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Mesa Verde

by Judy Gilligan



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The DNR approved the name change in January and it became official then. The U.S. Board of Geographic Names got on board with the change last month. <http://strib.mn/2LnfGdl>

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## **Keeping the Inuit Way of Life Alive in a Changing World**      National Geographic

In Northeastern Canada, a traditional Inuit hunter, carver, and guide is watching the world change before his eyes. [Read the full story](#)

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## **GrantStation**

### *National Funding*

## **Support for U.S. Artists Attending International Festivals**

### **USArtists International**

USArtists International, administered by the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation, is committed to ensuring that the impressive range of the performing arts in the United States is represented abroad, and that American artists can enhance their creative and professional development through participation at international festivals. Support is available to American dance, music, and theater ensembles, as well as solo artists with fiscal sponsors, that have been invited to perform at significant international festivals and performing arts markets. Grants of up to \$15,000 are provided towards support of artist fees, travel, housing, per diem, shipping, and visa preparation. The upcoming application deadlines are September 7 and November 30, 2018, and April 3, 2019. Application guidelines are available on the Mid Atlantic Arts Foundation website.

## **Programs to Enhance the Lives of Young Children Funded**

### **Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood**

The Caplan Foundation for Early Childhood supports nonprofit organizations throughout the United States that offer programs that will significantly enhance the development, health, safety, education, or quality of life of children from infancy through seven years of age. The Foundation's areas of interest include the following: The Early Childhood Welfare category supports programs that research best child rearing practices and identify models that can provide caring environments to ensure all children thrive. The Early Childhood Education and Play category focuses on improving the quality of both early childhood teaching and learning through the development of innovative curricula and research-based pedagogical standards, as well as the design of imaginative play materials and learning environments. The Parenting Education category promotes programs that teach parents about developmental psychology, cultural child rearing differences, and health, prenatal care, and diet, as well as programs that provide support to parents. The Foundation's goal is to serve as an incubator for new, innovative projects and research that will have a nationwide impact. In that regard, the Foundation does not provide grants for the revision or implementation of existing programs or research, or for capital equipment, such as playgrounds. The upcoming deadline for letters of inquiry is September 30, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to learn more about the application process.

## **Grants to Protect Coastal Areas in the U.S.**

### **National Fish and Wildlife Foundation: National Coastal Resilience Fund**

The National Coastal Resilience Fund, an initiative of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation, strengthens natural infrastructure to protect coastal communities while also enhancing habitats for fish and wildlife. In this inaugural year, the Fund will invest in conservation projects that restore or expand natural features such as coastal marshes and wetlands, dune and beach systems, oyster and coral reefs, forests, coastal rivers, and barrier islands that minimize the impacts of storms and other naturally occurring events on nearby communities. Projects must be located within the coastal areas of U.S. coastal states, including the Great Lakes states, and territories. Project Planning and Design grants will range from \$100,000 to \$250,000; Project Implementation grants will range from \$500,000 to \$3,000,000. The application deadline is August 7, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to review the Request for Proposals.

## **Youth Environmental Education Projects Supported**

### **Project Learning Tree: GreenWorks!**

Project Learning Tree (PLT) is a national environmental program for educators and their students in grades pre-K-12. GreenWorks! is the service-learning component of PLT that provides grants of up to \$1,000 to PLT trained educators who assist students in the implementation of environmental improvement projects. Students help design projects to green their school or to improve an aspect of their neighborhood's environment. These projects make a difference in young people's sense of responsibility toward their communities, and in their understanding of their relationship to the environment. The funds can be used by students to initiate recycling programs at their school, conserve water and energy, establish school gardens and outdoor classrooms, improve a forest, restore a natural habitat, etc. The application deadline is September 30, 2018. Visit the PLT website to learn more about the application process for GreenWorks! grants.

## ***Regional Funding***

### **Funds for Affordable Housing Initiatives on the East Coast**

#### **TD Charitable Foundation: Housing for Everyone Grant Competition**

The TD Charitable Foundation is dedicated to sustaining the well-being of the communities served by the bank in Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Vermont, Virginia, and Washington, DC. The Foundation's 2018 Housing for Everyone grant competition focuses on the Expansion of Access to Affordable Housing. Support will be provided for programs that provide access to safe, clean, physically accessible affordable housing units for families, individuals, the elderly, new Americans, veterans, people with disabilities, women, and youth. The competition will also fund programs that educate and assist individuals in finding permanent or transitional housing opportunities that meet their needs. Twenty-five grants of \$125,000 will be awarded to the best applications received. The application deadline is August 31, 2018. Visit the bank's website to review the FAQs and submit an online application.

## **Grants Promote Healthy Beverages for Native Children in Minnesota and Washington**

### **The Notah Begay III Foundation: Water First!**

The Water First! grant opportunity, administered by the Notah Begay III Foundation, supports

Native American communities working to improve the health of children in Minnesota and Washington. Applications will be accepted from tribes and Native-led organizations in those states that specifically focus on the reduction of sugar-sweetened beverages and increase the consumption of healthy beverage alternatives (such as water, breastfeeding, indigenous teas, etc.) for Native children. One-year grants of \$15,000 will be provided for either a community health assessment or program implementation (based off previous work done on this issue). The application deadline is August 15, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to download the Water First! Request for Applications.

### **Programs for At-Risk Colorado Youth and Families Supported**

#### **[AJL Charitable Foundation](#)**

The AJL Charitable Foundation is committed to helping at-risk Colorado youth and families by supporting educational and humanitarian programs that provide the tools to help them succeed in life. The Foundation primarily supports nonprofit organizations and activities in the education and human services fields. Organizations with budgets under \$5 million are eligible to apply. Letters of inquiry may be submitted throughout the year; the upcoming deadline for invited proposals is September 28, 2018. Visit the Foundation's website to review the letter of inquiry guidelines.

### **Funds for Social Change Efforts in the Pacific Northwest**

#### **[Social Justice Fund Northwest](#)**

Social Justice Fund Northwest is a member-funded foundation working to strengthen grassroots efforts in the broad-based movement for progressive, systemic social change throughout Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. The Fund's Giving Project Grants provide general operating funds to support the day-to-day operations of grassroots community organizing groups working on struggles for justice, equity, and liberation. Grants are typically for \$10,000 per year for one or two years. The following programs have upcoming 2018 deadlines: August 23 for Environmental Justice Grants, September 6 for Gender Justice Grants, and September 13 for Black Led Organizing Grants. Nonprofit organizations and tribal governments are eligible to apply. Organizations that are not incorporated or fiscally sponsored may also be eligible to apply after consulting with the Fund's staff. Visit the Fund's website to learn more about each grant program and to review the application process.

### ***Federal Funding***

#### **Program Supports Work Skills and Service Learning for Youth    [Department of Labor](#)**

YouthBuild offers funding for organizations providing pre-apprenticeship services that support education, occupational skills training, and employment services for at-risk youth, ages 16 to 24, who are performing meaningful work and service to their communities. The application deadline is September 18, 2018.

#### **Funds Available to Address Homelessness    [Department of Housing and Urban Development](#)**

The Continuum of Care Program seeks to promote a community-wide commitment to the goal of ending homelessness, and provides support to re-house homeless individuals and families, promote access to and effective utilization of mainstream programs by the homeless, and optimize self-sufficiency among those experiencing homelessness. The application deadline is



September 18, 2018. [Funding the Fight Against Poverty in North America](#)

Cynthia M. Adams, GrantStation CEO, is offering a webinar for those of you working to reduce, even eliminate, poverty in your region.

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*“Religion is regarded by the common people as true, by the wise as false, and by rulers as useful.” – Seneca*



## **Decommissioning Nuclear Power Plants: What Congress, Federal Agencies and Communities Need to Know**

**Monday, July 16 2018 | 2 PM – 3:30 PM**

**Room HC-8, U.S. Capitol Building**

Please RSVP to expedite check-in: [www.eesi.org/071618nuclear#rsvp](http://www.eesi.org/071618nuclear#rsvp)

Live webcast will be streamed at: [www.eesi.org/livecast](http://www.eesi.org/livecast)

The **Environmental and Energy Study Institute (EESI)** invites you to a briefing on the urgent need to safely decommission nuclear power plants, which are increasingly shutting down. The United States is facing a significant wave of nuclear plant closures for which it is unprepared. Most of the existing U.S. reactor fleet will inevitably close over the next two decades, as plants near the end of their operational lifespans. Decommissioning is the process of dismantling the closed plant and securing or removing radioactive waste while lowering the site's residual radioactivity to safer levels. Getting decommissioning right is critical to communities' health and safety, while getting it wrong could pose an existential threat.

Leading scientists, policy experts, NGO advocates, and local elected officials with experience on decommissioning will speak at the briefing. It will cover the impacts of decommissioning, current decommissioning options, waste storage vs. transport, thorny unsolved problems and best practices, financing and liability, a just transition for communities and workers, how communities and states can and can't weigh in on these issues, and how they should inform the fast-changing legislative and regulatory landscape. Briefers include:

- **Mayor Al Hill**, of Zion, Illinois, home of the decommissioned Zion Nuclear Power Station
- **Robert Alvarez**, Senior Scholar, Institute for Policy Studies; former Department of Energy Senior Policy Advisor to the Secretary and Deputy Assistant Secretary for National Security and the Environment
- **Geoffrey H. Fettus**, Senior Attorney for Energy & Transportation, Natural Resources Defense Council
- **Kevin Kamps**, Radioactive Waste Specialist, Beyond Nuclear
- **Ian Zabarte**, Secretary, Native Community Action Council
- **Jackson Hinkle**, Member, San Clemente Green
- **Bob Musil (moderator)**, President and CEO of the Rachel Carson Council; former Executive Director, Physicians for Social Responsibility

More than 80 reactor communities, as well as countless communities along proposed radioactive waste transport routes in 75 percent of Congressional districts, will be profoundly affected by how decommissioning is handled. The potential for radiological contamination, accidents, and long-term environmental, public health and economic damage increases as plants are dismantled and radioactive materials are handled, moved and stored. Reactor communities risk becoming de facto stewards of stranded high-level nuclear waste, which poses local and regional threats. Yet, in most cases, shipping the waste can pose even greater threats. Communities will have to deal with the economic impacts of the legacy of reactor sites that can never be fully decontaminated.

The existing regulatory and legislative framework around decommissioning nuclear plants is insufficient to handle these issues, and in any case it is changing rapidly as Congress considers pending legislation (HR 3053 is just one example) and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission drafts new rules that will govern decommissioning and spent fuel disposition. The experts addressing this briefing have learned surprising lessons about decommissioning that Washington needs to hear as it makes key decisions the consequences of which we will live with for a long time to come.

*This briefing is co-sponsored by Beyond Nuclear, Ecological Options Network, Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Indian Point Safe Energy Coalition (IPSEC), Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC), Nuclear Energy Information Service (NEIS), Nuclear Resource and Information Service (NIRS), Riverkeeper, Safe Energy Rights Group, Unity for Clean Energy (U4CE), and others.*

**This event is free and open to the public. Contact Amaury Laporte at [alaporte@eesi.org](mailto:alaporte@eesi.org), (202) 662-1884**

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<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JDHvmRv8EoU&feature=youtu.be>

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A pair of bald eagles raising a hatchling near an East Bay school [have become internet video stars](#), and you can keep an eye on the family.

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### **Federal Water Tap**

**\$21 million:** Funding for 14 solar desalination projects, none of which is at commercial scale, that aim to reduce the cost of removing salt from water. ([Department of Energy](#))

### **Yes, We Aim to Repeal the WOTUS Rule**

The EPA and the Army Corps of Engineers submitted another notice that they do, in fact, want to repeal the Obama administration’s rule for which waterbodies are protected by the Clean Water Act.

The Federal Register [notice](#) provides the public with additional chance for comment, which is due by August 13. Submit comments at [www.regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) under docket EPA-HQ-OW-2017-0203.

### **Water Infrastructure Aid Bill**

Senate Democrats introduced the [CLEARR Act](#), a bill that provides \$1.5 billion dollars in grants over five years to rural towns and poor communities.

The bill also requires the EPA administrator to “develop a process” that protects drinking water quality for tribal, minority, and poor communities. Part of that process is quicker testing and reporting, a publicly available database with the results, more frequent inspections for violators, and technical assistance.

### **Reservoirs and the Endangered Species Act**

House Republicans introduced the [STORAGE Act](#), which amends the Endangered Species Act to prevent endangered species decisions from affecting reservoir operations. The legislation is part of a nine-bill package to amend the nation’s foremost species protection law.

The bill prohibits the Interior secretary from designating land or wetlands within a reservoir or canal as “critical habitat” for an endangered or threatened species.

### **House Passes Title Transfer Bill**

The [bill](#) allows the Interior secretary to transfer ownership of dams, canals, and other federal facilities to local governments, irrigation districts, or Indian tribes. Facilities that produce hydropower sold by a federal agency are not eligible.

Officials in the Bureau of Reclamation, which oversees these works, [are on board with the idea](#), arguing that current title transfer procedures are too complex and costly and that transfers relieve

the federal government from maintaining and upgrading old infrastructure. The House bill does allow Congress to veto a proposed transfer.

At least one Democrat [wants to ensure](#) that the transfer process is free from conflicts of interest, such as when Interior officials have worked with private sector clients that stand to acquire infrastructure.

Reclamation has transferred 30 projects since 1996.

### **Government Reorganization**

Congress is clearly interested in the Trump administration's plans to reshape the executive branch, a process that could consolidate agencies and department functions and affect water infrastructure and wildlife management.

Members requested that the Government Accountability Office identify key questions that they should consider in the organizational shuffle. The [GAO report](#) slots those questions into four broad categories: the goals for a reorganization, the process for developing the proposal, the process for implementing it, and the personnel needed to keep the new structure functioning.

Congressional Research Service, meanwhile, produced [a primer](#) on the legal authority that underpins executive branch reorganization. Though Congress holds the power to create departments, moves within a department can be up to the White House's discretion.

This week two Senate committees will hold hearings on the reorganization plan: [Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs](#) on July 18, and [Energy and Natural Resources](#) on July 19.

### **House Democrats Want EPA FOIA Details**

Having interviewed agency staff, House Democrats learned that EPA political appointees review Freedom of Information Act request that the agency deems are "politically charged."

Democrats on the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform are requesting documents from the EPA that relate to the agency's FOIA procedures.

A July 13 [letter](#) from Rep. Elijah Cummings to Rep. Trey Gowdy, his Republican counterpart on the committee, requests that Gowdy subpoena the EPA for the documents. The letter includes partial transcripts of an interview with Ryan Jackson, the EPA chief of staff, in which Jackson describes the agency's review process. Jackson confirmed that the agency is using a "first in, first out" approach, in which the oldest request are handled first, even if they (*not my sentence drop*)

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### **Plan Ahead Calendar**

**August 6-9 - I.H.S. 2019 Diabetes in Indian Country Conference.** Oklahoma City Convention Center, Oklahoma, OK. For more information click [here](#). August 14-18 - Save the date - SWIWC's Statewide Conference. Southwest Indigenous Women's Coalition. Gathering for Healthy Relations Statewide Conference. Wild Horse Pass and Casino, Chandler. For information click [here](#).

**August 22-23 - Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care's Community Health Representatives Policy Summit IV.** Prescott Resort and Conference Center. For more information click [here](#).

**August 28-September 3 - 93rd Annual White Mountain Apache Tribal Fair and Rodeo.**

**September 17-20 - National Indian Health Board's 35th Annual National Tribal Health Conference.** Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

**September 18-19 - 2018 Arizona Indian Education Stakeholder Summit.** Fort McDowell. Arizona Department of Education. For more information click [here](#).

**October 2-5 - Seeds of Native Health's 3rd Annual Conference on Native American Nutrition.** Mystic Lake Center, Prior Lake, Minnesota. For more information click [here](#).

**October 8-9 - Telemedicine and Telehealth Service Provider Summit.** Glendale. For information click [here](#).

**October 13 - National Native American Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.** Event held at Phoenix Indian School's Memorial Hall. For more information check the [website for more information and a survey for possible inductees](#).

**October 30-November 1 - Native American Fatherhood and Families Association's 15th Annual "Fatherhood is Leadership" national conference.** We-Ko-Pa Resort & Conference Center. Ft. McDowell, Arizona. For more information call (480) 833-5007 or email [them](#).

**November 7 - Native American Women's Conference, Women on the Rise.** Prescott Conference Center, Prescott. For more information click [here](#).

**January 10-12 - 2019 Native American Youth, Educators, and Employers (NAYEE) Conference.** Arizona Department of Education. For more information click [here](#).

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### **Wellness Warriors - NATIVE HEALTH's Children's Healthy Living Program**



The NATIVE HEALTH Wellness Warriors Program is currently looking for Native American children (ages 7-12) and their families who are interested in learning and promoting healthy living.



For more information or to RSVP contact Amanda via [email](#). There is a limit of 60 participants and reservations are required.

NATIVE HEALTH's Wellness Warriors staff just completed another Cooking Matters series of classes for families. We recently received this compliment, "First off, I just wanted to send another thank you for the amazing program you all offer to the community free of charge. My family and I have learned so much and it's brought an awoken consciousness of choosing healthy over fast and fatty. So thank you!" There will be two more upcoming sessions. Watch the newsletter and website for more information.

For more information or to participate please contact Amanda at (602) 279-5262 x 3457 or [via email](#).

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### **Study: 84% of road transportation could be green-electrified by 2050. Democrats should talk this up**

Dan Gearino writes and edits the Clean Economy Weekly newsletter for [Inside Climate News](#), the Pulitzer-winning news site. If you'd like to receive the newsletter, you can [sign up here](#). Here is an item from this week's edition:

This week the National Renewable Energy Lab issued [a report](#) on the factors that will affect the country's electricity demand through 2050.

Most of the major categories of electricity consumption are projected to have modest but steady growth. Then there is transportation, the ultimate wild card. The report shows that EVs would become 11 percent of the vehicle fleet under a base scenario, and range all the way to 84 percent of the fleet under a high-adoption scenario.

Everyone should care about this, because a high-electrification scenario means the country is swiftly moving away from gasoline and its



harmful emissions, a vital strategy in slowing climate change (provided, of course, the cars are increasingly being fueled by renewables and other low-carbon sources of power).

Electrifying transit also must include rail. An example of that already underway is the \$2 billion Peninsula Corridor Electrification Project of the commuter CalTrain between San Francisco and San Jose, California. Ground was broken on the project with gold-painted shovels last July. The first trains are expected to be delivered next year and begin running in 2021.

It's estimated the system will be able to move 80 percent more passengers than the current diesel operations, remove 619,000 vehicle miles a day from the state's roads, and cut 176 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions a year from the region.

Trains will be built by a Salt Lake City, Utah, contractor and assembled at numerous sites across the country. All told, the project is calculated to generate 9,600 direct and indirect jobs in 31 cities, 10 of them in California, and some as far away as Huntington, West Virginia.

More jobs, more passengers, lower operation costs, less pollution, less highway traffic, less noise. So what's not to like? The fact that this long-overdue project covers just 51 of the 140,000 miles of rail lines in the United States. What's needed if we are really serious about green transportation is a lot more. For example, this coalition supports the building of a [Steel Interstate System](#), a coast-to-coast, high-performance, green-sourced, electrified rail system.

The Chinese have been creating a 21st century infrastructure for more than a decade at a time when much of America's infrastructure is obsolete and rotting.

That's why it's excellent to hear Democratic candidate Stacy Abrams, who is running for governor of Georgia, talking about building a program of [Advanced Clean Energy Jobs](#). That is the sort of talk we should be hearing from Democratic candidates in every state. Because a 21st century infrastructure demands it. Neither Abrams's nor other candidates' or incumbents' plans would be substitutes to federal programs, but rather additions to and potential models for such.

Obviously, until Democrats have the necessary political clout in Congress—which means strong majorities—there will be little along these lines happening at the federal level. But that doesn't mean Democrats should hold their tongues about this. Voters need to know what the party would push in the realm of energy and green infrastructure once it has that political clout. Indeed, delivering plain talk about this could help them get that clout.



No Democratic candidates should have to be nudged into talking on the campaign trail about such matters. It should be as prominent as their talk about health care, education, and taxes. And it should be more than just talk.



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