynamic energy out of sections of rivers that do not currently have dams or related facilities, the U.S. could, on paper, increase by 82 percent its hydroelectric generation capacity, according to an analysis for the Energy Department by Oak Ridge National Laboratory.

That figure excludes land with federal environmental constraints, such as being located in a national park. The assessment does not recommend that these sites be developed for hydropower. It acknowledges that more-detailed studies would be necessary for any investment decision. Nonetheless, nearly 40 percent of this potential energy is located in the rivers and streams of the Pacific Northwest, already the largest hydropower region in the country.

Importing Desalinated Water from Mexico

A municipal water district near San Diego <u>filed an application with the State Department</u> to build a pipeline for transporting water from desalination plant in Mexico into the United States.

All pipelines that cross international borders must be approved by the State Department. Otay Water District hopes to receive water from the project, which could provide up to 40 percent of its supply, by late 2017.

Colorado River Basin Water Permit

An application for water from a large Colorado River Basin reservoir was <u>deemed "inactive"</u> by the Bureau of Reclamation, which has not heard recently from the project's developer, Colorado entrepreneur Aaron Million.

Million wanted to send 165,000 acre-feet of water from Flaming Gorge Reservoir in Wyoming to cities along Colorado's Front Range, via an 806-kilometer (501-mile) pipeline through the Rockies. Submitted in 2007, the proposal bounced between two federal agencies – the Army Corps of Engineers and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission – both of which stopped reviewing the project because Million did not provide them with enough information to evaluate it

"During that period we basically never heard from him, nor have we since," Malcolm Wilson, chief of water resources at the Bureau of Reclamation's Upper Colorado office, told Circle of Blue, noting one brief conversation with Million a few months ago.

To reactivate the water application, Wilson said Million would have to restart the federal environmental review process, "which is a very expensive proposition" that Million would have to bear.

2013 River Review

The U.S. Geological Survey released <u>a review of runoff in the nation's rivers</u> during the 2013 water year, which ran from October 1, 2012 to September 30, 2013.

The report ranks river runoff by state, season, and hydrological unit. In general, flows in the East were higher than normal, while rivers in the interior West ran drier.

Nevada Magazine photo needs

July/August 2014 issue

Submission Deadline: Friday, May 30

Cathedral Gorge State Park - Looking for photos from any and all angles of this state park.

Pawn Stars - Photos of the interior or exterior of the Gold & Silver Pawn Shop in Las Vegas are desired.

Panaca & Pioche - Photos of historical buildings, structures, and other aspects of these towns will be considered, as will shots of the towns and the surrounding areas.

Scenic Summer Images - Generally, we will consider great seasonal/timely photos for the cover and our Visions department.

Summer Events - Any images that capture the spirit of a popular July/August celebration in Nevada.

Always get permission to photograph on private property. If you just want publication and photo credit (no pay), please notify us when you submit your images.

Editor's Note

When you're out shooting, think of how you can get people enjoying Nevada in your photos. Remember, people engaging in activities adds a nice touch.

Visions

Captivating images from your collection could be used in this department. Think seasonal and timely to the issue.

Your Nevada

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