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"Heavenly Deer" by Yuka Hidaka (click to enlarge)

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Leonardo DiCaprio

Ended His Golden Globes Speech With a Cynical ... aside a few moments at the end of his speech to advocate for a cause.

[Leonardo DiCaprio exceptional winner speech at the 71st ... ► 3:02](#)

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0E1gaVI99AQ](#)

[Leonardo DiCaprio speech after winning Best Performance in a Motion Picture - Musical or Comedy @ the ...](#)

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[mic.com/.../leonardo-di-caprio-honored-native-americans-in-his-golden-...](#)

As the play-off music began to swell at the end of DiCaprio's speech, rather ... Best Acceptance speech of the #GoldenGlobes pic.twitter.com/ ...

Golden Globes: Leonardo DiCaprio's Speech Praised
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TheWrap "The Revenant" star Leonardo *DiCaprio* is getting praised online for advocating for indigenous populations in his *Golden Globes* acceptance ...

The unbelievable story of Why Marlon Brando rejected his 1973 Oscar for 'The Godfather'

The little-known story behind why "The Godfather" of film, Marlon Brando, rejected his 1973 Oscar. www.businessinsider.com

Lydia Doza (Klamath Falls, OR // Anchorage, AK) College Student, STEM Advocate to sit with First Lady at State of Union Address.

Originally from Anchorage, Lydia Doza's upbringing in three Alaskan tribes – Inupiaq, Tsimshian, and Haida – as well as her grandmother Joanne's influence taught her the value of an education and the importance of mentorship. She discovered her passion for engineering early on through her high school robotics team, and, through her involvement with the Administration's Generation Indigenous initiative to support Native American youth, she's engaging with rural youth in disciplines across the STEM fields to apply their skills and education. Lydia, 24, is currently pursuing a degree in software engineering technology at Oregon Tech, where she's also an event organizer for Engineering Ambassadors, which focuses on outreach to kids as young as three years old through high school to encourage a career in engineering. After obtaining her bachelor's degree, Lydia hopes to work full time as a software engineer while continuing her involvement in the community to promote the importance of STEM and higher education. Lydia ultimately hopes to pursue a master's degree in data science and encourage more women to go into STEM. Lydia's mother, Maria Graham, and two brothers, Dorien and Leland, live in Wasilla, Alaska.

Ian Zabarte

The **National Park Service is planning "cultural triage"** in response to climate change. I have attached the proposal. This is GENOCIDE. Triage is a word of French origin meaning to sort or cull according to quality. In normal usage is immediate and unfolding emergency with loss of life and property. The NPS proposal is to conduct triage absent the actual event that might provoke a protective response. Kind of like the war on terror...there is no end to the idea of that kind of war. The US Department of Energy has used cultural triage in the siting of Yucca Mountain as a high level nuclear waste repository. There is no flood or famine or natural disaster or "just" declared war that might warrant



trriage. What we have is the DOE determining what part of Native American living life-ways cannot survive for the benefit of the US and the profit of the commercial nuclear industry. That is genocide since it happened after the Proxmire Act went into effect (US enactments of the UN Convention on Genocide 1988). I just want you to be aware.

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Nevada tribal leader, 81, sues BLM for \$30M | Reznets News

Scott Sonner, Associated Press RENO, Nev. - The federal government seized Raymond Yowell's cattle - all 132 head - and hauled them across the state and sold them at auction. Then the U.S. Bureau of Land Management sent Yowell a bill for \$180,000 for back grazing fees and penalties, and later garnished...

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Native American Tribal Leader Shuts Down Oregon's Cry-Baby White Militia, And It's Glorious...

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Native American tribe states that the armed militants at the federal wildlife refuge are desecrating sacred land



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These men died and one is still in prison for doing what white guys are doing in

OregonUnderAttack .....WoundedKnee73

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### **Oregon standoff has roots in Mormon fanaticism - The ...**

<https://www.bostonglobe.com/...mormon-fanaticism/.../st...> The Boston Globe Oregon standoff has roots in *Mormon fanaticism* ... By Alex Beam January 05, 2016 ... Alex Beam's column appears regularly in the *Globe*.

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### **Bundy's Oregon Occupation Is Capitalist at Its Core**

Zach Schwartz-Weinstein, Truthout: To understand Ammon Bundy's occupation of the Malheur National Wildlife Refuge visitor's center in Oregon, look at the longer history of Indigenous dispossession, cattle ranching and nature preservation in the Western United States. Bundy and his supporters are attempting to enclose public land - again.

[Read the Article](#) \*

Send comments to BLM

**on the Department of the Interior proposed  
sage grouse minerals withdrawal  
Comment Deadline Jan. 15, 2016**

**Send comments to:**

**Specify that this comment applies to both the proposed withdrawal application, and scoping for the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).**

BLM Director,  
1849 C Street N.W., (WO-200),  
Washington, DC 20240  
[sagebrush\\_withdrawals@blm.gov](mailto:sagebrush_withdrawals@blm.gov)  
([blm\\_wo\\_sagebrush\\_withdrawals@blm.gov](mailto:blm_wo_sagebrush_withdrawals@blm.gov))

**General comment points:**

- **The DRAFT EIS should include an alternative that includes all PACs (Priority Area for Conservation) within the mineral withdrawal and analyzes the additional benefits to greater sage grouse afforded by this expansion.**

**Subject:** [Greatbasinaction] Action Alert: Urgent Clean-up Anaconda Mine

**Date:** Jan 10, 2016 3:50 PM

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**Please forward widely**

**Send a letter to Governor Sandoval  
as soon as possible**

Asking that he support the EPA putting the  
Anaconda Mine site on the Superfund National Priorities List

**Background:**

The abandoned Anaconda Mine covers more than 3,600 acres near Yerington, Nevada, where acid run-off and waste rock containing low levels of uranium, thorium, and other exposed metals were disposed of in unlined ponds. As early as the late 1970s and early 1980s, the Nevada Department of Environmental Protection (NDEP) began mediation efforts on the site. Pollutants from the mine threaten both residents and agricultural operators north of the mine, who are directly adjacent to the mine site, and Yerington Paiute Tribe reservation lands two miles farther north. The two primary health and environmental impacts are from groundwater contamination (much of the residential area to the north of the site has high uranium concentrations above maximum EPA levels), and blowing dust from the mine site facilities. In order for the contamination to be alleviated and more serious impacts to the community be prevented, site remediation must be completed.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) assumed control of the site in 2004-2005 at the request of the State of Nevada, due to its complexity. In the past ten years the EPA has done detailed characterization of the much of the site facilities including establishing an extensive groundwater monitoring network. The site produces highly toxic draindown (high acidity and metals, including aluminum, antimony, arsenic, beryllium, boron, cadmium, chromium, cobalt, copper, iron, lead, manganese, mercury, nickel, selenium, silver, thallium, vanadium, zinc, and radionuclides); the contaminated groundwater plume continues to migrate north; thus, cleaning up

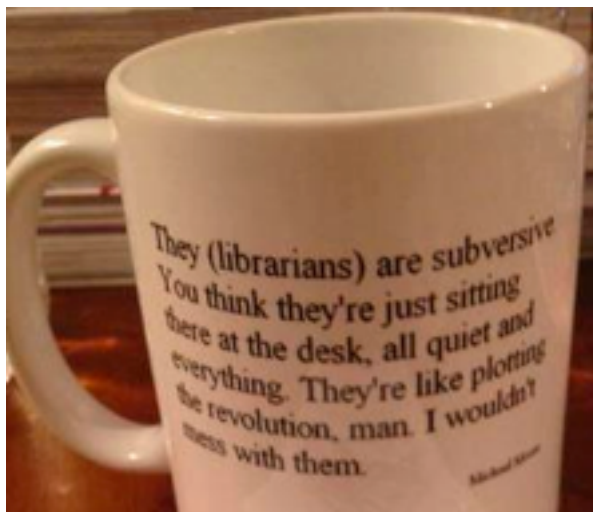
these contamination sources is a high priority. EPA has developed cleanup feasibility analyses, and is converging on an overall cleanup strategy.

EPA has publicly clarified that there is little funding left for remediation of the portion of the mine for whom there is no available responsible party, even though remediation plans are being prepared. The site is considered a Superfund site, but is not on the National Priorities List (NPL), which must happen to complete remediation. The governor of Nevada has not requested listing, which must occur in order for more funds to be available (even though the groundwater contamination occurring violates state law).

A complicating factor has been the purchase of a portion of the site by an exploration company and now a possible mining interest. Atlantic Richfield acquired some responsibility for the site years ago and has provided extensive funding for data gathering and work there, but with portions of the site having been mined by a bankrupt company, EPA must have access to public funds to finance complete remediation.

#### Talking points:

- After years of study and some remediation by the EPA, Atlantic Richfield (a partially responsible owner) and the state of Nevada, some problems related to the abandoned copper mine outside Yerington in Lyon County have been taken care of.
- However scientific studies of the movement of groundwater away from the site were released to the public in August by the EPA. They conclusively prove Uranium at several depths comes from the mine and continues to migrate north, threatening the Mason Valley Groundwater Basin, precious to residents, tribes, agriculture and habitat.
- Because of the level of Uranium and Selenium in their wells, at least 80 households north and west of the site drink bottled water supplied by Altantic Richfield.



- The portion of the mine for which there is no responsible party to pay for remediation is the elephant in the room. Private parties or other mining interests are unlikely to underwrite the estimated 30 million dollars needed to fix the "Arimetco" portion of the site, which is not only necessary for cleanup to be complete but a potential emergency waiting to happen, with ponds of toxicity filling up in this El Nino year. The state of Nevada must contribute a small portion of the cleanup costs for the entire site.
- Citizens living closest to the mine have requested 5 times that the EPA place this site on the National Priorities List (NPL). For NPL listing to occur, the state must kick in a small

percentage of the cost.

- On December 22, 2015, Jared Blumenfeld, Regional Administrator of EPA Region IX, wrote to Governor Sandoval requesting a written statement from his office supporting the listing by January 29, 2016.
- On December 27, Senator Harry Reid sent a letter to Governor Sandoval and the EPA supporting the agency's intention to add the Anaconda Mine to the NPL list. Said Senator Reid: "I know this designation will bring attention to the community, but we should stop



acting as if [denial] means the site poses less of a risk to the health and economy of Yerington”.

- NPL listing for the mine is unpopular with some interests in Lyon County because of the perceived stigma that comes with it, which can in the short term affect local economics – similar to fears in Colorado’s San Juan County where a mine spill this summer had far greater consequences than the NPL listing a municipality resisted, filling the iconic Animas River with 3 million gallons of heavy-metal laced wastewater. In Lyon County, elected officials have publically opposed listing.

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<http://www.onlyinyourstate.com/nevada/urban-legends-nv/>

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[Ian Zabarte](#) 1861 NV Organizing Act "no portion of Indian country is to be included into the boundaries or jurisdiction of any state or territory."

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### NEVADA HUMANITIES 2016 GRANTS ::

Apply Online Today & Attend Information Meetings in Las Vegas, Reno, and Elko  
DEADLINE: MARCH 10, 2016

Each year, Nevada Humanities awards grants to nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations and entities such as local and tribal governments, libraries, and educational institutions, to support humanities projects and programs that promote community through various forms of engagement. This may be through face-to-face dialogue, such as lectures, forums and round-table discussions, but also through programs that stimulate thought and reflection, such as

media productions, film screenings, exhibitions, local history projects, and projects that explore local culture and Nevada's diverse heritage and unique places.

Nevada Humanities 2016 Grant Application Guidelines are available online at [nevadahumanities.org](http://nevadahumanities.org). The grant application deadline is March 10, 2016, for projects taking place July 1, 2016, through June 30, 2017.

A series of informational grant meetings will be held in Las Vegas, Reno, and Elko. Each meeting is free and open to anyone interested in learning more about applying for project grant funding through Nevada Humanities. The meetings take place:

**Monday, January 11 / 3 pm** - Nevada Humanities Program Gallery, 1017 S. First Street, #190, Las Vegas

**Wednesday, January 13 / 3 pm** - Nevada Humanities offices, 1670-200 N. Virginia Street, Reno

**Friday, January 29 / 10 am** - Elko County Library, 720 S. Court Street, Elko

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long. But he proved us wrong! Learn more about [Sparky's amazing story](#).

## **HUD AND VA AWARD \$5.9 MILLION TO 26 TRIBES TO PROVIDE PERMANENT HOMES**

### **FOR NATIVE AMERICAN VETERANS EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS**

#### *Tribal HUD-VASH to assist 500 Native American Veterans*

WASHINGTON – For the first time, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) today awarded \$5.9 million in grants to 26 Tribes to offer a permanent home and supportive services to Native American Veterans who are experiencing or at risk of experiencing homelessness. The [\*Tribal HUD-Veterans Affairs Supportive Housing \(Tribal HUD-VASH\) Program\*](#) is a demonstration program that will combine \$5.9 million in rental assistance from HUD with case management and clinical services provided by VA to serve 500 Native American Veterans. *See chart below.*

HUD Secretary Julián Castro announced the winners in Tulsa, Oklahoma, at the winter meeting of the Inter-Tribal Council of the Five Civilized Tribes.

“By targeting resources directly to Tribes, we can better honor the service and sacrifice of Native American Veterans who now need a roof over their heads,” said Castro. “These heroes deserve hope for a brighter future, and by offering permanent housing solutions, combined with needed services and case management, we can work with Tribes to end veteran homelessness.”

HUD [\*invited\*](#) 30 eligible Tribes to seek Tribal HUD-VASH vouchers to help house and serve hundreds of Native American Veterans who are currently experiencing homelessness or at extreme risk of becoming homeless. Twenty-six Tribes, from Alaska to New Mexico, will deliver and manage the housing vouchers among their members who need them, on tribal lands.

“Targeting HUD-VASH vouchers to Veterans living on tribal lands opens new opportunities for helping Native American Veterans exit homelessness as quickly as possible” said Secretary of Veteran Affairs Robert McDonald. “We are pleased that recent statutory changes to the HUD-VASH Program made it possible to award these vouchers for use within Indian Country, where Native American Veterans have existing support systems that can be aided by those provided under the HUD-VASH Program to help the Veterans remain stably housed.”

Since 2008, more than 79,000 vouchers have been awarded and approximately 90,000 homeless Veterans have been served through the broader HUD-VASH program. Rental assistance and supportive services provided through HUD-VASH are a critical resource for local communities in ending homelessness among our nation’s Veterans. In FY2015, Congress authorized funding for a demonstration program in order to expand the HUD-VASH program into Indian Country and directed HUD to coordinate with Indian Tribes, tribally designated housing entities (TDHEs), and other appropriate tribal organizations on the design of this program, and to ensure the effective delivery of housing assistance and supportive services to eligible Native American Veterans.



The *Tribal HUD-VASH Program* will provide rental assistance and supportive services to Native American Veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness living on or near a reservation or other Indian areas. HUD is making available \$5.9 million in grant funding to Indian Tribes and TDHEs to fund rental assistance and associated administrative fees. Indian Tribes and TDHEs participating in this program will partner with the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to provide healthcare assistance to eligible Native American Veterans. *HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all.*

More information about HUD and its programs is available on the Internet at [www.hud.gov](http://www.hud.gov) and <http://espanol.hud.gov>.

You can also connect with HUD on [social media](#) and follow Secretary Castro on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) or sign up for news alerts on [HUD's Email List](#).

**The Tribal HUD-VASH awards announced today are:**

| State<br>Tribe                                                              | City        | Amount    | # of Veterans to be<br>Housed |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------|-----------|-------------------------------|
| <i>Alaska</i>                                                               |             |           |                               |
| Cook Inlet Housing Authority                                                | Anchorage   | \$313,058 | 20                            |
| Tlingit-Haida Regional Housing Authority                                    | Juneau      | \$324,749 | 20                            |
| The Association of Village Council<br>Presidents Regional Housing Authority | Bethel      | \$391,740 | 20                            |
| <i>Arizona</i>                                                              |             |           |                               |
| Navajo Housing Authority                                                    | Window Rock | \$268,835 | 20                            |
| Hopi Housing Authority                                                      | Polacca     | \$210,432 | 15                            |
| San Carlos Apache Tribe                                                     | San Carlos  | \$233,100 | 15                            |
| Tohono O'odham Nation of Arizona                                            | Sells       | \$302,936 | 20                            |
| <i>Minnesota</i>                                                            |             |           |                               |
| Leech Lake Housing Authority                                                | Cass Lake   | \$159,022 | 20                            |
| White Earth Reservation Housing Authority                                   | White Earth | \$142,980 | 20                            |
| <i>Montana</i>                                                              |             |           |                               |
| Blackfeet Tribe                                                             | Browning    | \$229,171 | 20                            |

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| <i>New Mexico</i>                    |              |                    |           |
| Zuni Tribe                           | Zuni         | \$123,288          | 10        |
| <i>North Carolina</i>                |              |                    |           |
| Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina       | Pembroke     | \$185,604          | 20        |
| <i>North Dakota</i>                  |              |                    |           |
| Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa     | Belcourt     | \$173,942          | 20        |
| Standing Rock Housing Authority      | Fort Yates   | \$234,178          | 20        |
| <i>Oklahoma</i>                      |              |                    |           |
| Cherokee Nation of Oklaoma           | Tahlequah    | \$194,405          | 20        |
| Cheyenne-Arapaho Tribes              | Concho       | \$272,016          | 20        |
| Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma           | Hugo         | \$246,992          | 20        |
| Osage Nation of Oklahoma             | Pawhuska     | \$265,438          | 20        |
| Muscogee(Creek) Nation, Oklahoma     | Okmulgee     | \$216,566          | 20        |
| <i>Oregon</i>                        |              |                    |           |
| Warm Springs Housing Authority       | Warm Springs | \$240,237          | 20        |
| <i>South Dakota</i>                  |              |                    |           |
| Ogala Sioux Tribe                    | Pine Ridge   | \$190,898          | 20        |
| Sicangu Wicoti Awayankapi            | Rosebud      | \$183,011          | 20        |
| <i>Washington</i>                    |              |                    |           |
| Yakama Nation Housing Authority      | Wapato       | \$145,283          | 20        |
| Spokane Indian Housing Authority     | Spokane      | \$245,809          | 20        |
| Colville Indian Housing Authority    | Nespelem     | \$179,892          | 20        |
| <i>Wisconsin</i>                     |              |                    |           |
| Oneida Tribe of Indians of Wisconsin | Oneida       | \$204,934          | 20        |
| <b>TOTAL:</b>                        |              | <b>\$5,878,516</b> | <b>50</b> |