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The time will soon be here when my grandchild will long for the cry of a loon, the flash of a salmon, the whisper of spruce needles, or the screech of an eagle.

But he will not make friends

with any of these creatures and when his heart aches with longing, he will curse me.

Have I done all to keep the air fresh?

Have I cared enough about the water?

Have I left the eagle to soar in freedom?

Have I done everything I could to earn my grandchild's fondness?

- Chief Dan George, Tsleil-Waututh (1899 - 1981)



# Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Stewart, Nevada

While at the Stewart Indian School, the Wungnemas built the two churches used by the students, the Stewart Baptist Church and the Corpus Christi Catholic Church.

According to the Corpus Christ Catholic Church Web site, "<u>http://</u> www.ccchurchcc.org/our-story.html,

"On 15 of June, 1949, the Bureau Indian

Affairs granted the Catholic Bishop of Reno permission to use an acre of land at the Stewart Indian School in Stewart, Nevada, to use as a mission and school. Later that year, with the help of Native American stonemasons Joe Burkeheart and Randy Wungnema, construction commenced on a 2900 square foot building. The design of the new church was by Ferris & Erskine, Architects. By May of next year, the church was ready, and the first mass was celebrated by Bishop T.K. Gorman.

Stone for the church was taken from the Federal quarry east of Carson City. The church owes its unique look to the fact that the inside mortar was mixed with brick dust, and the outside mortar was mixed with coal dust."

The Corpus Christi Web site names Joe Burkeheart as one of the stonemasons. However, members of the Wungnema Family say the correct name is Joe Buckhart.

The original church building on Snyder Avenue was returned to the Washoe Tribe on February 1, 2016, intact, except for the altar, which was removed. Both the altar and all sacred items were moved to the new church in Douglas County.



# The Trail Of Tears: Government-Approved Ethnic Cleansing That Killed Over15,000 Native Americansallthatsinteresting.com

*American Progress* by John Gast depicts "manifest destiny." Though the term wasn't coined until 1845, the idea was very much in place by the 1830s and the impetus behind the Trail of Tears.

"You know, it really is amazing to be back in the Permian basin. I was in West Texas not long ago and got to see firsthand the incredible, incredible drive toward American energy independence that's happening here. It's truly inspiring. And as I leave here today — and let you all find a little shadier or cooler place to be — I want to tell you, in my heart of hearts, I believe there's only two things that stand in the way of a boundless energy future, a future of American energy independence. The first is, we need to pass the [U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement]. And that's going to open the door to a boundless future of American energy. That's number one. And second, we need to stand up and speak out with one voice. As we see this energy renaissance happening all across America, we have to reject the radical climate change agenda that is wanting to turn America's energy clock backwards. Am I right? We've got to say 'yes' to America's energy independence and 'no' to the Green New Deal." — Vice President Mike Pence speaking in Artesia, New Mexico to promote the U.S.-Mexico-Canada trade agreement, which the administration wants Congress to pass.

#### **Greetings from Sierra Club Borderlands**

It has been a busy summer for our work on trying to protect the borderlands. As you know, the Trump administration is trying to build walls in many parts of the borderlands -- through wildlife refuges, national monuments, and even the San Pedro River. Unfortunately, wall is being erected in New Mexico right now and construction could start any day in Organ Pipe National Monument, plus there are walls going up along a section of the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge in Texas. Other areas have a reprieve until October, but that is not much of one. This construction is being accommodated by the waiver of important laws, including environmental laws, and via diversions of dollars from the military to this border wall debacle.

After the U.S. Supreme Court lifted the stay on the transfer of military funds to border wall construction, it appeared that construction would start any day in the San Pedro River, Cabeza Prieta National Wildlife Refuge, and more. That has been <u>delayed</u>, <u>however</u>, <u>until October</u>. Meanwhile, the stakes are in the ground in Organ Pipe National Monument and construction could start any day and more wall construction has started in New Mexico. Learn more about that <u>here</u>. Despite specific prohibitions from Congress, it appears that <u>border wall is also being constructed along the Santa Ana National Wildlife Refuge</u> too.

Sierra Club and Southern Border Communities Coalition (SBCC), represented by the American Civil Liberties Union, are continuing with our challenge to the diversion of these dollars to build these unlawful walls in the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals and the Center for Biological Diversity has also filed litigation challenging the walls.

For more information contact Sandy Bahr at (602) 253-8633 or <u>sandy.bahr@sierraclub.org</u>

#### By request/repeating:

https://www.hcn.org/issues/47.16/a-displaced-california-tribe-reclaims-sacred-land A wonderful article about the Maidu indians reclaiming Humbug Valley.

**<u>Consider Your Impact: Perspective from the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe</u>** journal.burningman.org

The future of food: Why farming is moving indoors (BBC)

### Less Snow, More Rain: How Tahoe's Climate Balance Could Be Shifting By Capital Public Radio, 8/22/19

The iconic image of Lake Tahoe is of a clear, blue lake surrounded by stunning snow-capped mountains. But that picturesque sight could look very different by the end of the century due to climate change. Those snowy mountains we're used to seeing could lose their white tips. And this would mean a major transformation for life in Tahoe and beyond. It may seem obvious, but for water to fall from the sky as snow, it needs to freeze first. This means that as temperatures warm, more rain will fall than snow in Tahoe, according to a draft climate vulnerability assessment of the Lake Tahoe Basin.



**Extremely Rare Pink Dolphin Gives Birth To Pink Calf** disclose.tv Pink dolphins are considered to be one of the rarest types of dolphins in...

#### National American Indian Housing – Native Asset Building National Summit www.nativeassetbuilding.com

HUD's Office of Native American Programs is pleased to announce our 4th National Native Asset Building Summit will take place September 17-18, 2019 at the Seneca Niagara Hotel located in Niagara Falls, New York. "Asset Building: A Pathway to Economic Self-Determination" provides an opportunity for Native asset building practitioners to network and get up to date information on self ...

Oppressive language does more than represent violence; it is violence; does more than represent the limits of knowledge; it limits knowledge."

— Toni Morrison, Nobel Lecture December 7, 1993

# Teacher's viral 'baggage activity' brought her students to tears

"This starts my 22nd year of middle school. Yesterday was quite possibly one of the most impactful days I have ever had."

Karen Wonderlich Loewe posted this. Here's what she wrote:

I tried a new activity called "The Baggage Activity".

I asked the kids what it meant to have baggage and they mostly said it was hurtful stuff you carry around on your shoulders.

I asked them to write down on a piece of paper what was bothering them, what was heavy on their heart, what was hurting them.

No names were to be on a paper. They wadded the paper up, and threw it across the room.

They picked up a piece of paper and took turns reading out loud what their classmate wrote.

After a student read a paper, I asked who wrote that and if they cared to share.

I'm here to tell you, I have never been so moved to tears as what these kids opened up and about and shared with the class.

Things like suicide, parents in prison, drugs in their family, being left by their parents, death,

cancer, losing pets (one said their gerbil died cause it was fat, we giggled ) and on and on.

The kids who read the papers would cry because what they were reading was tough. The person who shared (if they chose to tell us it was them) would cry sometimes too.

It was an emotionally draining day, but I firmly believe my kids will judge a little less, love a little more, and forgive a little faster.

This bag hangs by my door to remind them that we all have baggage. We will leave it at the door.

As they left I told them, they are not alone, they are loved, and we have each other's back.

I am honored to be their teacher.

----Karen Wunderlich Loewe

What a great lesson for 3rd graders to learn.Heck what a great lesson for everyone to learn.We may think we're alone.We may think we're the only one's hurting.But we're not.We all have baggage.And there will always be people out there who have your back if you're not afraid to share.

### <u>Philippines passes law requiring students to plant 10 trees if they want to graduate</u> brightvibes.com

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# States With Fracking Bans Are Still Building Fracking Infrastructure

# JEN DEERINWATER, TRUTHOUT

While the U.S. as a country lags behind several European countries when it comes to bans on fracking gas, individual states like Vermont, Washington, Maryland and New York have passed bans on fracking. However, the bans are not comprehensive and allow certain types of fracking, as well as the construction of fracking infrastructure that's used to transport fracked gas. <u>Read the Article  $\rightarrow$ </u>

# AGS ships first Orion Upright cabinets to tribal casinos

The first AGS Orion Upright cabinets with dual LED screens and USB ports have made their way to casino floors in Connecticut, California and Oklahoma.

# Death and Destruction: This Is David Koch's Sad Legacy

*Alex Kotch, Guardian UK* Kotch writes: "Koch Industries, a private company, is the United States' 17th-largest producer of greenhouse gases and the 13th-biggest water polluter." <u>READ MORE</u>

# **IDA Enterprise Documentary Fund Development Grant Application Guidelines**

Application open July 1 - September 2, 2019. For more general information about the fund, please visit our FAQ <u>here</u> or watch the recorded live stream conversation and Q&A with the Grants Department <u>here</u>. Contact <u>grants@documentary.org</u> with any questions pertaining to your project's eligibility or the application process in general.

# **Mission and Objective**

The IDA Enterprise Documentary Fund provides development funds to documentary projects taking on in-depth explorations of original, contemporary stories and integrating journalistic practice into the filmmaking process. Inclusion and diversity, both in terms of the filmmaking team and subject matter, are a priority of the fund.

# Eligibility

- Applicant must be the director and/or a producer who shares creative and editorial oversight of the project.
- Applicant must be a US citizen or permanent resident and 18 years of age.

- Applicant must have a proven track record working in non-fiction audio or film (features or shorts), but a directing and/or producing credit is not necessary.
- Project must be in research and development. Projects that have completed significant production are not eligible.
- Subject may be domestic or international.
- Final project may be a short, feature, series, audio, VR or other emerging documentary film format.
- Film must be intended to reach a large and broad audience (a broadcast commitment is not necessary).
- Journalistic practice must be integral to the project, with a commitment to fairness and accuracy. Journalistic practice is broadly defined and may include, but is not limited to, extensive research, accessing public records, an accountability or investigative approach, the need to protect sources or media, a heavy reliance on facts, or navigating hostile environments.
- Stories must be contemporary and of an urgent or critically important nature. Biographies and historical films will only be considered if they have a clear contemporary angle.
- There are no restrictions on style, aesthetics or treatment.
- Applicants must submit an online sample of their previous work and if available a sample from the proposed project.
- Grant requests may be up to \$15k.
- The applicant is not required to be a member of IDA.
- The applicant is not required to have nonprofit status or fiscal sponsorship.
- Student films are ineligible.

#### Application Opens: July 1, 2019 Deadline: September 2, 2019 (11:59pm PST)

# To Apply:

- 1. Click on the application. You will be asked to register with Submittable, which involves entering contact information and choosing a username and password.
- 2. Fill out the brief online application. You can save it and return to it as often as needed until you are ready to submit.
- 3. You will need a narrative proposal (pdf) and and filmography or resumé (pdf). See the Proposal Checklist below for details.

4. Applicants must submit an online sample of their previous work. You can submit any length, but only 15 minutes will be viewed. If available, we encourage you to submit a sample from the project you are proposing, but this is not required.

#### **Proposal checklist**

Please prepare a narrative <u>No photo description available.</u>proposal and line item budget as outlined in the proposal checklist. Read the guidelines and proposal checklist carefully, making sure to note which items are required and which are optional. The proposal checklist is compatible with the <u>Documentary Core Application Project</u>, but has additional supplementary questions. Please carefully revi<u>No photo description available.</u>ew the Enterprise checklist. **2019 development cHECKLIST** 

#### **Submission Portal**

We welcome applications from all IDA members and non-members. A documentary.org user account iNo photo description available.s not necessary. Grant applications are accepted and processed through Submittable.com. Please create a separate user account on Submittable. IDA membership logins will not work in conjunction with the application process. If you are experiencing problem logging onto Submittable, please reset your password through the following link: <a href="https://manager.submittable.com/account/forgotpassword">https://manager.submittable.com/account/forgotpassword</a>. APPLY HERE

# From GBRW: Help Prevent the State of Nevada from Permitting a Polluting and Water Wasting Mine

State Environmental Commission to Hear Great Basin Resource Watch Arguments Opposing State Mine Permit September 4, 2019 – 9:00 AM

Send Comments in Support of the Appeal BEFORE September 4

Sample letter below Add your own touches to make it unique

#### Reasons to oppose the mine permit:

• GBRW has determined that the mine will create water pollution for hundreds of years requiring treatment of toxic water in perpetuity

- The mine plan does not admit or address the perpetual pollution aspect.
- Nevada Waters of the State will be degraded and the plan is inadequate to prevent this contamination

GBRW analysis indicates that the mining pit lake will be much more toxic than indicated in the mine plan. There is no plan to address the toxicity of the pit lake.

• The formation of a pit lake with no "beneficial use" as defined in Nevada law will result in wasting water in a region where water is at a premium.

The nearby community to host the mine has not been informed as to the full environmental and community consequences of the mine project.

#### Hearing details:

September 4, 2019 - 9:00 AM Tahoe Conference Room

(Second Floor) Richard M. Bryan Building 901 South Stewart Street Carson City, Nevada

[Please send a comment letter (best by email) to the Commission.]

Attention: Valerie King To: The Commissioners Re: NDEP motion to dismiss GBRW appeal of Mount Hope Moly Mine Water Pollution Control Permit email: <u>vking@ndep.nv.gov</u> fax: (775) 687-5856

Address: State of Nevada, Division of Natural Resources, State EnvironmentalCommission901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

#### [Sample Letter]

State of Nevada, Division of Natural Resources, State Environmental Commission 901 South Stewart Street, Suite 4001 Carson City, NV 89701-5249

Re: Water Pollution Control Permit No. NEV2008106, Eureka Moly, LLC – Mount Hope Project pursuant to NAC 445B.8913.

August 2019 Dear Commissioners,

I am very concerned about the permitting of the Mt Hope mine outside of Eureka, Nevada. This mine would be one of the largest in Nevada and will have significant effects on the region and community. That community is largely ranchers and farmers dependent upon a clean environment and access to water. The state needs to be sure that the mine will not be a long-term source of pollution and upset the delicate balance of water use in the region.

I understand that the public interest organization Great Basin Resource Watch (GBRW) has raised serious issues regarding the consequences of the mine as currently planned. Their technical assessment points to a scenario of water pollution potentially lasting hundreds of years and the formation of a mining pit lake that will be of very poor water quality. Basically, GBRW is saying that the technical analysis underpining the mine plan is incorrect.

Apparently the state environmental protection agency generally agrees with the analysis provided to them by the mining company. Therefore, it seems that we have two conflicting conclusions. One based on information developed by contractors directly paid by the company, and the other a perspective of a non-profit public interest organization. The Commission must decide which to accept, which may be difficult to determine. I would expect a public interest organization to be less biased, which makes me lean towards the protestant's position. And then I found out that the organization's position was developed by an expert with many years of geochemical analysis experience, who once worked for contracting firms that provided analysis for mining companies. That really got my attention. The expert was not fired and simply retired from that work as I understand, so he would have no reason to be biased, it seems to me.

It seems prudent that, before the mine goes forward, that the state be absolutely sure about the analysis presented by the mining company. People facing serious illness often consult more than one doctor to be sure about a diagnosis and treatment. Perhaps this situation is similar. The development of a large mine is a consequential situation and since a credible critique is available shouldn't the state seek a second opinion by a trusted independent expert? I think that that mining company, Eureka, should pay for an independent technical assessment, i.e. a third analysis, to determine the potential for perpetual pollution and evaluate the water quality assessment of the mining pit lake. If the independent analysis confirms what the protestants have found, the mine plan should either be changed to avoid perpetual pollution or developed to manage the pollution and mining pit lake to the satisfaction of the directly affected community.

I expect that the agency staff has good knowledge and experience with permitting mines, but the analysis required here is very specialized, according to all knowledgeable parties. Sometimes it should be necessary to have an expert run an independent analysis with calculations and modeling to be sure of what to reasonably expect. I worry that if the mine planning is based on incorrect analysis then if/when problems arise at the mine it's too late to deal with them with the best possible solutions.

I learned that this mine could develop acid mine drainage, which once started can go on for centuries. Can this situation be avoided? Do the people who live near the mine site know of this? I question that the mining company is prepared to manage this and other problems if they are not admitting to this possibility.

I strongly urge you to consider sending the agency back to clarify this situation and get that second opinion paid for by the mining company. Sincerely,

[include your address and email address

If you have nothing to do this weekend: (But remember Numaga PowWow)

Chief Arvol Looking Horse: Prophecies, World Peace, and Global HealingWellesleyCollege1:12:39 Now playing

The Story of the Sacred Pipe | Story of God National Geographic 3:31

America's Great Indian Nations - Full Length Documentary - 3689QuestarEntertainment54:35 Now playing

Lakota Health & Culture Week 1 Part 1 sintegleskautube

Hopi Messenger - Thomas Banyacya, Sr. (1909-1999) Sacred Land Film Project 11:53

Tasunke Witko (Crazy Horse): A Documentary FilmWo Lakota31:24

Will The Lakota Tribe's Black Snake Prophecy Come True? Thom Hartmann Program

<u>9:01</u>

<u>Voices of Standing Rock - Chief Arvol Looking Horse</u> Confluence Documentary 4:59

LIFE LAKOTA | The Cheyenne River Reservation Vativ Media 15:15 Now playing

