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**Bucky Harjo      November 12 at 9:36pm · Mandan, ND ·**

Good to back here at home, Oceti Sakowin seeing all the people and friends and relations.

Walked and walked today, walked to the river tonight with the youth on a candle light vigil must have been a thousand of us. Been walking since 730 this morning. Even went up on the hillside to peek at DAPL police force. One grandma walked to the bridge and gave them an earful!

Weather is nice, snow on the way by next weekend. Now just sitting here on the hill listening to people talk and enjoying the view. You know I really love it here! Watched kids get pulled by a car while riding skateboards, young women riding in a car hood singing sun dance songs, elders at the main fire singing old songs, heard the prayers of Warriors, touching our hearts, young ones chopping wood, and I just walked and walked listening to people to talk. Even this morning I felt as if I was being racially profiled by a non Indian asking if I was Oh I have him an earful! Had to go pray about it and walk some more. All in all it was a good day I wanted to be with that

gramma giving those DAPLs an earful but she had it covered! Good night and very thankful for those Warriors who are stooping this Pipeline and made that stand last week. Love to all of you.....

**Bucky Harjo 11.14.16**

Not posting photos or videos during this visit as if yet but taking the time to visit with those I seen putting themselves on the line protecting water land and life. They are the Warriors of the camp and facing the elements. Then there are those who chose to live in comfort and bask in their own glory, they only come out when the actions are happening. The camp is what's happening and they are maintaining the security of the camp. There were actions today but I stayed in camp and visited and catching up with friends. Good to see my sisters from Big Mountain, a big circle around the moon when we reunited and pointed it out. Later I sang sun dance songs on the drum now I am ready to go wrap up in my blanket pray I don't freeze. Praying for the water.

**Bucky Harjo**

11.15.16

Indigenous Youth Council lead a prayer march to the river and we made a medicine wheel. I walked to the river three times today. Now on my way to see Rob Kennedy Jr. Or someone like that. My legs might

fall off! Another beautiful day. We are going to win this and end this! Keep your prayers strong!!!!



**Neil Young Celebrates His 71st Birthday By Performing At Standing Rock**

etcanada.com|By Rachel West

**Massive North Dakota Oil Leak Proves Native American Protesters Right For Fighting ILLEGAL DAPL Pipeline**

Are you still wondering why So many people support the #NoDAPL protectors? This spill is part of the reason. Imagine, if you will, tens of thousands of gallons of oil... countercurrentnews.com



### **Images of the Resistance**

Photographer Josué Rivas spent eight weeks in North Dakota documenting the standoff between Native American tribes and Energy Transfer Partners and police over the proposed routing of the Dakota Access Pipeline through Standing Rock Sioux lands. Says *Sierra* editor-in-chief Jason Mark, "[Rivas's] photographs illustrate the fierce spirit of resistance to fossil

fuel development among the Native Americans gathered there ... and spotlight how the campaign to stop the pipeline project is part of a larger movement for native sovereignty, an effort in self-determination that represents the most muscular display of indigenous activism since the wave of American Indian Movement actions in the 1970s.'

[Read more and check out Rivas's photos.](#)      [Photo by Josué Rivas](#)

### **Video Shows Wild Buffalo Held Without Food or Water Near Dakota Access Pipeline Construction Site**

[http://www.ecowatch.com/buffalo-dakota-access-pipeline-2093158888.html?utm\\_source=EcoWatch+List&utm\\_campaign=a67a88f63c-MailChimp+Email+Blast&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_49c7d43dc9-a67a88f63c-85895669](http://www.ecowatch.com/buffalo-dakota-access-pipeline-2093158888.html?utm_source=EcoWatch+List&utm_campaign=a67a88f63c-MailChimp+Email+Blast&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_49c7d43dc9-a67a88f63c-85895669)

### **Prayer, Memory, and Solidarity at Standing Rock**

Last week Sierra Club President Aaron Mair (pictured right) visited the Standing Rock Sioux reservation in North Dakota, where he met with Native American activists and "witnessed once again a frontline nation and people of color bearing the negative brunt of the raw power wielded by the fossil fuel industry -- an industry newly emboldened by the election of Donald Trump to the presidency."

[Read Mair's account of why it's more important than ever to stand in solidarity with peaceful nonviolent resistance to stop construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline through sacred tribal lands.](#)

[Another pipeline bursts in PA, endangering the drinking water of 6 million people ... same company behind Dakota Pipeline - Complete Health and Happiness](#)

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## Thousands Unite in Solidarity With Standing Rock

[http://www.ecowatch.com/day-of-action-dakota-access-pipeline-2095669637.html?utm\\_source=EcoWatch+List&utm\\_campaign=c165600e29-MailChimp+Email+Blast&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_49c7d43dc9-c165600e29-85895669](http://www.ecowatch.com/day-of-action-dakota-access-pipeline-2095669637.html?utm_source=EcoWatch+List&utm_campaign=c165600e29-MailChimp+Email+Blast&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_49c7d43dc9-c165600e29-85895669)

## Dakota Access Pipeline Protest in San Francisco: 'Keep It in the Ground'

Miranda Leitsinger and Matt Beagle. KQED

Hundreds of protesters toting signs reading, "Keep It In The Ground," and chanting, "Water is sacred, water is life!" marched from San Francisco Civic Center Plaza down Market Street to the office of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers early Tuesday in opposition to the Dakota Access Pipeline.

## Meet one young woman who took up the fight at Standing Rock

ANTONIA JUHASZ

### Myron Dewey

Share, share, share The videos shows the "DRILL platform", equipment placement and preparation in the cover of night/early morning Nov 16, 3:00 a.m

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**Duckwater #NoDAPL Group off to Standing Rock**



## **Bernie Sanders' Surprise Speech Outside the White House on Rejecting Dakota Pipeline and Trump**

**Amy Goodman, Democracy Now!:** During a global day of action against the Dakota Access pipeline that included demonstrations in over 300 cities on Tuesday, Bernie Sanders gave a surprise address outside the White House. He demanded that the sovereign rights of Indigenous peoples be honored and that politicians support an aggressive shift away from fossil fuels. [Watch the Video and Read the Transcript](#)

## **Dakota Access Pipeline Once Again on Hold as Standing Rock Supporters Stage Day of Action**

**Nell Abram, Free Speech Radio News:** The US Army Corps of Engineers has issued another delay in the permitting process for the controversial Dakota Access pipeline. The statement was issued one day before a National Day of Action against the project, in which events were scheduled not just across the country, but around the world. [Listen to the Audio Segment](#)

An absolute must read:

<https://socialistaction.org/2016/11/03/a-nodapl-map/>

## **Natives to Obama: Free Peltier, Stop the Pipeline and be remembered as a Hero**

On Nov. 12, activists with the American Indian Movement and their supporters marched and rallied in Olympia, Washington at the State Capitol...  
whitewolfpack.com By White Wolf



**Tohono O'odham Nation Tribal Leaders**

## **Say Wall With Mexico Will Not Be Built On Their Land**

Tribal leadership of Tohono O'odham Nation in southern Arizona said they won't support a border wall project on their land. Part of their reservation extends into... [kjzz.org](http://kjzz.org)

**Bixi Nibe** with Nfn Kenarahdiyoh.

Standing Rock, an Archbishop is on his way to the Vatican with our message...Kenarahdiyoh, of the Wolf Clan, Mohawk Nation and International Representative of International Native Tradition Interchange today at the Permanent Mission of the Holy See in New York. Our Urgent request to intervene on behalf of the Holy See to the United States to de-militarize Standing Rock as the lives of our people are at immediate risk. WATER IS LIFE!

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## **Local, Regional and International Water-Associated Issues**

### **Student World Water Forum**

**Joe Crowley - 4th Floor (402) Nov-18 2:00 - 3:30 pm Poster Presentations**

Promote conversation between water science experts and the public

Poster Presentations

- 1. Acid Mine Drainage**  
Jenna Tresidder, Reno High School
- 2. Assessing the Likelihood of Groundwater Contamination from Hydraulic Fracturing in the Eagle Ford Shale: A Map-Based Analysis of the Eagle Ford and Overlying Aquifers**  
Mary Kate Stewart, Geological Sciences Graduate Student
- 3. Building to Resist Against Tsunamis**  
Gabrielle Nickel, Reno High School
- 4. Contaminant Transport and Risks Associated with Acid Mine Drainage**  
Rachel Thomas, Geological Sciences Graduate Student
- 5. Dams on the Snake River**  
Madison Moore, Reno High School
- 6. Disappearing Aquifers** Thomas Beach, Reno High School
- 7. Diverging Response of Modeled Hydrologic Partitioning to Shifts from Snow to Rain in the Western U.S. Controlled by Climate Variables and Subsurface Properties**  
Patrick Longley, Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences Graduate Student
- 8. Effects of Different Irrigation Regimes On Seed Yield of Camelina Sativa in Nevada**  
Dhurba Neupane, Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences Graduate Student
- 9. Efficient Irrigation Systems and Techniques**  
Anna Zoeters, Reno High School
- 10. Fast Fashion: Poisoning Our Waters and Our World**  
Bella Sloane, Reno High School
- 11. Great Basin or Great Mystery? Planning for Unprecedented Change in The Dark Helen Fillmore, Hydrologic Sciences Graduate Student (and Water Warrior)**

### **About SWWF - Mission**

Water is humankind's most essential resource and influences all aspects of life on the planet. The Student World Water Forum has been a student organized event since 2003, committed to providing opportunities for both undergraduate and graduate students from all disciplines to share ideas and collaborate with others on water resource issues. It also serves as a venue for students to gain professional public speaking experience as well as advice on presentation

techniques and styles by evaluators from the professional community. It is our hope that this conference will act as a catalyst for future initiatives and activities on water in our community and around the globe.

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## **Determined, Not Defeated (from the Sierra Club) - November 10, 2016**

*This post is a slightly edited version of remarks I gave at the National Press Club in Washington, D.C., yesterday.*

This was a deeply disappointing election for the United States -- and the world. For people all over the country, the pain, anger, and fear at the prospect of a Trump presidency are very real.

As we reflect on what this means for our country and our planet, it's most important that we stand in solidarity with all those who have been targeted by Trump during his campaign. People of color, Muslims, immigrants, women, the disabled -- millions of Americans have been singled out and attacked by Donald Trump before he has even taken office.

We are clear-eyed about the fact that those attacks could continue once he is inaugurated. That is why, as the saying goes, we will not mourn (for too long, anyway) -- we will organize.

We aren't defeated. We are determined. What is important to remember is that millions upon millions of Americans -- a majority of voters, in fact -- stood up to Donald Trump's ignorance, his misogyny, and his racism. Those same millions will stand up every day to ensure that he can't roll back the progress we've made in recent years.

Make no mistake -- the election of Donald Trump could be devastating for our climate and our future. Donald Trump now has the unflattering distinction of being the only head of state in the entire world to reject the scientific consensus that mankind is driving climate change. Campaigning is one thing; governing is another. Trump must choose whether he will be a president remembered for putting America and the world *back* on a path to climate disaster, or for listening to the American public, investing in the fastest-growing sector in the U.S. economy -- clean energy -- and keeping us on a path of climate progress.

He should choose wisely. Otherwise, we can guarantee President Trump the hardest fight of his life every step of the way.

The new president will also soon learn that there are some things he cannot change.

He can't change the fact that the world is heating up, and that we are reaching a tipping point. He can't change the fact that clean energy sources are outcompeting dirty fuels like coal, gas, and nuclear power all over the country. He can't change the fact that both the market and the climate movement are aligned to replace coal plants with clean energy -- nearly 250 plants to date, with many more to come. Scientists, students, business leaders, and activists are moving this nation beyond dirty fuels to clean energy, and Donald Trump can't reverse that tide.

We see no reason to stop leading on climate and clean energy. We defeated most of the new coal plants proposed during the George W. Bush administration -- 184 to be exact -- with grassroots

power, and we can and will win the same kinds of victories under the Trump administration. We're also going to bring that focus to growing the clean energy economy on a state and local level, helping grow the blossoming number of cities committed to 100 percent clean energy. That is progress Trump cannot stop.

And it may not have gotten the attention it deserved during the election, but both public opinion and the market strongly favor clean energy over fossil fuels. In fact, there is a consensus among Clinton supporters *and* Trump supporters that supporting clean energy jobs should be a priority -- just look at the defeat of the anti-solar Amendment 1 in Florida for one example of bipartisan popular support for solar and wind.

All of those factors will keep our progress moving ahead regardless of who is in the White House. We've been winning important victories in state houses, on public utility commissions, on ballot initiatives, and in corporate boardrooms -- and we will keep winning.

One more thing needs to be addressed: Trump's threat to "cancel" the Paris agreement.

Whether he could is the first question. What we do know is that it would be extraordinarily difficult for Trump to remove the U.S. from the Paris Agreement. Already, his position is causing international blowback in very pointed and, in some respects, unprecedented ways.

If Trump does try to undermine climate action, he will run headlong into an organized mass of people who will fight him in the courts, in the states, in the marketplace, and in the streets.

Meanwhile, you can be absolutely sure that environmental advocates will continue to speak out and defend essential clean air, clean water, and other environmental protections when they come under attack by a Trump administration, as they most certainly will -- and we will be louder than ever before.

Finally, it bears repeating that this loss hurts for reasons that extend far beyond the immediate consequences for federal environmental policy. We stand in total solidarity with communities of color, Muslims, women, and all those who may be threatened under a Trump administration. They have an ally in the environmental movement. In the meantime, we will not be licking our wounds but preparing for the fights to come.

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[http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/12/us/his-job-to-power-up-the-grand-canyon.html?emc=edit\\_th\\_20161113&nl=todaysheadlines&nid=25905172&r=1](http://www.nytimes.com/2016/11/12/us/his-job-to-power-up-the-grand-canyon.html?emc=edit_th_20161113&nl=todaysheadlines&nid=25905172&r=1)

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### **Upcoming EJ IWG Webinars**

**Title:** Improving Wastewater Infrastructure in Vulnerable Communities

**Date:** 12/8/2016 from 1:00-2:30pm EST

**Purpose:** Highlighting challenges and solutions to providing wastewater infrastructure in some of the most vulnerable communities in America.

[Register Here](#)



## **Title: Discrimination Protections and Promising Practices in Federally Assisted Emergency Management**

**Date:** 1/12/2017 from 1:00–2:30pm EST

- **Purpose:** Discussing new guidelines and resources to protect against discrimination and promote the inclusion of all vulnerable communities in federally assisted emergency management and related activities.
- [Register Here](#)

If you have any questions, please contact [Jeanine Finley](#) for additional information.

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### **[Friends of the Earth U.S.](#)**

**Alton Coal wants to expand its destructive mining operations – even if it means clogging the air at Bryce Canyon National Park with coal dust. And as long as the mining continues, the disastrous impacts of climate change will only worsen.**

We need 50,000 people to take a stand against dangerous fossil fuel companies by the end of the month. Add your name to tell President Obama: Don't allow reckless mining on our public lands!

[Keep it in the ground: Tell President Obama to protect Bryce Canyon!](#)

Add your name to tell President Obama: Don't allow mining that threatens Bryce Canyon National Park!      [action.foe.org](http://action.foe.org)

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=EWPFmdAWRZO>

### **[The Best Speech about Humanity - Carl Sagan](#)**

Carl Sagan gives the best speech ever about humanity and how foolish we behave. Pale Blue Dot is one of the most important and reflective speeches about the ... [youtube.com](#)

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### **NCAI Releases New Brief "Empowering Tribal Workforce Development: Indian Country's Policy Recommendations for the Federal Government"**

At its recent Annual Convention in Phoenix, the National Congress of American Indians released the new brief "[Empowering Tribal Workforce Development: Indian Country's Policy Recommendations for the Federal Government](#)." The brief presents a list of key policy recommendations for the federal government as it supports tribal nations, Native organizations, and tribal colleges and universities (TCUs) as they design, refine, and strengthen their workforce development efforts.

NCAI's [Partnership for Tribal Governance](#) (PTG) compiled these recommendations through interviews and surveys it conducted with tribal leaders and workforce development practitioners; a series of tribal workforce development sessions it convened at its conferences; its ongoing consultation with NCAI's Tribal TANF (Temporary Assistance for Needy Families) Task Force and Economic Development, Finance, and Employment Subcommittee; and its participation in a December 2015 Workforce Development Roundtable convened by the U.S. Senate Committee on Indian Affairs.

To view the brief and related resources, please click [here](#).

NCAI encourages you to forward this email announcement to anyone you think might be interested.

**Also, if you would like NCAI to follow up with specific federal officials, federal agency staff, or other key stakeholders, please send their name(s) and contact information to NCAI PTG Director Ian Record ( [irecord@ncai.org](mailto:irecord@ncai.org) ) with the email subject line "WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT - CONTACT".**

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### **Trump Advisers Eye Reviving Nevada Yucca Nuclear Waste Dump**

Jennifer A. Dlouhy      Nov 15, 2016 4:40 pm ET

(Bloomberg) -- The long-stalled plan to stash radioactive waste at Nevada's Yucca Mountain is set to be revived with the arrival of President-elect Donald Trump in Washington and the departure of the project's most ardent Senate opponent, Harry Reid.

Two people familiar with Trump's transition planning say the issue is actively being discussed by advisers as a wave of nuclear power plant retirements intensifies pressure to find a permanent home for more than 70,000 metric tons of radioactive waste now stored at those facilities. They spoke anonymously because they weren't authorized to discuss Trump's plans.

Reid, of Nevada, is retiring from the Senate where he successfully used his influence as the top Democratic official in the chamber to block a decades-long effort to turn a desert ridge 90 miles north of Las Vegas into an underground repository for spent nuclear fuel from power plants.

Reid, who has issued fiery denunciations of Trump over the past week, said any Republican efforts to revive Yucca Mountain are "doomed to fail."

"It's going to be expensive and they'll get nothing for it," he said Monday at a Washington news conference.

### **Binding Pledge**

Supporters of the project say Congress made a legally binding pledge in 1982 that the U.S. government was responsible for disposing of the radioactive material that can take thousands of years to degrade. Five years later, Congress chose Yucca as the destination for the nation's nuclear waste, but the project has been ensnared ever since by political wrangling and government analysis.

President Barack Obama's administration cut off funding for Yucca in 2010, after declaring the project unworkable.

Trump could easily do an about face on the government's approach to Yucca Mountain, by requesting new funding for the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's consideration of the site, but analysts and advocates say it could take years to resurrect the teams of government workers focusing on the issue, secure an NRC license for the project and clear other regulatory hurdles.

### **'Bad Policy'**

"Reviving Yucca Mountain in our view would both be very difficult and also bad policy," said Matthew McKinzie, a senior scientist at the Natural Resources Defense Council. "The government shouldn't spend billions more on a project that will likely fail."

The NRC still would have to license Yucca Mountain, "but licensing is going to be long and arduous," with regulators pressed to consider a raft of new, significant information about the site, including changes in the size of the casks storing spent fuel and the nature of that waste, McKinzie said.

House Republicans want Yucca to be part of the nation's nuclear future. Representative John Shimkus, a Republican representative from Illinois who could become chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, has described bipartisan interest in getting "this monkey off our back."

That sentiment may be shared by some Senate Democrats who have been unwilling to challenge Reid on the issue. Opposition will likely soften once Reid leaves and Senate Democrats are playing defense on an array of issues, up against Republicans in the White House and in control of both chambers of Congress, said Bloomberg Intelligence analyst Rob Barnett.

### **Angry Words**

It's "doubtful anybody's going to fall on a sword to protect Yucca," said Barnett, adding that Democrats will have to pick their battles. "They can't filibuster everything, and it seems doubtful Yucca rises to such a threshold."

A roiling war of words between Trump and Reid isn't helping matters for opponents of the project. Nevada voted for Trump's Democratic challenger, Hillary Clinton, and after the election Reid issued a statement saying Trump's election "has emboldened the forces of hate and bigotry in America."

He called Trump a "sexual predator who lost the popular vote and fueled his campaign with bigotry and hate."

Trump campaign manager Kellyanne Conway called the comments "beyond the pale" during an appearance on Fox News Sunday.

The rancor between the two goes back even further. After Trump made a campaign stop in the state last month, Reid derided his pronunciation of "Nevada."

"Trump told us we pronounce the name of our state wrong minutes before he refused to take a position on Yucca Mountain," Reid said in a statement issued at the time. "I have news for Donald: It's pronounced Nev-AD-a, and Yucca Mountain is dead."

The issue has attracted renewed attention as utilities such as Exelon Corp., Dominion Resources Inc. and NextEra Energy Inc. are still without a permanent, off-site home for nuclear material used as fuel in reactors nationwide. Utilities have already paid more than \$21 billion for long-term storage.

The issue has surfaced in debates over relicensing aging nuclear power plants and in debates over how to safely close more than a dozen reactors that are now being decommissioned.

The Nuclear Energy Institute, a trade group that wants the NRC to complete its review of the Yucca Mountain license application and advocates the development of a consolidated storage facility in a willing community, hasn't met with members of Trump's transition team on the issue, said spokesman John Keeley.

(Updates with Reid comments beginning in fourth paragraph.)

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