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Standing Rock Sioux Tribe Issues New Fact Sheet in Form of Q & A with Chairman Archambault - Indian Country Media Network indiancountrymedianetwork.com

Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe Takes Religious Freedom Claims to the D.C. Circuit Court of Appeals by **Native News Online Staff** /

<http://nativenewsonline.net/currents/cheyenne-river-sioux-tribe-takes-religious-freedom-claims-d-c-circuit-court-appeals/>

We Are The Media

This **4th grader from West Virginia** dedicated his school project to the forgotten **treaties of Standing Rock**. Nine year old Jeremy (son of Cassandra Diann Sisler) made a lot of indigenous tribe members and water protectors very proud.

#RiseWithStandingRock #WaterIsLife #RespectTheTreaties

3 Months and Counting: Pipeline Leaks Natural Gas Into Alaska's Cook Inlet

http://www.ecowatch.com/pipeline-leak-alaska-cook-inlet-2318088552.html?utm_source=EcoWatch+List&utm_campaign=8681b1d310-MailChimp+Email+Blast&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_49c7d43dc9-8681b1d310-85895669

15 Lawmakers Plotting to Destroy and Privatize America's Public Lands

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Regarding the question as to climate change, I think the President was fairly straightforward: We're not spending money on that anymore; we consider that to be a waste of your money to go out and do that." – Mick Mulvaney, director of the Office of Management and Budget, responding to a question at a March 16 press briefing about why the Trump administration proposed cutting federal funding for climate change research.

"Somehow, we have regressed in the nation to a situation where we prefer to spend billions of dollars after a disaster rather than millions of dollars before." — Rep. Garret Graves (R-LA) speaking to the National Waterways Conference Legislative Summit. Graves is a member of the House committee that oversees water infrastructure. He convened a [hearing on March 9 on the federal role in water infrastructure funding](#).

People Are Sending EPA Employees Chocolate Chip Cookies and Thank You Cards

Brady Dennis, *The Washington Post*

Dennis writes: "The cookies showed up Monday morning, hundreds of them packed tightly in cardboard boxes, and made their way to offices throughout the Environmental Protection Agency's headquarters in downtown Washington." [READ MORE](#)

Trending Now: The White House has installed senior aides at every Cabinet agency to monitor loyalty to Trump

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Trump budget director: Feeding elderly and children has to end, it's not 'showing any results'

White House Office of Management and Budget Director Mick Mulvaney told the [dailykos.com](#)



(hmmmmmmmmmm.....seems I've been advocating this for awhile.....so millenials....maybe you will listen and DO.....sdc)

New on NCAI's YouTube Channel: Building Sustainable Tribal Economies

As part of its ongoing work supporting and documenting the efforts of tribal nations to build sustainable economies, NCAI's Partnership for Tribal Governance (PTG) recently created the "[Economic Development](#)" video playlist on NCAI's YouTube channel . The playlist features **five videos from the informative session " Seeding Prosperity: Strategic Considerations for Building Sustainable Tribal Economies,"** held during the 2016 NCAI Annual Convention in Phoenix, Arizona. Featured presenters included:

- **Melanie Benjamin** , Chief Executive, Mille Lacs Band of Ojibwe
- **Jamie Fullmer** , Chairman/CEO, Blue Stone Strategy Group
- **Clara Pratte** , Former National Director, Office of Native American Affairs, U.S. Small Business Administration
- **Rae Nell Vaughn** , Chief of Staff for MBCI Chief Phyliss Anderson, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians (MBCI)

To view the "Economic Development" video playlist, click [here](#).

For more information about PTG's work on Indian Country economic development, please contact PTG Director Ian Record at irecord@ncai.org.

MORE THAN \$1B NEEDED IN SPECIAL FUNDING FOR NEVADA STUDENTS

A plan to provide additional money to help specific student needs would cost more than \$1 billion – money that may not be available for Nevada schools this biennium. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz31981254>

RURALS DISTRICTS EMBRACE 'PEFORMANCE COMPACTS' FOR FAILING SCHOOLS AS CLARK, WASHOE GO IT ALONE

It may be a case of haves and have nots. It may also be a political power struggle. <http://erj.reviewjournal.com/ct/uz3688753Biz31998256>

Washoe County School District's video. -2:17

Washoe County School District

October 5, 2016 ·

We're proud to share that our **high school Paiute language classes** are going strong again this year. Students are so engaged in learning the language, sharing it...

***How the Choctaws Saved the Irish**

The Choctaw people have a history of helping others – one of the best examples is the \$710 that was given to the Irish in 1847 during the potato famine. To realize the... whitewolfpack.com

Maxine Burns

Happy St Patrick's Day from the Obriens, the Omalleyes and the Ojibwe!

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March 6 at 11:35am ·

Ireland 🍀🇮🇪 becomes the world's first country to fully divest from fossil fuels

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Share if you agree your country should follow. Find out more: <http://bit.ly/IrelandDIVESTS>

Zinn Education Project

#SaintPatricksDay Did you know that that during the first winter of the Irish potato "famine," (the Great Hunger) landlords exported grain, cattle, pigs, flour,...

The Real Irish-American Story Not Taught in Schools

“Wear green on St. Patrick’s Day or get pinched.” That pretty much sums up the Irish-American “curriculum” that I learned when I was in school. Yes, I recall a nod to the so-called Potato Famine, but it was mentioned only in passing. commondreams.org

Sandy Tharp-Thee | Movers & Shakers 2017 – Advocates

When Sandy Tharp-Thee started as director at the Iowa Tribal Library in Perkins, OK, in 2009, she didn’t even have a shoestring budget. As she was introduced around the tribal offices, Tharp-Thee carried a big bag and asked for supply donations for children’s crafts.

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Ian Zabarte ·

Yucca Mountain is funded for \$120 million by Trump. Texas wants Yucca Dump and sues to get it.

News - AG Paxton Challenges Federal Government’s Defiance of the Nuclear Waste Policy Act
AUSTIN – Late yesterday, Attorney General Ken Paxton filed a lawsuit against several federal... texasattorneygeneral.gov

11 Plants Native Americans Used to Cure EVERYTHING (From joint pain to cancer)

The Cherokee, the Native American tribe – indigenous to the South-Eastern United States – believed that the ‘Creator’ gave them a gift of understanding... nativeinyou.com

Federal Library Funding

Posted by: Julie Todaro

This morning, President Trump released his budget proposal for FY2018. The Institute of Museum of Library Services (IMLS) is included in the list of independent agencies whose budgets the proposal recommends eliminating. Library funding that comes through other sources such as the Department of Education, the Department of Labor and the National Endowment for the Humanities is also affected. Just how deeply overall federal library funding is impacted is unclear at this point. The Washington Office is working closely with our contacts in the federal government to gather detailed information. We will provide the analysis of the total impact when it is complete and as quickly as possible.

One thing we all know for certain: Real people will be impacted if these budget proposals are carried through.

While we are deeply concerned about the president’s budget proposal, it is not a done deal. As I said in a statement issued this morning,

“The American Library Association will mobilize its members, congressional library champions and the millions upon millions of people we serve in every zip code to keep those ill-advised proposed cuts from becoming a congressional reality.”

There are several actions we can take right now:

1. Call your Members of Congress – ask them to publicly oppose wiping out IMLS, and ask them to commit to fighting for federal library funding. (You can find talking points and an email template on the Action Center.)

2. Share your library’s IMLS story using the #SaveIMLS tag – tell us how IMLS funding supports your local community. If you aren’t sure which IMLS grants your library as received, you can check the searchable database available on the IMLS website.

3. Sign up to receive our action alerts – we will let you know when and how to take action, and send you talking points and background information.

4. Register to participate in National Library Legislative Day on May 1-2, either in Washington, D.C., or online.

Timing is key to the Federal budget/appropriations process. More information – along with talking points and scripts – will be forthcoming from the ALA Washington Office, particularly as it pertains to the upcoming advocacy campaign around “Dear Appropriator” letters. Meanwhile, please take the time to subscribe to action alerts and District Dispatch to ensure you receive the latest updates on the budget process.

The president’s budget has made clear that his funding agenda is not ours. It’s time for library

professionals and supporters to make our priorities clear to Congress.

College of Alameda to offer one year of FEES , TEXTBOOK VOUCHERS to Alameda Students! <http://patch.com/.../college-alameda-offer-one-year-fees-text...>

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http://www.grunge.com/43893/historical-artifacts-still-cant-explain/?utm_source=zergnet.com&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=zergnet_1493528&utm_content=263

The [Center for Biological Diversity](http://www.biologicaldiversity.org) joined the Borderlands Project and other organizations Tuesday in launching [Embattled Borderlands](#), a new story map project that details the various places, people and [wildlife](#) put in harm's way by border walls and militarization. The immersive web platform combines a decade of photo documentation and scientific data to highlight a region at the crossroads of destructive border security policies.

http://www.biologicaldiversity.org/programs/international/borderlands_and_boundary_waters/story-map/

Women-Owned Small Businesses (WOSB) Federal Contracting Program

The WOSB Federal Contract Program was implemented in February 2011 with the goal of expanding the number of industries where WOSB were able to compete for business with the federal government. This program enables Economically Disadvantaged WOSBs (EDWOSBs) to compete for federal contracts that are set-aside for EDWOSBs in industries where women-owned small businesses are underrepresented. It also allows set-asides for WOSBs in industries where women-owned small businesses are substantially underrepresented. SBA has designated two sets of industries according to North American Industry Classification System (NAICS). The link below will take you to the current list of NAICS codes designated for use under this program.

[What you need to know if you are a Contracting Officer](#)

[What you need to know if you are a WOSB](#)

NEW! Notice for Federal Contracting Officers:

Contracting officers now have access to the WOSB Repository available at <https://certify.sba.gov>. Pursuant to FAR 19.1505(e), contracting officers must check whether the apparent successful offeror provided all the required eligibility documents set forth in 13 CFR 127.300(d) or (e). Contracting officers must access the WOSB Repository through MAX.gov using their PIV or CAC card and request access to the eligibility documents provided by the successful offeror. Contracting officers may view the eligibility documents only if the apparent

successful offeror approves their request. See also: [What You Need to Know if You Are a Federal Contracting Officer](#)

WOSB Portal - Certify.SBA.GOV

The WOSB Repository has moved from the General Login System (GLS) to the new SBA One Contracting Portal at certify.sba.gov. SBA has posted PowerPoint presentations to assist you with the WOSB/EDWOSB self-certification process. In this new portal, WOSB business owners will be able to manage their documents, complete forms online, and receive notices of upcoming deadlines. Note, as self-certification is still permitted while SBA develops new criteria, this modernized site provides a platform for businesses to self-certify as a WOSB or EDWOSB. For technical questions email certify@sba.gov (link sends e-mail). For program questions email [vosb@sba.gov](mailto:wosb@sba.gov) (link sends e-mail)

[WOSB Program Program Overview](#)

[Certify.sba.gov Vendor User Guide](#)

[Certify.sba.gov Contracting Officer User Guide](#)

NAICS Code Updates

SBA has authorized the use of 113 new NAICS Industry groups for WOSB and EDWOSB set asides. WOSBs will now be eligible for contract participation in 92 NAICS industry groups. EDWOSBs will now be eligible for contract participation in 21 designated NAICS industry groups, along with the 92 NAICS industry groups identified for WOSB. The effective date per the notice for use of these new NAICS is 3 March 2016.

See the full lists of the 2016 6-digit NAICS codes designated for [EDWOSB](#) and for [WOSB](#) set-asides or sole awards under the WOSB Program.

Related Articles:

- article [What You Need To Know if You Are a Federal Contracting Officer](#)
- article [What You Need To Know if You Are a Women Owned Small Business](#)

E.1 - EDAWN economic development update by Mike Kazmierski, President and CEO. [View presentation.](#)

[California's Heated Water Wars Make for a Modern 'Chinatown'](#)
National Geographic Australia

Emmy-winning director Marina Zenovich gives a behind-the-scenes look at her new documentary Water and Power: A California Heist.

<http://www.nationalgeographic.com.au/nature/californias-heated-water-wars-make-for-a-modern-chinatown.aspx>

Just in case you need to compare when the devil in the details is released.....

[Click here to download the entire Fiscal Year 2017 Interior Budget in Brief \(16Mbs\)](#)

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[Big snowstorms put Colorado River drought plan on ice](#) **Arizona Daily Star**

At stake is an Arizona version of the Drought Contingency Plan, an effort by this state, *California* and Nevada to negotiate a long-term, *wate*



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