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**We told her, "You're Beautiful" and this was her reaction. Isn't she Beautiful?**

Moosomin Elders Project - April 2019

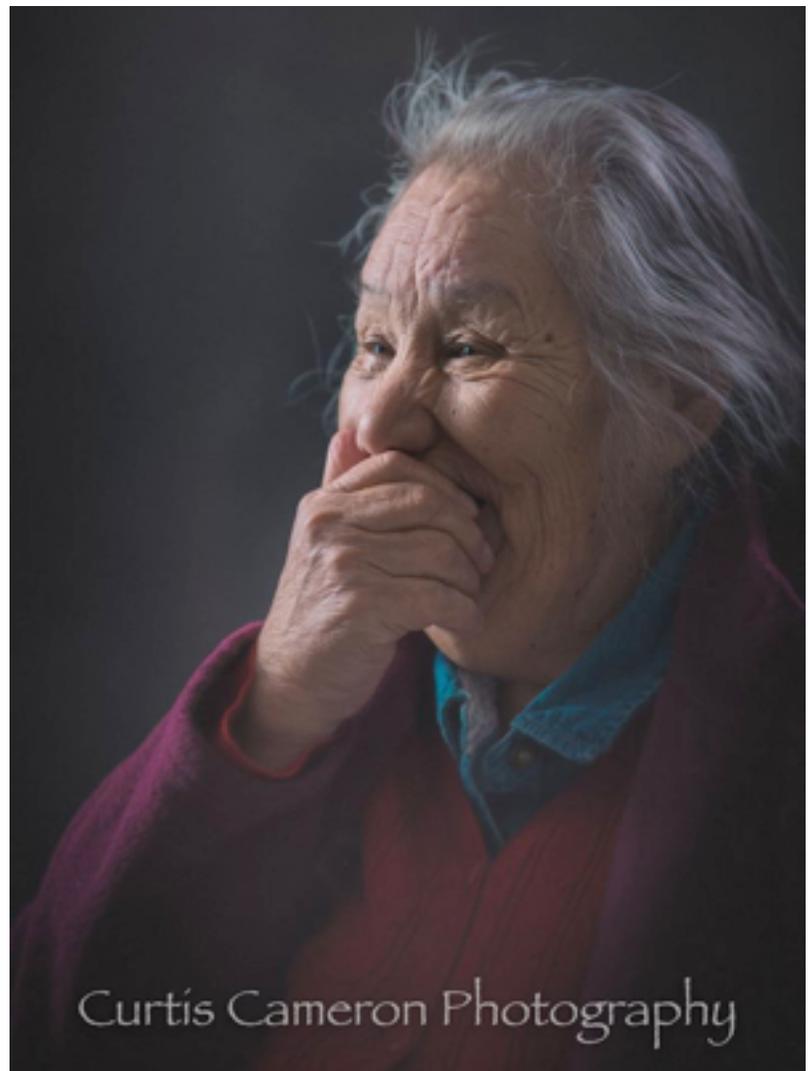
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**Congress measures conflict over drilling near sacred sites**  
ABC News

Advocates for greater restrictions on oil and natural gas drilling near ancient Native American cultural sites in the American Southwest are urging members of Congress to establish broader safeguards [Read the full story](#)

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**National Register of Historic Places Proposed Rule: Template Letter for Requesting DOI Consultation**



Dear THPOs, Partners, and Colleagues,

I hope that by now you have heard that the National Park Service is seeking public comment on [proposed revisions to regulations](#) governing the listing of properties in the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP). Public comment is being accepted for 60 days, closing on April 30, 2019. Information on the proposed rule and instructions on how to comment through official channels is available on [go.nps.gov/nhparegs](http://go.nps.gov/nhparegs).

The proposed rule oversteps DOI/NPS authority and contradicts the intent of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), proposing changes that would inappropriately and negatively impact the role of the Keeper of the NRHP, State Historic Preservation Officers (SHPOs), Indian tribes, historic properties and the public interest.

DOI has determined that this proposed rule will have no direct effects on tribes, and therefore no consultation is required. This claim is outrageous and fails to recognize that tribes often have substantial traditional cultural and ancestral connections to federal lands, and the proposed changes would adversely affect tribes' ability to protect sacred and significant cultural sites. Failure of DOI to consult with tribes on the rulemaking implicates tribes' relationship with the department, abrogates the department's trust responsibilities to tribes, and impinges on tribal sovereignty.

There are four ways you can take immediate action:

1. Submit comments on the proposed regulations by April 30. Your voice counts! Agencies are required to consider public comments during the rule-making process.
2. Download this [document to use as a template](#) to create your tribe's own letter to send directly to DOI requesting government-to-government consultation (using your tribe's letterhead and administration signature). If your tribe uses other language for requesting consultation, of course use that. I suggest also attaching this [pdf enclosure of NATHPO's more detailed statement](#) on this (referenced in the template letter). *\*\*Note that there are 4 individuals listed as "cc" after the signature line; I recommend sending 5 copies of the letter, one to each of the 5 names so it gets to their respective offices. The mailing address remains the same, but change the name and title at the top of each letter, and mail in a corresponding envelope.\*\**
3. Make it local. In your comments and letters, include examples of how the proposed regulations are likely to interfere with preservation needs in your community. Also, think about examples of a successful National Register listing, Section 106 review, or Historic Tax Credit development project that would have been thwarted by the new rules.
4. Share this information with your contacts and other historic preservation advocates and encourage them to submit comments by April 30, and send their own consultation request letters ASAP.

We ask that you **take action on this as soon as possible** to have the greatest chance of affecting this fast-tracked process. Please contact me at [valerie@nathpo.org](mailto:valerie@nathpo.org) or 202-628-8476 if I can provide additional information.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance, and for all you do to protect culturally important places that perpetuate Native identity, resilience, and cultural endurance, and to support and empower tribal preservation leaders in this work.

Sincerely, Valerie J. Grussing NATHPO Executive Director

**Indians 101** Indians 101 is a series exploring American Indian histories, cultures, and current concerns. More from this series:

[Indians 101: Sixteenth-Century Books About Indians](#)  
[Indians 101: Acoma Pueblo and the Spanish, 1539-1599](#)

[Indians 101: Disease and Indians in the 16th Century](#)

[Indians 101: 17th Century Books About Indians](#)

[Indians 201: D'Arcy McNickle, Novelist, Bureaucrat, Activist](#)

[Indians 101: Gertrude Simmons Bonnin, Writer, Musician, and Activist](#)

[Indians 101: Traditional Northern Plains Warfare](#)

[Indians 101: Sixteenth Century European Laws About Indians](#)

[Indians 101: Joseph Brant in Canada](#)

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[The Nevada Humanities Awards are on April 18. Check out today's featured awardee:](#)

**Melissa Melero-Moose is receiving a Humanities Rising Star Award from Nevada Humanities.** Melero-Moose is a mixed media visual artist, mother, and a Northern Paiute enrolled with the Fallon Paiute-Shoshone Tribe. She is currently a Peter S. Poole Research Fellow at the Nevada Museum of Art, where she is compiling a comprehensive archive for the Great Basin Native Artists. She is deeply committed to working with Native American artists, who live and work in the Great Basin, and is dedicated to preserving and promoting their work. You're invited to join us at the 2019 Nevada Humanities Award Ceremony on April 18, 2019 at the Nevada



Museum of Art in Reno.

Get your ticket and learn more: <http://bit.ly/2HMo32Q>

**Indigenous resistance to big oil on Native lands: Kos Liberation League Round-Up**  
<https://www.dailykos.com/story/2019/4/9/1842079/-Kos-Liberation-League-Round-Up-Indigenous-resistance-to-big-oil-on-Native-lands>  
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**Congratulate [Myron Dewey](#) for starting a new position as Professor at both Duke Univ. and Univ. North Carolina.**



**Saturday, JUN 1 AT 10 AM**  
**[Honored Elders Day 2019](#)      [California State Indian Museum](#) · Sacramento, CA**

The 42nd Gathering of Honored Elders.

It is our honor to acknowledge California's Native American Elders via this event held each year on the park grounds of the State Indian Museum.

We recognize, with highest regard, your perseverance in sharing, teaching, and otherwise carrying forward the traditions of your people. It is through your efforts that Native youth learn about their heritage, others learn the truthful history and experience of Native people in California, and California Indian culture remains dynamic and alive for future generations.

This event is FREE and open to the public. Come watch the dancers, eat an Indian taco, or shop from Native vendors. Please call (916) 445-8115 for more information. [See More](#)

## **More Funding Resources**

### **Rural Community Development Initiative (RCDI) Program**

Grants for qualified intermediary organizations to provide technical assistance and training to help nonprofit organizations and communities develop their capacity to undertake housing, community facility, or economic development projects. Priority will be given to applications that address USDA's goal to reduce the morbidity & mortality associated with Substance Use Disorder in high-risk rural communities. Specific Requirements Apply. **Application Deadline: June 5, 2019.**

### **Rural Business Development Grant Program: Technical Assistance for Rural Transportation Systems**

USDA RD funding to provide technical assistance and training to rural communities for improving passenger transportation services and/or facilities. **Application Deadline: June 25, 2019.**

### **Round 2 American Made Solar Prize: U.S. solar manufacturing**

DOE opens Round 2 for innovators. [Rules](#) and [Application](#). Advance solar technologies in the domestic market. To compete, entrepreneurial individuals and teams will take innovative ideas and transform them into concepts and then early-stage prototypes ready for industry testing. The competition challenges competitors to make progress and seek private-sector partnerships and investments, priming these solutions for market success. **Application Deadline: July 16, 2019.**

### **Community Facilities Technical Assistance and Training Grant**

USDA RD grant to intermediary organizations to provide technical assistance and training for rural organizations and agencies to identify and plan for community facility needs that exist in their area, and once those needs have been identified, locating public and private resources to finance those identified needs. USDA encourages applications that address USDA's goal to reduce the morbidity and mortality associated with Substance Use Disorder (including opioid misuse) in high-risk rural communities. **Application Deadline: June 10, 2019.**

### **Rivers, Trails, and Conservation Assistance Program (RTCA)**

NPS staff offer Technical Assistance with the [RTCA program](#). Projects typically support four focus areas: to build healthy communities through parks, trails, and outdoor opportunities; to conserve natural lands, rivers, and watersheds; to engage youth in outdoor recreation and stewardship; or to strengthen the organizational capacity of project partners. Contact the [Regional Program Manager](#) for application support. **Application Deadline: June 30, 2019.**

### **Home Depot Community Impact Grants Program**

Funding for nonprofit organizations and public agencies that are using the power of volunteers to improve communities, with a focus on veterans and diverse, underserved communities. Grants are given in the form of gift cards for the purchase of tools, materials, and services. **Application Deadline: Dec 31, 2019.**

### **Walmart Foundation**

Support for nonprofit organizations and agencies that work in one of the following areas: hunger relief and healthy eating, health and human service, quality of life, education, community and

economic development, diversity and inclusion, public safety, or environmental sustainability.

**Online Application. Application Deadline: Dec 31, 2019.**

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*“No one saves us but ourselves. No one can and no one may. We ourselves must walk the path.”*

*“Doubt everything. Find your own light.”*

*– Gautama Buddha*

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**Congress measures conflict over drilling near sacred sites**

In the fall of 2017 the crew making Netflix’s documentary Our Planet [recorded the tragic behavior of hundreds of walrus in Russia](#) that were climbing up high, rocky slopes overlooking a beach, only to then walk over the edge. “It’s the worst thing I’ve ever filmed,” said a cameraman on a behind-the-scenes video. Our Planet makes a point of saying what other nature series have not — the wonders they’re showing are endangered because of humans. Much of the planet’s excess carbon dioxide is concentrated at the North Pole, and temperatures are increasing faster there than anywhere else. Such warming has already caused the disappearance of 95 percent of the Arctic’s oldest sea ice. As the sea ice platforms became thinner and sparser, Pacific walrus have increasingly been forced onto solid land by the thousands. Experts say the walrus gather “out of desperation, not out of choice. A stampede can occur out of nowhere [making the animals] a danger to themselves.” And so they climb “to find space away from the crowds.” “This is the sad reality of climate change,” the documentarian said. “They’d be on the ice if they could.” (Atlantic)



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**How A Seed Bank Helps Preserve Cherokee Culture Through Traditional Food**

<https://www.npr.org/sections/thesalt/2019/04/02/704795157/how-a-seed-bank-helps-preserve-choerokee-culture-through-traditional-foods>

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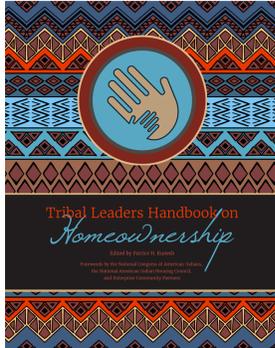
• **JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Opportunity to Join the Center for Indian Country Development Team** ~ Research & Engagement in Service of Native Communities – The Center for Indian Country Development is looking for a dynamic project manager with extensive knowledge and experience with Native communities to help us support economic development in Indian Country through actionable research and community collaboration. Please help us spread the word by sharing with your networks. **POSITION ANNOUNCEMENT**

## New Mexico Tribal Liaison position with the South Central Climate Adaptation

New Mexico Tribal  
Liaison Announcement

### Science Center.



Posted on [April 12, 2018](#) by [Kate Streit](#) | Last updated April 10, 2019

### **Mike Rowe offering scholarship for people who want to go to trade school**

If you or someone you know is interested in [a job in the trades](#) — such as [plumbing](#), electrical work or welding — former “Dirty Jobs” host Mike Rowe is offering a scholarship program [through his charitable foundation](#) that will offer money for skilled jobs training.

This is the fifth year in a row that the organization has offered its [work ethic scholarship](#), which is taking applications through June 4.

The amount awarded has not been specified in terms of dollars, but the organization refers to it as a “pile of money” and, [in a video announcing the 2018 scholarship](#), Rowe said the foundation has at least \$500,000 to give away.

Over the years, Rowe says the scholarship program has given away about \$5 million so far.

#### **Are You Eligible?**

There are a number of requirements in order to apply for the work ethic scholarship.

[According to The Penny Hoarder](#), applicants need to be a high school senior, graduate or GED recipient, who are enrolled, or planning to enroll, in a vocational [school](#) and planning to graduate after Dec. 1, 2018.

On the [official page for the scholarship contest](#), it states that all applicants must sign Rowe's "S.W.E.A.T. Pledge," a 12-point treatise designed to hold its signer to Rowe's own standards of what makes someone worthy of such a gift.

Applicants must also have at least two references, excluding family members.

They must also submit an essay about why they want to work in the trades and what makes them deserving of the scholarship, along with a short video that helps make their case.

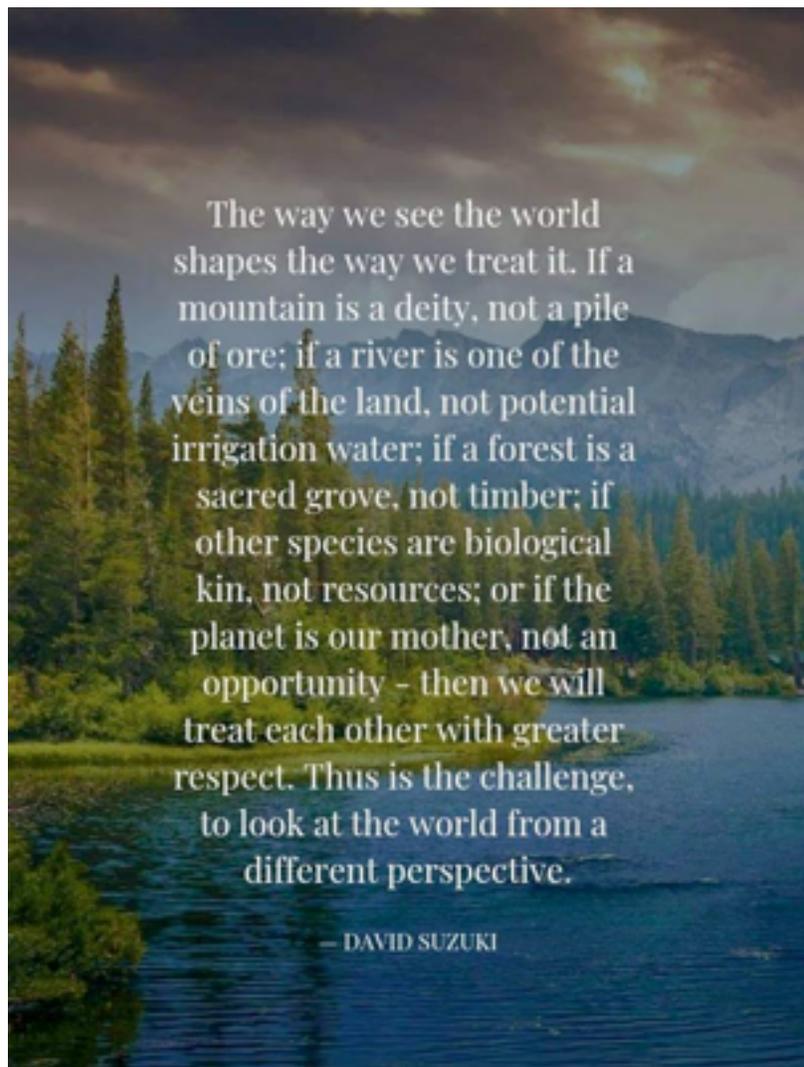
"Why are you drawn to the skilled trades? Why do you deserve to receive an award? Let us know any accomplishments or anything you do that shows that you believe in the S.W.E.A.T. Pledge," according to the scholarship website. "For example, do you volunteer, or were you an Eagle Scout? Do you put in extra hours helping other students or [mentoring kids](#)?"

Attendance records are not required but are preferred.

"Bottom line – work ethic scholarships are for people who are hungry to learn a skill that's in demand—it's for the people who wake up early, stay late, and bust their ass day in and day out. Naturally, people like this are hard to find, but they're out there," according to the scholarship website.

Do you have what Rowe's foundation is looking for?

Rowe's goal is to help people get trained for skilled job that actually exist, according to the foundation's website. He believes there's too much student loan debt and that we should challenge "the absurd belief that a four-year degree is the only path to success."



This is a topic Rowe is very passionate about – he frequently speaks about this idea in public.

“As CEO of the foundation ... Rowe spends a significant amount of time speaking about the country’s dysfunctional relationship with work, highlighting the widening skills gap, and challenging the persistent belief that a four-year degree is automatically the best path for the most people,” according to the site.

### **How To Apply**

If you meet the qualifications and are interested in applying, follow the link to sign up at the bottom of the [work ethic scholarship page on the foundation’s website](#).

Do you know someone who’s interested in trade work? Be sure to pass this along to them to help them pay for school!



*View looking southwest from the middle of Gabbs Valley. There's some mine tailings in the right foreground. The red hills are the southern end of Fissure Ridge. The small black peak on the left is in the Black Hills. Beyond is an unnamed alkali flat. Then comes Ghost Dance Ridge and the Agai Pah Hills, and finally, about 80km (50mi) distant, the Wassuk Range with Mt. Grant 3426m (11239ft) and Big Indian Mtn. 3072m (10080ft) towering above the western shore of Walker Lake (not visible). (Benchmark Maps rock!) [Bob Tregilus](#)*

**Implementing and Managing Tribal Recycling Programs course, June 25–27, 2019, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.** Course focuses on effective implementation & managing of Tribal recycling programs. This course features lecture, small group activities, a visit to a local Material Recovery Facility, and discussions with local recycling businesses, successful management strategies, and current challenges with recycling markets. To apply, contact Todd at [todd.barnell@nau.edu](mailto:todd.barnell@nau.edu).

**ITEP Onsite Mentor Program:** If your Tribe has a solid waste management activity that you need some assistance with, the ITEP Waste and Response Team is here to help you find that assistance through our Onsite Mentor Program. The ITEP Onsite Mentor Program assists Tribes in getting assistance from other Tribal professionals. Some solid waste management activities that make for good matches are: transfer station management, implementing recycling or

composting operations, minimizing hazardous substances in your waste stream, making tribally-owned facilities more sustainable, or other solid waste and source reduction activities. To request assistance with one of these (or other) activities, apply on the ITEP Mentor page ([http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Waste/waste\\_mentors](http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Waste/waste_mentors)). If your application is selected, ITEP will help to create a match and will facilitate the process from beginning to end, including planning phone calls, and providing funding to cover all travel expenses. The more information you include on this application, the better! **Applications for this quarter are due by April 15.** Contact Todd Barnell ([Todd.Barnell@nau.edu](mailto:Todd.Barnell@nau.edu)) or Julie Jurkowski ([Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu](mailto:Julie.Jurkowski@nau.edu)) for more information.

**Two Exciting Upcoming Courses: Tribal Recycling and the Popular UST Boot Camp!**

**Tribal UST Boot Camp Workshop May 14-16, 2019 in Green Bay Wisconsin.** This **“no tuition”** workshop provides in depth detail and hands on experience in assessing, inspecting and evaluating all facets of UST system installation and operation that includes:

- UST Regulations
- Latest Industry Updates
- UST System Components
- Leak Detection, Automatic Tank Gauging,
- Interstitial Monitoring
- Inventory Control and SIR
- Fuel Compatibility & Alternative Fuels
- Spill and Overfill Prevention
- Field Exercises demonstrating
- Pumps, Line Leak Detectors, Line & Tank Tightness Testing
- Knowledge assessment
- Demonstration of EPA on-line operator test

The Oneida Compliance Assistance Program and ITEP are offering limited travel assistance. Please indicate on the On-line Registration link that you will be requesting that assistance. **Register on-line by May 1, 2019** at [http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training\\_waste](http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_waste).

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[How Healthy is your County? | County Health Rankings](#)

## **The South Dakota Legislature Has Invented a New Legal Term to Target Pipeline Protesters**

*Andrew Malone and Vera Eidelman, ACLU*

Excerpt: "The government of South Dakota has made it very clear that it does not like people who protest the Keystone XL pipeline." [READ MORE](#)

## **Across the World, Youth Are Striking for Their Right to a Livable Planet**

*Ari Bee, In These Times*

Bee writes: "Gathered in the courtyard of a historic stone Presbyterian church in downtown Atlanta on a Friday afternoon, students ranging in age from 5 to 21 are fully aware they're missing class to be here." [READ MORE](#)

## **Environmentalists, lawmakers find compromise on pipeline bill**

Environmental groups have dropped their opposition to a bill they had originally blasted as way for the state to green-light a controversial plan to pipe water from eastern Nevada to Las Vegas after the bill was amended last week.



*Even flowers have a sense of humor*



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