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NCAI in Sparks, NV

Tribal Lands Working Group: Focusing on Federal Actions Affecting Tribes in Nevada Tuesday, June 25, 2019 1:30pm - 4:00pm Room: Sierra 1

The Tribal Land Working Group (TLWG) is broadly tasked with tracking and soliciting input on how to address various issues affecting tribal lands. During this session, NCAI will discuss the recent Department of Energy (DOE) and National Nuclear Security Administration shipment of weapons-grade plutonium to Nevada without notification. The TLWG will also discuss NCAI's energy permitting and coordination project that is intended to improve private-party energy developer's decision-making process, understanding, and respect for tribal input where there are potential impacts to off-reservation tribal resources.

Working Group Co-Chairs: Shannon Holsey, President, Stockbridge-Munsee Band of Mohican Indians; Co-Chair NCAI Tribal Lands Working Group Larry Wright, Jr., Chairman, Ponca Tribe of Nebraska; Co-Chair NCAI Tribal Lands Working Group

1. Welcome and Introductions (Invocation/Opening Prayer)

2. Short Announcements & Discussion

3. Main Discussion: Federal Activities Affecting Nevada Tribal Lands

Potential U.S. Air Force Expansion of the Nevada Test and Training Range into the Desert National Wildlife Refuge Fawn Douglas, (Las Vegas Paiute, Member), Board of Directors, Friends of Gold Butte

Yucca Mountain Update Ian Zabarte, Principal Man of Western Bands of Shoshone Nation of Indians

Anaconda Mine Clean-up Laurie Thom, Chairman, Yerington Paiute Tribe

The Indians' Capital City: Native Histories of Washington, D.C. | Insights:

Scholarly Work at the John W. Kluge Center

<https://blogs.loc.gov/kluge/2015/03/the-indians-capital-city-native-histories-of-washington-d-c/>

Native Peoples of Washington, DC (U.S. National Park Service)

<https://www.nps.gov/articles/native-peoples-of-washington-dc.htm>

Scientists Identify Exotic Birds Depicted in Peru's Mysterious Nazca Lines

The researchers argue that the non-native birds' presence must be closely related to the etchings' overall purpose

Read in Smithsonian Magazine: https://apple.news/Ay3YKWqTORD-q_Gdiirfcg

A US Senator Is Demanding the Smithsonian Remove the Sackler Name From One of Its Major Museums _____ By Taylor Dafoe

Oregon senator Jeff Merkley is targeting a museum founded by Arthur Sackler, who died years before the company that produced OxyContin was formed.

Italy Pledges to Lend 2,000 Ancient Artifacts to Brazil's Devastated National Museum

Kate Brown Art World

[Italian experts will travel to](#)

[Rio de Janeiro to assist in the restoration of artifacts salvaged from the museum's](#)

[ruins.....](#)after the [fire last September devastated](#) its the 200-year-old building. Around [90 percent of the collection](#) is estimated to have been lost or damaged. The most priceless item in

the collection, the remains of Lucia, the oldest human remains in the Americas, was luckily [retrieved](#) shortly after the fire. The National Museum was the largest natural history museum in South America, and one of oldest scientific institutions in

Brazil.

.....“Each piece is like a patient, it is necessary to take into account a series of factors to define how to act. Even the water used to put out the fire is one more element that can cause damages,” Canna told the Brazilian news site *Oglobo*. “A tragedy like the one that struck the museum could be transformed into an opportunity to raise public awareness about the preservation of these collections,” she said.

Introducing Zip Code Economies: A Podcast from the SF Fed - EVERY ZIP CODE HAS A STORY. [nytimes.com](https://www.nytimes.com)

The world today is divided about what is going on and how to move forward.

In this podcast from the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco, we share the stories of people navigating the unique economic situations in their communities. They face issues we hear about every day, but like the rest of us, strive to raise families, have careers, and make contributions.

At the end of the day, these stories are ultimately stories of people, their economies, and most vividly, their communities. They are then, by definition, stories of hope.



We broke down what climate change will do, region by region grist.org

Yeah, we read each chapter of the National Climate Assessment so you...

Massive 8,000-mile “dead zone” could be one of the Gulf’s largest

Record-breaking Midwest rainfall washed tons of fertilizer out to sea, contributing to a devastatingly large patch of polluted water, scientists say.

Read in National Geographic: <https://apple.news/A-kYPIUdpQTG7wcNeaoyISA>

“It is regrettable to me that the EPA has been dragging its feet on this issue, to the extent that Congress is compelled to act. But ensuring the public’s faith in their drinking water is vitally important.” — Sen. Shelley Moore Capito (R-WV) at a PFAS bill markup. Capito’s committee advanced the [legislation](#), which is a compilation of several bills. One provision requires the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to set a national drinking water standard for at least PFOA and PFOS, the two most-studied of the thousands of PFAS compounds. The bill package is being attached to a Defense Department spending authorization bill.



A group of Chiricahua Apaches on their first day at Carlisle Indian school, 1886. "Separating children and their families to 'kill the Indian to save the man' by sending Native children to boarding schools, and doing it in the name of religion, is one generation removed from my family," wrote Peggy Flanagan on Twitter. Flanagan, White Earth, was a successful candidate for lieutenant governor in Minnesota. "Trump's 'zero tolerance policy' is nothing more than a clear violation of human rights. We must learn from history. We must stand with immigrants and refugees."

Credit: John N. Choate/MPI/Getty Images

[Indian Country remembers the trauma of children taken from their parents](#) by

Mark Trahant pri.org



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<http://www.americanindianreporter.com/downloads/2019/AIR-July-2019.pdf>

The Back Issues are all here:

<http://www.americanindianreporter.com/downloads/back-issues/>

GrantStation

National Opportunities

Support for Climate Solutions Using Natural Lands

The Natural Climate Solutions Accelerator grant program, administered by The Nature Conservancy, supports projects with potential to substantially increase the use of natural climate solutions throughout the United States.

Social Justice Litigation Efforts Funded

The Barbara McDowell and Gerald S. Hartman Foundation aims to improve the economic well-being and social conditions of disadvantaged persons and groups in the United States by supporting nonprofit organizations that undertake systemic litigation.

Grants Strengthen Native-Led Organizations

Native Voices Rising, a project of Common Counsel Foundation and Native Americans in Philanthropy, is designed to support organizing, advocacy, and civic engagement in American Indian, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian communities.

Youth Outdoor Education Programs in the U.S. and Canada Supported

The BOGS Impact Fund, administered by the Outdoor Foundation, provides grants to nonprofit organizations across the U.S. and Canada offering outdoor education programs that encourage low-income and underserved youth to grow and learn outdoors throughout their lives.

Regional Opportunities

Funds for Communications Solutions Aiding Californians with Disabilities

Ability Central, formerly the Disability Communications Fund, supports projects and programs designed to benefit the communication needs of Californians with disabilities of all ages.

Grants Enhance Communities in Oklahoma and Colorado Springs

The Inasmuch Foundation is dedicated to the betterment of people, neighborhoods, and communities in Oklahoma.

Support for Health Initiatives Serving New Hampshire Children and Families

The New Hampshire Children's Health Foundation is dedicated to improving the health and wellness of New Hampshire's population, especially the vulnerable and underserved.

Projects to Enhance Ohio's Justice System Funded

The Ohio State Bar Foundation is committed to promoting public understanding of the law and to encouraging improvements in the justice system throughout Ohio.

Federal Opportunities

Grants Available to Help Pregnant or Parenting Youth

The Maternity Group Home Program offers support to provide safe, stable, and appropriate shelter for pregnant or parenting youth and their dependent children.

[Program Supports Work Skills and Service Learning for Youth](#)

YouthBuild offers funding for organizations providing pre-apprenticeship services that support education, occupational skills training, and employment services to at-risk youth while they perform meaningful work and service to their communities.

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## [American Public Transportation Association: Local Coalition Grant Program](#)

The American Public Transportation Association works to ensure that public transportation is available and accessible for all Americans in communities across the country. The Local Coalition Grant Program supports projects that focus on grassroots advocacy efforts that can help achieve specific state and local public transportation goals. [Learn more](#) about the funding guidelines and application process.

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*UC Santa Cruz **removed a mission bell historic marker** in response to activists who contend that the hundreds of such markers across the state glorify the Spanish missions' bloody history.*

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## [Yá'át'ééh from the Navajo Nation.](#)

I started reading Daily Kos in 2003. In 2004, created a user account to report about issues in Indian Country. The political process is so crucial to positive change on our reservations and for our urban Indians. Nearly all of my reporting was very well received by our wonderful community.

[Through Daily Kos, not only could I shed light on the issues affecting many reservations and tribes but I found a platform where I could organize real, impactful action. Now I am asking you, Elizabeth, to help Daily Kos reach its monthly goal of \\$100,000 by giving \\$5 today.](#)

In 2010, my blogging on indigenous topics [caught the attention of Keith Olbermann](#), then a news commentator on MSNBC, who focused two segments of "Countdown" on the winter ice storm disaster in South Dakota that devastated the Lakota Reservations. [Hundreds of thousands of dollars were raised](#) to help the affected tribes as a result. Before that our community raised thousands of dollars to deliver propane to Rosebud reservation in South Dakota, something we are very proud of to this day.

Other Native fundraising projects continued over the years. In 2014 [our community raised over \\$200,000](#) to get-out-the-vote on the South Dakota reservations. A great accomplishment of that GOTV effort was that Shannon County was changed to Oglala Lakota County through a ballot initiative. The Daily Kos community's financial support helped make that happen. Shannon county was named after a white judge who did land deals with



the Lakota in the 1800s and not to their favor, of course. Funding also went to building a voting infrastructure for this state's reservations.

Most recently, [this community raised \\$500,000 to GOTV in North Dakota in 2018!](#) North Dakota threw the reservations a curve ball requiring all Natives to have street addresses on their permanent ID in order to vote, less than 30 days before the election. This was done to suppress the Native vote since many citizens living on reservations have no street addresses and are remotely located, so the Post Office will only deliver to P.O. boxes. The money the Daily Kos community raised helped purchase ID printing machines, paid Natives to organize those who live on reservations to obtain street addresses and get to the polls. Again, all while building voting infrastructure for future elections. And it worked, on some of the reservations, voter turnout was up by 33% from 2016, and up 105% from 2014!

**[The Daily Kos community supports Indian Country! Help me continue this reporting of on-going Indigenous issues by contributing today.](#)**

Thank you for all you do,  
Neeta Lind, Director of Community at Daily Kos

*Neeta Lind is the Director of Community at Daily Kos, a position she has held since 2013. Neeta is responsible for developing projects to maximize the political effectiveness of our most valuable resource, the Daily Kos Community. She promotes the participation of Daily Kos users by creating and supervising various communities and community activities in order to build their engagement and participation on and offline.*

*Neeta is an enrolled member of the Navajo (Diné) Nation. She has been interested and involved in Indigenous issues and progressive politics for many years.*

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### **Fly Me To Our Doom, Let Me Tear The World Apart**

- Filed under the heading ‘Monumentally Bad Juju’ is the Peruvian government’s insistence on building its [gleaming new multi-billion dollar airport at the mouth of the Sacred Valley of the Incas](#), gateway to its historical architectural complex and the Citadel of Machu Picchu, one of the new Seven Wonders of the World. Thousands upon thousands of archaeologists, historians, anthropologists and conservationists believe the airport poses an irreversible threat to the already fragile ruins and unspoiled landscape of surrounding rural communities.
- Despite the outrage over the potential impact of a massive state-of-the-art international facility on the ancient site, construction is moving ahead on the new hub, which is expected to accommodate more than 78 million passengers a year. (NPR)

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### **Growing body of science links fracking to health hazards**

A group of scientists and doctors just published a comprehensive report on the impacts of fracking. **Read in Grist:** <https://apple.news/AF9IpQXDYT426F2lgQsCfvg>

## From NATHPO: Time-Sensitive Applications & Comments

### FY19 THPO Apportionment Grants

In February, the federal government passed a bill that funds the Department of the Interior for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2019 (ending on September 30, 2019), including appropriations for the Historic Preservation Fund (HPF). It provides a record \$102.66 million for the HPF, including a record \$11.735 million for THPO apportionments. Applications for THPO apportionment funding are now being accepted on Grants.gov. **Applications must be submitted by June 30, 2019.** There are numerous requirements and forms that, along with full instructions, are found on [NPS' THPO Grants page](#).

### FY19 Tribal Heritage Grants

The FY2019 Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO) for Tribal Heritage Grants has been posted on grants.gov! **Application Deadline: July 1, 2019.** Information on the NOFO can be found on under opportunity number P19AS00200 on [grants.gov](#), and also on the [STLPG web site](#).

### WHO IS ELIGIBLE:

Federally recognized Indian tribes  
Alaskan Native groups  
Native Hawaiian organizations defined as eligible applicants under the National Historic Preservation Act

### WHAT PROJECTS ARE FUNDED:

Locating and Identifying Cultural Resources – up to \$50,000  
Preserving a Historic Property listed on the National Register — up to \$60,000  
Comprehensive Preservation Planning – up to \$50,000  
Oral History and Documenting Cultural Traditions – up to \$50,000  
Education and Training for a Historic Preservation Program – up to \$50,000  
Historic Preservation Interpretive/Education projects – up to \$50,000



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### National Register Proposed Rule: Tribal "Consultation"

PS has published a [Federal Register notice](#) announcing its schedule for tribal consultation on its [proposed changes to the NRHP regulations](#). Written comments may be submitted **through July 8**, there will be a **consultation meeting on June 24** in association with NCAI Mid-Year Conference in Sparks, NV, and there will be a **webinar on July 1**.



We encourage you to revise and resend the letters you sent previously ([NATHPO letter here](#)). Consider clarifying that one group meeting and one webinar do not constitute robust and meaningful government-to-government consultation with sovereign nations, and specifying what would be acceptable.

### U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service: Rules for Religious Use of Feathers

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), has received a petition for rulemaking, which asks the Service to revise the existing rules pertaining to the religious use of federally protected bird feathers. The petition is being published pursuant to the terms of a settlement agreement entered into in 2016 by the United States with McAllen Grace Brethren Church and the Becket Fund for Religious Liberty. Any changes to existing rules will be subject to a public comment

period, and tribal consultation consistent with Executive Order 13175 and the Department of the Interior Policy on Consultation with Indian Tribes. The Service seeks [comments on the petition by July 1, 2019](#).



NATHPO is not taking an official position on these proposed changes or providing a template letter, recognizing that all of our members and stakeholder tribes may not share the same position on some of the nuances. NATHPO supports the possession and religious/ceremonial use of eagle feathers by Native American tribes, the American Indian Religious Freedom Act, and the Endangered Species Act.

### **2019 NATHPO Conference!**

**Elton, Louisiana, August 26-30**

**Save the Date for the NATHPO 21st Annual Meeting, to be graciously hosted by the Coshatta Tribe of Louisiana the week of August 26. More info to follow as planning progresses. We will want your input in creating an agenda that serves you!**

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[Try watching this video on www.youtube.com](#), or enable JavaScript if it is disabled in your browser.

### **The New Nature of Learning: sierra nevada journeys**

Sierra Nevada Journeys is a 501(c)3 nonprofit that delivers innovative outdoor, science-based education programs for youth to develop critical thinking skills and to inspire natural resource stewardship. Through multiple points of contact, our classroom-based programs, overnight science camps, professional development for teachers, and parent engagement opportunities surround students with resources they need to succeed. All programs are designed to foster higher cognition and build long-term student achievement.

- Summer Camp
- [Overview](#)
- [Register for Camp](#)
- [Overnight Camps](#)
- [Day Camps](#)
- [Helpful Information](#)
- [Links](#)

### **Summer Camp 2019**

**Overnight Camps, Ages 8 to 17**

**Day Camp, Ages 6 to 12**

### **New Sessions Added in July**

We've expanded Weeks 5 and 6, July 14 - 19 and July 21 - 26. More campers can now attend Camp Classics and Pathfinders — these are our overnight, week-long camps. Also, we've added two weeks of Day Camp. See below for details.

[Try watching this video on www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com)

Campers participate in all the classic camp activities such as archery, kayaking, swimming, arts and crafts and Grizzly Creek Ranch's unique challenge course. Also, we have camper's choice where the kids get to choose which activities they enjoy most and have extra time with doing the things they love.

### **Overnight, Week-Long Summer Camp Sessions**

AGES 8 - 13 Click on camp names below to learn about each session, cost and links to registration. Camps run from Sunday afternoon to Friday morning.

**IS THE SESSION YOU WANT FULL? then, JOIN THE WAITLIST.**

If a session is full, you may join the waitlist. As openings become available (and they often do as plans change), we'll give you a call. To join a waitlist, [register for camp](#), and select the various sessions you'd like to reserve. If you have any questions, please call us at 530-832-1085.

#### [Camp Classics](#)

**WEEK 1: JUNE 16 - 21; OPEN FOR GIRLS; Full for Boys**

**WEEK 2: JUNE 23 - 28; Full, please pick a different session**

**WEEK 4: JULY 7 - 12; OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS**

**WEEK 5: JULY 14 - 19; Full for Boys; OPEN FOR GIRLS**

**WEEK 6: JULY 21 - 26; Full for Boys; OPEN FOR GIRLS**

**Join the waitlist if your preferred session is full. The waitlist names will be processed in order received.**

#### [Color Olympics](#)

**WEEK 3: JUNE 30 - JULY 5; OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS**

#### [Pathfinders - New Sessions Added](#)

**WEEK 5: July 14 - 19; OPEN FOR BOYS; Full for Girls**

**WEEK 6: July 21 - 26; OPEN FOR BOYS; Full for Girls**

**WEEK 7: JULY 28 - AUGUST 2 - Full; join the waitlist or pick a different week**

**WEEK 8: AUGUST 4 - 9 - Full; join the waitlist or pick a different week**

### **OVERNIGHT, WEEK-LONG, TEEN CAMPS AGES 14 - 17**

Happening simultaneously with regular summer camp sessions and designed exclusively by teens at the 2018 Teen Reunion camp. Camps run from Sunday afternoon to Friday morning (except Counselor-in-Training).

Click on the camp names below to learn about each session, cost, and links to registration.

#### [Teen Summer Retreat](#)

**WEEK 1: JUNE 16 - 21; Full, join the waitlist or select a different camp**

#### [Leader-In-Training](#)

**WEEK 2: JUNE 23 - 28; Full; join the waitlist or select a different week**

[Teen Color Olympics](#)

**WEEK 3: JUNE 30 - JULY 5; FULL; please join the waitlist or select a different week**

[Counselor-In-Training](#)

**WEEK 4 & 5: JULY 7 - 19 (TWO-WEEK SESSION); Full for Girls, OPEN FOR BOYS**

[Teen Survival Camp](#)

Includes Trips to Nearby Campgrounds

**WEEK 6: JULY 21 - 26; OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS**

[Trailblazers](#)

**WEEK 7: JULY 28 - AUGUST 2; OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS**

**WEEK 8: AUGUST 4 - 9; OPEN FOR BOYS & GIRLS**

Day Camps

Ages 6 - 12

Week 5: July 15 - 19

Week 6: July 22 - 26

New for 2019, Day Camp sessions for children that would like to spend time with us at Grizzly Creek Ranch, but not quite ready to attend our overnight, week-long summer camps.

[Learn More About Day Camp](#)

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Chas Macquarie of Citizens' Climate Education, has alerted us to an event called **Threats and Opportunities of Climate Change in Western Nevada**: Implications for businesses and the recreation economy. Date & time: Thursday, June 27th, 6:00 – 8:00 PM (Doors open at 5:30). Venue: Room 103, Reynolds Center for Technology, Western Nevada College at the north end of the campus, accessed via Combs Canyon Rd. Chas appreciates that this event is the same night as the second night of the Democratic presidential debates, but he's hoping that people interested in climate change will record the debate for later viewing and attend the event at WNC.

**From the press release:** Join eminent scientists Dr. Charles Goldman, Dr. Sudeep Chandra and other panelists to learn about the local impacts of droughts, floods, fires and warming temperatures on the regional economy and future generations. There will be an opportunity to ask questions during the open discussion portion of the program. The event is free and refreshments will be provided. For more information contact [cclcarsoncity@gmail.com](mailto:cclcarsoncity@gmail.com).

Download the event flier [here](#).

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[83 Environmental Rules Being Rolled Back Under Trump](#)

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[rollingstone.com](http://rollingstone.com)