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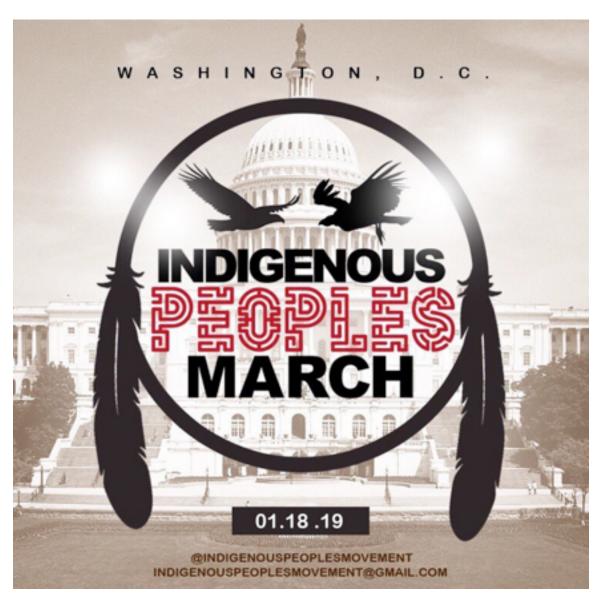
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First-Ever Indigenous Peoples March Will Fight Against Injustices Faced Across the Globe By Jessica Corbett

Raising alarm about human rights violations and the global <u>climate crisis</u>, activists from around the world are traveling to Washington, DC for the first annual Indigenous Peoples March, which will kick off at 8 a.m. local time on Jan. 18 outside the U.S. Department of the Interior's main building.

"It's wonderful—and needed, now more than ever—to see so many tribes and organizations coming together to raise awareness about the ongoing need to preserve and respect the rights of Indigenous peoples," said organizer Phyllis Young of the Lakota People's Law Project.

Launched by the Indigenous Peoples Movement, a newly formed coalition <u>dedicated</u> to fostering positive change on "issues that directly affect our lands, peoples, and respective cultures," <u>the march</u> will be preceded by a group prayer at 9 a.m. and followed by an evening fundraising concert at the Songbird Music House.

"Indigenous people from North, Central and South America, Oceania, Asia, Africa, and the Caribbean are a target of genocide," the organizers <u>charge</u>. "Currently, many Indigenous people are victims of voter suppression, divided families by walls and borders, an environmental holocaust, sex and human trafficking, and police/military brutality with little or no resources and awareness of this injustice."

More than 10,000 marchers are anticipated to descend on DC for the event, including people from Australia, Guatemala, Papua New Guinea, Canada, the Caribbean and across the U.S. Those interested in participating or supporting the march can check for updates on the official Facebook <u>event</u>, and are encouraged to post updates to social media using the hashtags #IPMDC19 and #WHYIMARCH.

Chase Iron Eyes, lead counsel for the Lakota People's Law Project, said in a statement on Wednesday that his delegation will also advocate for a Green New Deal—an increasingly popular proposal championed by the Sunrise Movement and other grassroots organizations as well as Rep. Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez (D-N.Y.) and a growing number of Democratic lawmakers that would pair climate and economic policies—"as a way to combat climate change and create green jobs, especially in Indian Country."

"It's going to be a beautiful day," he said of the march. "Our people are under constant threat, from pipelines, from police, from a system that wants to forget the valuable perspectives we bring to the table. But those challenges make us stronger. We look forward to gathering together and raising awareness. We must remind the world, again, that Indigenous people matter. We are all made better when we respect one another and lift each other up."

Iron Eyes' comments come just a day after global protests spurred by <u>outrage</u> over the Canadian government's support for TransCanada's plans to build a fracked gas pipeline through unceded Wet'suwet'en territory, despite opposition to the project from First Nations leaders. Public anger ramped up on Monday afternoon, ahead of the demonstrations, after the Royal Canadian

Mounted Police <u>invaded</u> a checkpoint established by Indigenous land defenders and arrested 14 of them.

Plans for the march also come amid growing concern over the presidency of Brazil's Jair Bolsonaro, who was sworn in at the beginning of the year and <u>has not wasted any time</u> launching attacks on the environment and Indigenous communities in his country.

As Common Dreams <u>reported</u>, "On his first day in office, Bolsonaro introduced an executive order that will effectively <u>take away land rights</u> for indigenous Brazilians and descendants of former slaves and <u>gave control</u> of Amazon lands to the agriculture ministry; eliminated LGBTQ rights from the purview of the country's human rights ministry; and set the <u>minimum wage</u> lower than the rate his predecessor's government had budgeted for."

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Native woman in coma gives birth at facility, DNA sought

A 29-year-old Native woman in a vegetative state who has given birth last month at the Phoenix-based medical facility Hacienda Healthcare has been confirmed by the San Carlos Apache Tribe to be an enrolled member. DNA is being sought from male staff.

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Does a treaty mean what it says? Supreme Court to decide

The question before the Supreme Court Tuesday is an old one. And a simple one. Does a treaty really mean what it says? Clayvin Herrera, Crow Nation, was exercising his hunting rights under the Fort Laramie Treaty of 1868 when cited by Wyoming. Read more newsmaven.io

NCAI Unveils Strategic Planning Opportunity for Tribal Workforce Development An NCAI planning and implementation opportunity for two tribal nations/Native organizations located in the following states: Idaho, Iowa, Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, and Washington

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) is pleased to announce a new initiative that will provide two tribal nations and/or Native organizations across eight states (IA, ID, MN, MT, ND, OR, SD and WA) the opportunity to design and implement strategic plans for their workforce development approaches.

Priority will be given to tribal nations and Native organizations who (1) have a history of prioritizing the development of their human capacity in order to achieve their long-term strategic priorities, and (2) are already working to integrate their workforce development, education, and economic development efforts. The NCAI-facilitated strategic planning process- using NCAI's new workforce development toolkit- will enable the selected applicants to empower these efforts and advance these priorities.

The Initiative: NCAI's Commitment

NCAI will provide the two selected applicants with the following services free of charge:

- A PRE-ASSESSMENT of the nations/organization's current approach to workforce development, in consultation with its leaders and key workforce development staff (February-March 2019)
- An ON-SITE, TWO-DAY STRATEGIC PLAN DEVELOPMENT SESSION facilitated by NCAI staff/consultants. The session will use NCAI's <u>strategic decision-framing toolkit</u> <u>on tribal workforce development</u> as the guide for the nation/organization's development of its plan (*March-May 2019*)
- ONGOING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE to support the nations/organization's implementation of its newly developed plan for following the on-site strategic plan development session (May 2019-October 2020)

The Initiative: The Applicant's Commitment

To be eligible for selection, application must commit to the following:

- Pass a formal resolution pledging the nation/organization's support of the application and, if selected the entire strategic planning process form design to implementation
- Designate tribal/organizational staff members ("tribal team") to serve as primary collaborators and points of contact with NCAI staff/consultants for duration of partnership (Spring 2019-Fall 2020)
- Make tribal/organization leaders and key staff available for teleconferences with NCAI staff/consultants prior to the on-site strategic plan development session for the purposes of producing the pre-assessment
- Designate tribal team to work with NCAI staff/consultants to lead logistical planning of on-site session
- Commit tribal/organizational leaders and key staff to attend (and fully participate in both days of on-site session
- Designate tribal team to work with NCAI staff/consultants to produce written report documenting the nation's strategic plan immediately following the on-site session
- Commit the nation/organization and its designated leadership and staff to carry out the key short-term (May-July 2019) and medium-term action steps (August 2019-October 2020) contained in the nation's strategic plan
- Make tribal team available to NCAI staff/consultants for bi-monthly check-in calls to monitor progress, discuss obstacles following on-site session
- Submit summary report to NCAI at end of partnership (October 2020) documenting
 action steps achieved, obstacles encountered and overcome, lessons learned, and next
 steps for the nation/organization's ongoing implementation of its workforce development
 strategic plan

Who is Eligible to Apply:

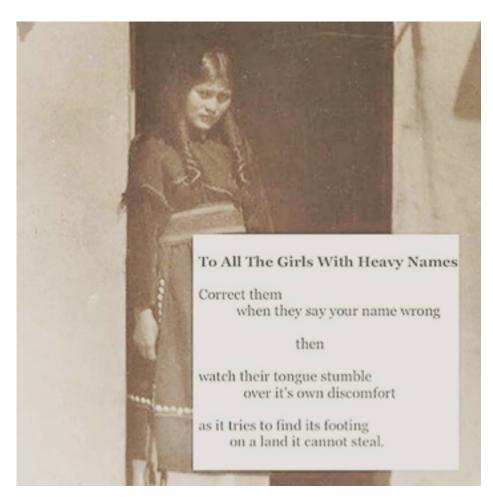
- (1) Tribal Governments
- (2) **Tribal coalitions that** *must* **include tribal governments and can feature other entities** (tribal economic development corporations, tribal colleges, Native community development financial institutions, etc.) engaged in workforce development efforts with those governments (3) **Native non-profit organizations**

When/How to Apply:

Those eligible should complete the <u>application form</u> by Friday, February 8, 2019. NCAI will notify applicants whether or not they have been selected by no later than Friday, February 22, 2019.

This initiative is made possible by support from the Northwest Area Foundation.

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Water Shorts

Arizona
lawmakers under
pressure to
approve sevenstate Colorado
River drought
plan before
federal deadline
By Jason Blevin,
Colorado Sun,
1/11/19

Years of drought planning between the seven Western states that rely on the overtaxed, climate-withered Colorado River comes down to Arizona lawmakers in the next two-and-half weeks. With a federal deadline of Jan. 31 for the states to forge a collaborative Drought Contingency

Plan, Arizona remains the lone holdout. The plans for each of the states — California, Arizona and Nevada in the Lower Basin, and Utah, Colorado, New Mexico and Wyoming in the Upper Basin — outline strategies for reducing demands on the Colorado River before water storage in the already record-low Lake Mead and Lake Powell drop to catastrophically low levels.

Nevada Supreme Court to decide fate of ban on Pahrump well-drilling

The fight over future water development in Pahrump is in the hands of the Nevada Supreme Court after a district judge struck down a move by state regulators to restrict residential groundwater wells in the town 60 miles west of Las Vegas.

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## Flood payouts to First Nations members in Manitoba, Canada, impacted by 2011 flooding are delayed due to insufficient documentation.

"I hope the ones that truly deserve compensation get it and I hope it happens soon." –Clifford Anderson, a member of the Lake St. Martin First Nation who was forced from his home during 2011 flooding in Manitoba. In 2018, a \$90 million settlement was awarded to First Nations members impacted by the flooding, but many of the subsequent claims lacked necessary documents. Lawyers representing the First Nations members are asking the court for an amendment to the settlement, which would allow more time to gather sufficient documentation. *CBC* 

Liane Shekter Smith, Michigan's former drinking water regulator, pleaded no contest to a misdemeanor charge related to investigations of the Flint water crisis. Smith was facing involuntary manslaughter charges, but the charges were dropped after she plead no contest to disturbance of a lawful meeting and agreed to testify against other defendants if needed. <u>Detroit Free Press</u>

*In context: Circle of Blue's coverage of the Flint water crisis.* 

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These \$2,000 solar panels pull clean drinking water out of the air, and they might be a solution to the global water crisis By Aria Bendix, Business Insider, 1/8/19

The global water crisis has wreaked havoc on communities around the world, from homes in Flint, Michigan, to megacities like Tokyo and São Paulo. The United Nations estimated that 2.1 billion people live without safe drinking water in their homes — a situation with severe health implications that can also limit economic prosperity. Citizens with access to clean water have a better chance of escaping poverty, fending off disease, and pursuing an education.

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#### Here's where California Christmas trees go to die

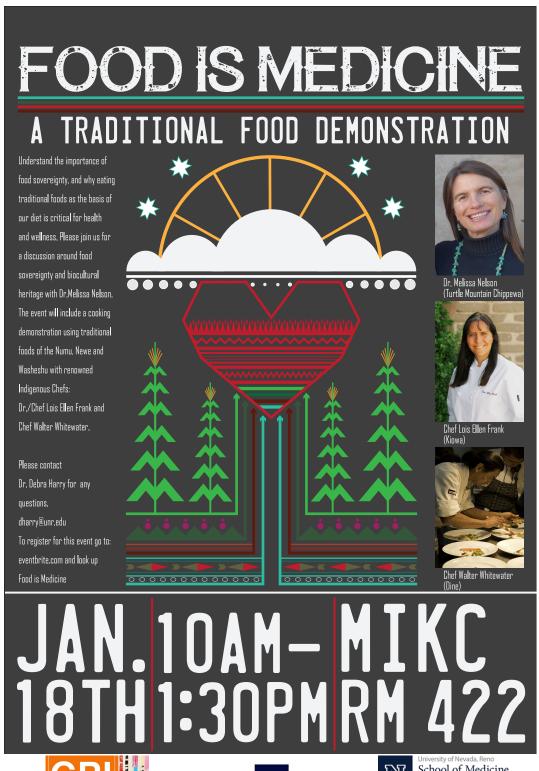
By David Ferry, San Francisco Chronicle, 1/10/19

Ever wonder where Christmas goes to die? If you said SantaCon or a Berkeley hills holiday party, you're close — but no cigar. Right now, outside local Fish and Wildlife offices in far Northern California, crinkly discarded Christmas trees are piling up. But unlike most of the sad arboreal vestiges of Christmas past, these select few trees aren't about to become mulch. Instead, the department's "fish improvement shop" in Yreka (Siskiyou County) will sink 200 or so old firs and spruces into state-managed waters. It's a move, ecologists say, that will create valuable fish habitat — and boost fishing, too.

**Nevada program to pair mentors with young women interested in STEM**Young female Nevadans interested in STEM careers will likely get a nudge in the right direction with the launch of a nationwide initiative in the Silver State.

As you know, our job here at Daily Pnut is to keep you updated everyday on everything happening in the world. So it should come as no surprise that we want to help protect the Earth and keep it spinning madly on. Did you know 94,000 trees are cut down in the US every day to make toilet paper and paper towels? This year you should make it your New Year's resolution to go tree-free with a little help from our friends at Grove Collaborative. Grove is the B Corporation that is changing the world with its beautiful and sustainable natural products – like Seedling, Grove's 100% tree-free paper towels, toilet paper and

tissues that are made from bamboo and sugarcane. <u>Spend \$20</u>, and they'll throw in a 30-day supply of household products for free.









#### Resources

**Lend a Hand Program** - The Lend a Hand loan program pays off high-cost car title loans up to \$3,000 for Maricopa County residents. The program is a partnership between the Arizona Community Foundation, MariSol Federal Credit Union, and Take Charge America. The goal of the program is to rescue residents struggling to pay off car title loans and help put them on a path to healthy credit and financial success. For more information, click <a href="here">here</a>.

**Home in Five Advantage** -The Home in Five Advantage program helps low and moderate income homebuyers by offering a competitive loan interest rate with a non-repayable grant for down payment and closing costs. Additional assistance is also available to qualified U.S. Military personnel, veterans, teachers, first responders, and individuals with an annual income up to \$31,450. For more information, click <a href="here">here</a>.

**WE R NATIVE** - Health text messaging service for American Indian and Alaska Native teens and young adults. Text NATIVE to 24587 for weekly health tips, contests, and life advice. Sponsored by the Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board.

**AZ Tribal Health Listserv** - UA, Mel and Enid Zuckerman College of Public Health. To sign up for the listserv click here.

Sesame Street Workshop, Little Children, Big Challenges: Incarceration. For information click here.

**Affordable Housing Locator** - For housing locations all over the United States. Click <u>here for more information.</u>

**VetTix** - Free tickets for veterans by registering your DD214. Vets only pay postage to send tickets to your home. Venues throughout the valley. For information click here.

**Food Insecurity Assessment Tool and Resource List** - Easy to use tool from I.H.S. to find out if patients/ clients have access to enough nutritious food. To view the document click <a href="here.">here.</a>

**My Native Plate** - Two page nutrition education tool, designed as a placemat. Easy to understand and shows balanced meals with reasonable portion sizes. For information click here.

**Healthy Native Youth** - Raising Healthy Native Youth Through Culturally Relevant Health Education. For information check the website.

**Tips for Staying Active at Any Size** - The National Institute of Diabetes and Digestive and Kidney Diseases has tips for increasing activity at any size. For information <u>click here.</u>

Use of Technology with Young Children - Departments of Health and Human Services and Education released a joint policy brief on the use of technology with young children to help families and early educators use technology to promote active, engaged, meaningful, and socially interactive learning. The American Academy of Pediatrics suggest for children younger than 18 months to avoid use of screen media other than video-chatting. Parents of children 18-24 months of age who want to introduce digital media should choose high quality programming, and watch it with their children to help them understand what they're seeing. For

children ages 2-5 years, one hour of technology use is appropriate per day, inclusive of time spent at home and in early learning settings and across devices. Another great resource for families is Common Sense Media.

Native American Children's Literature Recommended Reading List - For information click <a href="here">here</a>. For additional information on the <a href="here">American Indians in Children's Literature website</a> click here.

**City of Phoenix Open Doors Homeownership Program** - Assists first time home buyers with the purchase of an affordable home in the City of Phoenix. Based on need, the program provides up to \$15,000 to assist with down payment and closing costs. Must complete 8 hours of home buying education from US HUD certified housing counseling agency. For information click <a href="here.">here.</a>

**USDA Nutrition and Wellness Tips for Young Children** - Caregiver topics, handouts, and more. To download the documents click here.

**Double Up Food Bucks -** Double Up Food Bucks Arizona is a nutrition-based, federally funded program that helps people bring home more healthy fruits and vegetables, while also supporting Arizona farmers. The program doubles the value of SNAP (formerly food stamps) benefits used at farmers markets. Use your SNAP Quest Card at participating farmers markets and every dollar you spend is matched with an extra dollar to spend on more Arizona-grown fruits and vegetables, up to an additional \$20 in free fruits and vegetables per market visit. Double Up Food Bucks Arizona is currently available at 14 farmers markets, four farm stands and 34 Fresh Express Mobile Market sites across the state. Visit <a href="www.doubleupfoodbucksarizona.org">www.doubleupfoodbucksarizona.org</a> to find participating farmers markets including hours and locations or ask about Double Up Food Bucks at the information booth the next time you shop with your SNAP Quest Card at your favorite farmers market. Program of Pinnacle Prevention.

**Social Determinants of Health Screening Tool** - CMS developed a 10-item screening tool to identify patient needs in 5 different domains. Clinicians and staff can use short tool across spectrum of ages, backgrounds, etc. and is streamlined enough to be incorporated into busy clinical workflows. For more information click here.

**Labor's Community Service Agency - SHIFT Program**. Offers vehicles at a very low price to working poor families that have identified transportation as a major barrier to their long-term financial independence. Financial coaching and workforce development services through LCSA. For more information click here.

**Direct Home Loans for Native Americans Veterans Benefits Administration (VBA)** - The NADL program makes home loans available to eligible Native American Veterans who wish to purchase, construct, or improve a home on Federal Trust land or to reduce the interest rate. For information click here.

**Your Healthiest Self: Wellness Toolkits** - National Institutes of Health. For more information click here.

**Fee waived for homeless vets** - Arizona veterans struggling with homelessness will no longer have to pay the \$25.00 fee for a new driver's license or state ID, under a new law. To qualify for

the waiver, the Motor Vehicle Department will verify homelessness and veteran status. For information check the website.

'Catastrophic:' Minnesota's tribal communities face deep service cuts, tough choices as government shutdown drags on <a href="https://www.minnpost.com/national/2019/01/catastrophic-minnesotas-tribal-communities-face-deep-service-cuts-tough-choices-as-government-shutdown-drags-on/">https://www.minnpost.com/national/2019/01/</a> catastrophic-minnesotas-tribal-communities-face-deep-service-cuts-tough-choices-as-government-shutdown-drags-on/

#### Healing North Carolina Communities One Frame at a Time

by April Whittemore Locklear

Posted By Toyacoyah Brown June 27th, 2017 Blog

We all know the negative consequences of a self-fulfilling prophecy paired with historical



trauma. Such unwanted parents give birth to generations of doubt, confusion and the deadliest of all -FEAR. At times we fear our own power to the point that we try to mask it. However, we are fortunate to have a Digital Ro-Ske-rah-Kyeh-Neh (Warrior) in North Carolina that captures our very power. The power to BE, be in the moment and cherish each frame of life. John Whittemore. Tuscarora artist and activist began playing around with his iPhone 5 years ago. Since that time, he's celebrated thousands of views on Vimeo.

TUSCARORA POWWOW 2017 by

John (?ManiQ) Whittemore from John (ManiQ) Whittemore on Vimeo.

John uses social media and art as a way to motivate and heal our Indigenous Communities of Addiction, Colonialism, and bring attention to the Environment. As an NC Certified Peer Addiction Coach, John is a part of an addiction recovery team that inspires community members and links resources to those in need. In addition to community efforts, he filmed the North Carolina Longest Walk and local protest Atlantic Coast Pipeline. John is also a member of EcoRobeson and the Coalition of Woodland Indians Environmental groups. We do not always like to talk about our gifts. John helps each of us articulate our light thru his amazing videos. Words aren't needed when our actions inspire others to include our very own reflection.

<u>Program that pays workers \$10,000 to move to Vermont and work remotely is now accepting applications</u>

# In Remembrance Justin Temoke



May 31, 1983—January 5, 2019

Prayer Gathering

Burns Funeral Home

3400, 895 Fairgounds Rd, Elko, Nevada

Sunday January 13, 2019 11:00 am

Memorial Service & Internment to be held later

in the Spring.