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Gatineau obtains court order against Algonquins occupying archeological site Eagle Watch September 18, 2014

Gatineau camp 1By Jorge Barrera, APTN National News, Sept 18, 2014
The city of Gatineau, Que., has obtained a court order against protestors occupying a construction site where archeologists discovered thousand year-old artifacts.

The leader of the group, Roger Fleury, who says he's chief for off-reserve Fort Colunge Algonquins, is scheduled to appear in court Thursday afternoon.

Fleury has vowed to stay at the occupied site, no matter what the city does.

"We're not gonna move out, we can't move out, this is a sacred site and werealize the mayor had no intentions of ever negotiating," said Fleury, Wednesday.

Gatineau's court action comes the same day Kitigan Zibi Chief Gilbert Whiteduck denied the city mayor's claim an agreement existed on the fate of the site and the uncovered artifacts.

Whiteduck said his community has no formal agreement with the city of

Gatineau over what happens to thousand year-old artifacts discovered on a construction site currently occupied by a handful of Indigenous protestors.

Gatineau Mayor Maxime Pedneaud-Jobin told APTN National News Wednesday that Kitigan Zibi band council [A]officially agrees[A] with his city[A]s plan to hand over artifacts dated thousands of years-old to the Quebec government, expand the archeological dig and build a park in the area with an Indigenous theme. Pedneaud-Jobin said the band council passed a resolution stating their support on Sept. 5.

Whiteduck, however, told APTN National News in a statement Kitigan Zibi does not have any formal agreement with Gatineau and no resolution was ever passed supporting the city[A]s plan for the site which has been occupied since Aug. 7.

[A]We do not have any formal agreement at this point as this would require further discussions and [A] council approval,[A] said Whiteduck in the statement.

Kitigan Zibi, an Algonquin community in Quebec, sits about 134 kilometres north of Ottawa and claims the occupied area as part of its traditional territory.

Protestors have set up two teepees on the work site which sits near the place where the Gatineau River flows into the Ottawa River. The area is surrounded by pieces of large concrete storm sewer pipes. Archeologist found arrowheads and other artifacts dated at about 3,500 years-old on the site which also included a fire pit dated to be about 6,000 years. The area is believed to have been used as a seasonal gathering place.

Gowlings, the law firm retained by Gatineau, delivered a letter to protestors Tuesday giving them 24 hours to vacate or face an injunction.

Pedneaud-Jobin told APTN National News he feared the situation will end badly.

[A]Unfortunately it seems this story is going to end up in a way that is not very satisfying for everybody,[A] he said. [A]We are still trying not to reach a conclusion that nobody wants. We have different legal options in front of us. If they stay there, we will have to. Winter is coming. The archeological digging has to be done before winter and if we want to protect the site, we have to act.[A]

Fleury claims the arrowheads discovered at the site were used during sacred ceremonies which makes the site sacred. It[A]s unclear how Fleury came to this determination since it is difficult to pinpoint exactly who the people were who frequented the area as a seasonal gathering spot.

The city is trying to reroute a nearby street and install a new storm sewer. City officials said the existing pipes have eroded and the street is in danger of caving in. The city is in the midst of a \$43 million waterfront redevelopment project in the area. The National Capital Commission (NCC) is

also contributing \$10 million toward the redevelopment and transferring \$6 million worth of lands to the city.

About a dozen supporters visited the site Wednesday which also attracted several curious onlookers. The red Warrior flag and the purple Haudenosaunee flag have been planted at the site which also features a staff painted like a cobra snake and a sacred fire.

Everett Taypaywaykejick, originally from Grassy Narrows, said he had been at the site for two weeks and planned to stay until the end. Taypaywaykejick said he was raised in foster care and the protest had given him an education in his culture.

"I learned so much about my culture being here with the sacred fire," he said.

Taypaywaykejick said he wasn't afraid of an eventual police raid if the city obtains an injunction.

"We'll see what happens," he said.

<http://aptn.ca/news/2014/09/18/gatineau-obtains-court-order-protestors-occupying-archeological-site/>

THE WHITE HOUSE Office of the Press Secretary September 19, 2014

FACT SHEET: Launch of the "It's On Us" Public Awareness Campaign to Help Prevent Campus Sexual Assault

Since the beginning of this Administration, the President and Vice President have made it a priority to root out sexual violence wherever it exists, especially in our nation's schools. In April 2011, Vice President Biden and the Secretary of Education, Arne Duncan, introduced [comprehensive guidance](#) to help colleges and universities nationwide better understand their obligations under federal civil rights laws to prevent and respond to sexual assault on campus.

Building on those efforts, in January 2014, the President and Vice President established the White House Task Force to Protect Students from Sexual Assault. The Task Force has since worked to assist schools in preventing sexual assault and to provide practical tools to help. Today's announcement is a critical part of the Administration's work to prevent sexual assault, but it is not the final step. Our efforts to improve enforcement, transparency, and accountability will continue.

Launching "It's On Us"

In April, after 27 listening sessions with stakeholders across the country, the Task Force launched the [lis2many PSA](#) aimed at spreading the word that one victim is too many and released the ["Not Alone" report](#) to help empower and equip student and administrative bodies to better understand and more effectively tackle the issue. The report included action steps, recommendations, and best practices in four key areas:

- (1) Identifying the scope of the problem through campus climate surveys**
- (2) Preventing campus sexual assault and engaging men**
- (3) Helping schools respond effectively when a student is assaulted**

(4) Improving, and making more transparent, the federal government’s enforcement efforts

Today, to advance the goal of preventing sexual assault, the President and Vice President will unveil a new public awareness and education campaign: “It’s On Us.” The campaign seeks to engage college students and all members of campus communities in preventing sexual assault in the first place. The campaign is being launched in partnership with the Center for American Progress’ Generation Progress, along with student body leadership from nearly 200 colleges and universities across the country, collegiate sports organizations such as the NCAA, and private companies that have strong connections with students at colleges and universities.

“It’s On Us” aims to fundamentally shift the way we think about sexual assault, by inspiring everyone to see it as their responsibility to do something, big or small, to prevent it. The campaign reflects the belief that sexual assault isn’t just an issue involving a crime committed by a perpetrator against a victim, but one in which the rest of us also have a role to play. We are committed to creating an environment - be it a dorm room, a party, a bar or club, or the greater college campus - where sexual assault is unacceptable and survivors are supported. This effort will support student-led efforts already underway across the country, and will focus particularly on motivating college men to get involved.

Most men are not comfortable with violence against women, but often don’t speak out because they believe that other men accept this behavior. By getting men involved, we can change this way of thinking and create new social norms. Research shows that bystander intervention can be an effective way of stopping sexual assault before it happens, as bystanders play a key role in preventing, discouraging, and/or intervening when an act of violence has the potential to occur. As the [latest CDC report](#) on preventing campus sexual violence shows, wide-ranging, population-based strategies like bystander intervention – which address individual, community, campus, and societal-level factors – have the greatest potential to effect positive and meaningful change. Bystander education and training aims to heighten awareness, challenge social norms, decrease misperceptions about sexual assault, and provide skills that increase one’s confidence to intervene effectively.

Ongoing Task Force Efforts

“It’s On Us” is a critical step forward in the Administration’s multipronged approach to combat sexual assault that includes improved enforcement of federal laws and practical help for schools. This campaign will complement efforts schools should be undertaking to hold perpetrators accountable and assist students who have experienced sexual assault. As part of this ongoing approach, on Friday the Task Force also will release three new best practices documents that can help colleges and universities improve their response to sexual assault. These documents, which will be posted on NotAlone.gov, will provide sample policy language to help schools strengthen the role of Title IX coordinators; provide interim and supportive measures for victims; and, define prohibited conduct in their sexual misconduct policies. The Department of Justice’s Office on Violence Against Women will also award over \$6 million to 18 colleges with grants to develop comprehensive campus sexual assault prevention and response programs.

We know that prevention efforts must also begin early. The Task Force is working to identify how its recommendations apply to K-12 schools, and has kicked off a series of listening sessions to engage stakeholders in this conversation. The Department of Education continues to work with school districts, colleges and universities to improve the response to sexual assault including through comprehensive remedies requiring schools to conduct climate surveys, train students and employees, and provide prompt and equitable relief to victims.

We also recognize that many organizations, schools and campus communities have their own campaigns to raise awareness, both about sexual assault generally and more specifically in college. “It’s On Us” will

focus on empowering these current efforts and energizing new ones, by giving student bodies the tools they need to organize and spread the word, from the ground up. Going forward, we will work closely with all stakeholders to use effective organizing tools and creative outreach to engage all Americans in ending sexual assault.

“It’s On Us” Partners

In order to launch this public-private partnership, we have supported the engagement of a broad range of “It’s On Us” partners, including media platforms, the college sports community, student leaders, athletes, celebrities, and other stakeholders. “It’s On Us” partners have signed a memorandum of understanding with the Center for American Progress to be a part of the “It’s On Us” campaign through Generation Progress. “It’s On Us” partners will support the campaign in a number of ways, including but not limited to:

- Working in coordination with Generation Progress to promote “It’s On Us” content, using the brand and logo with their own. This includes using media space online, on television, and on other platforms to spread the word about “It’s On Us”.
- Player or personality media and social media commitments. This includes working with the talent that “It’s On Us” Partners have on staff and through affiliations in order to integrate “It’s On Us” into content and to spread the word using different personalities’ platforms.
- Creating original content for their audience promoting it through their own platforms and talent. “It’s On Us” encourages campaign partners with their own effective ways of creating content that breaks through with college students to do what they do best: communicate with, engage, and mobilize campus communities to act.

Examples of commitments being announced by “It’s On Us” partners today include:

- **Student body leaders at colleges and universities:** Across the country student leaders from nearly 200 colleges and universities have committed to being part of “It’s On Us” to bring this campaign to their campuses and take action. A list of the schools those student leaders represent is available [here](#).
- **NCAA:** The NCAA will support “It’s On Us” with its 1,100 member schools through resources on NCAA.org; coverage of the campaign in its award-winning quarterly magazine, *Champion*; activities during the National Week of Action in November; and a half-day session on sexual assault and violence prevention at the Association’s annual convention in January. College sports fans will see “It’s On Us” PSAs in-venue at NCAA championship events and ongoing engagement on social media.
- **Electronic Arts:** Electronic Arts, a leading video gaming company, has lined up a major presence across social media channels and online platforms to carry the “It’s On Us” message to fans and players of EA’s games. The social network channels of 16 EA franchises and properties, totaling more than 30 different channels across Facebook, Twitter and more, will post visual assets, messaging and links directing fans to “Take the Pledge” and support “It’s On Us.” EA brands and franchises including EA and EA SPORTS, *Dragon Age*, *The Sims*, and many more will reach a fan base of millions today with the message of “It’s On Us.”
- **PUBLIC:** PUBLIC Foundation, an in-kind grant making organization that harnesses the power of media assets to drive social impact, aggregated pledges of donated advertising space

from leading media companies in support of “It’s On Us”. As strategic media outreach partner for the campaign, PVBLIC secured over 1 new billion media impressions nationwide through key partnerships including Lamar, Screenvision, Zoom Media, Verifone and Conversant. PVBLIC has delivered advertising across the country and on nearly 700 college and university campuses in the form of bus shelters, billboards, magazines, taxi screens, movie theater ads, online advertising and more.

- **Mekanism:** Working closely with “It’s On Us” stakeholders and partners, Mekanism, an advertising agency that specializes in reaching millennials, developed the “It’s On Us” campaign’s concept, creative, and design. Mekanism focused on developing a campaign that would enable the audience to immediately get involved and participate. They worked with The Mill and Park Pictures on the campaigns PSA’s, and with 14Four to develop the website.
- **AAUW:** The American Association of University Women has been leading the fight for education and equity for women and girls since 1881. AAUW advocates for stronger policies, funds campus-based projects, conducts groundbreaking research, supports legal action, sponsors fellowships, and trains the next generation of leaders--on campus and off. Building on current organizing efforts around campus sexual assault, AAUW will work with its over 900 college/university partners to spread the word about “It’s On Us”. Coordinating AAUW branches and student chapters on the ground, AAUW will harness the energy of the movement in their work towards successful implementation of the Campus SaVE Act (2013).
- **Viacom:** Viacom will promote and amplify the message of the “It’s On Us” campaign through a variety of their online properties including MTV, VH1, BET and CMT. They will be changing its avatars on its Facebook, Twitter, Tumblr and other social media channels to the “It’s On Us” badge, as well as promoting the PSA through those channels. MTV will be using their Look Different brand to engage with their audiences on this campaign through a variety of online and on-air platforms. Additionally, CMT will be playing a large role in ongoing efforts by featuring stories about the campaign on their homepage, as the lead story in their November CMT One Country Newsletter, and on their social media platforms.
- **Participant Media:** Participant Media is providing on-air and online support for ‘It’s On Us’ campaign. Pivot, Participant’s TV network targeting Millennials, is airing PSA’s daily through the end of the campaign, and as a featured topic on its nightly news show, TakePart Live. Additionally, TakePart.com will promote the campaign with editorial content, social media, and email to illuminate the issue and connect its millions of readers with the opportunity to pledge support through its Take Action Platform.

“It’s On Us” partners include: American Association of University Women, Atlantic Coast Conference, Atlantic 10, Big Ten, Big Twelve, Clear Channel – iHeart Radio, College Humor, Conversant Media, Electronic Arts, Everfi, Generation Progress, Mekanism, Men Can Stop Rape, Participant Media, Microsoft – Bing, NCAA, National Campus Leadership Council, National Alliance to End Sexual Violence, Newsweek, National Women’s Law Center, On Campus Media, Only With Consent, Our Time, Pac 12, Park Pictures, PVBLIC, RAINN, SB Nation, The Mill, Tumblr, Ultraviolet, USA Characters Unite, United States Olympic Committee, Verifone Media and Viacom, which includes VH1, MTV, BET, CMT, and Spike.

If you or someone you know is in need of support, you can call the National Sexual Assault Hotline at 1 - 8 0 0 - 6 5 6 - 4 6 7 3 , v i s i t [h e r e](#) t o c h a t l i v e .

School Tax Credits Can Help Save Nevadans Money
September 22, 2014 - Troy Wilde, Public News Service (NV)

CARSON CITY, Nev. - It's back-to-school time, and thousands of Nevadans are spending

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For more info, please call Janice Gardipe at (775) 329-6114 or Lois Kane at (775) 425-3804.

millions of dollars on advanced education. In addition to the student loans and grants available, Uncle Sam also has programs to offer relief in the form of [tax credits](#). Michael Dobzinski is a spokesman with the Internal Revenue Service.

"There's a couple tax credits you can get," says Dobzinski. "What's great is a credit is a dollar-for-dollar reduction in your taxes."

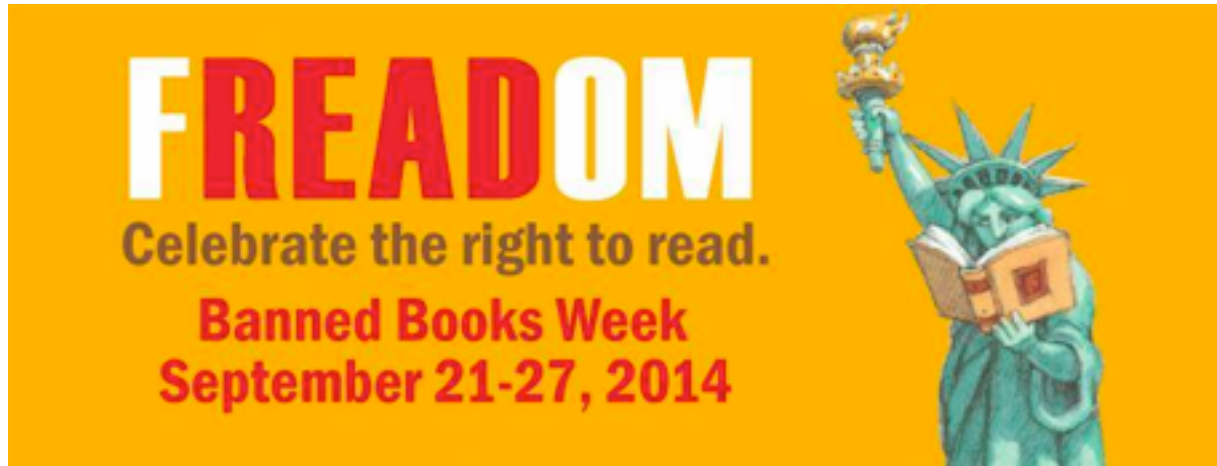
Among those available is the American Opportunity Tax Credit, which offers \$2,500 annually for an eligible student and the Lifetime Learning Credit of up to \$2,000 for qualifying students. According to the U.S. Department of Education, 47 percent of

all undergraduates received [education tax benefits](#) in one recent school year.

While tax-filing season is months away, Dobzinski says now is the time for students to keep careful records of school expenses so they can take full advantage of the credits when the time comes.

"Keep track of everything you spend and at the end of the year, you'll know whether some of these expenses qualify or you can figure that out and get a credit on your tax return," he says.

In some situations, Dobzinski says, a person can deduct their tuition as well as the costs of work-related education expenses. Those include advanced training required by an employer or that is necessary to advance in a field. The Coverdell Education Savings Account and 5-2-9 Plans also allow taxpayers to allocate money pre-tax for education expenses.



If you live in WA/OR/ID or NV, you should read “Thunder Over the Ochoco” by Gale Ontko which covers 1840-1910 in that area.

And even if you are not from the area and you want to read about a war the US never won or about the incredible territory, you should read this. At one time, banned in Oregon. sdc

Citizen Groups File Appeal to Protect Public Lands and Waters from the Mount Hope Molybdenum Mine

Reno, Nevada. Great Basin Resource Watch (GBRW) and the Western Shoshone Defense Project (WSDP) filed an appeal to the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals challenging the Reno Federal District Court ruling from July 23, 2014 that upheld the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM’s) approval of the massive Mt. Hope molybdenum mine near Eureka, Nevada. The mine has been highly controversial and received widespread opposition from Eureka County, local farming and ranching families, conservationists, and Native Americans. Although approved by BLM in late 2012, the mine owners, Eureka Molly LLC, have lacked sufficient funds to begin operations.

About the Project:

- 1.7 billion tons of waste rock would be produced by the end of the 32-year mine life and 1.0 billion tons of tailings will be produced by the end of the 44 years of ore processing. Waste rock would almost encircle the open pit at a total height ranging from 750 feet to 950 feet.
- Mining the open pit would result in an excavation of approximately 2,300 feet below the existing water table, which would be approximately 2,640 beneath the natural surface. The pit lake that is anticipated to form in the open pit is expected to fill slowly and

eventually be over 1,100 feet deep. Water quality in the pit lake is predicted to exceed federal and state water quality standards for a number of pollutants.

- Pump groundwater at a rate of 11,250 to 12,050 afy (acre-feet per year) equivalent to 3.92 billion gallons per year. With the predicted pumping to last roughly 43 years, this means that, in total, up to 168.8 billion gallons of water will be removed from the Mt. Hope area by the Project's dewatering.
- The dewatering activities would lower (draw down) the water table to predicted maximum drawdown in the bedrock of the open pit area is approximately 2,250 feet, whereas in central Kobeh Valley, the predicted maximum drawdown is approximately 120 feet near the center of the pumping field after 44 years of pumping.
- As a result of this dewatering, the Final EIS predicts that "22 springs two perennial stream segments (Roberts Creek and Henderson Creek) and portions of four intermittent and ephemeral stream drainages" are within the area where at least a ten-foot drop in the water level will occur (the 10-foot drawdown cone).
- The Project will result in significant and irreparable adverse impacts to the springs, seeps, waterholes and streams affected by the Project's dewatering, especially those ground and surface waters within the 10-foot drawdown cone.
- The Project, including the new powerlines and Right-of-Ways ("ROWS") approved in the Record of Decision (ROD), would also significantly impact the Pony Express National Historic Trail, which was officially designated by Congress pursuant to the National Trails System Act. Portions of the Trail within the Project site have been determined to be eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Sites.
- Other nationally-important cultural and historical sites will be either eliminated or significantly affected, including over 260 sites eligible for the National Register of Historic Places under the National Historic Preservation Act.

"The Project will have immediate, irreparable, and permanent impacts to the local ranching and farming communities and families which have lived there since the 1860s and to the critical environmental, historical, cultural and wildlife resources that will be outright eliminated or significantly degraded by the Project," noted John Hadder, Executive Director of GBRW.

A member of one of the region's oldest ranching families, and a resident of Diamond Valley nearest to the proposed mine said, "We own the closest private property to the Project in two directions. Our ranch and farm are located close enough to Mount Hope to be adversely affected by the mining caused impairment of our air, increased heavy truck traffic, and the very real damage to our business from the massive pumping and resulting drawdown of groundwater. Our water is not infinite. Adding to our water over appropriation problem is very wrong. I believe it is wrong to break laws that are in place to protect us," said Carolyn Bailey.

"The Western Shoshone that toured the Mount Hope site all agreed that the impacts to the water resources, loss of mature piñon/juniper forest, and destruction of cultural sites to too high of a price for this mine," said Larson Bill of the Western Shoshone Defense Project. During the tour Western Shoshone Elder Bernice Lalo of Battle Mountain said, "I don't understand this attitude of destruction." Pauline Estevez, Timbisha Shoshone said as we

passed a spring, “what is important is what is here now ... that spring is our ancestor, it is a cultural site.”

The appeal is based on four main claims: (1) Failure to protect Federal Reserved Water Rights and Withdrawn Lands resulting from the project’s massive groundwater pumping and waste disposal on protected springs on Mt. Hope; (2) Failure to adequately review the full environmental impacts from the mine as required by the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA); (3) BLM’s refusal to involve the public in the setting of the reclamation bond for the project as required by NEPA; and (4) Failure to protect public lands and resources as required by the Federal Land Policy Management Act (FLPMA), including the fact that the mine pit lake that will form after mining is completed is expected to violate water quality standards.

The project, as well as BLM’s analysis and permitting decisions, was roundly criticized by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA):

The Draft EIS states that drain-down solutions from the tailings storage facilities are expected to contain aluminum, antimony, cadmium, fluoride, manganese, molybdenum, and sulfate concentrations that exceed water quality standards, and will become acidic over time. Waste rock seepage will contain high concentrations of aluminum, arsenic, cadmium, fluoride, manganese, nickel, zinc, copper, iron, lead, beryllium, thallium, selenium, sulfate, and total dissolved solids. If tailings and waste rock disposal facilities, fluid collection systems, and evapotranspiration cells are not properly managed over the long-term, the project could result in significant and long-term degradation of surface water and/or groundwater quality, as well as wildlife exposure to these waters. - March 28, 2012 EPA letter to BLM.

And in its November 13, 2012 letter to BLM EPA stated, the FEIS failed to comply with NEPA, as did the Draft EIS:

With regard to a number of other important issues, EPA finds that the Final EIS does not contain revisions responsive to the comments provided on the Draft EIS. In particular, the discussion regarding post-closure financial assurance requirements remains far too general and the EIS continues to lack a quantitative discussion of the trust fund requirement. As a result, the Final EIS does not adequately disclose information critical to determining the project’s long term environmental consequences. For this reason, EPA finds the Final EIS to be unresponsive to our comments and we continue to recommend that the EIS be formally supplemented to address our previous comments.

In their comments on the Draft EIS, the Eureka County Commissioners highlighted the Project’s severe impacts on ground and surface waters and BLM’s failure to fully review and protect these resources:

The affected natural resource that pervades the entire project and its surrounding environment is water. The DEIS’s failure to treat this resource with requisite attention, detail, and quantification affects the sustainability of this resource on its own; but perhaps more importantly, the failure to protect water produces a failure to protect resources critical to Eureka County agriculture and

recreation and the health and wellbeing of the County's residents. The County highlights as an example the superficial treatment of proposed dewatering of Roberts Creek (including the corollary of increasing groundwater extraction to pipe that substitute supply into the creek as a mitigation measure). The County questions the DEIS's assertion that reduction in creek flow will not become significant until the stream is completely dewatered; and the corollary suggestion that expanding groundwater extraction, beyond that already specified for direct application to mining operations, and lacing the landscape with pipes, would provide worthy or effective mitigation. - February 28, 2012 letter from Eureka County to BLM.

"The Mt. Hope Mine Project would be one of the largest open pit mines in the nation. Mt. Hope and its environs will be obliterated if this project goes forward as planned, and given the inadequate environmental analysis long-term impacts to the land, air, and water could deliver a significant blow to the nearby ranching and farming community," said John Hadder, Executive Director of Great Basin Resource Watch.

"Some are leaving the area and others are wondering if they will have a livelihood in the shadow of this huge mine project. Its time for the public to challenge the Nevada Mining Association's PR slogan, 'Mining is Good for Nevada,' If Nevadans are going to shoulder the brunt of huge mining projects then the least the industry can do is not violate our laws, and the federal and state agencies need to enforce them," Hadder said.



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On September 24 in 1876 a telegram to the Utah Agency stated Koman, voice of the Utes, had died.

In 1937, Frank Norcross, arguing a water rights case in Nevada federal court, belittled the validity of Pyramid Lake tribal rights cited by federal court masters. Nevada federal court.

(Historical dates courtesy of Dennis M. and the Our Story calendars. sdc)

White Pine Public Museum <http://www.wpmuseum.org/>