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#PrehistoricRoadTripPBS premieres Wed, June 17 at 10/9c!

The Sans Arc

A Man-made cathedral burns and the world is shocked. American Indian graves are dug up to make way for a pipeline and no one says a word



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.

One wonders what was traded....be vigilant; it will come back!

Bombs away ... oh wait, not so fast. A U.S. Senate committee overwhelmingly and in bipartisan fashion approved a Defense spending bill and you know what isn't in there? Money for expanding military bombing ranges at the Fallon station and the test range adjacent to the Desert National Wildlife Refuge, that's what. The committee vote was 25 to 2, so sorry bombing range expansion enthusiast Mark Amodei. Jeniffer Solis has the details/backstory. [Senate panel bombs military expansion plans at Fallon, NTTR](#) (Nevada Current)

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Pregnant Native American women were singled out for COVID-19 testing based on their race and ZIP code, clinicians say. [Read the Article →](#)

In Alaska, Summer's Getting Too Hot for the Salmon Run

Bristol Bay is heating up, killing fish as they try to swim upriver to spawn. It's a harbinger of climate change and hard times for fisheries.

Read in WIRED: <https://apple.news/A5Xm94mu0R3OTgzO5M-WUEQ>

Conservation Officer Fired For Refusing To Shoot Bear Cubs Wins Court Victory
A judge in Canada ruled Bryce Casavant was improperly dismissed.

Read in HuffPost: <https://apple.news/AWcs4yyEZSnWh9GcJi6vhYw>

Libraries adapt to coronavirus

Returned books are quarantined before going back on shelves. Book clubs and support groups are held on Zoom. Patrons pick up books curbside, along with leaflets describing cleaning protocols.

Libraries are trying to figure out how to operate safely during a pandemic. "We want to be the community living room, we want everyone to stay and get comfortable," the executive director of one library said.

Among the innovations: Many libraries kept their Wi-Fi on so people could access it from outside. And some librarians have been calling older regulars, just to say hello.

Executive Order on Economic Emergency & Environmental Reviews

President Trump signed an [Executive Order on June 4](#) directing federal agencies to waive environmental regulations to speed up infrastructure projects under the auspices of responding to the “economic emergency” presented by the COVID-19 pandemic. The good news is that the Order does not attempt to create a blanket waiver of environmental regulations, but is limited to directing agencies to use existing emergency authorities to expedite projects.

Nonetheless, we have profound concerns that agencies will invoke the Order to limit public involvement in federal projects, to deprive tribes of their rights to government-to-government consultation, and to limit consideration of impacts to heritage resources.

The Executive Order directs agencies to use emergency authorities they already have under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the Endangered Species Act (ESA), and the Clean Water Act (CWA), and to review all statutes, regulations, and guidance documents that provide emergency or expedited treatment—which includes 36 CFR 800.12, the part of the Section 106 National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) regulations addressing declared emergencies.

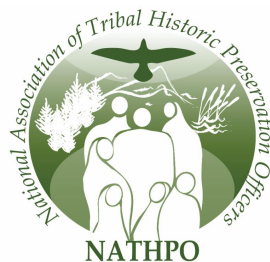
Thank you to the Coalition for American Heritage for the above summary ([and read more about it here](#)).

According to [the E&E News article](#) about it, the EO "is on unstable legal ground, experts warn...Trump instructed agencies to take advantage of emergency authorities typically reserved for response to natural disasters like hurricanes and floods. The order allows agencies to push through projects without National Environmental Policy Act, Clean Water Act and Endangered Species Act review."

"Both the order itself and any resulting agency project approvals are poised to be targets for legal challenges. Lawsuits that directly target agency actions may have a better chance at success, energy lawyers and environmental groups said. The emergency authorities included in the environmental laws the order cites might apply to the initial response to the current public health crisis, said Elizabeth Klein, deputy director of the State Energy & Environmental Impact Center at New York University School of Law.

'But ... this is not the kind of emergency that was contemplated with those authorities,' she said. 'The very idea that those projects should forgo NEPA review or ESA review or Clean Water Act review in the name of economic recovery is absurd and unnecessary.'"

NATHPO is currently discussing what courses of action may be feasible



The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Memorandum M-20-17, “[Administrative Relief for Recipients and Applicants of Federal Financial Assistance Directly Impacted by the Novel Coronavirus \(COVID-19\) due to Loss of Operations](#)”, provides authority for NPS to extend your fiscal year 2019 Tribal Historic Preservation Office (THPO), Historic Preservation Fund (HPF) grant to accommodate issues your Tribe may have in completing work and expending the awarded funds due to the novel coronavirus (COVID-19). THPOs may request to extend their grant at this time.

The request must:

1. be for a FY 2019 THPO HPF grant (grant number will begin with **P19AF** and was awarded last year to support your Tribe's historic preservation program)
2. come from the Tribal Historic Preservation Officer, or other authorized representative
3. explain how COVID-19 has hindered your Tribe from expending its awarded funds and/or completing planned work by the current end date of 09/30/2020
4. include the grant number and name of your Tribe
5. be submitted by email to STLPG@nps.gov
6. be **submitted by June 19, 2020** (this is the date the OMB Memorandum expires)

Grants will be extended for 1 year (to September 30, 2021). This means that an additional annual report will be required and the final report will be due 90 days after the new expiration date of September 30, 2020.

If you have any questions, please contact STLPG@nps.gov or 202-354-202

Please contact me at valerie@nathpo.org or 202-628-8476 for additional information. Thank you for all you do to protect culturally important places that perpetuate Native identity, resilience, and cultural endurance, and to empower tribal preservation leaders.

Valerie J. Grussing, PhD, NATHPO Executive Director

NATIONAL WOMENS HISTORY MUSEUM

We are beyond thrilled to continue celebrating those making a difference on the frontline of this crisis. No good deed should go unappreciated, and no hero should go unrecognized.

[So for a small contribution of \\$25, we will display the name of a community hero in your life, for the world to see. Send a message of gratitude today. →](#)

<http://action.nwhm.org/community-heroes>

(fundraising ploy but good way for Native community to flood public with new knowledge about tribal leaders for tiny investment... sdc)

A statue of the Swiss pioneer John Sutter, one of the most prominent figures of early California, was removed from outside a hospital bearing his name in Sacramento. Sutter settled an area near the confluence of the Sacramento and American Rivers in 1839 and played a role in the start of the Gold Rush. But his enslavement of Native Americans made his statue a target. A crowd of dozens cheered.

[KCRA | Capitol Public Radio](#)

Some Census Trivia

The 1790 Census		10 Largest Urban Places		
U.S. Resident Population:	3,929,214	Ran	Place	Populati
Population per square mile of land area:	4.5	k		on
Percent increase of population:	n/a	1	New York City, NY	33,131
Official Enumeration Date:	August 2	2	Philadelphia, PA	28,522
Number of States:	13	3	Boston town, MA	18,320
Cost:	\$44,000	4	Charleston, SC	16,359
Cost per Capita (cents):	1.1	5	Baltimore town, MD	13,503
Total Pages in Published Reports:	56	6	Northern Liberties township, PA	9,913
Number of Enumerators:	650 (est.)	7	Salem town, MA	7,921
Number of Office Staff:		8	Newport town, RI	6,716
Census Bureau Director:	Thomas Jefferson	9	Providence town, RI	6,380
Number of Questions Asked:	6	10	Marblehead town, MA Southwark district, PA	5,661
			Other lists of largest urban places.	

Other interesting facts:

124%

Fertilizer consumption (kilograms per hectare of arable land)

139

Agricultural land (sq. km)

4058625 sq. Km

Agricultural land (% of land area)

44.37 %

Arable land (hectares)

152262500 ha

Arable land (hectares per person)

0.4715

Arable land (% of land area)

16.65 %

Land under cereal production (hectares)

53149164 ha

Permanent cropland (% of land area)

0.2842 %

Forest area (sq. km)

3103700 sq. Km

Forest area (% of land area)

33.93 %

Land area (sq. km)

9147420 sq. Km

Cereal production (metric tons)

440117262

Crop production index (1999-2001 = 100)

122

Food production index (1999-2001 = 100)

122

Livestock production index (1999-2001 = 100)

110

Surface area (sq. km)

9831510 sq. Km

Cereal yield (kg per hectare)

8281

Economically active population in agriculture

2674000

Employees, agriculture, female (% of female employment)

0.726 %

Employees, agriculture, male (% of male employment)

1.86 %

Employment in agriculture (% of total employment)

1.34 %

Agricultural raw materials imports (% of merchandise imports)

0.882 %

Agricultural raw materials exports (% of merchandise exports)

2.25 %

Water Shorts

[Feds Propose River Temperature Limits to Protect Salmon in Pacific](#)

[Northwest](#) — EPA seeks to keep Columbia and Lower Snake rivers from cooking salmon. It won't be easy, water experts say

[Trinidad Rancheria Asks for Pipeline Extension to Get Water Via Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District](#)

By Lost Coast Outpost, 6/12/20

Having hit a roadblock in negotiations with the City of Trinidad, the Trinidad Rancheria has turned a beseeching eye toward the county's largest water supplier — the Humboldt Bay Municipal Water District (HBMWD) — in hopes of securing a reliable water source for future development, including a controversial five-story, 100-room hotel near Cher-Ae Heights Casino.

[A Key Player On Colorado River Issues Seeks To Balance Competing Water Demands In The River's Upper Basin](#)

By Western Water, 6/12/20

Colorado is home to the headwaters of the Colorado River and the water policy decisions made in the Centennial State reverberate throughout the river's sprawling basin that stretches south to Mexico. The stakes are huge in a basin that serves 40 million people, and responding to the water needs of the economy, productive agriculture, a robust recreational industry and environmental protection takes expertise, leadership and a steady hand.

[Work resumes on San Clemente man-made reef, likely the world's largest](#)

By Orange County Register, 6/12/20

Once again, tons of boulders are being dumped from barges into the ocean off the beaches of San Clemente. When the operation cruised into the area last summer, social media lit up with residents asking what the heck was going on out there. The answer: What is likely the world's largest artificial reef is getting even bigger, thanks to mitigation requirements of the 1970s expansion of the San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station.

[California's Estuaries Go Virtual This Summer](#)

By Public News Service, 6/15/20

The COVID-19 pandemic has changed the way families, educators and students can experience state parks -- through expanded online programs. The Tijuana River National Estuarine Research Reserve, on the U.S.-Mexican border south of San Diego, showcases the salt marsh where the Tijuana River meets the Pacific Ocean. Education coordinator Anne Marie Tipton says the reserve's virtual field trips teach classrooms around the state about the estuary's role in the environment.

[Link to interview with Kyle Roerink, Great Basin Waterwatch](#)

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[Justices reject Clean Water Act plea in blow to miners](#)

By E&E News, 6/15/20

Supreme Court justices today declined to consider whether moving — but not adding — rocks, sand and other debris within a regulated waterway is subject to Clean Water Act restrictions. The court's decision not to take up the Eastern Oregon Mining Association's petition came as a

disappointment for operators that use suction dredge mining, an industrial process similar to panning for gold in a river. The rejection carries big financial implications, said Pacific Legal Foundation senior attorney Damien Schiff, who represented the mining association.

Groups call on Supreme Court to rule on 'takings' issue

By Western Farmer-Stockman, 6/16/20

In the Western states, water rights for irrigation are private property rights: The U.S. Constitution requires that the federal government pay citizens when it takes their property. The Klamath "takings" case (Baley v. United States) stems from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation cutting off irrigation water to the federal Klamath Project, located in Northern California and southern Oregon, in 2001. That year, BOR allocated all available water to fish species under the Endangered Species Act.

For Now, No Border Wall For Arizona Tribe's Colorado River Stretch

By KUNC, 6/15/20

President Trump's wall now stretches along 200 miles of U.S.-Mexico borderland. Progress hasn't slowed during the coronavirus pandemic; in some places it's even accelerating. But there's a tiny swath of tribal land on the Colorado River where that's not the case. The Cocopah Indian Tribe's reservation sits in the river's delta, a corner of the borderland where California, Arizona and Mexico meet. Today tribal members are some of 40 million residents in western states who receive a share of water from the Colorado River basin.

"If you have to stand on your head to make somebody happy, all you can expect is a big headache." -- Ilene Beckerman



by Pete Sigal, Robbie Ethridge, and Nancy Shoemaker

Centuries of unequal access to resources and decision-making served to weaken indigenous health across the Americas and beyond.



NEVADA COMMISSION FOR WOMEN

BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES

DISCUSSION TOPIC

HOW SHOULD WE PREPARE OUR CHILDREN FOR RETURN TO SCHOOL IN AUGUST?

WHEN JUNE 18, 2020, 12:00 - 12:45 P.M.

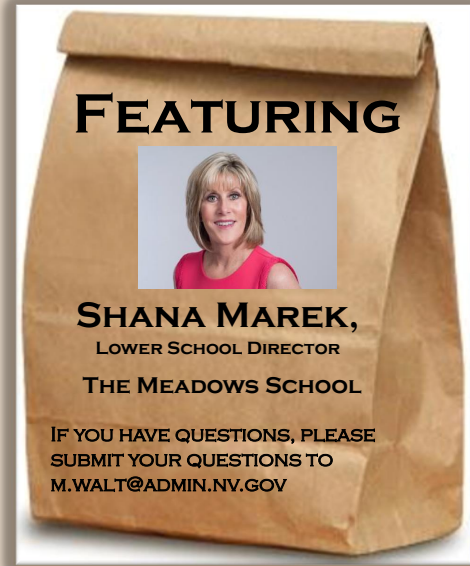
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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT MOLLY WALT AT MWALT@ADMIN.NV.GOV

Your Input Needed

Attachments: [image001.jpg](#)

Please complete the survey below for a study called: [Understanding Stress and Coping among Persons of Color in the U.S. in the Age of COVID-19](#) .

This research is being led by a Native American in consultation with the Center for Health Disparities Research in the School of Public Health at UNLV

The goal is to understand the unique challenges that our communities are enduring during the age of COVID-19. The survey indicates that it will take 20 minutes, but it took me about 10 minutes to complete. Some of the questions—mental health, finances---might be uncomfortable. Your participation in this study is *voluntary*. You may withdraw at any time.

In addition to completing the survey, please send it to your family, friends, and colleagues.

We hope that our results will be used to provide services for those most at need during this public health crisis. Survey Link: <https://bit.ly/3cf22X0> Thank you in advance.

Stacey Montooth Executive Director Nevada Indian Commission Stewart Indian School

Area man takes evening stroll, and comes upon workers taking down a statue that UNLV has long-pretended has nothing to do with traitorous enslavers who declared war against the United States. The area man in question is the Current's Michael Lyle, who [live-tweeted the statue's removal](#), and then went home and wrote it up. He had quite a long busy day, Michael did. [UNLV removes Hey Reb! statue](#)

Q. There are 20 people in an empty, square room. Each person has full sight of the entire room and everyone in it without turning their head or body, or moving in any way (other than the eyes). Where can you place an apple so that all but one person can see it?

News From The Princeton Review:

- Good News! College Board has announced that the August 29th SAT will take place, either in person or as a remotely-administered at-home test. A September test administration has also been added to ensure that every student will have the opportunity to take the SAT. Students who had been registered for the now-cancelled June date and class of 2021 students who have not yet tested will have priority in registration.
- Each week Princeton Review experts are sharing their knowledge about academic topics, AP exams, SAT, ACT, and College admissions live on our YouTube channel. Anyone is welcome to attend, and ask questions throughout the presentation. These happen Monday-Friday, usually at 10am PST.
- We are offering increased LiveOnline Free events & webinar. You can check them out here: <https://www.princetonreview.com/college/free-sat-practice-test?ceid=tersh-nav-snl#!webinar>
- AP Exam Practice: <https://www.princetonreview.com/college/ap-selfguided-course?ceid=nav-1>

Sending ACT Scores

You can have your ACT scores sent to other colleges and scholarship agencies, even after you test. Requests are processed after your tests have been scored and all scores for your test option —the ACT or the ACT with writing.

Go to ACT.org to send your ACT scores.

How much is that robo-dog in the window? \$74,50

Spot is quite athletic. It can run about 5.2 feet per second, has cameras for eyes that give it a 360-degree range of vision, is dust- and water-proof, and can operate in temperatures ranging from -4 to 113 degrees Fahrenheit.



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[PBS](#)

Meet Emily Graslie, your guide on a Prehistoric Road Trip through a billion years of our planet's history. [#PrehistoricRoadTripPBS](#) premieres Wed, June 17 at 10/9c!

The Sans Arc, also called the Itazipacola or Itazipco, are a subdivision of the Lakota people. The name is derived from French and means, "Without bows." They live in the Cheyenne River Reservation.

The true meaning of Itazipacola means "no markings" this referred to the fact that the Itazipco were so generous they did not mark their arrows that would tell who killed the buffalo (etc.) that way everyone could share the meat. This is why when the creator wanted to give the pipe to the Lakota the White Buffalo Woman "Wopi" brought it to the Itazipco because they would always be willing to share it.