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Minorities and people of color have not managed to break the “green ceiling” inside environmental organizations, and remain underrepresented on their staffs, according to a report released Monday.
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Californian Indian Legal Services Board :

We currently have Community Representative positions open for our Board. If you are interested in applying, please send applications and questions

to: BoardApplications@calindian.org

Website: <http://www.calindian.org>

ANNOUNCING ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
16th National Tribal Preservation Conference

Potawatomi Hotel & Casino Milwaukee, Wisconsin September 8-12, 2014

NATHPO announces additional information about the 16th National Tribal Preservation Conference that will be hosted by the Forest County Potawatomi at their facility in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Conference Agenda Highlights:

- On Monday, September 8th, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) will conduct a training on the Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS) and Positive Train Control (PTC), which will be followed by a discussion on PTC implementation and related issues. The FCC will also have time on the conference agenda to discuss additional issues that may affect Indian country.
- Two field agents from the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) will provide an update and additional information about the "Miller Collection," which is the private collection located in Indiana that includes Native American remains and objects and for which an identification and repatriation process has started. FBI presents on Wednesday, Sept. 10th.
- The Forest County Potawatomi Cultural Center, Library and Museum will host Culture Night! at the Milwaukee Public Museum on Wednesday, September 10th.

New Item - Special Workshop on THPO Toolkit:

NATHPO will be pilot testing the "Workshop: THPO Toolkit Training" on Thursday, Sept. 11th, and Friday, Sept. 12th, at the same conference hotel. Separate, workshop application required for this unique opportunity. Workshop attendance to be determined after application filed with NATHPO. All workshop information may be found on the main conference weblink, including workshop description, workshop agenda, and workshop application. Note: This is a separate initiative than the conference. If you want to attend the conference, please use the conference registration form. Registration for the conference does not confirm participation in workshop.

Conference and THPO Toolkit workshop information may be found on the NATHPO website:

<http://www.nathpo.org/meetings/16meeting.htm>

Upcoming Deadlines:

Interested in Presenting during the Conference?

Do you have information to share? Please consider submitting a presenter proposal application to be considered as a presenter. Deadline is August 8, 2014. Click here for a direct link to the form:

<http://www.nathpo.org/PDF/2014/Presenter-Proposal.pdf>

Want to Guarantee a Room at the Discounted Conference Rate?

The discounted group rate at the hotel is guaranteed prior to August 14th, Thursday. This is a great room rate of \$104/night plus tax (federal rate). Click here for lodging and transportation information:

<http://www.nathpo.org/PDF/2014/Transportation-page.pdf>

When is the Conference Pre-Registration Deadline?

The pre-registration conference rate expires on Aug. 22nd, Friday. After that date, on-site rates will apply. Click here for a registration form:

<http://www.nathpo.org/PDF/2014/Registration-form-v1.pdf>

Interested in the conference agenda?

Click here for an agenda-at-a-glance:

<http://www.nathpo.org/PDF/2014/2014-Agenda-at-a-glance.pdf>

NATHPO thanks the Forest County Potawatomi community for their generosity and hospitality and we look forward to visiting in September.

Low, Warm Water Conditions Killing Salmon In Klamath Basin

My Central Oregon

Low, warm water conditions from California's drought are starting to kill salmon in Northern California's Klamath Basin. A recent survey of 90 miles of the Salmon River on found 55 dead adult salmon and more dead juveniles than would be expected this time of year. About 700 live fish were counted in cool pools fed by springs.

Best Place to Live in Nixon (zip 89424), Nevada

[BestPlaces Wiki - Write about this Place.](#) [Schools in this place:](#) [Public](#), [Private](#), [All](#)

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Interesting Facts about Nixon (zip 89424), Nevada

<http://www.bestplaces.net/zip-code/nevada/nixon/89424>

As of 2014, Nixon (zip 89424)'s population is [309 people](#). Since 2000, it has had a population growth of -30.25 percent.

The median home cost in Nixon (zip 89424) is [\\$115,300](#). Home appreciation the last year has been 20.50 percent.

Compared to the rest of the country, Nixon (zip 89424)'s [cost of living](#) is 11.90% Lower than the U.S. average.

Nixon (zip 89424) public schools spend [\\$9,627 per student](#). The average school expenditure in the U.S. is \$12,435. There are about [19.9 students per teacher](#) in Nixon (zip 89424).

The unemployment rate in Nixon (zip 89424) is [7.00](#) percent(U.S. avg. is 6.30%). Recent job growth is Positive. Nixon (zip 89424) jobs have Increased by 2.95 percent.

Ranked #9 [2005 Best Places to Live](#)

Ranked #60 [Most Popular Cities for the Holidays](#)

Ranked #63 [America's Best and Worst Cities for Crime \(Mid-Size Metro Areas\)](#)

Ranked #131 [Best Green Cities](#)

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[The Carnegie Corporation of New York/New York Times I Love My Librarian Award program](#)

[recognizes librarians throughout the United States for exemplary service to their communities.](#)
[Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.](#)

[Debra Harry](#): Another excellent and important article by my friend, Steve Newcomb. <http://indiancountrytodaymedianetwork.com/2014/07/29/some-questions-regarding-un-high-level-plenary-meeting>

EARTHWORKS

[Radioactive fracking waste in North Dakota is supposed to shipped off for treatment.](#)

Instead, it's being dumped in fields and hidden in abandoned buildings to save money. <http://lat.ms/1lMJZpm>

Oil field workers (yes, employees of the industry) are leading the charge asking EPA to clamp down on hazardous waste in the state.

[Myron Dewey](#) [Digital Smoke Signals](#) "Most tribes have **creation stories** that include the stars, are Tribes into the exploration discussion of Outer Space? <http://j.mp/1oa3oAE>

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[Do You Know The Silly Reason Why America Put A Man On The Moon? Do You Know Why We Stopped Going?](#)

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## **[Missing the Point: The Real Impact of Team Names on American Indian and Alaska Native Youth](#)**

Featured speaker: Dahkota Franklin Kicking Bear Brown, Student, Argonaut High School; Champion... [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

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Established in 1984, the Maureen Egen Writers Exchange Award introduces emerging writers to the New York City literary community. The prestigious award aims to provide promising writers a network for professional advancement. It has helped to launch the careers of **Sue Monk Kidd** (*The Secret Life of Bees*), **Elaine Beale** (*Another Life Altogether*), **Sandra Beasley** (*Don't Kill the Birthday Girl*), **David Mura** (*Turning Japanese: Memoirs of a Sansei*), **Fae Myenne Ng** (*Bone*), **Mona Simpson** (*My Hollywood*), and others. Since Poets & Writers began the Writers Exchange in 1984, 85 writers from 33 states and the District of Columbia have been selected to participate. The award is generously supported by Maureen Egen, a member of the Poets & Writers Board of Directors and retired as Deputy Chairman and Publisher of Hachette Book Group USA.

**Poets & Writers has selected the state of Nevada for the 2015 Writers Exchange Award. Nevadan writers are invited to apply by December 1, 2014.**

[Read the Press Release.](#)

[Download the Guidelines and Application.](#)

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## **The Indigenous Farming Project Augments Native American Food Sovereignty Efforts**

The Indigenous Farming Project is a pilot program that will support small-scale...

Food Tank Website

The [Indigenous Farming Project \(IFP\)](#)—currently based near Owens Valley, California—is working with local Native American communities to help them develop and publicize local small-scale food sovereignty and traditional agriculture projects.

The IFP is a tribal agriculture and nutrition program that aims to preserve and support traditional culinary and plant knowledge in Native American communities. The program currently supports existing sustainable agriculture projects that are being developed by the Environmental Departments for Big Pine Paiute Tribe and the Bishop Paiute Tribe.

The IFP has recently begun working with Mikaela Griffiths, the [Timbisha-Shoshone](#) Tribal Environmental Director, to initiate several

projects including the recovery of tribal mesquite groves that historically have served as a vital regional food source.

Tribes participating in the IFP receive support to establish and/or maintain seed-saving libraries and install and/or maintain community gardens. The project will also support the facilitation of educational workshops about traditional cultivation, harvesting medicinal plants, and the preparation of garden produce—all drawn from the expertise of tribal members and traditional native food activists.







The project consults with other tribes across the country as well as the [U.S. Department of Agriculture](#) and the [U.S. Forest Service](#). The IFP also collaborates with [Planting Justice](#), an organization that promotes sustainable local food systems, and Futurefarmers, a multidisciplinary collective that explores various means of addressing social, economic, and environmental issues.

"Working with and listening to many tribal members during the course of the IFP leads me to believe that recovery and preservation of cultural food knowledge and practices are the bedrock of lasting food sovereignty. The lasting, painful impact that the forced suppression of native food/language/culture has had on native people comes up in most conversations around food traditions and gardening," said Anya Kamenskaya, the IFP program director.

Scholars and historians from the [University of Wisconsin-Madison](#) have found that [traditional Native American agriculture](#) helped preserve soil fertility and provided a stable, healthy source of food to the Native American diet.

The IFP's focus on helping participating tribes establish successful community gardens is meant to attract more individual interest and institutional and financial support. This may enable tribal communities to develop larger agricultural businesses that eventually will support tribal economic development. The community gardens also serve as vital community teaching spaces.

In November the IFP also launched the [Puhidua Registry](#), a web-based mapping tool that allows food growers in the Owens Valley to register their food sovereignty-related projects and promote agricultural information sharing. The registry was developed as a response to the lack of information about existing food system projects and agricultural expertise being shared among both tribal and some non-tribal communities living closely together in the Owens Valley.



Kamenskaya notes that people involved in tribal food sovereignty projects in other parts of California have expressed interest in the registry, which "can be used and shared between many bioregions and communities."

Beginning in March, the IFP will be working with SeedKeepers, an emerging seed-saving training program. This seed-saving program will be led by indigenous leaders [Winona LaDuke](#), an American Indian activist, and Rowen White, [who works with the Western Sierra seed-saving community](#). The Big Pine and Bishop Paiute tribes are currently creating, curating, and managing their own seed stock.

While the IFP aims to establish a new framework for sustainable, community-based food system development, its ultimate function is to incubate tribal food sovereignty efforts until they have enough

resources and support to operate independently —after which the initiative will disband.

"We at IFP want to help support whatever container for conversation, collaboration, and inspiration around food tradition is appropriate for the people living in a specific bioregion," said Kamenskaya.

The United Nations declared 2014 the International Year of Family Farming (IYFF) to highlight the importance of family and smallholder farmers. Food Tank is partnering with the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) to commemorate IYFF, and will feature weekly posts and other media highlighting the innovations that family farmers are using to alleviate hunger, poverty, and environmental degradation, along with the campaigns and policies that support them.

by Melody Ng

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[Indian Vision - Chirapaq - Native American - Powerful Pride - Sacred Medicine](#)

[Heartpounding Chirpaq by Reencuentros from Indian's Vision CD and art images of Native American Indians by J.D. Challenger, Kirby Sattler, and other famous f...](#)

[youtube.com](#)

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## **Water Is Today's Risky Business**

### **Tom Calandro, Huffington Post**

Recently, a bi-partisan group of political and business leaders [including](#) Henry Paulson, Tom Steyer, Michael Bloomberg, Robert Rubin, and Olympia Snowe issued a call to arms regarding a growing threat to America's prosperity. Their [report](#), entitled "Risky Business: The Economic Risks of Climate Change in the United States" made clear that human-induced climate change leads to rising temperatures that will directly and indirectly cost the country hundreds of billions of dollars by the end of the century."

## **[Worldwide water shortage by 2040, new studies suggest](#)**

### **UPI**

Folsom Lake experienced historic low *water* levels, in Folsom, *California*, in early 2014.

*California* Governor Jerry Brown declared a statewide drought in

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<http://www.truthandaction.org/heat-your-home-free-junk-mail/>

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For more information, contact Dave Archer at 775-315-7635 or [Dave@NCET.org](mailto:Dave@NCET.org)

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## **The Stream:**

### **Germany**

Higher temperatures and shifts in the timing of precipitation will [create increasing water scarcity problems in eastern and southern Germany](#), according to a report by a parliamentary committee, *Bloomberg News* reported. Water supplies in Germany are also threatened by growing contamination from pesticides and pharmaceuticals.

[Hydraulic fracturing poses too great a danger to groundwater](#) and the environment and should not be allowed, according to Germany's Environment Agency, *Reuters* reported. The agency is making recommendations to federal lawmakers as they debate rules for fracking and other extractive industries.

### **United States**

[Debates about which waterways the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has jurisdiction over](#) are costing the agency time and money and resulting in delayed enforcement of environmental laws, *Inter Press Service* reported. The EPA's efforts to define its authority have been met with significant citizen backlash and legal challenges.

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## **Homestead & Survival**

### **How To Build A Cabin In A Weekend For Under \$5000**

<http://homestead-and-survival.com/how-to-build-a-cabin-in-a-weekend-for-under-5000/>

Build a cabin of your dreams that's beautiful, functional, and durable for under \$5000.

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### **[In Church Attics, Clues to the Private Life of Early America](#)** By MICHAEL PAULSON

Historians are racing against time to find and preserve records from more than 250 years ago that were kept by New England congregations. [Video: Preserving the Church's Past](#) reduction GIS toolkit to help cities strategically target green infrastructure for heat resilience.

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**'There is no DNA test to prove you're Native American' - opinion - 13 February 2014 - New Scientist**

DNA testing is changing how Native Americans think about tribal membership. But anthropologist Kim... [www.newscientist.com](http://www.newscientist.com)

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### **[Alaska Fisheries In Midst Of An Economic Collapse.](#)**

And not one politician is talking about it. But fisherman are talking about it. The people in the villages are talking about it. People who rely on outfitting the boats, who repair boats; the fish ... [dailykos.com](#)

- [Alaska fisheries and communities at risk from ocean acidification](#)  
[Ocean acidification is driving changes in waters vital to Alaska's valuable commercial](#)

[fisheries and subsistence way of life, according to new NOAA-led research that will be published online in Progress in Oceanography.](#)

phys.org

<http://www.dnainfo.com/chicago/20140707/downtown/how-green-is-your-neighborhood-new-app-reveals-surprises-both-good-bad>

<http://www.eco-business.com/news/green-mashup-rise-biophilic-cities/>

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## ELECTRIC CAR NEWS - BREAKING / DEVELOPING NEWS!

**UPDATE--RENO, NV (07/31/2014)--**It was confirmed today during the Tesla Motors 2nd quarter earnings call that *Panasonic and Tesla entered into a formal agreement to partner on the Gigafactory. Panasonic will invest in production equipment that it will use to manufacture and supply Tesla with battery cells. Tesla will prepare and provide the land, buildings and utilities for the Gigafactory, invest in production equipment for battery module and pack production, and be responsible for the overall management of the Gigafactory. Additional Gigafactory partners for production of cell precursor materials will be announced in the coming months to create a fully integrated industrial complex. Processed ore from mines will enter by railcar on one side and finished battery packs will exit on the other.*

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HEAD JR. GIRL - Michelle Soren

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*In June, we broke ground just outside Reno, Nevada on a site that could potentially be the location for the Gigafactory. Consistent with our strategy to identify and break ground on multiple sites, we continue to evaluate other locations in Arizona, California, New Mexico and Texas. The final site for the first Gigafactory will be determined in the next few months, once we have full visibility and agreement on the relevant incentives and processes for enabling the Gigafactory to be fully operational to meet the timing for Model 3. ( Source: [Tesla Motors](#).)*  
But as we've noted, the Reno site was suddenly shuttered last Thursday evening for an unknown reason(s).

It may be prudent to [write to the Governors' office](#) and tell them you fully support any effort to land the Tesla Gigafactory in Reno. The Gigafactory could easily turn Northern Nevada's economy around and make us a high-tech industry hub of the future. Energy storage is *that* important going forward. I really can't emphasize that enough.

//Bob Tregilus

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**Subject: Fwd: DTL: Change in Consultation Location re: ANPRM Native Hawaiian Community**

**Date:** Jul 31, 2014 11:58 AM

**Attachments:** [DTL CT Change of Location.pdf](#)

Dear Tribal Leader:

On June 27, 2014, the Department of the Interior announced its intent to consult with tribal leaders on an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rule Making (ANPRM) regarding potential procedures for reestablishing a government-to-government relationship with the Native Hawaiian Community. The initial letter is enclosed for your reference.

This letter serves as notice that one of the consultation locations has changed. The Connecticut consultation location has changed from the Mohegan Sun Casino to the Mohegan Tribal Government and Community Center in Uncasville, Connecticut.

The exact location, date, and time for the Connecticut consultation is as follows:

Thursday, August 7, 2014-Connecticut-9:00AM-Noon

Mohegan Tribal Government and Community Center, 13 Crow Hill Rd,  
Uncasville, CT 06382

Thank you for your leadership. Should you have further questions or concerns, please contact my office at (202) 208-7163.

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Kevin K. Washburn  
Assistant Secretary - Indian Affairs

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