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US Supreme Court Upholds Indigenous Treaty Rights In Wyoming Hunting Case
[Nate Hegyi](#) • May 21, 2019

The U.S. Supreme Court reaffirmed Native American treaty rights in a narrow ruling Monday in favor of a Crow tribal member who argued he was allowed to hunt out-of-season on traditional lands in Wyoming.

The case stems from a January 2014 incident when Clayvin Herrera went outside the boundaries of the Crow Indian Reservation in Montana and harvested several bull elk in northern Wyoming.

Hunting big game animals during the winter is prohibited under Wyoming state law. The state government penalized Herrera and fined him more than \$8,000.

But Herrera argued that he had the right to shoot those elk because of an 1868 treaty which [allowed the Crow tribe](#) to continue hunting on “unoccupied” lands outside the reservation boundaries in exchange for ceding most of its territory to the United States.

State trial courts, however, rejected Herrera's argument and said the treaty language was invalidated once Wyoming was granted statehood in 1890 and took jurisdictional control of those lands.

But the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the original treaty rights in a 5-4 decision.

“Wyoming’s admission into the Union did not abrogate the Crow Tribe’s off-reservation treaty hunting right,” wrote Justice Sonia Sotomayor in the majority opinion. “There is no evidence in the treaty itself that Congress intended the hunting right to expire at statehood, or that the Crow Tribe would have understood it to do so. Nor does the historical record support such a reading of the treaty.”

The ruling reaffirms tribal sovereignty in the United States, according to Monte Mills, co-director of the University of Montana’s Margery Hunter Brown Indian Law Clinic.

“[This] may embolden tribes to pursue and assert these rights in other areas,” Mills said. “But they are still going to be subject to review and interpretation.”

Justice Neil Gorsuch, a normally conservative vote on the bench, sided with the liberal majority in the 5-4 decision. This is the second time this year that Gorsuch has championed treaty rights on the Supreme Court.

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I hope everyone gets a copy of the Decision and Opposing Arguments. This case has tremendous implications for treaty tribes and those whose reservation was established prior to statehood for their particular locations. In Nevada, this has major implications regarding water rights....sdc

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Massachusetts Moves To Strike Its Flag As Offensive To Native Americans

by [jonathanturley](#)

We have been discussing the various statues, memorials, and dedications being struck around the country. I have been critical of some of these moves as erasing history that should be part of a broader understanding of all citizens. Now leaders are lining up to strike the Massachusetts flag because of its depiction of a Native American. Cambridge declared the flag recently as "offensive" and demanded its replacement.

'It's Raining Plastic': Researchers Find Microscopic Fibers in Colorado Rain Samples

By Brett Walton, Circle of Blue, 5/22/19

When Greg Wetherbee sat in front of the microscope recently, he was looking for fragments of metals or coal, particles that might indicate the source of airborne nitrogen pollution in Rocky Mountain National Park. What caught his eye, though, were the plastics. The U.S. Geological Survey researcher had collected rain samples from eight sites along Colorado's Front Range. The sites are part of a national network for monitoring changes in the chemical composition of rain. Six of the sites are in the urban Boulder-to-Denver corridor. The other two are located in the mountains at higher elevation.

Public Hearing on Fracking in Valley Not Recorded - 'I Feel Like The Process Is Rigged'

By Kerry Klein, KVPR, 5/22/19

"Absurd," "insulting," and "insane" were some of the many critiques levied during a public meeting in Bakersfield on Tuesday night against a recent Bureau of Land Management environmental analysis, which brings the agency one step closer to opening over a million acres of federal land to hydraulic fracturing. The analysis, a draft supplemental Environmental Impact Statement released in April, found no significant impacts associated with fracking the region, which includes land along parts of the Central Coast and in Kern, Fresno, Kings, Madera, and Tulare Counties. "The federal government has reaffirmed that hydraulic fracturing is a safe method of production in California," wrote a spokesperson for the Western States Petroleum Association in an email statement.

We're facing a climate crisis. These groups make it their mission to protect desert wildlife **By Ashley Breeding, Desert Sun, 5/23/19**

When you live in a beautiful place like the Coachella Valley – where the endless sky reflects the same ripe colors of the infinite landscape, and nature's scents and sounds permeate the air and soul – it's easy to take for granted that the desert will always be here, exactly as it is now. After all, for years we've wandered these dusty trails, showered beneath spring's waterfalls, and smelled the prickly pear and petrichor. We've crossed paths with bighorns and coyotes and rosy boas, and have found our own spirits in the wild. It's as if we expect Mother Nature to carry on in all her gentle splendor.

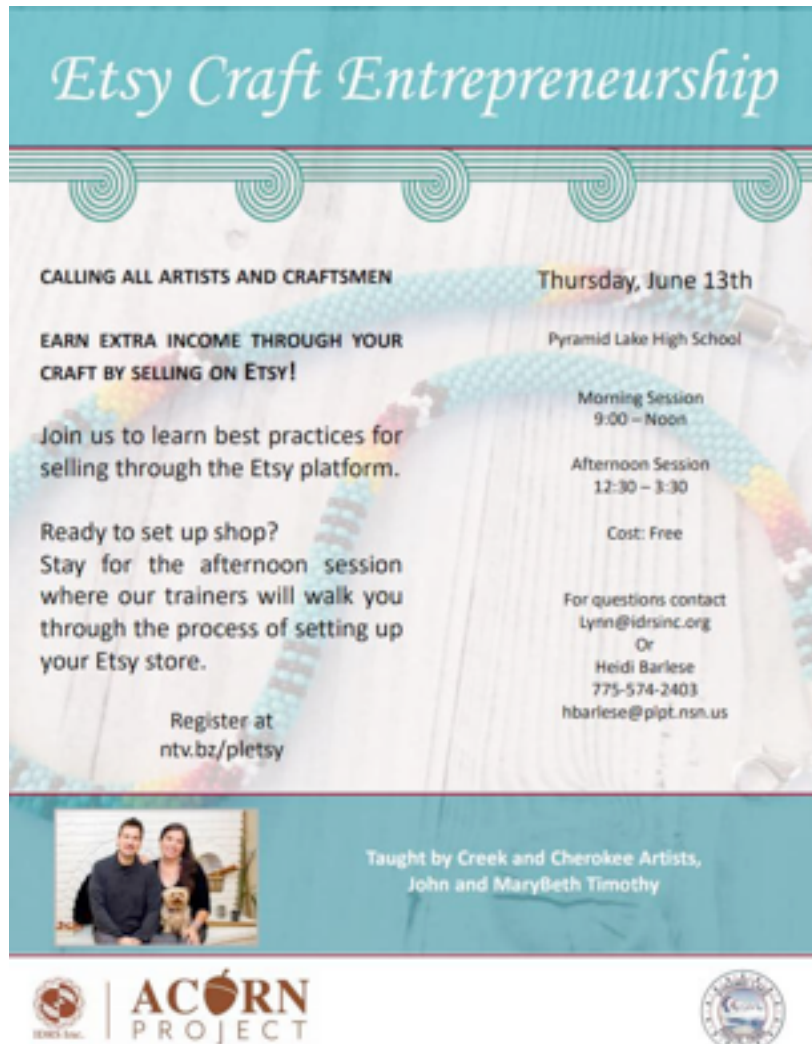
150 YEARS AFTER JOHN WESLEY POWELL VENTURED DOWN THE COLORADO RIVER, HOW SHOULD WE ASSESS HIS LEGACY IN THE WEST?

By Gary Pitzer, Western Water News, 5/23/19

Powell scrawled those words in his journal as he and his expedition paddled their way into the deep walls of the Grand Canyon on a stretch of the Colorado River in August 1869. Three months earlier, the 10-man group had set out on their exploration of the iconic Southwest river by hauling their wooden boats into a major tributary of the Colorado, the Green River in Wyoming, for their trip into the “great unknown,” as Powell described it.

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Interior Secretary David Bernhardt released \$106 million from the sale of public lands in Nevada – to Nevada. It only took two years. Gary Martin reports



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Taryn Holowka shares her thoughts on why USGBC events help make green living for everyone a reality.

This message is excerpted from the "LEED On" column in the spring 2019 issue of [USGBC+ magazine](#).

Every day, USGBC is working

to improve the living and working conditions of people. And we have spent the last several years growing and expanding the in-person interaction and touchpoints that bring people together. This year alone, [Greenbuild](#), the world's largest green building conference and expo experience, is taking place in China, Mexico, Brazil and Europe, in addition to Atlanta here in the U.S. And our regional U.S. events have become the places to connect in individual markets and will offer the opportunity for local leaders to come together and discuss solutions to the biggest problems affecting our society, including how sustainable buildings, cities and communities can positively impact human health and raise the standard of living for everyone. It is a platform to celebrate those who are working to make green buildings, green communities and green cities for all a reality.

USGBC events, along with our programs, volunteer opportunities and more, all serve to bring people together. Over the last 25 years, we've learned something crucial; we will only achieve our mission by bringing people to the table and meeting each individual where they are.

Green building has grown into a global industry, with LEED in 175 countries and territories across the globe and more than 3 million square feet of space certifying every day. This year has already led to new milestones for LEED with the launch of [LEED v4.1](#), which makes LEED the first green performance standard and the most comprehensive, collaborative, accessible and effective LEED system to date.

In addition, the USGBC community is stepping up with initiatives to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, expanding activities that impact human health and well-being, and devising effective solutions to life-threatening challenges in the U.S. and around the globe. LEED v4.1 is our chance to lead the market on all these fronts and will be a preeminent topic at all of our events.

The impact of buildings, cities and communities on people continues to be a priority for USGBC and across industries. We are expanding our green building efforts to ensure LEED is not only the de facto leadership standard, but also the preeminent [living standard](#). The state of the



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green building and sustainability market is ever-changing and holds immense promise for continued positive impact on our world's most overwhelming challenges.

Check out our 2019 events, and we hope to see you in a city near you!

Online education opportunities for the **USGBC South Atlantic and South Central regions** May and June bring many opportunities to earn LEED-specific CEUs. [Read more](#)

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The robots are coming. That's the consensus among groups like the Brookings Institute, which released a report earlier this year stating that 36 million existing jobs in the U.S. are at high exposure for automation in the future. While workers in affected areas such as food and clerical services see such trends as a threat, others view it as an opportunity... [Read more](#)



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Pipeline Activists Challenge Louisiana Law That Criminalizes Protest

MIKE LUDWIG, TRUTHOUT

Last August, Water Protectors and one journalist were arrested during protests against the Bayou Bridge Pipeline in Louisiana. They were charged with violating a controversial state anti-trespassing law that activists say attempts to chill protests against new fossil fuel projects. A lawsuit filed this week in federal court against the "anti-protest" law could set an important precedent for activists fighting fossil fuels

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What's Behind Lobbyist Attempts to Block Casinos on Indigenous Land?

CAMILLE ERICKSON, CENTER FOR RESPONSIVE POLITICS

President Donald Trump threw his weight against a bipartisan House bill last week that would affirm the Mashpee Wampanoag Tribe's right to 321 acres of land in Massachusetts. The House voted in favor of the bill, but the president's opposition warrants a look into his past links to casinos and the gambling industry.

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Water Shorts

[EPA Considers Options for Reuse and Discharge of Oil and Gas Wastewater](#)

— U.S. oil and gas companies are setting production records, while also pumping up enormous volumes of salty, chemical-laden water. The question now: What to do with the noxious water?

\$470 million Amount spent over the past 25 years on a pipeline project meant to bring water from the Missouri River to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, as well as several predominantly white communities, in South Dakota. Now, the U.S. government says the project is complete, but the piped water never reached the homes of many in the reservation. [The Guardian](#)



The United States is in the midst of an abnormally wet year, and countrywide drought levels are the lowest in years. In Washington state, however, dry conditions are spreading, with state officials declaring a drought emergency in nearly half the state. The state's water shortages are expected to worsen over the summer. [Pacific Standard](#)

“Ever since the Cognitive Revolution, Sapiens have thus been living in a dual reality. On the one hand, the objective reality of rivers, trees and lions; and on the other hand, the imagined reality of gods, nations and corporations. As time went by, the imagined reality became ever more powerful, so that today the very survival of rivers, trees and lions depends on the grace of imagined entities such as the United States and Google.” – Yuval Noah Harari

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[U.S. lawmakers move to protect historic Chaco Canyon from mining and drilling](#)

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Let It Go, Let It Go, Can't Hold That Grudge Anymore

According to the founder of the Stanford Forgiveness Project: "Holding onto a grudge really is an ineffective strategy for dealing with a life situation that you haven't been able to master."

- If effectively dealing with life situations means growing up, then grudge-holding is probably pretty immature. Plus, it can actually affect one's health.
- A 2006 study published in the Journal of Clinical Psychology suggests that "skills-based forgiveness training may prove effective in reducing anger as a coping style, reducing perceived stress and physical health symptoms..." that can affect immune and cardiovascular systems.
- Bolstering that theory is a study published this year that found anger carried into old age is associated with higher levels of inflammation and chronic illness.
- Bottom line: You too can [learn to discard those weighty old grudges](#) and enjoy a whole new bearable lightness of being. (NYT)

(However, this does not mean giving up on efforts to retain moral, cultural and legal rights.

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