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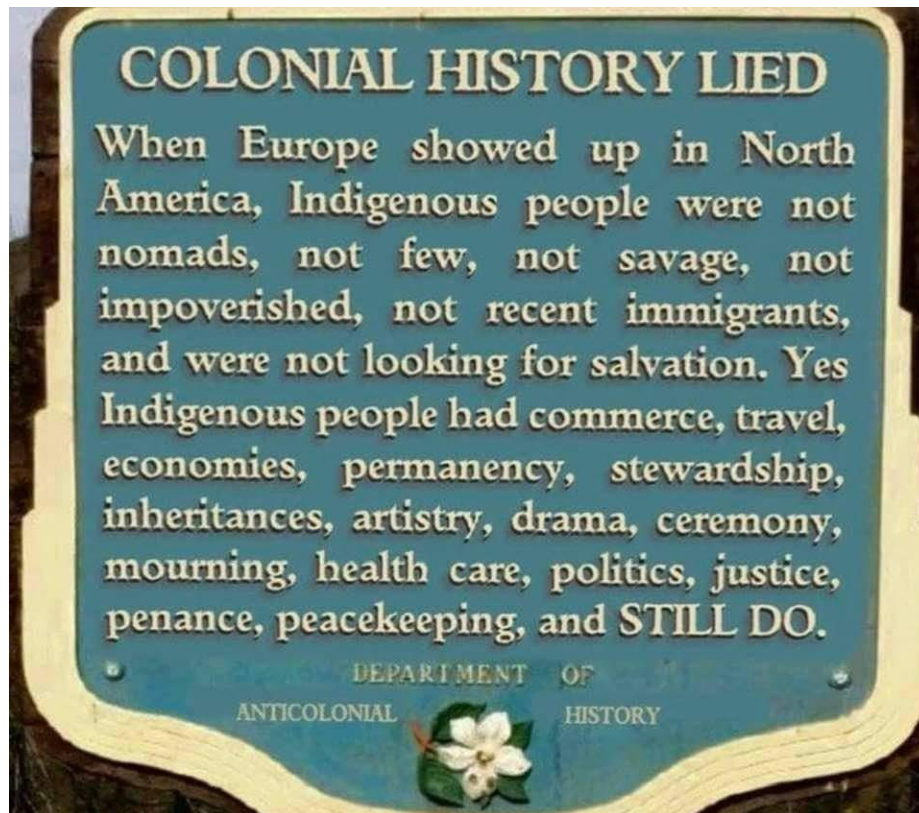
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## Update on Thacker Pass

### One Source Network

#### ProtectPeeheeMuhuh update! For Immediate Release— Please Read!

#### **Tribal Members Aim to Stop Lithium Nevada Corporation From Digging Up Cultural Sites in Thacker Pass**

Fort McDermitt, Nevada – As soon as June 23, Lithium Nevada Corporation (LNC) plans to begin removing cultural sites, artifacts, and possibly human remains belonging to the ancestors of the Paiute and Western Shoshone peoples for the proposed Thacker Pass open pit lithium mine.... (video at site 0:33 / 1:07)

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#### Bills passed in the NV Legislature - 81st Session

[https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/politics-and-government/2021-legislature/here-are-some-of-the-bills-that-passed-the-2021-legislature-2368673/?g2i\\_source=newsletter&g2i\\_campaign=Political%20news%20from%20Nevada%20to%20D.C.&utm\\_source=Newsletter&utm\\_medium=politicalwire&utm\\_campaign=Political%20news%20from%20Nevada%20to%20D.C.&utm\\_term=Here%20are%20some%20of%20the%20bills%20that%20passed%20the%202021%20Legislature](https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/politics-and-government/2021-legislature/here-are-some-of-the-bills-that-passed-the-2021-legislature-2368673/?g2i_source=newsletter&g2i_campaign=Political%20news%20from%20Nevada%20to%20D.C.&utm_source=Newsletter&utm_medium=politicalwire&utm_campaign=Political%20news%20from%20Nevada%20to%20D.C.&utm_term=Here%20are%20some%20of%20the%20bills%20that%20passed%20the%202021%20Legislature)

#### **Of special note:**

**Senate Bill 327:** Adds hairstyles to racially or ethnically distinctive traits protected from discrimination. Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 19:** Changes social studies subjects that are part of mandatory curriculum, removing government and adding civics, financial literacy and multicultural education. Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 262:** Waives certain school fees for qualified Native American students in the University of Nevada system. Not yet signed.

**Senate Bill 215:** Requires school districts to develop and implement distance learning plans, provide necessary remote technology, and allow students to move through school at a faster pace. Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 88:** Bans use of racially discriminatory mascots or place names and so-called “sun-downer sirens.” Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 71:** Makes confidential specific locations of a rare plant, animal species, or ecological community in state data systems, with conditions and exceptions for conservation, environmental review, or scientific research. Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 72:** Makes a representative of the Nevada Indian Commission a voting member of the Nevada State Board on Geographic Names. Effective October 1, 2021. Signed by the governor.

**Assembly Bill 89:** Allows the transfer of a big game hunting tag to someone 16 or younger and eligible to hunt or who has a disability or life-threatening medical condition. Various effective dates through July 1, 2021. Signed by the governor.

**Assembly Bill 103:** Changes rules for digging on private land where a prehistoric Indian burial site is located to allow permitted activity in areas of a property that do not contain a burial site. Not yet signed.

**Assembly Bill 171:** Protects Rocky Mountain junipers (swamp cedars) in the Bahsahwahbee traditional Cultural Property in White Pine County. Effective July 1, 2021. Signed by the governor.

## **FREE Training From Family Historian, Linda Sattgast**

3 Common Scanning Mistakes To Avoid Like The Plague.....And What To Do Instead

Access The Free Training



[Anne Willie Susan](#)

**Congratulations** to my niece Dauwila graduating with her second AA. A certified Zumba Instructor in the Bay Area posing with her Mom and Dad. My cuz Karen an RN and husband Larry . Dauwila is wearing a ribbon skirt designed by her cuz Taylor. Miss you guys! Walker River Paiute/Pomo/Navajo



[Victoria Jackson](#) is with [Jace Harry](#) and [Kellie Harry](#).

**Pyramid Lake Paiute tribal member, Jace Harry, is the Nevada State Champion Ribbon Roper with partner Mattie Delong! He has qualified for the National Junior High School Rodeo Finals in DeMoines, Iowa - June 20-26, 2021. Jace has also qualified for the finals in Team Roping, Saddle Steer Riding, Breakaway Roping and Chute Dogging.**

His family has set up a GoFundMe account to help with the travel expenses: <https://gofund.me/fc04f5b2> Any contribution is greatly appreciated.

Jace is the son of Kellie Harry, former Nevada State High School Rodeo Queen, and the grandson of the late Gene Harry of Nixon, Nevada.

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[The U.S. Bureau of Land Management approved a geothermal project in Washoe County.](#)

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**Reno-based Ormat is acquiring [two existing geothermal projects and a transmission line.](#)**



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**A big deal for those watching domestic mining:** *Reuters* reporters Ernest Scheyder and Trevor Hunnicutt are reporting that the Biden administration is shifting course on its earlier statements that it would emphasize the domestic procurement of minerals needed for the energy transmission. From the story: “U.S. President Joe Biden will rely on ally countries to supply the bulk of the metals needed to build electric vehicles and focus on processing them domestically into battery parts, part of a strategy designed to placate environmentalists, two administration officials with direct knowledge told Reuters.”

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**Remember that secret shipment of plutonium?** The plutonium is still in Nevada. Reporter Colin Demarest with the *Aiken Standard* [has an update on efforts to move the plutonium.](#)

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### **Harry Lawrence Native Art - Direct From Artists•**

I am the owner of War Pony Arts in Laramie Wyoming, and we are preparing to open our first Brick and Mortar store and we are looking for Native artists interested in selling their Art, Sculptures etc. in our store. We are looking only for Authentic Native made Art! Thanks!

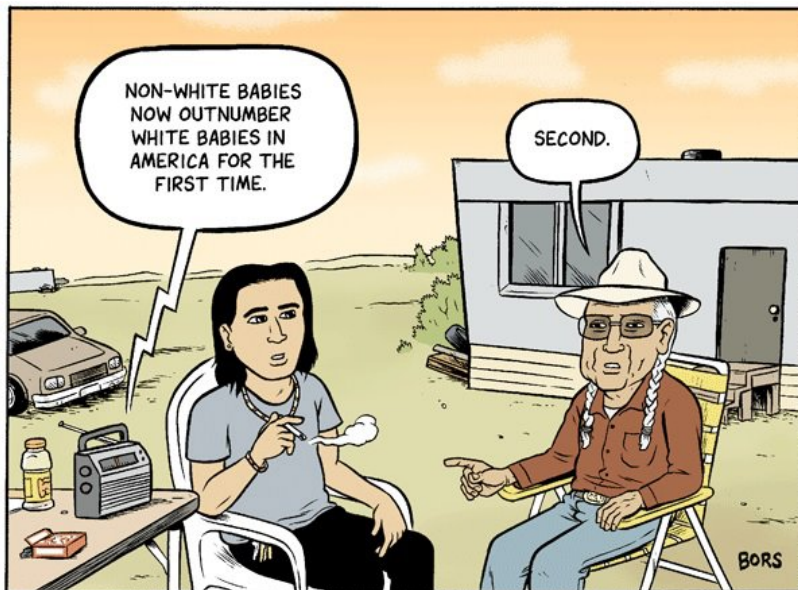
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[Mohawk filmmaker wins 2021 best motion picture at Canadian Screen Awards](#)  
[Tracey Deer wins for Beans, which stars Kiawenti:io Tarbell as the protagonist.](#)

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**“Our monitoring traps are full of dead juvenile salmon.”** The Karuk Tribe, which lives along the Klamath River, declared a climate emergency on Tuesday. [Times-Standard](#) | [North Coast Journal](#)



**- Biden Suspends Drilling Leases in Arctic National Wildlife Refuge**

**Noni Manning is with Antoinette Cavanaugh.**

Another photograph from an album donated by former Owyhee Band Director Tom Ultican. Identified as Robert and Lena (Cavanaugh) Jackson.



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On June 10th at 11AM PT, join **Vincent Medina & Louis Trevino** of **Cafe Ohlone** in conversation with **Kent Lightfoot** about the importance of establishing Ohlone presence at UC Berkeley.

This free event is the first in a series of conversations that will focus on the history and future of the Hearst Museum and UC Berkeley's relationships with local Indigenous communities. Featuring speakers from within and beyond the campus, the series will center on ongoing projects leveraging UC's institutional power, historically a source of harm, to further indigenous sovereignty and environmental justice.

To register, double click on box below..





[vancouver.sun.com](http://vancouver.sun.com)

[Remains of 215 children found at former Kamloops residential school: First Nation](#)

[Students were sent to the school from as far away as Penticton, Hope, Mount Currie, Lillooet and even outside the province.](#)

In Loving Memory of the 215  
First Nations children that never  
returned home from Kamloops  
Indian Residential School.



[Darnell Benally](#)

Imagine you just recently had your 4th birthday & there's a knock at the door. Who is it? A soldier who demands that you attend a residential school far from home. If your parents resisted, they were beaten & arrested. After the residential school system was developed, it was mandatory

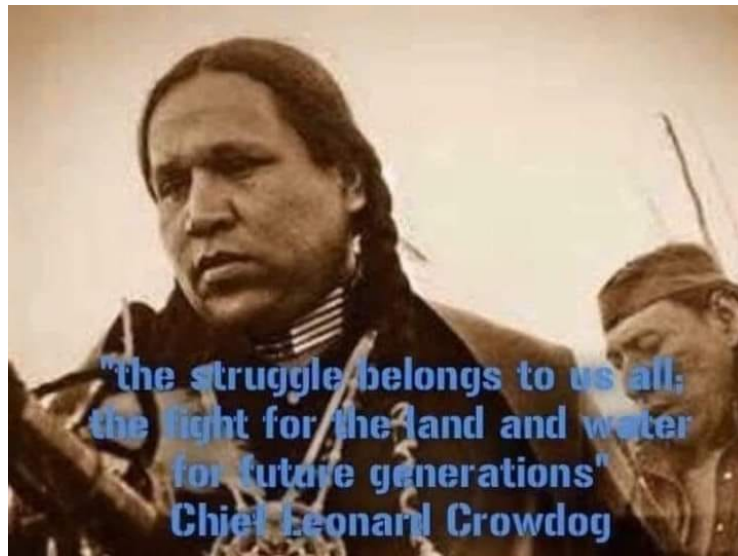
for children as young as 4 to attend until they were 18 years old. Native children were prohibited from practicing their own culture or religion. School staff even went as far as bathing these kids in toxic chemicals to make them look more like Europeans. Their long hair was cut & the breasts of young girls were binded to make them feel ashamed of their maturing bodies. You could only speak English or you would be harshly punished. Their tongues were repeatedly pierced with needles if they spoke anything other than English. Other punishments included electrical shock, being put in cages, burning of hands, public strip searches in front of other children, & force feeding of one's own vomit when they're sick. If any letters were written home, it was in English so parents did not even know how to read it. Both boys & girls were sexually abused & girls who got pregnant were forced to have an abortion & even pray for the forgiveness of their abusers. Student deaths were so common that graveyards were usually part of the school's architectural plans. Upon returning home, these children were so lost that they were unable to communicate with their own families. That is why us Native Americans get so defensive when someone says, "Let it go, it happened in the past." This traumatic time in history should not be ignored. 🕊

🙏 In Memory of the 215 deceased children found at the Kamloops Indian Residential School. May they find Peace.



[Russell Blacksmith](#) is 🙄 feeling worried

**Chief Leonard Crow Dog is Fighting Cancer!** Our Prayers our With the Chief and His Family at this time! Takes the Shield Tiospaye and the Oglala Band - Our United Within Prayer! Hoka!



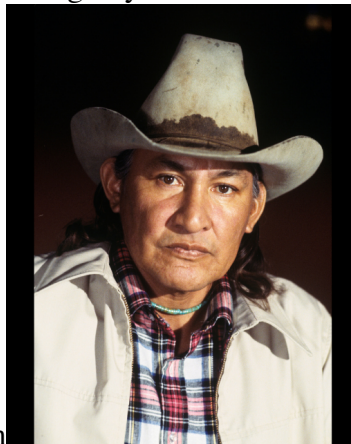
Today **Muscogee actor Will (Sonny) Sampson**, who is most known for his role in “One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest” playing opposite Jack Nicholson, will be posthumously inducted into the Oklahoma Movie Hall of Fame at the Roxy Theater in Muskogee Oklahoma.

In addition to his incredible performance as the apparent deaf and mute Chief Bromden in “One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest,” he also played Crazy Horse in the 1977 western “The White Buffalo,” as well as Taylor in “Poltergeist II: The Other Side” and Ten Bears in 1976's “The Outlaw Josey Wales.”

For 20 years Sonny competed in rodeos, his specialty being bronco busting. He was on the rodeo circuit when producers of “One Flew Over the Cuckoo's Nest” —were looking for a large Native American to play the role of Chief Bromden. Will was 6’7” tall.

Sonny was also an artist, his artwork has been shown at the Gilcrease Museum and the Philbrook Museum of Art.

During the filming of “The White Buffalo,” Sonny halted production by refusing to act when he discovered that producers had hired white actors to portray Native Americans for the film. In 1983, he founded the American Indian Registry for the Performing Arts for Native American

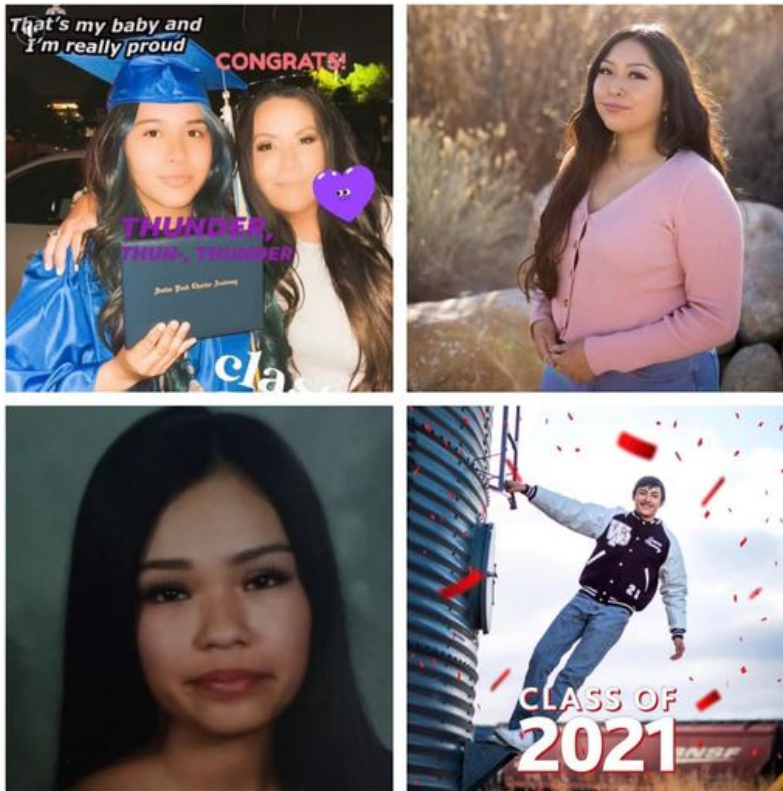


actors#[WillSampson](#) #[NativesInFilm](#)



**Lana Hicks is with Thea Blossom and**

Big shout out to our next generation of High School Graduates! These four cousins have successfully completed their high school years. All descendants of Amy Washo James. Each have plans for College and are paving their way to a successful future. Congratulations to our pride and joys, from California, Nevada and Montana. Isabella, Tanya, Amaya, Antone.



**EiE - Museum of Science, Boston**

Equip your educators with the resources to engage students with a hands-on introduction to engineering. [Download a sample challenge from Wee Engineer® to explore the program.](#)



"My students are only 4 years old and I was amazed by the ideas they would come up with. I am completely fascinated with the idea of letting them know that we *are all engineers.*"

Yesenia Torres, PreK Teacher, Lewisville, TX



[Anthony Melting Tallow](#)

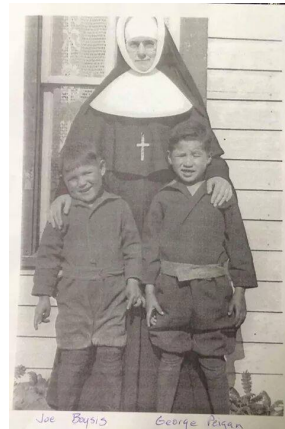
### **Stolen generations.**

Canada along with the churches destroyed generations of indigenous families.

Title - "Sisters Holding Aboriginal Babies", 1960

Young native parents look unhappily on.

Sister Liliane Library and Archives, Canada.



[Maskwasis Boyis](#) is with [Jared Morrison](#)

This is a photo of my late father at the Erminskin residential school in Maskwacis, Alberta Canada in the mid 1940s.

I wanted to share his story with you to help educate others and bring awareness to a part of our history that was swept under the rug by the Canadian government for well over a century. He told me that he had never told anyone about his residential school experience and that this was the only time he would tell his story because he never wanted to relive the horror's he experienced as a child.. As he was recounting his more traumatic experiences he couldn't stop crying and sometimes he would get so angry he would yell out cursing those priest's and nuns for what they did, so we had to take regular breaks and most of the time as he was telling his story his hands would shake uncontrollably.

Here goes:

At the age of four he was taken from his family home in Maskwacis at gun point by the RCMP. They came with govt papers telling them that all "Indian" children had to attend the residential school. He said the whole trip there he cried along side a whole wagon full of native children from his community. (some were in children's handcuffs) He spent 10 years of his childhood from the age of 4 to 14 being sexually abused by both priests & nuns (children would go to sleep at night crying themselves to sleep because they would be plucked out of bed every night to be sexually & physically abused), they had their hair cut off & would be physically abused if they spoke the Cree language. Some kids left & were never heard from again. (Roughly 6000 native children died in residential schools from disease, beatings, firing squads, malnutrition, electrocution, newborns born of rape by the priests raping the little native girls who were thrown into the furnace and those who either froze to death or died of starvation while attempting to run home to their loved ones).

It left him sexually confused and mentally scarred with identity crisis, shame, self hatred, loss of language & culture, suicidal thoughts, substance abuse, anger issues and basically all of the isms in the dictionary that led him to doing time in jail when he would try stand up for himself or others against injustices like racism, inequality, oppression, etc. (It literally ruined his life and so many other native survivors who suffered similar abuses and in doing so extended negative cycles of abuse, disfunction and traumas throughout our communities that will affect us for generations to come.)

The residential schools took the children from the land to disconnect people from their culture in order to take the land from the children. The genocide is ongoing, we still see the constant removal of indigenous children from their ancestral lineages. One of the worst and most powerful things on this earth is the look in a mother's eyes and the pain she experiences when she has that which she loves most in this world taken away from her. It leaves mental scars/trauma we can never forget, it destroys lives, it destroys families, it is a form of cultural genocide and it happens WAY TOO MUCH in our communities.. We need to recognize this as a form of oppression and as a calculated effort by our colonizers to create dysfunction within our communities to maintain control of the land and exploitation of natural resources.

If anyone thinks that native people are marginalized today, 60-70 years ago white folks treated natives infinitely worse and strong native men like my late father had to stand up against such injustices, yet they would be blamed for something white folks initiated, instigated and perpetuated.

Our ancestors have endured so much injustice (from invasion, genocide, attempted extermination, racism, colonialism, forced assimilation, abuses of all kinds, hatred, made outcasts on our own lands, looked down upon by people of other races, etc) since 1492 at the hands of our invaders & WE ARE STILL HERE!

He used to tell me a lot of the negative things he went thru in his life but he never let them beat him & he made sure his children were not exposed to such things. Thank you dad wherever you are for all that you did & for being strong for so long. The harm done to survivors, their children, families, communities, and future generations is IMMEASURABLE.

I pray for him & all survivors of these residential schools so they may find comfort, justice, healing & those 6000+ children who perished in the residential school system are in a better place.

Hai hai



### **EPA to Hold Next NEJAC Public Meeting on June 17, 2021**

EPA is holding the next National Environmental Justice Advisory Council (NEJAC) public meetings on June 17, 2021. These free meetings are open to the public. Members of the public are encouraged to provide comments relevant to the specific issues being considered by the NEJAC.

This meeting is being held from approximately 1:00-7:00 pm (ET). Registration is REQUIRED.

[Register for the June 17, 2021 Public Meeting](#)

**Agenda:** The meeting discussions will focus on several topics including, but not limited to, EPA administration transition priorities, and discussions and deliberations of a charge related to the reuse and revitalization of Superfund and other contaminated sites. A public comment period relevant to the specific issues will be considered by the NEJAC at each meeting.

**Public Comment Period:** The meeting will have a public comment period from approximately 5:00-6:00 pm (ET). To learn about the Public Comment Guidelines, please visit the [NEJAC Guidelines for Public Comment Sessions](#) page.

**Questions:** Please contact [Karen Martin](#) at [nejac@epa.gov](mailto:nejac@epa.gov) or by phone 202-564-0203.

For more information on the NEJAC, visit the [National Environmental Justice Advisory Council](#) site.

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[Max Wilbert](#)

[The Bureau of Land Management is preparing to bulldoze indigenous sacred sites at #Peeheemmhuh\(#ThackerPass\).](#)

**We need your help to PRESSURE DECISION MAKERS:** Express your opposition to this project and demand the permits be rejected, the NEPA process rolled back, and the tribes properly consulted. CALL EVERY DAY!

Nevada Division of Environmental Protection): 775-684-2700

Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland: 202-208-3100

Nevada Senator Jacky Rosen: 775-337-0110



JOIN the protection camp on-site at Thacker Pass: <https://protectthackerpass.org> (Prayer gathering June 5th)