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Ed comment: Hold on to everything, Indian Country; going to be a wild ride.



No, all of your friends haven't gone to Standing Rock without you.

KATIE HERZOG

Louinda Garity added 2 new photos.

The people all taking care of each other. What the young people are learning at camp, such as teamwork, non violent expression and

respect for themselves and others will be invaluable life lessons for them. Meeting new friends from all over the world, when all they knew before was their small town rez life. When they come home I want to hear all the untold stories and see what they have learned. Such a life changing experience. New leaders in the community will come forth.

Why You Should Be Talking About Standing Rock on the Eve of the Election

Kelly Hayes, Truthout: Don't allow our calls for justice to be drowned out by tomorrow's election and its aftermath. The end of our story at Standing Rock has not yet been written. Now is the time to lift up our history and our right to a better future. [Read the Article](#)

Hillary Clinton's Silence on Standing Rock Is a Moral Mistake -- and a Political One
[Read the Article at The Nation](#)

Environmentalists Backing Standing Rock Protesters Target Bankers Behind Pipeline By HIROKO TABUCHI

Environmental groups urged the banks to halt loan payments to the project, which they say threatens Native American lands and has no place in a world fighting climate change.



Company showed 'lack of transparency' in reporting artifacts discovery in days leading up to pipeline conflict

The company building a controversial oil pipeline north of the Standing Rock Sioux Reservation failed to immediately notify state regulators after

finding four stone...

bismarcktribune.com | By Amy Dalrymple and Mike Nowatzki Forum News Service

The New Manifest

Destiny: A Brief Political History of the Idle No More Movement

by Kent Blansett Last week in Rexton, a small eastern Canadian town on the Elsipogtog First Nation Reserve, over one-hundred Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) wielding riot gear, side arms, tase... [blogwest.org](#)

From the Eagle Watch

November 6, 2016

Pipelines, Protests and Protectors - Notes on the News

In its usual shoddy journalism, CBC reports that Kinder Morgan is consulting with RCMP on potential protests over its pipeline development in the West.

They quote Michael Tran, RBC Capital Markets and Ian Anderson Kinder Morgan CEO, both of whom have no concept whatsoever of what motivates those who care about Mother Earth and who are acting according to Indigenous Ways to Protect the Land, Air and Water. These guys don't seem

to understand that we can't drink oil.

Tran says, "It's {protests} concerning because these aren't rocket scientists or engineers who were shutting down these pipelines, they are everyday people."

Do you detect a tone of contempt in his words?? What does he mean "everyday people"?? Would rocket scientists be "Hallowe'en day people". Surely, the engineers are "Christmas day people".

KM CEO Anderson says of "pipeline activism", "Hopefully, it's peaceful. People have the right to express their views publicly and in that regard, we will accept and acknowledge that."

That's the usual line of rhetoric that leaves out the fact that clearly the corporations and the government care not one bit for "everyday people" and their concerns.

Then he adds this ominous comment, "It's when it goes beyond that that we'll have to be prepared."

What good is a so called right to jump up and down if nobody listens?? Money Men don't take "No" for an answer. As soon as you raise a hand or voice to really stop the destruction and desecration, then your actions become criminalized. Somebody juggles the laws that mould your very human rights to survive.

This is no coincidence. Making you look bad and killing you at the same time is an important part of their strategy to destroy Resistance to their Pillage and Plunder of Mother Earth.

Arrogant Anderson, sitting in his comfy chair and wearing his clean crisp clothes, continues, "'We've been in deep conversations with policing authorities, RCMP in the planning for our project - what can we anticipate and what their role needs to be."

He's pretty smug and confident in his deep authority with police. He seems to have almost let something slip there about OTHER policing authorities. Does he mean someone higher up who is calling the shots??

Do you ever notice during a crisis, how the Police start off with female spokespersons to give their operations the feminine touch?? This time, it's Sgt. Annie Linteau with the Lower Mainland District RCMP. She writes in an emailed statement,

"We will plan for any and all circumstances to ensure police and public safety. "We make every effort to ensure [protestors] understand where they can safely protest so their message will be heard."

It takes a certain reading between the lines to understand her statement. These State Agents always pay lip service to "public safety". In this case she even started with ensuring Police safety before public safety. That's no coincidence either.

The sinister bit is when they "make every effort to ensure protestors understand". Then the "non lethal" weaponry comes into play along with the severe psychological warfare waged by masked and fully armed riot



police who attack their fellow citizens with military might and ferocious intent.

If you don't understand a few words barked from a masked commander, you will understand a rubber bullet in your butt or pepper spray burning in your eyes. You will understand when a uniformed ensurer of public safety hits you across the ribs with a truncheon. You will understand police safety when they beat the crap out of you in a cell where they think

nobody is watching.

Have you looked at the videos of Standing Rock?? The thugs who are not fully masked have facial expressions of utter glee as they attack unarmed praying women and elders.

This weak ass line is where CBC editors always shows their true colours as far as who they really serve:

"Some First Nations also feel they have a veto right, although Ottawa dismissed that notion this week."

Let me reword that for them: Indigenous people know they have a veto right. Unlike Ottawa who continues to dismiss Indigenous concerns, Indigenous people also know we have responsibilities to the Seven Generations.

Anderson describes a vague "they" when he states, "'They'll look for soft spots in the system and it's my job to make sure there aren't any.'" His intentions are clear however.

Tran, director of commodity strategy at RBC Capital Markets, has it all figured out. He thinks the protests are happening because of social media. He compares "events" like Occupy Wall Street and the Arab Spring "revolutions" with the pipeline protests. Those seriously compromised situations he says were "disorganized".

Isn't there something about the CIA backing all those phoney uprisings in Libya, Egypt and elsewhere??

Tran speculates that with the DAPL protests, "It was probably two or three people who organized the protest and it went viral on social media and all of a sudden you had several people hop fences, had bolt cutters and guys who turned valves."

He has no idea what careful planning has been involved. He doesn't know how people have suffered and endured against all odds. He cannot conceive of our methods of consultation and consensus and how important the role of elders and youth.

Tran, Anderson et al have no real understanding of what unites people whose common bond is the soil. We have seen Indigenous uprisings here and there over many decades. They come in waves and like waves they recede. This time I guarantee, we are on a Tsunami that cannot be stopped or controlled in or by social media, militarized police forces with all their weaponry, surveillance and advanced tactics of psychological warfare.

B.C. Deputy Premier Rich Coleman talks out of his rear end when he says, "I look forward to hopefully something that everyone can work with and be happy with when the federal government does make its final decision."

What he really means is he hopes he can pay off enough Indigenous "leaders" to make it look like Indigenous people have been consulted and agree to continued plunder. After all, the UN just sent a bought and paid for BC chief to Standing Rock to throw confusion there.

Kinder Morgan expects protests. Don't disappoint them. And don't be used.

Here's the link for an amazing video flying around FB

<https://www.facebook.com/gisborneherald/>

<http://www.footprintnetwork.org/en/index.php/GFN/>

In Nevada, some Native Americans have to travel 270 miles to vote

Highway 379 turns to gravel here, white and dusty, narrowing until it disappears into the craggy mountains off in the distance. Hang a right before the pavement ends...

latimes.com By Los Angeles Times

Access & Awareness Webinar Series from the Federal Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice (EJ IWG)

"Working Together: Lessons Learned from Collaboration for Community Revitalization"

Thursday November 10, 2016 at 1:00pm - 2:30pm Eastern [Register Today](#)

Webinar No. 4 - Working Together: Lessons Learned from Collaboration for Community Revitalization

This webinar will focus on sharing strategies to address the challenges of interagency collaboration for community revitalization. Viewers will gain a better understanding of collaboration mechanisms that bring together various stakeholders including community-based organizations, federal, state, and local agencies. Presenters will discuss the EJ IWG's Framework for Collaboration, the strategy that guides environmental justice collaboration between the 17 federal agencies, and the work of the North Birmingham Interagency Working Group in facilitating place-based collaboration and strategies for revitalization through regulation, community engagement, and brownfield end-use planning.

Lastly, representatives from the City of Birmingham, Alabama and the Community Coalition of North Birmingham will share their experiences, including challenges, opportunities and lessons learned, and how the audience can utilize interagency collaboration for community revitalization. They will discuss how interagency efforts have supported revitalization in their city and supported the establishment of the North Birmingham Community Coalition revitalization plan, a brownfields inventory and task force, brownfields community training, and a winning EPA Brownfields assessment grant proposal.

- **Date:** 11/10/2016
- **Time:** 1:00 - 2:30pm Eastern

Webinar Series Background

Established by Executive Order 12898, the Federal Interagency Working Group on Environmental Justice comprises 17 federal agencies and White House Offices that work together to guide, support and enhance environmental justice and community-based activities. Check out the [EJ IWG Webpage](#) for more information.

The EJ IWG is launching the Access & Awareness Series, a monthly event, to provide public access to the working group and to increase community awareness of federal agency environmental justice strategies and holistic community-based solutions to address environmental justice issues. This series will help the public gain a deeper understanding of how federal agencies are collaborating and what resources are available to anyone interested in improving the health, quality-of-life, and economic opportunities in overburdened communities.

UNLV RESEARCHERS PUZZLE OVER TRACKS LEFT NEAR GOLD BUTTE THAT PREDATE DINOSAURS

Roughly 290 million years before rancher Cliven Bundy brought international attention to the Gold Butte area, an early reptile the size of a baby crocodile left its own lasting impressions there. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ctuz3688753Biz30692920>

[On the Colorado River, Climate Change is Water Change](#) News Deeply

... Nevada, *California*, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming – have had to scramble to conserve ... To help illuminate this conclusion, *Water* Deeply recently spoke with ...

How Native Americans battled a brutal land grab by an expanding America



Two survivors, Dewey Beard, left, and James Pipe-on-Head, came to Washington in 1938 to discuss reparations. (Associated Press)

Priyanka Kumar is author of the novel “Take Wing and Fly Here” and the writer/director of the documentary “The Song of the Little Road.”

It's a marvel to witness when history smolders its way into the present and sparks a conversation: Native Americans from some 280 tribes across the country have come together [to protest the proposed Dakota Access Pipeline](#), a \$3.7 billion project that would cut through lands of historic and spiritual significance to the Standing Rock Sioux tribe and possibly contaminate its water supply in the future.

Land grabs are as old as civilization itself. The late-19th-century variety in the United States was fueled in part by settlers streaming West and by the discovery of gold in tribal lands. In “The Earth Is Weeping: The Epic Story of the Indian Wars for the American West,” Peter Cozzens, who has written previously about the Civil War, details how the country's westward expansion after that war set the U.S. Army on a tragic collision course with multiple Native American tribes. The book, set squarely in the past, is all narrative

and short on analysis. The battle scenes, however, are painted with expert brushstrokes on a wide canvas, from the 1860s to 1891. While the book offers a valuable panoramic view and shows us the Army through fresh eyes, its depiction of native peoples is at a certain remove, and we feel their otherness more keenly than we do the injustices perpetrated against them.

In 1970, Dee Brown memorably told us this story in “Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee,” which relies on treaty council transcripts and other oral accounts by native warriors and chiefs. Cozzens writes that the Indian Wars have been perceived in one-sided ways, with “Wounded Knee” siding with the Indians, and he seeks to “bring historical balance” to the story. His claim is admirable, but it is not entirely realized here. He does draw from “Indian primary sources,” and there is a fine account of Chief Sitting Bull’s spiritual life, but I couldn’t shake off the feeling that I was being fitted into the boots of the Army men. That’s like being made to feel for the poor suckers who are forced to disregard agreements and [evict tenants for a flinty landlord](#).

Native tribes fought for their homelands against a torrent of greed, broken treaties and shifting government policy. Much of the written record is still essentially the white man’s record, and iconic figures such as Gen. William Sherman and President Ulysses Grant need no introduction. A stronger framing of the native past, including spiritual traditions and linguistic diversity, would have helped readers appreciate what was lost when native ways of life were all but obliterated by the end of the 19th century.

It is possible even today to tap into the oral tradition in native cultures to revisit history. To get a broad portrait for the recent book “Moquis and Kastilam: Hopis, Spaniards, and the Trauma of History,” the editors sent a researcher, a Hopi man, to the Hopi Reservation, where he transcribed oral tales still in existence about the tribe’s encounters with the Spaniards, beginning with Coronado in 1540.

To be sure, Cozzens makes us see the brutality of the post-Civil War land grab. The Homestead Act encouraged settlers to populate states such as Kansas and Nebraska, but it also led settlers to crisscross through lands assigned to native tribes and deplete their natural resources. The native response varied. The “belligerent” 1864 raids by Dog Soldiers, a Cheyenne band, triggered the Sand Creek Massacre later that year. Col. John Chivington wanted action before his Colorado cavalrymen’s enlistment expired, and he overlooked a white flag over Chief Black Kettle’s tepee in favor of killing “two hundred Cheyennes, two-thirds of them women and children.” Retaliation could come with cyclonic energy, unstoppable even by peaceable chiefs.

Even when the government and the Army had good intentions, ignorant or corrupt Indian agents could get in the way of implementing them. A “mentally unbalanced” agent, Nathan C. Meeker, appointed through a political connection, singlehandedly brought on a war with the otherwise peaceable Ute Indians.

Cozzens points out that frontier soldiers lived in ramshackle facilities with poor food supplies, ample guard duty and few drills. Many succumbed to alcohol or gambling. On assignment in Mexico to round up Geronimo and his band, one officer got “ptomaine poisoning from a can of rancid Armour corned beef,” and another almost died of a tarantula bite.

[We encounter Gen. George Custer](#) riding double speed across the Kansas plains, thinking less about the welfare of his men and more about his wife, Libbie, until he is court-martialed for a second time. No less clueless was Maj. Gen. Winfield Scott Hancock, who burned abandoned Pawnee villages because he thought they “harbored ‘a nest of conspirators.’” The government wanted to “civilize” Indians by getting

them to farm, and Hancock's action is all the more ironic because in addition to hunting buffalo, the Pawnee farmed next to their villages.

A "grand irony" in the Great Plains, Cozzens writes, is that the Army clashed with Indians who had moved there because of "the white settlement of the East" and who had themselves displaced native tribes. So, we are asked to view the Sioux as immigrants, just as the settlers were, and to believe that no deeply rooted way of life was disrupted. This point minimizes that for more than 10,000 years, the Great Plains had been home to pre-contact Native American tribes who would never again be able to return to their native land.

The narrative compellingly weaves in the Grant administration's Peace Policy, which enlisted Quakers, some of whom tried to "tame" Indians by "kindness," as Cozzens writes. The discovery of gold in the Black Hills, however, broke the Peace Policy's back. "It is a sad reflection of the moral cesspool into which the Grant administration had sunk," Cozzens writes, "that the first instance of real cooperation between the War Department and the Bureau of Indian Affairs involved the most egregious treachery ever contemplated by the government against the Plains Indians." Treachery on such an epic scale can bear many retellings, and this account stands out for its impressive detail and scope.

The Earth Is Weeping

The Epic Story of the Indian Wars for the American West

By Peter Cozzens Knopf. 544 pp. \$35

NEW 9-STEP STRATEGY AIMS TO HELP NEVADA DEAL WITH TEACHER SHORTAGES

A national campaign from the Center for American Progress has unveiled a nine-step strategy that states such as Nevada can use to address dire teacher shortages under the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz30654320>

From The Stream:

The Paris climate agreement went into effect Friday (11.4), legally requiring countries around the **world** to honor their pledges to cut carbon emissions. Those pledges, however, are not enough to stop climate change from reaching dangerous levels, according to a United Nations report. A separate study quantified the effect of an individual person's carbon emissions on melting sea ice in the **Arctic**.

"The Paris agreement sends a much-needed signal to politicians and industry that we have to build a new world, and this has to start now. However, the deal is not enough to keep people and the planet safe." –Harjeet Singh, global lead on climate change for ActionAid, an international organization based in Johannesburg. The Paris agreement, a binding global pact to limit carbon emissions and slow global warming, [goes into effect today](#). (*Guardian*)

30 square meters Area of Arctic [sea ice lost each year due to the carbon emissions of an average westerner](#), according to researchers in Germany, who led a study to determine an individual's contribution to global climate change. *Guardian*

25 percent Amount of California that is [no longer experiencing drought conditions](#), according to the US Drought Monitor. Much of the relief, however, was confined to northern portions of the state, leaving Central and Southern California classified under "exceptional or extreme" drought. *Los Angeles Times*, Studies, and Reports

Despite countries around the world committing to cut their carbon emissions under the Paris climate agreement, those commitments will still fail to cap global temperature rise at 2 degrees Celsius. Instead, even if countries achieve their goals, [temperatures will increase 3 degrees Celsius](#), according to a report by the United Nations Environment Programme. The 2-degree mark is widely seen as the point at which droughts, floods, storms, and other consequences of climate change will become unacceptable. *Guardian*

SMALL BUSINESS: BECOME DISASTER-PROOF TODAY

Get Tips at Free Webinar hosted by SBA and Agility Recovery

WASHINGTON –You’ve gone online to get the checklists, read the articles, joined the webinars, and gathered some really good disaster preparedness tools for your business. But what should you tackle first? Is it the financial protection that comes with good insurance coverage? Should your priority be protecting your employees? And how do you find the time to work on a disaster recovery plan?

You can get help with your business continuity plan on Tuesday, Nov. 15, during a free webinar hosted by Agility Recovery and the U.S. Small Business Administration. Disaster preparedness best practices that require a minimal commitment of time and resources will be discussed.

Since 2009, the SBA and its partner Agility Recovery have offered free business continuity webinars each month. Visit the “PrepareMyBusiness website at www.preparemybusiness.org to view previous webinars and to download disaster planning checklists.

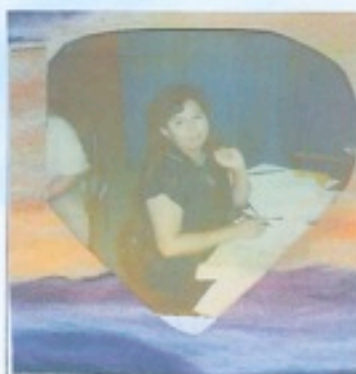
The SBA provides disaster recovery assistance in the form of low-interest loans to homeowners, renters, private nonprofits and businesses of all sizes. To learn more, visit www.sba.gov/disaster.

WHAT: “Start Building Your Disaster Recovery Plan TODAY!” A presentation followed by a question and answer session.

WHEN: Tuesday, Nov. 15 from 2-2:30 p.m. EST

HOW: Follow this [link](#) to register for the webinar. If you can’t attend live, that’s ok. Once you sign up, you’ll get a link to the archived webinar the next day.

Celebration of Life for
Martina Ruize Blackstar



to be held on Sunday, Nov. 13, 2016
at 2 p.m.
Wadsworth Community Hall
High 447 & Pyramid Streets
in Wadsworth, NV

Potluck dinner to follow.