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The list now includes the Pamunkey Tribe of Virginia, whose federal status was finalized shortly after the most recent update in January.

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**CBIS Gets Set to Break
Ground on Its 360,000 sq. ft.
Ft. McDermitt Drug
Development Project; Chief
William Bills of the Fort
McDermitt Tribal Allotment**

Indian Lands Tours Property With Investors/Licensees With 1 Million sq. ft. of Cultivation Licenses



Ft. McDermitt Allotment Allottees Lands, Which Is on the Ft. McDermitt Tribal Reservation, the Project Will Benefit Both Ft. McDermitt Tribe Members and Allotment Allottees
By Marketwired . <http://news.sys-con.com/node/3803575>

From CSS : A Victory for the Lummi Nation and all of us who live upon Mother Earth! James Stroud former staffer for the Western Shoshone Defense Project is now a staff attorney for the Lummi Nation and worked on this issue. <http://www.bellinghamherald.com/news/local/article76545117.html>

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**Army Corps Denies Permits for Biggest Proposed Coal Export Terminal in North America**  
[Read the EcoWatch Article at BuzzFlash](#)

and

<http://nymag.com/selectall/2016/05/excellent-teen-unearths-possible-ancient-mayan-city-using-star-maps.html>

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Last week the **Women's Bureau announced the availability of \$1 million in grant funds** to support research and analysis needed to develop and implement paid family and medical leave programs in jurisdictions across the country. The Funding Opportunity Announcement outlines the grant priorities, evaluation factors, and application guidance for up to six competitive grants.

The Department of Labor's Employment and Training Administration, along with the Women's Bureau, will host a Prospective Applicant WebEx webinar on Thursday, May 12, at 2:00 p.m. EDT. Participants will have an opportunity to ask questions during the webinar. Interested prospective applicants must register for the webinar in advance of the event, by [clicking here](#).

[Click here](#) to read the Funding Opportunity Announcement, Frequently Asked Questions and press release.

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**Caesar Bowlegs** gained recognition among the Seminole Indians and freedmen during the late 19th century. Bowlegs was born around 1843 in the Seminole Nation, which is [Oklahoma](#) today. He was a slave of Eliza Bowlegs and his parents. Very little else is known about his childhood.

During the [Civil War](#), Bowlegs rode north to Kansas with the Loyal Seminoles and maroons. After the war, he returned home and carried mail from Fort Gibson to Wewoka when the post office opened in 1867. He later operated a toll bridge and the Seminoles employed him to bury criminals after they were executed. However, Bowlegs was best-known for being an interpreter to the Seminole nation.

Bowlegs was appointed to Dr. C.P. Lynn and Dr. Virgil Berry as their interpreter and guide, a position that was of great importance during that time. Bowlegs proved that he was invaluable and an expert when it came to the Indians and maroons, and he would also escort Dr. Lynn on his sick calls. Working with the doctor so closely, Bowlegs also helped attend to the patients, even administering anesthetics at times.

When the smallpox epidemic hit the Seminole nation, after inoculating themselves, the doctor and bowlegs traveled inoculating others in the Seminole nation. The epidemic was still raging when Dr. Berry left the Seminole country in the summer of 1901. It was four more years before the disease ran its course and the Seminole death rate returned to its 1898 level.

Bowlegs had what was considered a good life during that time: he was a freedman and well-respected by Indians, whites, and blacks. Bowlegs died in 1912 in Oklahoma.

#### **Related articles :**

- [Texas Seminole Scouts: Descendants of Runaway Slaves](#)
- [James Beckwourth: Mountain Man, Explorer, Chief of the Crow Nation of Indians](#)
- [1842 African Slave Revolt Against the Cherokee Nation](#)

source: <http://www.blackpast.org/aaw/bowlegs-caesar-ca-1843-1912>

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### **1842 African Slave Revolt Against the Cherokee Nation**

Posted by [Jae Jones](#) - March 10, 2016 - [LATEST POSTS](#), [SLAVERY](#)

The Cherokee Indians were one of the largest tribes that held Africans as chattel [slaves](#) out of five other civilized tribes. By the early 1860s, the Cherokees had as many as 4,600 African slaves. The Cherokees depended on the slaves to help bridge a gap between them and the European settlers. Slaves were used as interpreters and translators, but they also provided labor on farms and in homes as servants and maids. Just as the whites feared, the Cherokees were worried that the slaves would rise up against them as well. In 1842, that is exactly what happened.

The morning of November 15, more than 25 slaves from the Joseph Vann plantation revolted. Masters and overseers were locked in their homes and cabins while they slept. The slaves stole ammunition, food, supplies, and whatever else they needed. At daybreak, the group of men, women, and children headed toward Mexico, where slavery was illegal. In the Creek Nation, the Cherokee slaves were joined by Creek slaves, bringing the group total to more than 35. The slaves did have to fight, as they were met by slave hunters in Choctaw Nation. However, the fugitives managed to fight and kill the hunters.

The Cherokee Nation sent the Cherokee Militia, under Capt. John Drew, with 87 men to catch the runaways. By this time, the slaves were exhausted and did not put up a fight. Several slaves were returned on December 8, 1842. A group of slaves were executed and then Joseph Vann put the rest of his rebellious slaves to work on his steamboats. The slaves were spread throughout Arkansas, [Mississippi](#), and the Ohio Rivers.

The incident was blamed on armed black Seminoles who lived close to the Cherokee slaves at Fort Gibson. The slave revolt had threatened the security of the labor force and owners' profits. The Cherokee Nation later passed a law commanding that all free blacks, except former Cherokee slaves, leave the nation.

sources: <http://www.okhistory.org/publications/enc/entry.php?entry=SL002>

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**MAY 11: LIVE INTERACTIVE BROADCAST**

## America's Water: Infrastructure in Peril

What to do, how to fix it, and how to finance it

Join American Public Media Marketplace's David Brancaccio, national experts, and journalists for the first in a timely H2O Catalyst series of interactive town hall broadcasts that explores the nation's imperiled water systems.

**What:** Bring your voice and participate with leaders in finance, water infrastructure, and policy in a virtual, interactive town hall to learn the latest news, information, and share ideas about how the nation can respond to its grand water infrastructure challenge.

**When**                      Wednesday, May 11                      10am EDT - 11:30am EDT

**How Free Registration**   [Click to Register](#)

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### Education Opportunities

- SIT Study Abroad is accepting applications for [fall 2016 and spring 2017 programs](#).
- SIT Graduate Institute is still [accepting applications for degree programs](#) on a rolling basis.
- The Experiment in International Living is [still accepting applications](#) for select 2016 programs on a rolling basis.

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**Guy Suetopka, Officer for the Indian and Programs, Office Investment, U.S. Labor is a Secretary of "Distinguished Award".** Guy was individuals recently special award in

Guy is a Hopi and matrilineal so his his mother's side, Tobacco-Rabbit of the Katsina Clan. fortunate to have opportunity and the Employment for close to 40 CETA Assistant Hopi Manpower then as Director. I CETA-JTPA Inter-Tribal

and ended my local grantee public service with the Pascua Yaqui Tribe with their JTPA program.



**Federal Project Division of Native American of Workforce Department of recipient of the Labor's Career Service** one of two presented this the Department.

his Tribe is clan identifies with which is the clan; his father is Guy states: "I'm had the honor to work in and Training field years, starting as a Director of the Program in 1974, also worked as the Director for the Council of Nevada

In 1995, I joined the Department of Labor's Division of Indian and Native American Programs as a Project Officer to start my federal career. It was a surprising opportunity and I jumped at the chance. Having worked on the public side of the employment and training field, the experience has greatly benefitted my work as a DOL-DINAP Federal Project Officer and has allowed me to closely connect with the Indian and Native American communities that DOL serves and directly relate our work to the efforts that our grantees face every day in serving their communities."

The Division of Indian and Native American Programs is very proud of Guy's achievements. He is currently out-stationed in Region VI, San Francisco. Guy has dedicated 20 years of his federal career with the U.S. Department of Labor (Department) working tirelessly on behalf of Indian and Native American (INA) communities. As an enrolled member of the Hopi Tribe, Mr. Suetopka has used his broad personal knowledge and professional experience to help inform departmental policy development, organizational administrative practices and cultural awareness in working with Indians and Native Americans. Mr. Suetopka joined the Department in 1995 under the Schedule A recruitment authority that permits direct hiring of qualified individuals with relevant work experience and unique knowledge of Indian and Indian and Native American communities.

Other Notes of Appreciation came from Thomas Dowd, Deputy Director, Office of Federal Contract Compliance: Congratulations Guy! So richly deserved. -- Your years of dedicated service exemplifies the true meaning of public servant. You have served selflessly on behalf of others...that's the Hopi way. Your genuine concern and respect for Native people throughout Indian Country has helped to bridge the often painful divide between our communities and the federal government. I know isn't easy and often times at great personal sacrifice when Indians decide to work within the federal system. You left our Arizona homeland many years ago to work for the Labor Department in Washington, DC; Seattle, Washington; and San Francisco, California with a firm commitment to improving employment and training opportunities for Indians and Native Americans. That you've done with great caring, respect and in partnership with Native communities. It is my good fortune to serve with you as a DOL colleague and to call you my dear brother. With much respect and gratitude - again, congratulations.

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## **GrantStation**

### **[Navy SEAL Foundation](#)**

State Health Access Reform Evaluation, a program of the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, supports policy-relevant studies with strong empirical designs that will inform policy and health reform implementation. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

### **[Save Our Seas Foundation](#)**

The Save Our Seas Foundation is committed to protecting our oceans by funding and supporting research, conservation, and education projects worldwide, focusing primarily on charismatic threatened wildlife and their habitats. Click above to learn more about the funding guidelines and application process.

## ***National Funding***

Contest Promotes Creative Play Spaces Nationwide

### **[KaBOOM! Play Everywhere Challenge](#)**

The Play Everywhere Challenge, administered by KaBOOM!, is a national competition that will



support innovative, replicable ideas that make play available and fun for kids and families. The Challenge is looking for creative solutions to make play a way of life in everyday and unexpected places – sidewalks, vacant lots, bus stops, open streets, etc. The Challenge is open to U.S. nonprofit organizations, for-profit organizations, individuals, and governments with a great idea that will help ensure that kids and families get the active play they need to thrive. However, prize funds can only be paid to 501(c)(3) nonprofit organizations, government agencies, and schools, so finalists not falling under these categories will be asked to identify a qualifying entity as a partner or fiscal sponsor. Finalist and challenge winners will be offered coaching from experts along with \$500 to refine their ideas. Winning ideas will receive a share of \$1 million; prize amounts will fall within the following ranges: Small Scale (\$500-\$5,000), Medium Scale (\$5,001-\$25,000), and Large Scale (\$25,001-\$50,000). The application period will be open through May 31, 2016. Visit the KaBOOM! website to learn more about the Challenge.

#### Support for Nonprofit Housing Organizations

##### **Wells Fargo Housing Foundation: Homeownership Grant Program**

The Wells Fargo Housing Foundation is committed to increasing homeownership through the development of affordable housing in the United States. The Foundation's Homeownership Grant Program supports local nonprofit housing organizations nationwide that help create sustainable homeownership opportunities for low- to moderate-income families. The program focuses on homebuyer counseling, homebuyer education, and foreclosure prevention activities. The average grant size for this program is around \$7,800. Funded programs must serve owner-occupied low- to moderate-income homebuyers only. Requests may be submitted from June 1 through June 30, 2016. Visit the Wells Fargo website to review the application guidelines.

#### Grants Address Aging in Place Issues for Rural Seniors

##### **Kendal Charitable Funds: Promising Innovations**

Kendal Charitable Funds is dedicated to supporting improvements in serving older adults that are reflective of a pioneering spirit in the field of aging. Kendal's Promising Innovations grants are intended for nonprofit organizations that work to meet the needs of a burgeoning population of elders. In 2016, the program will support projects that identify and respond to challenges faced by individuals aging in place in rural areas. New initiatives to serve these individuals, as well as the expansion of current programs, will be considered. Grants will range up to \$25,000. Several smaller requests may be granted rather than one or two larger ones. Priority is given to projects that have significant potential for change and replication. Letters of intent must be submitted by May 22, 2016; invited proposals will be due on August 5, 2016. Visit the Kendal website to download the 2016 Grant Opportunity document.

#### K-12 Science and Math Education Programs Supported

##### **Toshiba America Foundation**

The Toshiba America Foundation is dedicated to promoting quality science and mathematics education in our nation's K-12 schools. The Foundation provides grants through the following two initiatives: The Grants Program for K-5 Science and Math Education provides grants of up to \$1,000 to teachers in public or private schools to help them bring innovative hands-on projects into their classrooms. The application deadline is October 1, annually. The Grants Program for 6-12 Science and Math Education provides small grants of up to \$5,000 and large grants of over \$5,000 to teachers who are passionate about making science and mathematics more engaging for

their students. Applications for small grants may be submitted throughout the year. The annual application deadlines for large grants are February 1 and August 1, annually. Visit the Foundation's website for details about each of the grant programs.

### ***Regional Funding***

Funds for California Folk Arts Projects

#### **Alliance for California Traditional Arts: Living Cultures Grants Program**

The Alliance for California Traditional Arts (ACTA) promotes ways for cultural traditions to thrive now and into the future by offering advocacy, resources, and connections for folk and traditional artists. ACTA's Living Cultures Grants Program seeks to strengthen the folk and traditional arts throughout the state by providing grants of up to \$5,000 to California-based nonprofit organizations or organizations who apply through a California-based fiscal sponsor. The focus is on pathways to nurture, sustain, and engage participation in traditional arts. A wide range of projects will be supported, including public presentations, workshops and classes, equipment and materials, etc. The Alliance also offers the [Apprenticeship Program](#), which provides contracts of \$3,000 to master artists so they can offer intensive training to qualified apprentices. Applications for both programs must be postmarked by July 15, 2016. Visit the ACTA website to download the application guidelines in both English and Spanish, or call ACTA at 559-237-9812 for more information.

Grants Assist Capacity Building Organizations in the Upper Midwest

#### **Bush Foundation: Ecosystem Grants**

The Bush Foundation invests in great ideas and the people who power them in Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and 23 Native Nations. The Foundation's Ecosystem Grants provide general operating support to help sustain organizations that create unique and significant value for the Foundation's grantees, Fellows, Rebuilders, and others. The focus is on organizations that provide critical data and analysis, spread great ideas and build capacity, advance public awareness and policy, and build and support leadership networks. Organizations may apply to receive as much as \$200,000 over two years in general operating support. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. The application deadline is May 26, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the Ecosystem Grants opportunity.

Support for Health Programs Serving the DC Area

#### **CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Giving Program**

The CareFirst BlueCross BlueShield Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations that improve the health and wellness of the citizens in Maryland, northern Virginia, and Washington, DC. CareFirst's philanthropic focus areas include the following: Improving Maternal and Child Health, Expanding Access to Behavioral Health, Empowering the Region's Safety Net Clinics, Addressing the Region's Shortage of Nurses, and Promoting the Patient-Centered Medical Home Concept. The upcoming grant application deadline is June 13, 2016. (Corporate sponsorship requests may be submitted throughout the year.) Visit the CareFirst website to learn more about the program and to submit an online application.

Renewable Energy and Land Conservation Programs in Illinois Funded

#### **Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation**

The Illinois Clean Energy Community Foundation invests in clean energy development and land

preservation efforts by working with communities and citizens to improve environmental quality in Illinois. The Foundation supports projects in the following core program areas: improving energy efficiency, developing renewable energy resources, and preserving and enhancing natural areas and wildlife habitats throughout the state. Nonprofit organizations and government agencies are eligible to apply. The upcoming application deadline for most of the Foundation's grant programs is July 19, 2016. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the core program areas and application procedures.

### ***Federal Funding***

Climate Activists Recognized

#### **White House**

The White House Champion of Change for Climate Equity program recognizes people who are enabling low-income and underserved communities to prepare for, adapt to, and thrive in the face of climate change. The nomination deadline is June 10, 2016.

Program Supports Employment Initiatives for Public Housing Residents

#### **Department of Housing and Urban Development**

The Jobs Plus program provides support to develop locally-based approaches to increase earnings and advance employment outcomes for public housing residents. The application deadline is June 13, 2016.

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**Norm Cavanaugh:** This is the guy you need to watch out for while you're trekking out to the wild. Notice he has a flattened head according to the Izapape creation story, so he is still angry from getting hit on the head with a rock by the Izapape

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#### **More than 1,300 acres of Cherokee land placed into trust**

**TAHLEQUAH,** Okla. (AP) The U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs has placed into trust more than 1,300 acres owned by the Cherokee Nation in north-central Oklahoma. The land is north of Ponca City in Kay County and is the former site of the Chilocco Indian Indust ktul.com

#### **Bureau of Indian Affairs places sacred site in Black Hills in trust**

**The Crow Creek Sioux Tribe, the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Shakopee Mdewakanton Sioux Community and the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe raised \$9 million to purchase 2,022 acres are Pe' Sla in South Dakota.** 





## CAPTURING NATIVE LANGUAGES BEFORE THEY'RE LOST

Reno Public Radio has also won three awards from the Associated Press Television And Radio Association (APTRA) for its 2015 competition for excellence in broadcast journalism. The APTRA accepts entries from 13 Western states and KUNR competed in the small market station categories.

Reporter Julia Ritchey won for best use of a sound in a hard news story for her feature More Noise, Less Space about the overcrowding crisis in Washoe County Schools. Reporter Anh Gray and News Director Michelle Billman also won in the category of best spot news story for their work on Anti-Campus Carry Protestors Rally At UNR. Finally, Michelle Billman picked up the award for best serious feature on her story Capturing Native Languages Before They're Lost, which looks at how the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony is battling a state of critical language loss. [READ MORE >>](#)

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## FCC Releases First Details of Lifeline Broadband Program

Last week, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released the [first details](#) of the expansion of its low-income Lifeline universal service program to broadband. The Lifeline expansion will have discounted broadband packages available to qualifying low-income households in December 2016.

As noted in prior [Policy Briefs](#), expansion of the thirty-year old Lifeline program to broadband represents the single largest federal investment in broadband adoption in history. The Lifeline program was created in 1985 and currently provides a monthly, \$9.25 subsidy for voice telephone service to over 13 million low-income households. Low-income consumers generally have a choice in Lifeline voice providers offering competitive, low-cost options, and the \$1.6 billion/year program has generally helped voice adoption reach well over 90% for even the lowest-income households. In expanding the Lifeline program to broadband, the FCC is also moving forward on other initiatives to streamline and modernize program administration and finances.

This Policy Brief summarizes key parts of the [FCC Lifeline Modernization Order](#), released April 27, 2016. This Order is only the first step in what will eventually be a long list of operational activities, plans, and initiatives over the next several months. Because of the complexity of these changes, a [Lifeline FAQ](#) accompanies this Policy Brief and provides more detail on changes to the Lifeline program, particularly as they would impact low-income consumers, community institutions, and providers. [Read More](#)

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## Sally Jewell sees progress in Colorado River talks The Desert Sun

Without mentioning *California* specifically, Jewell noted that some states have *water* rights "that don't require them to be at the table, but they're at the table."

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## Don't Tread on Us: Rural Texas Community Takes on the Trans-Pecos Pipeline

By Alyce Santoro, [Defend Big Bend](#) | News Analysis

If there was ever a time when we could accept unchallenged the idea that "domestically produced natural gas can play an important role in the transition to a clean energy economy", that time is long gone. Reason basedon increasingly dire scientific models would indicate that -- for the sake

of a habitable planet -- the transition away from fossil fuels cannot incorporate expanding markets for fossil fuels. Yet this absurd logic is precisely what the fracking industry and its proponents hope will be accepted without a critical thought. [Read more...](#)

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## **Solar-Powered Hydroponics Could Be the Future of Agriculture**

By Brooke Nally, [Speakout](#) | Op-Ed

"Alternative farming" may not be a phrase that everyone recognizes, but thanks to solar-powered hydroponic grow systems, it might be the future of agriculture. These earth-friendly, space-conscious innovations make it possible to grow fresh, nutrient-rich food just about anywhere -- from a barge floating off the coast of our biggest cities, to a window in a tiny, urban apartment and even all the way on Mars. [Read more...](#)

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## **Duke Study Finds a "Legacy of Radioactivity," Contamination From Fracking Wastewater Spills**

**Sharon Kelly, DeSmogBlog:** A new study concludes that thousands of oil and gas industry wastewater spills in North Dakota have caused widespread contamination from radioactive materials, heavy metals and corrosive salts, putting the health of people and wildlife at risk.

[Read the Article](#)

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## **NRC Staff Final EIS Supplement on Yucca Mountain Groundwater Impacts**

**Attachments:** [image006.png](#) [image002.png](#) [Commission Meeting Agenda 20160510.pdf](#)

To: Tribal Environmental Professionals:

US Nuclear Regulatory Commission issues Final Supplemental EIS on the proposed Yucca Mountain high level nuclear waste repository. NRC does not sufficiently address the Western Shoshone health and environment. Bearing in mind that US commercial reactors run on, in part, plutonium from weapons warheads from the former Soviet Union. The government of Newe Sogobia does not consent to be a global sacrifice zone for the disposal of high level nuclear waste from the world. We reaffirm of opposition to US violation to the territorial integrity of Western Shoshone domain as identified by the 1863 Treaty of Ruby Valley (Consolidated Treaty Series, Vol. 127 p. 30, Oceana Publications 1969 ).

Ian Zabarte, Principal Man, Western Shoshone Government

From the Nevada Agency for Nuclear Projects

Hello, here is our opening statement, based on a pretty thorough preliminary review:

On technical and legal grounds, this Final EIS Supplement is so DEFECTIVE (insufficient under NEPA is the legal phrase) that if NRC were about to take final action, we would be going to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the DC Circuit in less than 30 days to make them do it all over again. We will likely do that in the future anyway, when this matter becomes "ripe" in the legal sense. As it is, DOE does not want to go forward with Yucca Mountain (they consider it "unworkable"), NRC is down to \$1-2 million in Yucca Mountain funds (they need at least \$330 million for full licensing over 3-5 years), and we are ready to challenge every conclusion in this document before a licensing board, with some of the top experts in the world and some of the best lawyers in the business. The next step could be the NRC, now down to 4 members and going down to 3

at the end of June, voting to lift the suspension on the adjudicatory portion of the proceeding. They could in theory and in law do that any time now, but the Commission will have to weigh the reality of their inadequate budget and their unwilling applicant (DOE), against the probable advice of their lawyers (NRC Office of General Counsel) that the last court order (August 2013 mandamus) means they must go forward as long as they have a dollar to spend on this matter, even though it is, in dissenting Chief Judge Garland's words a "useless thing."

The evaluation of impacts on Native Americans is especially deficient. For example, NRC added some map information as we suggested, showing the contamination plumes reaching the springs at Furnace Creek, under the no pumping at Amargosa Farms future scenario, but their map does not include the Timbisha Shoshone trust lands near Furnace Creek, which are potentially impacted, or the tribal lands near Death Valley Junction. The reference is Figure 2-5, on page 2-13.

Compare with our map, Figure 19.1 at page 52 of our comments on the draft. We show the kinds of detail that the affected members of the public as well as the tribe need to know about impacts of the proposed action.

Best, Bob     Robert J. Halstead, Executive Director

State of Nevada - Office of the Governor Agency for Nuclear Projects 775.687.3744

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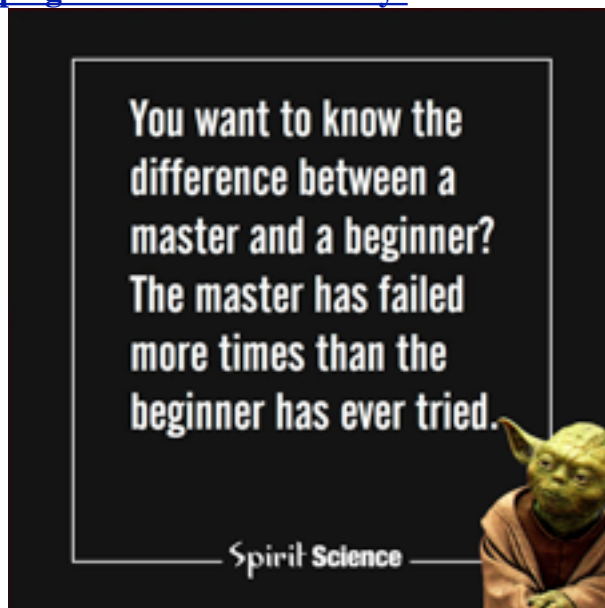
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