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#### Tar Sands Blockade

Traditional Dineh (Navajo) elders are under attack by federal law enforcement! There have been multiple arrests and approx. 200 of their sheep and goats have been confiscated.

For over 40 years they have resisted federal relocation policies and the overreach of corporations like Peabody Coal from exploiting their sovereign land for extraction.

Black Mesa Indigenous Support has issued a solidarity call to action to stop these attacks. Click to LIKE their page and TAKE ACTION below.

The sheep are more than just livestock to the Dineh elders. "The sheep sustain the vitality of the people and the land, and traditional grazing practices need to be supported not severed. Impoundments are nothing less than harassment and human rights violations."

READ more here: <a href="http://www.indigenousaction.org/statement-on-recent-aggressive-confiscation-of-dineh-resisters-sheep-herds-by-nabahe-katenay-keedihiihii/">http://www.indigenousaction.org/statement-on-recent-aggressive-confiscation-of-dineh-resisters-sheep-herds-by-nabahe-katenay-keedihiihii/</a>

#### TAKE ACTION!

"Call the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Hopi Rangers, and the Department of Interior. Ask they stop impounding sheep on the HPL [Hopi-Partitioned Land]. This is current day colonialism, our food sovereignty is being attacked and ask that they stop the unjust impoundments."--Louise Benally

Take 1 minute to MAKE A CALL:

- -->The BIA superintendent Wendel Honanie at (928-738-2228),
- -->Hopi Chairman Herman G. Honanie, Email: hehonanie@hopi.nsn.us, Phone: (928) 734-3102
- -->The Hopi Rangers Clayton Honyumptewa at (928-734-3601),
- --->The Department of Interior at (602-379-6600)

Write a COMMENT on this post and let us know how your calls went. Thanks for responding to this urgent call for solidarity.

You can learn more here: <a href="http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?">http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?</a> u=bb9ecfdb5d711f67f04ee3551&id=b4bf977851

"I disapprove of the impoundments. They really affect the elderly. Ever since I was a baby I was carried on a horse to herd sheep. I have herded all my life and I am in my eighties. You have the livestock in your heart, and they want to take that away."--Jack Woody, Black Mesa Elder 10/25/14

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# **Native American Heritage Month: Youth Spotlight**

Thank you for your interest in being spotlighted as part of the White House Initiative for American Indian and Alaska Native Education and the Center for Native American Youth, Native American Heritage...docs.google.com

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http://www.theglobeandmail.com/life/health-and-fitness/health-advisor/blood-sugar-testing-goes-wireless-painless-for-diabetes-patients/article21021695/?utm\_source=Shared+Article+Sent+to+User&utm\_medium=E-mail:+Newsletters+/+E-Blasts+/+etc.&utm\_campaign=Shared+Web+Article+Links

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# Blood sugar testing goes wireless, painless for diabetes patients

# New solar power material converts 90 percent of captured light into heat

A multidisciplinary engineering team at the University of California, San Diego developed a new nanoparticle-based material for concentrating solar power plants... phys.org

# How Solar PV Can Power A Carbon-Free Energy Revolution, In 4 Charts

Can we build enough carbon-free energy fast enough to avert catastrophic climate change without having to power this energy transition with fossil fuels that would... thinkprogress.org

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# 70,000-Year-Old Mammoth Skeleton Uncovered in Idaho

The skeleton of a mammoth was discovered this month on the banks of a reservoir in Idaho. "We may even have a complete mammoth," said Mary Thompson, a vertebrate paleontologist and senior collections manager at the Idaho Museum of Natural History. Every year, when water levels drop in Idaho's American Falls Reservoir, teams of paleontologists and volunteers with the Bureau of Reclamation walk the beaches in search of fossils. Earlier this month, one volunteer stumbled upon the mammoth fossil on a cliff face about 30 feet (9 meters) below the reservoir's high-water mark. news.yahoo.com

#### **GrantStation**

# Agricultural Safety and Health Council of America: Safety Grants Program

The ASHCA Safety Grants Program supports agricultural safety and health interventions in order to facilitate the application of evidence-based safety and health strategies to protect agricultural workers. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

#### National Geographic Society: Committee for Research and Exploration Grants

Through its Committee for Research and Exploration, the National Geographic Society awards grants for scientific field research and exploration. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines.

#### Support for Safe and Clean Boating Projects

#### **BoatU.S. Foundation: Grassroots Grants Program**

The goal of the BoatU.S. Foundation is to be the leader in boating safety and environmental education and outreach, with the purpose of reducing accidents and fatalities, increasing stewardship of the nation's waterways, and keeping boating a safe, accessible, and enjoyable pastime. The Foundation's Grassroots Grants Program supports local nonprofit organizations, boating clubs, and student groups that develop innovative projects to promote safe and clean boating on local waterways. Information designed for boaters and delivered to boaters should be a key component of funded projects. Projects should also be planned to get wide exposure in the local community, and to be replicated by others. Grants of up to \$10,000 are provided. The application deadline is January 15, 2015. Selected applications will then move on to the online voting phase in the spring of 2015, and the projects with the most votes will be awarded grants. Online application guidelines are available on the Foundation's website.

### Community Needs Worldwide Addressed

#### **The Coca-Cola Foundation**

The Coca-Cola Company and its global philanthropic arm, The Coca-Cola Foundation, partner with nonprofit organizations worldwide that address community needs and priorities in a meaningful way. Support is provided for programs that focus on one of the following four categories: Water Stewardship promotes access to clean water and sanitation, watershed protection in water-stressed regions, utilization of water, and water conservation. Healthy and Active Lifestyles supports physical activity and nutritional education programs, programs that motivate behavior modification, and programs that encourage lifestyle and behavioral changes. Community Recycling addresses litter abatement efforts, recovery and reuse, community recycling awareness, and research and innovation. Education focuses on scholarships, school dropout prevention, access to education programs, and other education initiatives. Online applications for grants or sponsorships may be submitted throughout the year. Visit the company's website to review the community request guidelines and application procedures.

# Grants Promote Social Justice Organizing

#### **Resist**

Resist offers support to grassroots groups engaged in activist organizing for economic, social, and environmental justice in the United States. General support grants of up to \$4,000 are provided to small budget groups who struggle towards a broad vision of social justice, while opposing political and institutional oppression. Resist's interests include community organizing and anti-racism projects, economic justice, environmental protection, LGBTQ rights, disability issues, labor organizing, and Native American organizing, among others. Requests are reviewed six times per year; the upcoming deadline is December 2, 2014. Application guidelines and forms are available on the Resist website.

#### Children's Theatre Initiatives Supported

#### Children's Theatre Foundation of America: Aurand Harris Grants and Fellowship Fund

The Children's Theatre Foundation of America's grantmaking focus is on theatre for children and youth, the utilization of drama or theatre in education for children grades K-12, and development opportunities for theatre artists working in the area of children's theatre in the United States. The Foundation's Aurand Harris Grants and Fellowship Fund supports small and mid-sized nonprofit

theatres for premieres of promising new plays for children and youth; the establishment of special production programs of children's theatre such as a touring program, a children's theatre playwriting program, or a production related symposium for a new work; assistance in securing scripts, supplies, and equipment for the production of premieres of promising new plays for young audiences; and performance expenses of U.S. children's theatres to send new plays to regional, national, or international festivals or conventions. Professional theatre artists working in theatre for young audiences may also apply for support in the development of their artistic excellence. Grants range from \$1,000 to \$5,000. The deadline for the Request to Submit applications is January 15, 2015. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Aurand Harris Grants Program.

# Regional Funding

# Funds for Libraries in Rural Texas **Tocker Foundation: Library Grants**

The Tocker Foundation is dedicated to the support of rural libraries in Texas. The Foundation's Library Grants focus on extending public library services to individuals who, by reason of distance, residence, handicap, age, literacy level, or other disadvantage, are unable to receive the benefits of public library services. The Foundation provides grants to libraries that serve as community information referral centers as well as those that provide literacy programs for adults and school dropouts in cooperation with other organizations. An additional focus is on libraries that wish to extend access through the effective use of technology and the preservation of history through digitization. Public libraries in Texas serving populations of 12,000 or less are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline is January 15, 2015. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Library Grants program.

# Grants Protect the Western U.S. Coastline

## **Coastal CODE Fund**

The Coastal CODE (Clean Oceans Depend on Everyone) Fund, developed in partnership with the Ocean Foundation, supports nonprofit organizations that are working to protect the western waters and coastline of the United States. Grants are primarily provided for projects that promote beach, lake, or waterway cleanup activities; water habitat restoration; and ocean and coastal preservation. The maximum grant amount is \$10,000. Requests are reviewed quarterly; the next application deadline is December 1, 2014. Visit the Fund's website to review the grant guidelines and to download the application form.

# Support for Breast Cancer Education and Treatment Programs in Minnesota **Susan G. Komen Minnesota: Community Grants**

Susan G. Komen Minnesota is dedicated to bettering the lives of those facing breast cancer throughout the state. The Community Grants program provides support for innovative programs in the areas of breast health and breast cancer education, screening, diagnosis, treatment support, survivorship, and healthcare delivery/systems change, especially among those who are disproportionately affected by this disease. Grants of up to \$75,000 are available. (Requests for the purchase of breast cancer screening or diagnostic equipment may not exceed \$5,000.) Nonprofit organizations, including educational institutions, government agencies, and Indian tribes are eligible to apply. Applying organizations must provide services in the state of

Minnesota. The application deadline is January 9, 2015. Visit Komen Minnesota's website to download the Request for Applications and submit an online application.

# Youth Education Initiatives in the Washington, DC, Area Funded **Jack Kent Cooke Foundation: Good Neighbor Grants Program**

The Good Neighbor Grants Program, an initiative of the Jack Kent Cooke Foundation, seeks to identify and strengthen ties with youth-serving nonprofit organizations in the metropolitan Washington, DC, region, including the surrounding areas in Maryland and northern Virginia, that are helping students with significant financial need reach their full potential through education. Applying organizations should focus on K-12 education, college access and completion, or visual and performing arts education. Examples of eligible programs include after-school academic enrichment opportunities, college access advising programs, arts programs, service learning, college STEM recruitment strategies, innovative programs that bridge education and technology, and internship programs. One-time grants of between \$10,000 and \$35,000 will be provided. The application deadline is January 8, 2015. Visit the Foundation's website to review the Request for Proposals for the Good Neighbor Grants Program.

#### Federal Funding

**Environmental Education Programs Supported** 

#### **Department of Commerce**

The Chesapeake Bay-Watershed Education and Training Program supports K-12 environmental education programs that provide students with meaningful watershed educational experiences related to the Chesapeake Bay. Funding focuses on existing environmental education programs, new programs, and capacity building and partnership development for environmental education programs throughout the entire Chesapeake Bay watershed. The application deadline is January 14, 2015.

#### Funds Available for Battlefield Preservation

#### **National Park Service**

#### from the BBC - view of Native Americans

#### Classic Serial: The Searchers: Episode 1

...Alan Le May's 1954 novel is a timeless work of western fiction and a no-holds-barred portrait of the real *American* frontier. It explores the fear and the hatred that underpinned the lives of both the...

#### First Scottish Paranormal Festival launched in Stirling

...the Navajo Rangers, two US national park rangers who have had a range of strange experiences working in *Native American* territories, and an appearance from Gordon Smith, the medium known as the...

#### Who Do You Think You Are?: Series 8: 8. Richard Madeley

...traces his extraordinary lineage back to the earliest Canadian and, to his surprise, *American* pioneers... In Rhode Island Richard finds out that his eighth great-grandfather, Ezekiel Woodward, fought in a...

## Is wearing a Native American headdress offensive?

...misrepresent products as *Native American* and the name "Navajo" is a registered trademark. Discussion on social media and the popularity of blogs such as *Native* Appropriations have amplified the debate...

#### The Battle for the Art of Detroit

... Matisses, Rembrandts, a distinguished selection of German Expressionist paintings, along with African Art, *Native American* Art, and art from Asia and the Islamic world. But ...

#### Actress Misty Upham found dead after going missing

...been missing since 6 October. Her body was found following a search of the area by friends and family. Her father, Charles Upham, confirmed her identity to the authorities. The *Native American* actress...

### From Our Own Correspondent: Home-Grown Heroes

...now works for the government and has become something of a celebrity; not far from California's information hub, Silicon Valley, an old *Native American* language faces extinction - Caroline Davies...

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...? The Racing Princess is adapted from a traditional *native American* tale. We meet some very colourful characters but who will win the race?...

#### **Wagon Master**

...are persuaded to 'give the Lord a hand' and guide them across the desert. On the trail, the wagon train encounters travelling entertainers, fugitive gunfighters and *Native Americans*...

#### **BBC - Primary History - Famous People - Pocahontas**

...and *Native Americans Native Americans* are sometimes called *American* Indians. When Christopher Columbus first sailed to America in 1492, he called the people he met 'Indians' because he thought his...

# #BBCtrending: Native Americans reject 'super drunk' label

... American website LastRealIndians . "Native Americans wanted answers," she says. Hopkins wrote a blog condemning the students, and started the hashtag #Siouxperdrunk . It went on to be used thousands...

#### **BBC - Primary History - Famous People - Christopher Columbus**

... Native Americans Native American people lived on the islands. Columbus called them 'Indians', because he thought he'd landed in 'the Indies' (Asia). At first the Native Americans were pleased to see...

#### The point of an arrow

...would be a massive news uproar. As its *Native Americans*, a small group in the UK and frankly a small group in *American* its permissible as they are merely a genre rather than a people. This is an...

#### BBC - GCSE Bitesize: Main events in the struggle for the Plains

...Results First skirmishes between *Native* and white *Americans*. 1851-1867: Concentration of *Native American* land 1851-1867: Concentration of *Native American* land Summary 1851-1867 Description Policy In...

#### **BBC - GCSE Bitesize: Revision tip and answer preparation**

... Americans were able to live on the Great Plains. What the different roles were of Native American men and women. Whether all Native Americans had the same way of life. Now try a Page: Next Chat Post...

#### Sacred smoke to heal US war veterans

...Today, the challenge is not to subdue the *Native Americans*, but instead to get the *Native American* veterans to come to the hospital for treatment... We have community-based outpatient clinics in every...

#### BBC - A History of the World - Object : North American buckskin map

...from *Native American* nations. Such negotiations ignored the existing treaties with *Native American* people and this sale of land was declared void by the British colonial government. This map was once...

#### **BBC - GCSE Bitesize: White Americans attitudes**

...Conflict on the Plains History Conflict on the Plains Page: White *Americans* attitudes *Native Americans* vs white *Americans Native American* way of life White *Americans*' attitude Race Red skin White...

#### **Ancient DNA from Siberian boy links Europe and America**

...third of *Native American* ancestry came from an ancient population related to Europeans. Analysing the genes of present-day populations can only tell us so much about the past because traces of ancient...

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#### BBC - A History of the World - Object : North American otter pipe

...shaman on a spiritual journey. Tobacco has been smoked in North America for at least 2300 years and pipe smoking still remains an integral part of modern *Native American* culture. Tobacco was first...

#### **BBC - Science & Nature - Horizon - Stone Age Columbus**

...speaking every *Native American*'s DNA was made up of a combination of four groups which he called A, B, C and D. They all came from Siberia and north-eastern Asia. So far this discovery was consistent...

# **New shoe targets Native Americans**

...Nike is aware of the growing health issues facing *Native Americans*," Sam McCracken, manager of Nike's *Native American* Business programme, said in a company statement... Its design was based on research...

## BBC - GCSE Bitesize: Native American religion - the spirits

...BBC Radio 1 BBC 1Xtra >>> Native American religion and values History Native American religion and values Page: Native Americans in the 19th century were very religious people - but their...

#### **Washington Redskins: Time to change the name?**

...Atlanta Braves fans do a tomahawk chop Basketball: Washington Wizards (was Bullets) Golden State Warriors got rid of their *Native American* imagery... Hockey: Chicago Blackhawks get stick for shirts that...

#### BBC - GCSE Bitesize: Why did the white Americans win the West?

...The end of the *Native American* way of life History The end of the *Native American* way of life Page: Why did the white *Americans* win the West? White *Americans* won the West because everything was...

# **Reid Statement on Moapa Solar Project**

Washington, D.C. – Nevada Senator Harry Reid issued the following statement after the Nevada Public Utilities Commission this week rejected a proposal to build a 200 megawatt solar power plant at the Moapa River Paiute Indian Reservation for the benefit of all Nevadans.

"The decision to deny the Moapa Band of Paiutes the opportunity to build and generate clean energy on their land and to improve their quality of life is a setback for all Nevadans.

"This solar project would have provided hundreds of good paying jobs for Nevadans as well as economic and health benefits for the Moapa Band of Paiutes, who have been subjected to nearly five decades of pollution from the Reid-Gardner plant. With Nevada's economy on the upswing, more power from clean energy sources is needed to feed the grid and fuel job creation. What more fitting then a solar plant on the Moapa Band of Paiute's reservation?"

"I appreciate NV Energy's commitment to developing Nevada's solar, wind and geothermal resources and using renewables to replace Reid-Gardner and power Nevada's economy into the future. I hope that a decision can be reached quickly that will provide fairness for the Moapa Band of Paiutes and continue Nevada's work to become the nation's epicenter for clean energy."

# Water By The Numbers

**10 billion gallons** Amount of <u>sewage spilled into Southeast Michigan's waterways</u> as the result of historic August floods. *Detroit Free Press* 

**10 percent** Expected <u>decrease in Israel's water rates</u> in 2015 thanks to greater operational efficiency. *The Jerusalem Post* 

#### Science, Studies, And Reports

Nearly all of the world's major aquifers are in decline, according to data collected by NASA's GRACE satellite mission, and Professor Jay Famiglietti of the University of California-Irvine says that the world is not paying enough attention. *Circle of Blue* 

Researchers from the University of Nebraska and the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign have written a <u>computer algorithm to assist with the complex process of buying and selling</u> water rights. *National Science Foundation* 

<u>The water on Earth is just as old as the Earth itself</u>, and not the result of a later comet collision as previously thought, according to a new study from the Woods Hole Oceanographic Institute in Woods Hole, Massachusetts. *National Geographic* 

November 3 in 1964 the Washoe Project (designed for the Truckee and lower Carson rivers to develop water supplies to meet additional needs by conserving runoff through construction of three dams and reservoirs and by saving water previously lost to "non-beneficial" uses and to use storage to regulate flows for flood control, fishery improvement, and power production) embodied in ballot measure 2 and voted on only by property owners in Washoe, Churchill, and Ormsby counties and portions of Storey,

Douglas, and Lyon counties, was approved over the objections of the Pyramid Lake tribe and recreational users, who believed there were not enough protections for their needs

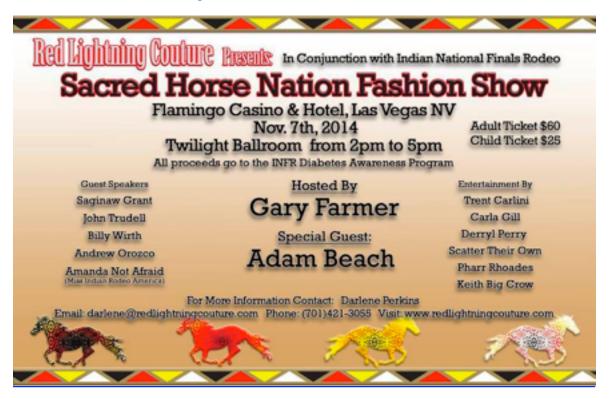
# <u>Meet the Amazon tribespeople who beat Chevron in court — but are still fighting for clean water</u>

With the judgment in their favor tied up in a New York courtroom, indigenous residents of Ecuador's oil-polluted rainforest are going back to basics. BY ALEXANDER ZAITCHIK

What happened at Interior last week

This week, a new public-private partnership between Interior, The North Face, and the band My Morning Jacket, to benefit the next generation of outdoor stewards; Secretary Jewell addresses the National Congress of American Indians in Atlanta; the Secretary also visits the Choctaw elementary and high schools in Mississippi to continue the discussion about transforming Indian education; the Fish and Wildlife Service proposes Endangered Species Act protection for the African lion; USGS scientists say bats face a threatening future from disease; the Bureau of Reclamation makes a fossil find in Idaho that dates back 70,000 years; and the National Park Service unveils 81 energy and water conservation projects in the greater Washington DC area.

Click here to watch this week's episode.



*On November 3* in **1923** a group of Native Americans were scattered and two arrested by white game warden Frank Middleton for hunting deer in their ancestral lands of Ruby Valley