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The director of the federal Bureau of Indian Affairs has resigned after six months on the job. <http://strib.mn/2vQ5X5X>

I wanted to share this invitation with all of you, and ask you to share with the Northern Nevada Native American community as well.

SOLDIER

Two young Lakota sisters, refugees of the Wounded Knee Massacre, fight to survive against a relentless enemy

Written and directed by Myrton Running Wolf (*The Curious Case of Benjamin Button*, *Into the West*, *The New World*); executive produced by renown Academy Award nominated feature film director Terrence Malick (*The Tree of Life*, *The New World*, *The Thin Red Line*); and co-produced by Dr. Paul Mitchell and Mr. Brent Kirkland of The University of Nevada, Reno's Reynolds School of Journalism. Filmed on location on the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation and in the Toiyabe National Forest.

This is a private screening at The University of Nevada, Reno's Reynolds School of Journalism, Studio A - **Wednesday, May 2.**

Due to limited seating, we will be showing the film twice. The first showing will be at **6pm** and the second showing will be at **7pm**.

RSVP your response to Myrton W Running Wolf mrunningwolf@unr.edu, indicating which show time you would like to attend and how many guests you'd like to include, to reserve seats.

I look forward to seeing you all!!!

Best, M[Straight outta Library](#) Myrton Running Wolf, Ph.D., Assistant Professor of Race and Media The Reynolds School of Journalism, The University of Nevada, Reno



Unraveling the Genetic History of a First Nations People Smithsonian

By looking at the DNA of Tsimshian people before and after European contact, researchers paint a more nuanced history [Read the full story](#)

Administrative Law Judge Ann O'Reilly leaves a lot on the table for the state Public Utilities Commission (PUC) to consider.

<http://strib.mn/2HWNGP7>

Alarming "Salmon Extinction Act" Passes in US House *Earthjustice*

Excerpt: "A small group led by Republicans in Congress spearheaded a bill that passed in the U.S. House of Representatives on Wednesday, April 25. If

the bill becomes law, it could lead to the eventual extinction of wild salmon in the Columbia and Snake rivers - iconic species in the Pacific Northwest that the federal government is required by law to protect." [READ MORE](#)

A Yellowstone geyser has experienced unusual eruptions lately — and scientists can't explain why The Washington Post

The geyser activity does not mean that a volcanic eruption is imminent, a scientist says. [Read the full story](#)

5 Nonprofits Sowing the Seeds of a Better Food System

Nonprofits around the country are working to ensure access to heirloom, open-pollinated seeds for generations to come. *Mazzam / Shutterstock*

Once the work of public researchers, plant breeding is [now dominated by a handful of massive corporations](#), but there are still a variety of nonprofit organizations working to preserve [biodiversity](#) and ensure access to heirloom, open-pollinated seeds for generations to come. Here is a roundup of our favorites, including a few that sell seeds in order to raise funds—so you can support a good cause while doing your spring seed shopping.

1. [Seed Savers Exchange](#)

Stewards of one of the oldest and largest seed banks in North America, Seed Savers Exchange boasts a collection of over 20,000 heirloom varieties—including more than 1,000 heritage apple trees—many of which are available in their online catalog. This Iowa-based organization also hosts a giant online seed swap, where dues-paying members can exchange their favorite varieties. If membership isn't for you, anyone is welcome to buy seeds.



2. [Organic Seed Alliance](#)

Many modern seed varieties are simply not well-suited to organic production. That's why the Organic Seed Alliance actively promotes breeding [organic-specific varieties](#). The Organic Seed Alliance also provides technical assistance to organic farmers on seed-related matters, and they are active participants in the fight to prevent transnational companies from gobbling up every last small and regional seed purveyor. While they support the preservation of heirloom crops, they also develop new seed varieties geared specifically for organic farmers, including the recent releases '[Abundant Bloomsdale](#)' spinach and '[Who Gets Kissed?](#)' sweet corn.

3. [Seed Matters](#)

Headed up by Nebraska-born seed-activist [Matthew Dillon](#), this organization was formed a few years ago by the Clif Bar Family Foundation to promote public seed breeding and research—as opposed to corporate-backed research, which has dominated the field in recent years—and ensure that future seed development is focused squarely on the needs and interests of farmers. The Clif Bar founders provide funding for overhead expenses, but the group relies on grants and donations for all of its programs.

4. [Native Seeds / S.E.A.R.C.H.](#)

Have a particular love for the southwest? This is your group. In preserving agricultural biodiversity in the southwest? This is the organization for you. Based in Tucson, Arizona, Native Seeds/S.E.A.R.C.H. is dedicated to preserving agricultural biodiversity in its corner of the country. The group's enormous seed library hosts a number of endangered and nearly extinct Native American seed varieties that were historically cultivated by desert tribes. Many of their

seeds are suitable for planting in other regions, however, and are available for sale online and at retail garden centers.

5. [Southern Exposure Seed Exchange](#)

Southern Exposure Seed Exchange, helmed by famed plantswoman [Ira Wallace](#), is to the southeast what Native Seeds/S.E.A.R.C.H. is to the southwest. Like its counterpart in the desert, Southern Exposure Seed Exchange conserves, exchanges and promotes traditional, locally-adapted varieties, many of which also grow well throughout the country and are available through an extensive online catalog. Uniquely, this group is based on a commune in Virginia, whose members share in the work of preserving, growing and distributing the seeds.

BONUS: [Organic Farming Research Foundation](#)



While technically not a seed saving organization, we felt it important to include the Organic Farming Research Foundation. It is one of the only groups devoted entirely to high-level organic farming research—a necessity for advancing the industry. Based in the organic farming hotbed of Santa Cruz, California, the group provides grants to both academics and actual farmers throughout North America to conduct practical experiments that help make organic agriculture more efficient and productive. Crucially, they also take their message to Capitol Hill, where they lobby lawmakers to provide funding for the cause.

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Scholarships with June 15-30 Deadlines

ACF Sussman-Miller Educational Assistance Award Program (Public Colleges/Current Undergraduates)	\$2,000	06/20/2018
Akash and Shai Kuruvilla Memorial Scholarship Fund	\$1,000	06/30/2018
AlaskAdvantage® Education Grant	\$3,000	06/30/2018
Americanism Education Leaders Essay Contest	\$2,500	06/30/2018
Annie Ibok Scholarship	\$1,000	06/30/2018
Arborjet Taking Root Scholarship	\$1,000	06/30/2018
ASHE-Triko Valley Scholarship	\$1,500	06/30/2018
Automotive Hall of Fame Scholarships	Varies	06/30/2018
Capture the Dream, Inc. Single Parent Scholarship	\$1,000	06/30/2018

<u>DC Tuition Assistance Grant (DCTAG)</u>	<u>\$10,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Delete Cyberbullying Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Detroit Promise Scholarship Program</u>	<u>Varies</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Excelen-SIA Academic Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>06/22/2018</u>
<u>Gay Asian Pacific Alliance Foundation Scholarship</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Gracias Music Foundation Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>HomeKitchenary Student Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Mark Beaumont Scholarship Fund</u>	<u>Varies</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Michael Pate Optical Sciences Memorial Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>MSU Moorhead Academic Excellence Award</u>	<u>\$20,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>MSU Moorhead Transfer Scholarships</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Navigate Your Future Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>06/25/2018</u>
<u>NES Scholarship Program</u>	<u>\$25,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>NYSHESC Regents Award For Children of Veterans</u>	<u>\$450</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Ocean Awareness Student Contest</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>06/18/2018</u>
<u>Phoenix AISES Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Pierce Bulter Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Pierce Butler Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,500</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Randy Pausch Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Recycling Research Foundation National Scholarship</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>South Carolina Tuition Grants Program</u>	<u>Varies</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>The Bounce Energy "BE More" Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,500</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>The David Womack Memorial Alabama LGBT Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>The David Womack Memorial West Virginia LGBT Scholarship</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>The Mary Ware Scholarship</u>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>The TSJCL Lourania Miller & Gareth Morgan Scholarships for High School Seniors</u>	<u>\$1,000</u>	<u>06/29/2018</u>
<u>The Woman's Century Club Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>Thurgood Marshall College Fund Scholarships</u>	<u>\$3,100</u>	<u>06/30/2018</u>
<u>TypologyCentral Personality Type Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>06/23/2018</u>
<u>Women in Aerospace Foundation Scholarship</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>06/20/2018</u>

Enbridge CEO says company will continue pursuing its preferred route for new pipeline

CEO Al Monaco said administrative law judge's ruling suggesting alternative site ignored much input from citizens, including Indian tribes. <http://strib.mn/2HRPTLQ>

Pyramid Lake Tribe: TERO - Certified Training Notice

OSHA 10

May 7 & 8, 2018

8:00 am to 3:30 pm (Monday)

8:00 am to 3:30 am (Tuesday)

OSHA 30

May 10 & 11, 2018

8:00 am to 3:30 pm (Thursday)

8:00 am to 3:30 pm (Friday)

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Cultivating Curiosity at Lincoln Park Zoo Using Interpretive Programming

Chicago's Lincoln Park Zoo exhibit on Japanese macaques, or snow monkeys, brings science and research to the forefront with interpretive programming. [Read more](#)

THE LATEST NEWS

IMLS Releases Annual Data on American Public Libraries

The 2016 data from the Public Libraries Survey describe use, financial health, staffing, and resources of the nation's public libraries. [Read more](#)

America's Libraries Awarded \$10.4 Million for Projects with Far-Reaching Impact

The grants were awarded through the National Leadership Grants for Libraries Program and the Laura Bush 21st Century Librarian Program. [Read more](#)

IMLS ON THE ROAD

Grantmakers for Effective Organizations: Tim Carrigan, Senior Library Program Officer; San Francisco, CA, April 29-May 2

“Libraries of the Future” panel, FEDLINK Spring Exposition: Teri DeVoe, Associate Deputy Director, Office of Library Services, State Programs; Washington, DC, May 2

Library Values and Privacy Summit at Data & Society: James Neal, Senior Library Program Officer; New York, NY, May 2-4

American Alliance of Museums Annual Conference: Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew, Director; Paula Gangopadhyay, Deputy Director, Office of Museum Services; Christopher Reich, Chief Administrator; Helen Wechsler, Supervisory Grants Management Specialist; Sandra Narva, Senior Museum Program Officer; Steve Schwartzman, Senior Museum Program Officer; Mark Feitl, Museum Program Officer; Phoenix, AZ, May 6-9

“Funders’ Perspectives on a Collective Impact Approach to Early Learning,” American Alliance of Museums Annual Conference: Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew, Director, and Paula Gangopadhyay, Deputy Director, Office of Museum Services; Phoenix, AZ, May 8

“A Dialogue with IMLS Reviewers: Tips and Techniques from the Experts,” American Alliance of Museums Annual Conference: Mark Feitl, Museum Program Officer; Phoenix, AZ, May 6-9

“What Does Gaming Get Us?” American Alliance of Museums Annual Conference: Helen Wechsler, Supervisory Grants Management Specialist, Phoenix, AZ, May 6-9

National Neighborhood Indicators Partnership Annual Meeting: James Neal, Senior Library Program Officer; Atlanta, GA, May 8-11

IMLS Pacific Workshop: Teri DeVoe, Associate Deputy Director, Office of Library Services, State Programs, and Madison Bolls, Senior Library Program Officer; Honolulu, HI, May 7-9

Association of Research Libraries Symposium for Strategic Leadership in Diversity, Equity, Inclusion: Dr. Kathryn K. Matthew, Director; Minneapolis, MN, May 10-11

“A Dialogue with IMLS Reviewers: Tips and Techniques from the Experts,” Association of Children’s Museums InterActivity Conference: Reagan Moore, Museum Program Officer, and Ashley Jones, Museum Program Specialist; Raleigh, NC, May 15-18

Association of Art Museum Directors Annual Meeting: Christopher Reich, Chief Administrator, Office of Museum Services; Minneapolis, MN, May 19-21



2018 International Image Interoperability Framework (IIF) Conference: Emily Reynolds, Senior Library Program Officer; Washington, DC, May 21-25

"Talking Grants – Hear from IMLS Grant Reviewers," American Institute for Conservation of Historic and Artistic Works 46th Annual Meeting: Dr. Connie Bodner, Supervisory Grants Management Specialist (presenting); Kelsey Monahan, Museum Program Specialist; Houston, Texas, May 29-June 2



US won't restore Yellowstone grizzly bear protections ABC News

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will review the recent lifting of protections for Yellowstone-area grizzly bears in light of a court ruling that retained protections for gray wolves in the Great Lakes [Read the full story](#)

[EPA drops rule requiring mining companies to have money to clean up pollution](#)

President Donald Trump's administration said that it won't require mining companies to prove they have the financial wherewithal to clean up their pollution.

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Fracking in Colorado: Lawsuit Targets Federal Shell Game Hiding Harm to Communities and Wildlife

The view from lease parcel COC77996 looking across the Colorado River and DeBeque State Wildlife Refuge toward parcel COC77999 and the Roan Plateau. *Peter Hart / Wilderness Workshop*

[Conservation](#) groups on Thursday [sued](#) Interior Secretary [Ryan Zinke](#) and the Bureau of Land Management for approving new leases to allow fracking on more than [45,000 acres](#) in western Colorado, including within communities and within [a half-mile of a K-12 public school](#), without analyzing or disclosing environmental and public health threats as required by federal law.

"Fracking is a filthy, dangerous business, and dodging environmental analysis puts people and public lands at risk," said Diana Dascalu-Joffe, a senior attorney at the Center for Biological Diversity. "The [Trump](#) administration is trying to ignore [science](#), public health and [climate change](#) threats to enrich corporate polluters, but it can't shrug off the law."

The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Denver, challenges leases in and around the towns of De Beque, Molina and Mesa on the western slope of the Rocky Mountains. Fracking would be allowed near three state parks—James M. Robb-Colorado River, Vega and Highline, a migratory bird hot spot and the site of the "18 Hours of Fruita" mountain bike race. Leases also have been offered within a half-mile of a K-12 public school in De Beque and beneath Vega Reservoir, important for [wildlife](#), recreation, irrigation and hydroelectric power.

"Not only did the Bureau of Land Management move forward with these lease sales without looking at the climate effects of fracking, the agency also failed to examine its likely public health risks," said Kyle Tisdell with the [Western Environmental Law Center](#). "In addition, the agency failed to analyze or acknowledge the enormous water depletion drilling will impose on the Colorado River, already in low-flow conditions. BLM is simply drilling in the dark on these lease sales."

These areas would face toxic [air pollution](#), industrialization and potential spills and groundwater contamination from fracking operations. The BLM is using a shortcut called a "determination of NEPA adequacy" to bypass analysis of fracking harms required under the National Environmental Policy Act. This cursory review, [used with increasing frequency under the Trump administration](#), presumes that leasing complies with broad resource-management plans and delays site-specific review until drilling permits are requested, thereby ignoring NEPA's requirement to disclose impacts at the earliest possible time. The BLM routinely bypasses that promised review at the drilling stage and says that it can't block drilling once land has been leased to industry.

"BLM has reverted to a lease before you look policy that marginalizes the public, ignores environmental impacts, and violates the law—all for the benefit of oil and gas companies," said [Wilderness Workshop](#)'s Peter Hart. "We asked BLM to consider the impacts of these decisions and our requests were denied. Now we're asking a federal court to order the agency to comply with its legal obligations."

"Once again, Ryan Zinke's efforts to please corporate polluters are leaving American communities to suffer the consequences," said [Sierra Club](#) associate attorney Marta Darby. "Zinke wants to limit public input and hide the environmental and public health threats of this huge expansion of fracking in Colorado, but he is not above the law. We will continue to fight to ensure our communities are protected from the dangers of fracking."

The areas to be fracked include habitat for rare wildlife like peregrine falcon, spotted leopard lizard and burrowing owl. It also includes critical habitat for threatened and [endangered species](#), including the [Colorado pikeminnow](#) and two flowers, the [Parachute beardtongue](#) and [DeBeque phacelia](#). Fracking, which can use more than 20 million gallons of [water](#) per well, would threaten the pikeminnow and the Colorado River with spills and water depletions at a time when climate-driven drought is already reducing river flows throughout the Colorado River Basin.

"The water of the Colorado River Basin is essential for the 40 million people relying on it. The system is already strained from climate change and overuse," said Sarah Stock, program director with [Living Rivers Colorado Riverkeeper](#). "The last thing we need right now is to add more water hungry, polluting industry without the proper regulatory framework or public process in place to protect this priceless resource."

The administration's oil and gas leasing shell game is consistent with Trump's new "energy dominance" edict and [policies](#) directing the BLM to avoid NEPA analysis by prioritizing the use of DNAs when issuing oil and gas leases. The policy also limits or removes public notice and gives the public only 10 days to raise concerns.

Dascalu-Joffe and Kyle Tisdell of the [Western Environmental Law Center](#) are representing the Center for Biological Diversity, Wilderness Workshop, Living Rivers Colorado Riverkeeper and Sierra Club in the lawsuit.

[Colorado Fracking Company Wants to 'Silence' Opposition to Massive Drilling Project, Lawyer Says](#) *Mark Hand, ThinkProgress*

Hand writes: "A college student, a legal observer, and a videographer attended a protest at an oil and gas construction site in Greeley, Colorado in early March and all three are now getting sued by the company behind the massive project."

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