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### Lance West

*It's heartbreaking to read the final environment impact statement prepared by the Navy for the Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization. Here's the link to . . . [See More](#)*

### Elveda Martinez

*This is going to impact our traditional lands, pinenut picking areas, hunting lands and wilderness areas forever. The Navy is making it sound like we'll be able to enter these lands when they're not training. That might be 50 days out of the year, but once it becomes contaminated with live ordnance no one will be allowed. This is 660,000 acres of land that will be fenced off.  
(click to enlarge)*

Cultural Resources

Fallon Range Training Complex Modernization  
Final Environmental Impact Statement  
January 2020

Table 3.11-8: Summary of Impacts and Conclusions for Cultural Resources

Summary of Impacts and National Environmental Policy Act Determinations	
<b>No Action Alternative</b>	
Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Decommissioning, decontamination, and reuse of the closed range could potentially affect cultural resources present in the FRTC.</li><li>A decision to allow the FRTC land withdrawal to expire would have no direct effects on cultural resources because federal management of the area would continue.</li></ul>
Impact Conclusion	The No Action Alternative would not result in significant impacts on cultural resources.
<b>Alternative 1</b>	
Summary	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Navy would implement protective measures and negotiated mitigations for ground-disturbing activities and munitions noise for NHRP-eligible cultural resources and potential TCHP/sacred sites within the ranges in accordance with an amended PA and the ICRMP.</li><li>Access for ceremonial, cultural, and academic activities and procedures for site visits would be allowed, dependent on the Navy's training and safety requirements, however, due to potential loss of access documented in comments received from Indian tribes, the Navy concludes limiting tribal access to cultural resources may result in significant impacts.</li><li>Noise and vibration associated with sonic booms have the potential to result in negligible-to-minor damage to caves, rockshelters, or rock formations containing petroglyphs as well as adobe walls and stone structures. Procedures are in place for identifying, evaluating, and protecting such resources as defined by an amended PA and the ICRMP.</li></ul>
Impact Conclusion	Under Alternative 1, the Navy anticipates that, with avoidance of known cultural resources and implementation of the other mitigation measures discussed in the chapter above, impacts to cultural resources would be lessened to less than significant levels. Access to cultural resources within the FRTC would be managed and not eliminated. Given the proposed access MOU has not been finalized and the high degree of concern with respect to potential loss of access documented in comments received from Indian tribes, the Navy concludes limiting tribal access to cultural resources may result in significant impacts.

**[An emotional Tohono O'odham Nation chairman told lawmakers Wednesday that blasting on sacred sites in national monuments to build a border wall near his reservation has "forever damaged our people."](#)**



**[Blasting sacred sites for border wall 'forever damaged' tribes | Cronkite News - Arizona PBS](#)**

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**[Witness list for hearing on Trump administration destroying sacred sites for border wall](#)**

[The House Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States will be discussing the Trump administration's destruction of sacred sites at a hearing in Washington, D.C. indianz.com](#)

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**[Please see: Indians' pipeline blockade disrupts rail travel in Canada](#)**

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**[Author explores heavy emotion behind the removal of Native independence](#)**

Two years ago, Louise Erdrich succumbed to a nasty bug and took to her bed for a time. She slept, she daydreamed and she finally rose with a conviction that her next novel could be found in letters that her grandfather, Patrick Gourneau, had written in a particularly tumultuous period of his life.

“The Night Watchman” is a fictional story constructed around the real-life 1950s history of the attempt of the U.S. government to “terminate” the rights of Native Americans to their lands, assets and their sovereignty.

Erdrich’s grandfather was the chairman of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Advisory Committee, even as he held down a job as a night watchman at a local manufacturing plant. Unpersuaded that this was the “emancipation” for Indians that members of Congress claimed it was, he quickly saw the federal resolution for what it was: a move to strip Native people of their remaining independence.

In the novel, we sit with Thomas Wazhushk through his solitary hours as he guards the plant and strategizes about how to fend off the termination. We meet his daughter Patrice, or “Pixie,” as she embarks on a dangerous quest to find her sister. And we travel with the next generation — Wood Mountain, a young boxer, Patrice’s dear friend, Valentine, and the book-smart Millie, who is brought into the tight circle of the family.

More than 100 tribes lost land to the termination policy, although 78 would regain it. Erdrich confides in the novel’s afterword, “Much of this book was written in a state of heavy emotion, as I remembered the grief my grandmother and mother’s siblings suffered as the continued political fights took their toll and my grandfather’s health began to suffer.”



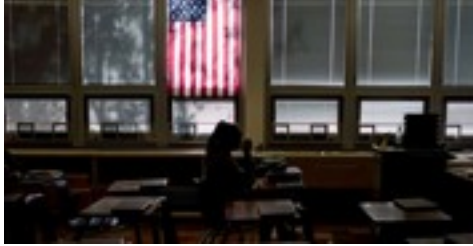
**[Will the Appalachian Trail Stop an \\$8 Billion Pipeline?](#)** By WILL HARLAN  
It’s up to the U.S. Supreme Court.

**[Canada Oil-Sands Plan Collapses Over Politics and Economics](#)**  
By CLIFFORD KRAUSS

A developer has abandoned a nine-year effort to extend mining, sparing Justin Trudeau a choice between energy interests and environmental concerns.



[A bookkeeping change at the department will cut thousands of dollars in aid to some of the poorest, most isolated schools in the country.](#)



**[Education Dept. to Cut Off Federal Funding for Some Rural Schools](#)**

[A bookkeeping change at the department will cut thousands of dollars in aid to some of the poorest, most isolated schools in the country.](#) [nytimes.com](http://nytimes.com)

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**'Anchor for the East Side,' American Indian Magnet School gets go-ahead for \$53M renovation** <http://strib.mn/2Pjkc0t>

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**[Public schools in Chicago will honor Indigenous People's Day instead of Columbus Day](#)**

[The move has already ruffled feathers with some in the Italian American community in Chicago, according to the newspaper, namely the Joint Civic Committee of Italian Americans, which helps put together a Columbus Day parade in the city ever year.](#) [thehill.com](http://thehill.com)

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**It's the birthday** (March 2) of the children's book author who wrote under the name **Dr. Seuss** ([books by this author](#)), born Theodor Geisel, in Springfield, Massachusetts (1904). He published his first book for children, *And to Think That I Saw It on Mulberry Street*, in 1937.

In 1955, an educational specialist asked him if he would write a book to help children learn how to read. Seuss was given a list of 300 words that most first-graders know, and he had to write the book using only those words. Seuss wasn't sure he could do it, but as he looked over the list, two words jumped out at him: "cat" and "hat."

Seuss spent the next nine months writing what would become *The Cat in the Hat* (1957). That book is 1,702 words long, but it uses only 220 different words. A few years later, Seuss's publisher bet him \$50 that he could not write a book using only 50 different words. Seuss won the bet with his book *Green Eggs and Ham* (1960), which uses exactly 50 different words, and only one of those words has more than one syllable: the word "anywhere."

**Climate denial at federal agency:** An effort led by an Interior Department official [has inserted misleading language about climate change](#) into the agency's scientific reports, according to documents reviewed by The Times.

**Fallowing cattle-feed farmland simplest way to alleviate western water shortage**  
FEWSION-based study looks at impact of beef production on water shortages, ecosystem depletion All over the world, the rate at which humans consume fresh water is now approaching or surpassing the rate at which water sources are being naturally replenished, creating water shortages for people and ecosystems. In the western US, water shortages are becoming more frequent and more severe, and are putting many species of fish inhabiting western rivers at risk—but the scarcity of water is also

Read in SCIENMAG: [https://apple.news/A- UOWuQRgCZN27oYQRBcA](https://apple.news/A-UOWuQRgCZN27oYQRBcA)



**[Before Schimmel: The Indian Women Who Became Basketball Champions](#)**

[Tip-off to basketball season is right around the corner.](#) [newsmaven.io](http://newsmaven.io)

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## [Arctic Drilling Operators Can't Accurately Pinpoint Polar Bear Dens - Which Means They Can't Avoid Destroying Them](#)

*Darryl Fears, The Washington Post*

Fears writes: "A method used by fuel companies to avoid polar bear dens before they search for oil or gas works less than half the time, according to a study released Thursday." [READ MORE](#)

## [Climate change is turning shellfish toxic — and threatening Alaska Natives](#)

[A small team of Alaskans is fighting to protect their community from paralytic shellfish poisoning.](#)

## [Ecological Grief: I Mourn the Loss of Nature - It Saved Me From Addiction](#)

*Lucy Jones, Guardian UK*

Jones writes: "The more I learned about the benefits a connection to nature can have on our minds, the more it seemed appalling that access to nature is so threatened in some places."

[READ MORE](#)

## [Teaching Children How to Reverse an Overdose](#)

By DAN LEVIN

In rural Carter County, Tenn., health officials have embraced a strategy for stemming addiction: Teaching children as young as 6 how to administer Narcan, a nasal spray that can stop an opioid overdose from being fatal.

## [Medicare Will Now Pay For Acupuncture In Part Due To Opioid Abuse](#)

## [Five Things Every New FamilySearch User Should Try](#)



NASA satellite photos show the dramatic difference in the Sierra Nevada snowpack on Feb. 18, 2019, when it was 147% of the historical average, and Feb. 17, 2020, when it was 54%.

## [Why Rem Koolhaas Brought a Tractor to the Guggenheim](#)

By MICHAEL KIMMELMAN

The architect, a champion of cities, now turns a spotlight on the countryside in a sprawling new exhibition about the other 98 percent of the world.

## **What's the news from Native California?**

Production on the Spring 2020 issue of *News from Native California* magazine will start in a matter of weeks. This forthcoming issue will be the first to feature a brand new design

We are so excited about the upcoming release of *Native California Flash Cards*, which is scheduled for early March! These cards, illustrated by Lyn Risling (Karuk/Yurok/Hupa), were created for California Native language learning. Thank you to [Humboldt Area Foundation's Native Cultures Fund](#) for supporting this project, [tmparksfoundation.org](http://tmparksfoundation.org)

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## **Truckee Meadows Trails Challenge**

More information and registration available here: <https://w...> [Sign Up](#)

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## **[Taboo Brings Marvel Characters To Indian Country With New Comic](#)**

Red Wolf, a Marvel comic that has been around since its debut in 1970 and was published in *Avengers #80*, is getting revamped by writers Ben Jackendoff and [Taboo Nawasha](#)—from the Black Eyed Peas—and will be titled *Werewolf by Night*.

The original Red Wolf was the first Marvel comic to feature a Native American superhero and *Werewolf by Night* will continue the story through a Native lens, which is very important to its



authors. [Read More...](#)



**Nevada Urban Indians, Inc.**  
presents:  
**13th Annual Diabetes Health Fair and  
Youth Sobriety Contest Powwow**  
*Saturday March 7, 2020*  
at Galena High School, 3600 Butch Cassidy Way, Reno, NV 89511

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| <b>Grand Entries:</b><br>12:00 pm and 6:00 pm | <b>NUI Health Fair:</b><br>10:00 am to 4:00 pm |
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Master of Ceremonies: Carlos Calica from Warm Springs, OR  
Arena Director: Hank Johnson from Hungry Valley, NV  
Head Man: Justin Goggles-Keka from Sonora, CA  
Head Woman: Teresa Melendez from Hungry Valley, NV  
Host Drum: Red Hoop from Gardnerville, NV  
Flags/Eagle Staff provided by the Pyramid Lake Veterans and Warriors Organization  
Other Contests/presenters include the Teokalli Traditional Mexica/Aztec Dancers from Richmond, CA  
Clown Dance and Crowning of New 2020 NUI Royalty

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| <b>Drum Contest:</b><br>1st Place: \$700<br>2nd Place: \$600<br>3rd Place: \$500 | For more information or to become a craft, health or food vendor, please contact Mike Greene, Shelby Matthews or Nathan Jersey at 775-788-7600<br>For general Powwow questions contact Jonathan Lowery at 775-788-7600 |
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This is a Drug and Alcohol Free Event.  
Nevada Urban Indians and Sponsors are not responsible for any loss that may occur while attending the event. No weapons, firearems or fireworks.

## **GrantStation**

### **National Opportunities**

#### **Support for Climate Solutions Focused on Natural and Working Lands**

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

#### **Digitization of Rare and Unique Collections Funded**

Digitizing Hidden Special Collections and Archives, a program of the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR), is intended to help digitize and provide access to collections of rare or unique content in cultural heritage institutions.



**Collaborative Grants Promote Youth Volunteerism**

Youth Service America (YSA) believes that youth, communities, and our democracy thrive when we all work together for the common good.

**Community Improvement Projects Supported**

The AARP Community Challenge grant program is supporting quick-action projects that can help communities become more livable for people of all ages.

**Regional Opportunities**

**Funds for Innovative Programs in MN, ND, and SD**

The Bush Prize for Community Innovation honors nonprofit organizations and government entities with a track record of making great ideas happen in the regions the Bush Foundation serves: Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, and the 23 Native nations that share the same geography.

**Grants Enhance Employment Solutions for New Jersey Citizens With Disabilities**

The Kessler Foundation is dedicated to improving the lives of people with disabilities caused by stroke, multiple sclerosis, injuries to the brain and spinal cord, and other chronic conditions.

**Support for Youth and Environmental Initiatives in Hawaii and Oregon**

The Healy Foundation is dedicated to building community and supporting the environment and youth in the states of Hawaii and Oregon.

**Funds for Organizations in Company Communities in IL, IA, KS, MI, MN, and OK**

The ITC Charitable Giving Program supports nonprofit organizations in counties served by the company in Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, and Oklahoma.

**Federal Opportunities**

**Community Forest Efforts Supported**

The National Forest Resiliency Innovation Challenge Cost Share Grant Program seeks to establish sustainable urban and community forests by encouraging communities of all sizes to manage and protect their natural resources.

**Funds Available for Native American Libraries**

The Native American Library Services: Basic Grants program provides funding to support existing library operations and maintain core library services.

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**EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler Calls for Applications to Develop and Implement National Environmental Education Training Program**

**Multi-Year Cooperative Agreement will be Awarded up to \$11 Million**

As directed by the National Environmental Education Act of 1990, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is pleased to announce the availability of approximately \$11 million in funding for a multi-year cooperative agreement to develop and manage the National Environmental Education Training Program. Applications must be submitted no later than May 29, 2020.

"Training environmental educators on the latest science, technology, and engineering is crucial not only to their engagement on the issues, but also to inspiring the next generation of environmental educators," said EPA Administrator Andrew Wheeler. "Through this cooperative agreement, we hope to increase the availability and understanding of scientific information to improve environmental decision making and promote a cleaner, healthier environment for all Americans."

The purpose of the program is to develop and deliver environmental education training and long-term support to education professionals across the U.S. Applications must include proposals for national programs that will:

- Help train environmental educators.
- Increase distribution of quality materials.
- Improve non-formal education programs.
- Enhance coordination among environmental education organizations to help reduce duplication and costs.
- Increase the number of environmental educators.
- Increase public knowledge of the environment.

Only one cooperative agreement will be awarded to a U.S. institution of higher education, a not-for-profit institution, or a consortium of such institutions. Applicants must provide non-federal matching funds or in-kind contributions of at least 25% of the total cost of the project.

### **Background**

In 1991, EPA established the Office of Environmental Education to implement programs mandated by the National Environmental Education Act, including the National Environmental Education and Training Program. Since 1992, the program has trained more than 4,400 formal and nonformal educators by building infrastructure through leadership clinics, developing state certification programs, and using technology to expand access to resources to enhance the value of environmental education, among other initiatives.

Information on how to apply for the National Environmental Education and Training Program for 2020 is available at: <https://www.epa.gov/education/national-environmental-education-and-training-program-solicitation-notice-2020-rfa>

Information about the teacher training program: <https://www.epa.gov/education/national-environmental-education-training-program>.

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Osiyo friends,

I am reaching out to all our tribal partners to share information on a current series of webinars your community/tribal members might be interested in. The webinar series helps individual Native entrepreneurs explore opportunities that exist to create small businesses related to cultural and geographical tourism in Indian Country. The series is hosted by the IDRS Acorn Project and moderated by Native entrepreneur Stacia Morfin, Nez Perce Tourism LLC

In our next webinar on March 3rd, Stacia and guest speakers Roxanne Best and Russ Seagle from Sequoyah Fund will discuss funding resources available for small businesses including grants, CDFI loans and business plan competitions. Any type of business could benefit from this particular webinar. You can register or learn more about the webinar series by visiting [nativebiz.org/tourism](http://nativebiz.org/tourism). For your convenience, I have attached the following jpeg and pdf flyer. If you would like to share our post about the event to your Facebook page, visit <https://www.facebook.com/idrsacornproject/>.

Lynn Wilson (Cherokee), Micro-Enterprise Dev. Specialist 918-978-7622 [Idrsinc.org](http://Idrsinc.org) | [Nativebiz.org](http://Nativebiz.org)

**JOURNEY INTO  
INDIAN COUNTRY**  
Entrepreneurial Opportunities in Cultural Tourism

Join us for a 12-session webinar series to learn about starting a small business in cultural tourism.

Moderated by Stacia Morfin of Nez Perce Tourism, LLC.  
Stacia and other Native entrepreneurs from around Indian Country will share their story of creating businesses which respectfully share the rich history and beauty of their tribal culture and homelands.

12:00 – 1:00 Pacific Time

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| Session 1 | December 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Session 7  | April 7th     |
| Session 2 | December 17 <sup>th</sup> | Session 8  | May 5th       |
| Session 3 | January 7 <sup>th</sup>   | Session 9  | June 9th      |
| Session 4 | January 21 <sup>st</sup>  | Session 10 | July 7th      |
| Session 5 | February 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Session 11 | August 11th   |
| Session 6 | March 3rd                 | Session 12 | September 8th |

To learn more or register visit  
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**RIP Billy Eisenhower (no info at “press time”)**