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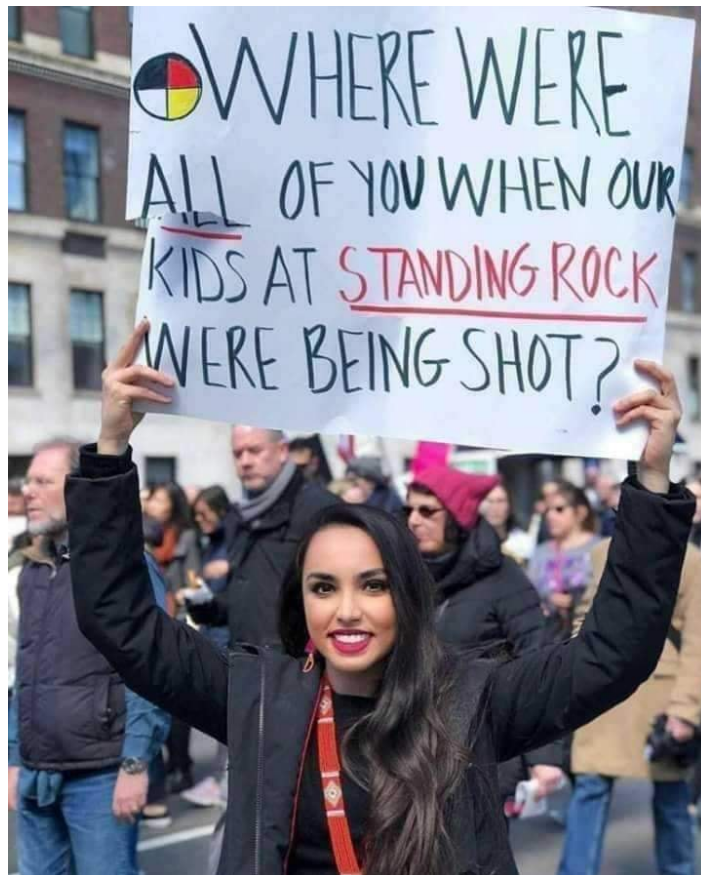
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***"At Standing Rock I witnessed the impossible become possible."      Myron Dewey 6.5.20***

**Vacancies that the EPA is looking to fill on a council that advises the agency on drinking water regulation. The positions are for people from state or local government agencies, small water systems, and non-governmental groups. Nominations are due by July 13. (EPA)**

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**Military Expansion: This week the Senate Armed Services committee met to markup this year's National Defense Authorization Act, and decided not to include the expansion of Naval Air Station Fallon and the Nevada Test and Training Range. This decision prevents over one million acres of land from being sacrificed to military bombing.**

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**Hospital's Secret COVID-19 Policy Separated Native American Mothers From Their Newborns** *Bryant Furlow, ProPublica*

Excerpt: "Gov. Michelle Lujan Grisham cited 'significant, awful allegations' in a ProPublica and New Mexico In Depth story on a hospital where clinicians said pregnant Native women were singled out for COVID-19 testing and separated from newborns after delivery." **READ MORE**

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**ATTENTION ALL NEVADANS!**

### **Nevada Commission for Women is conducting an "Impact from COVID-19 Pandemic" survey**

We are conducting this survey in order to get a better understanding of the impact from the COVID-19 pandemic. Your participation is important to us.

The survey asks about:

- Economic impact
- Current financial situation
- Impact on health and benefits

The survey is managed by the Nevada Commission for Women. All responses will remain anonymous. We will not be able to trace individual responses back to you. The survey should take 10 minutes or less to complete. Please only take the survey once.

**Survey will close on June 19, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.**

We would greatly appreciate you sharing the link to the survey with your contacts.

If you have any questions about the survey, please email [m.walt@admin.nv.gov](mailto:m.walt@admin.nv.gov).

Survey Link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DMDBSJ9>

Thank you for your participation.

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### **Walz says he understands why Columbus statue was toppled, but there will be consequences**

By [Patrick Condon](#) Star Tribune

June 12, 2020 — 9:18am

Gov. Tim Walz said Thursday that he doesn't condone protesters who tore down a statue of Christopher Columbus at the Minnesota Capitol, but that he understands why they did it.

"I won't condone the behavior. There will be consequences for it," Walz said at a news conference Thursday. But he also said the frustration of the American Indian Movement protesters who pulled down the statue were acting on legitimate frustration with Columbus' legacy.

Walz's remarks came after criticism from Republican legislative leaders of his administration's muted response to the statue's toppling.

"They knew there was a threat to the Christopher Columbus statue, and he failed to adequately protect it," Senate Majority Leader Paul Gazelka said in a news release from his office on Thursday. "The mob mentality to do whatever people want without repercussion has got to stop."

Public Safety Commissioner John Harrington said a State Patrol captain and a state tribal liaison approached protesters on Wednesday to urge them to follow the official process of petitioning the state to remove a statue. Harrington said protesters felled the statue while that conversation was ongoing, and before a larger group of Patrol officers stationed nearby could reach the scene.

The State Patrol said Wednesday night that it had "identified the instigator who will face charges related to destruction of public property." Department of Public Safety spokesman Bruce Gordon said Thursday that the Bureau of Criminal Apprehension had taken over the investigation, and that once complete it will be turned over to the Ramsey County attorney for consideration of charges.

Columbus, the 15th-century Genoese explorer who was an early European colonizer of the Americas, is a longtime source of ire to American Indians and others for his role in the killing and exploiting of Indigenous people. Protesters in Boston and Richmond, Va., also damaged Columbus statues this week.

The episodes follow nationwide protests over the death of George Floyd, a black man who died in Minneapolis police custody on May 25. Some Republicans also were critical of the late police and National Guard response to the looting and arson in Minneapolis, which resulted in the destruction of a police station and dozens of businesses.

Walz said he believes it's wrong to draw an equivalency between pulling down the statue with recent looting and burning of local businesses.

Lt. Gov. Peggy Flanagan, the first Native American woman elected statewide in Minnesota, said Thursday that she's glad the statue is gone.

"I'm not going to perform for folks. I'm not going to feign sadness," Flanagan said, adding that "there is no honor in the legacy of Christopher Columbus."

Flanagan chairs the state government panel that makes decisions about the placement of statues and artwork in state buildings and property. She said that "the state is long overdue for a hard look at the symbols, statues and icons that were created without the input of any of our communities."

State Rep. Jim Nash, R-Waconia, said on Thursday that Harrington had a different version of the events leading up to the statue's toppling when they spoke on the phone Wednesday. Nash said Harrington told him he decided to not put Patrol officers between protesters and the statue.

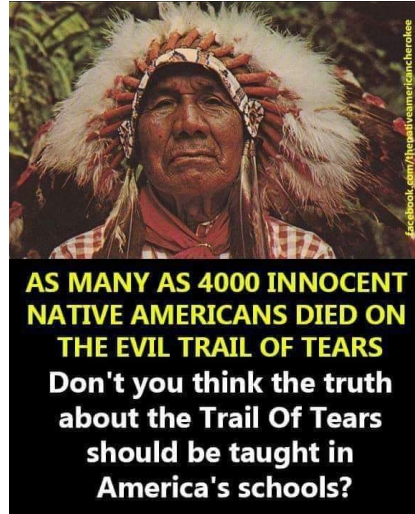
"He said that they didn't want to incite people further," Nash said.

Gordon, the Department of Public Safety spokesman, did not respond to a request for comment on Nash's version of the exchange.

Nash said he understands why protesters don't like Columbus, and that he would have been open to considering the statue's removal through the established process.

"If you support what this group did, I guess I'd ask what you would think if Minnesota had a Republican governor who failed to intervene if a group of angry Republicans was trying to pull down the Hubert Humphrey statue," Nash said.

Asked the whereabouts of Minnesota's toppled Columbus, Gordon said that "in the interests of public safety, the statue is in an undisclosed location."



## GrantStation

### COVID-19 Related Funding

#### Momentum Fund

The Momentum Fund will provide grants to nonprofit organizations that manage COVID-19 funds, with priority given to meeting the needs of communities and populations whose health or financial situations have been most severely impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

#### The Center for Craft: Craft Futures Fund

The Center for Craft's Craft Futures Fund will support craft communities throughout the United States and their creative responses to COVID-19.

#### Con Alma Health Foundation: COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Project

The Con Alma Health Foundation's COVID-19 Emergency Assistance Project awards grants to nonprofit organizations in New Mexico that are providing basic needs, including food, housing, and income assistance for stressed communities.

For more grant opportunities,  
visit our [COVID-19 Related Funding](#) page.

### National Opportunities

#### Support for Social Justice Struggles Nationwide

The Emergent Fund supports grassroots organizing and power building in communities of color throughout the United States who are facing injustice based on racial, ethnic, religious, and other forms of discrimination.

### **Training, Equipment, and Technology for Fire Departments Funded**

The Leary Firefighters Foundation is dedicated to funding equipment, education, training, and technology for firefighters nationwide.

### **Grants Promote Post-Secondary Education Initiatives**

The ECMC Foundation works to improve post-secondary outcomes for students from underserved backgrounds nationwide.

### **Youth Running Programs Supported**

The Road Runners Club of America (RRCA) is dedicated to supporting the growth of grassroots running clubs, training programs, and running events while promoting the common interests of runners throughout the United States.

### **Regional Opportunities**

#### **Funds for Community Organizing Campaigns in the Pacific Northwest**

Social Justice Fund Northwest is a member-funded foundation working to foster significant, long-term social justice solutions throughout Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming.

#### **Grants Advance Broadband Education and Use in Company Communities**

The Spectrum Digital Education Grant Program supports nonprofit organizations that educate community members on the benefits of broadband and how to use it to improve their lives.

#### **Support for Healthy Living Projects in Mississippi**

The mission of the Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Mississippi Foundation is to improve the health and wellness of all Mississippians.

#### **Reading Programs in Ohio Funded**

Through the Literacy Awards program, the Buckeye Book Fair provides support to Ohio reading programs, Ohio public and community libraries, as well as Ohio school librarians and teachers.

### **Federal Opportunities**

#### **Funds Available for Native Social and Economic Development**

The Social and Economic Development Strategies (SEDS) program promotes social and economic self-sufficiency for American Indians, Alaska Natives, Native Hawaiians, and Native American Pacific Islanders.

#### **Creative Placemaking Efforts Supported**

Our Town is a creative placemaking grants program that supports projects that integrate arts, culture, and design activities into efforts that strengthen communities by advancing local economic, physical, or social outcomes.



[National Cristina Foundation](#)

The National Cristina Foundation directs donations of surplus and used computers, software, and audio, video, and other business technology to training and educational organizations throughout the United States. [Learn more](#) about the donation guidelines and application process.



### [Unsmoke Canada Cleanups](#)

Unsmoke Canada Cleanups, a grant-giving program established through a partnership between The Great Outdoors Fund and #UnsmokeCanada, awards funding for litter cleanup projects anywhere in Canada. [Learn more](#) about the funding guidelines and application process.



### [Waislitz Global Citizen Award](#)

The Waislitz Global Citizen Award, presented by the Waislitz Foundation and Global Citizen, recognizes the excellence of individuals in their work to end extreme poverty. [Learn more](#) about the Award guidelines and application process.

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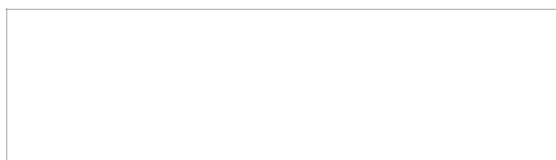
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### **Museums Collect Protest Signs to Preserve History in Real Time**

**By Graham Bowley**

Curators surveyed the area outside the White House on Wednesday for artifacts that will help record the emotional turmoil

### **Museums Are Finally Taking a Stand. But Can They Find Their Footing?** **By Holland Cotter**

As cultural institutions scramble to declare their support for Black Lives Matter, their gestures have felt both self-aggrandizing and too little too late

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*"Libraries are not a luxury, they are a necessity of life."*



CARES page <https://home.treasury.gov/policy-issues/cares/state-and-local-governments>

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## Mining company to destroy Indigenous sites

A giant mining company said it would go ahead with destroying at least 40 ancient Indigenous sites in the Pilbara desert in Western Australia, just days after a national outcry over revelations that other archaeological sites in the region had been razed. The company, BHP, received approval to destroy the sites in May after it applied to expand an iron ore mine, worth \$3.2 billion, on land that contains rock shelters some 15,000 years old. But in a moment of global upheaval around race and inequality, BHP's plan has stoked outrage and criticism in Australia. The issue has also intensified a decadeslong debate about the mistreatment of Indigenous peoples, highlighting concerns that traditional heritage is often subjugated to the country's largest and most important industry: mining.

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**June 10, 2018**

*When we came to the entrance gate, they were asking for \$20. I had it, but it seemed so surreal to pay to pray at this ancient place of prayer. I said to the gatekeeper first, "I have an elder here." His face looked like he was not looking forward to telling me that it didn't matter. But then I chose to go further, "We're Native people coming here to pray today." He broke into a smile, bowed slightly, and said, "That's all you had to say," and waved us through. I drove a few hundred yards and suddenly broke into sobs. It was a combination of being touched by a strange hopefulness at this concession on the part of this institution, the National Park Service bending their steely bars, willingly, to acknowledge indigenous peoples and their long histories with these places on the Earth... and... also... the centuries of outrage and frustration of the people of this land, but also worldwide for having their profound and Sacred relations to place mitigated, interrupted or withheld from them for tourism.*

*It does look like it's 3rd name from this vantage:*

*Grey Buffalo Horn Butte* ❤️



-2:22 KTXS Television

June 12 at 1:15 PM ·

BALD EAGLE RELEASE: After more than a month recovering from lead poisoning, a bald eagle was released back into the wild Thursday at Prince Gallitzin State Park. <https://bit.ly/2RS4cUt>

**\*Extract from "What the Heck is Going on in Seattle?"**

<https://medium.com/@emilypothast/what-the-f-ck-is-going-on-in-seattle-48efbe6214f8>

## **1. Seattle = American settler capitalism on steroids**

Since its 19th century gold rush beginnings, Seattle has attracted prospectors of all sorts. Their economic prosperity has always come at a price for someone else: on February 7, 1865, the Seattle Board of Trustees passed an [ordinance](#) that banned “indians” from living within city limits, with the exception of those who were employed and housed by white settlers. To this day, the [Duwamish](#)—the original inhabitants of what is now Seattle—do not have [federal recognition](#) from the US government. Meanwhile, the city of Seattle is named for a Duwamish Chief, whose face is also used as a city [logo](#).

Subsequent boom-and-bust periods followed, largely driven by rapid growth in high-tech industries. Within a year of the founding of the Boeing company in 1916, the US had entered World War I, and Boeing was fulfilling military contracts. The company’s founder, William Boeing, saw to it that his personal racism would have a lasting impact on the city’s widening economic inequality by authoring [bylaws](#) that restricted the sale of real estate in his neighborhood to anyone who wasn’t white. The legacy of [racially-restrictive housing covenants](#) in Seattle is a staggering wealth gap: In 2019, the median net worth of a white household in the region was \$456,000. For Black households, it was [\\$23,000](#).

*also see <https://datausa.io/profile/geo/seattle-wa/> ; great site sdc*

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## **[How Boxed Mac and Cheese Became a Pantry Staple](#)**

*(spelling is Smithsonian's...should be staple...sdc)*

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## **Video emerges of Canadian police assaulting an indigenous chief in March**

Athabasca Chipewyan First Nation Chief Allan Adam said the RCMP used excessive force during a vehicle stop in Alberta.

Read in The Washington Post: <https://apple.news/AgGzWAvpSS5KLwXtElk8RtA>

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## **[Artists Use Museum Show to Probe a Police Killing](#)**

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**Democrats in Congress have introduced bills that would deny funding to the Trump administration to resume nuclear weapons testing in Nevada ahead of an expiring arms reduction treaty.**



The United States Census of 1790 was the first census of the whole United States. It recorded the population of the United States as of Census Day, August 2, 1790, as mandated by Article I, Section 2 of the United States Constitution and applicable laws. [Wikipedia](#)

[Start date](#): August 2, 1790

[Location](#): [United States](#)

[Most populous state](#): [Virginia](#); 747,610

[Total population](#): 3,893,635

**Clark County, Nevada Population 2020** 2,183,310

**Nevada Population 2020** 2,890,845



Another type of dwelling in Virginia City. In this shack I found four people lying on the dirt floor wrapped in rags apparently all suffering from influenza. I was told they had refused medicine from the white doctor and Dick Mauwee, a Paiute enrolled at Pyramid Lake Reservation, was the doctor. The small four-light window admitted the only light. It was nailed tight, the only door was kept shut tight and no ventilation was attempted or was possible. The stench which greeted us when we entered was most horrible and could be endured but a short time. An Indian had just been taken from this structure for burial. The father of the family was the Indian alluded on another page as a "walking case".

An account from a Paiute dwelling in Virginia City during the 1918 pandemic via the Reno Indian Agency, Nevada, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Image: National Archives

[Washington's owner was one of several NFL executives making seven-figure donations to help fund the festivities.](#)

[Redskins owner Daniel Snyder donated \\$1 million to Trump's inaugural festivities](#)  
washingtonpost.com



### **Lake Powell Pipeline**

The Bureau of Reclamation [published an environmental impact statement](#) for a proposed 141-mile pipeline that would transfer Colorado River water from Lake Powell to Washington County, in southwestern Utah.

If current trends hold, the county's population could triple by the 2060s, which is the major factor driving the pipeline project.

The EIS evaluated two major pipeline routes, and within one of those routes, three subroutes. The Bureau prefers a southern route.

The project purpose was defined in such a way ("deliver a reliable annual yield of approximately 86,000 acre-feet of water per year from outside the Virgin River Basin into Washington County") that two conservation-oriented alternatives were not considered.

The Bureau estimates that the total cost of the pipeline, once construction, interest payments, and operating costs are factored in, to be in the ballpark of \$1.9 billion to \$2 billion. The Utah Legislative Auditor says that construction costs could be higher than that, when accounting for inflation and a later project start time.

How will this affect residents of Washington County? Water costs will go up. The county plans to double the charge on new development and raise the water rate by 4.5 times over 30 years, per [a report](#) from the Utah Legislative Auditor.

There's an interdependence here. More water needs growth to pay for it. The Bureau itself, in the report, says that the county's ability to pay for the project is "dependent on continued growth in the region."

Public comments on the report are being accepted through September 8. Send them to [lpp@usbr.gov](mailto:lpp@usbr.gov).

### **Stormwater Study in Highway Bill**

The [Invest in America Act](#), a transportation bill introduced by House Democrats, includes a provision on water pollution that flows from roads and highways.

The bill, which will be marked up on June 17, requires the National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine to study best practices for stormwater management from highways.

### **Consent Decree for Montana Superfund Site**

The Department of Justice published a [draft consent decree](#) with Atlantic Richfield Company for removing mine tailings and treating contaminated groundwater at a Superfund site near Butte, Montana.

The consent decree is the latest in a series of decrees to clean up wastes that accumulated during more than a century of mining, milling, and smelting. It requires Atlantic Richfield to take several actions regarding the Butte Priority Soils Operable Unit, which is one mining district within the Superfund site.

The company must pay \$3.5 million to the EPA for past costs, \$11.2 million in future costs, and \$20.5 million to Montana for site cleanup

### **Atlantic Coast Pipeline EIS Returns**

The U.S. Forest Service will [prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement](#) for the Atlantic Coast Pipeline, after a federal appeals court threw out the previous analysis.

Developed by Dominion Energy and Duke Energy, two utility giants, the pipeline is intended to move natural gas from West Virginia to markets in North Carolina and Virginia.

It will cross portions of the Monongahela and George Washington National Forests. The revised analysis will consider the effects on water quality, erosion, and sedimentation, as well as on endangered species.

A separate challenge of the pipeline's proposed crossing of the Appalachian Trail was [heard in the U.S. Supreme Court](#) in February. A ruling against the pipeline would force the developers back to the drawing board.

### **EPA Section 401 Webinar**

The EPA will [hold a public webinar](#) on June 17 from 2:00 p.m. to 3:15 p.m. Eastern to discuss a recent Clean Water Act rule change.

The change was to limit state reviews under Section 401 to look only at water quality impacts

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