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When explorers first encountered my people,
they called us heathens, sun worshippers.
They didn't understand that the sun is a relative
and illuminates our path on this earth.

Joy Harjo, Muscogee Creek Nation



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(Contemporary Trail of Tears)

Coalition Calls For Moratorium On New Pipelines, Dams Along Colorado River

By Nate Hegyi Jul 20, 2021 08:08 am

A coalition of elected officials, farmers, conservationists and tribal leaders gathered at the Hoover Dam Thursday and called on lawmakers to place a moratorium on “wasteful” new pipelines or dams that would divert water from the parched Colorado River. The announcement came as a severe drought deepens across the West and as a massive infrastructure bill is slowly moving through Congress. “We have to be very vigilant that Congress doesn’t fund bad projects through a massive omnibus bill where there’s a lot of room for skullduggery and chicanery,” said Kyle Roerink, executive director of the Great Basin Water Network, which helped organize the coalition. He points towards the proposed Lake Powell Pipeline as an example of one such project. It would pump water from one of the Colorado River’s largest reservoirs to one of the region’s fastest growing cities – St. George, Utah. Critics say the pipeline would further deplete already dwindling supplies of water. Roerink said the coalition is

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Lisa Krieger on how UCSF researchers restored words to someone who lost

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[Pre-register for the Business Meeting](#)

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With support from the National Endowment for the Humanities and the input of dozens of museum professionals and historians across the country, the American Association for State and Local History (AASLH) developed *Making History at 250: The Field Guide for the Semiquincentennial*, a new resource of guiding themes and inspirational ideas to help the history

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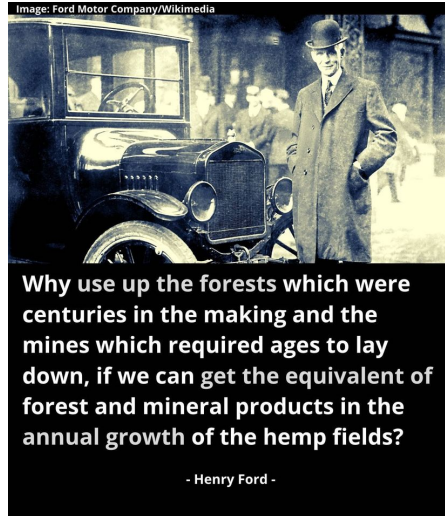
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In the desert two hours northeast of Los Angeles is a place called [Calico Early Man Site](#). To some, including the late archaeologist Louis Leakey, it's a globally important site, with man-made tools created as long as 200,000 years ago. To others, who believe the site has been wildly misinterpreted, it's nothing more than loose gravel and rocks. Here's a great longread on one man's lonely quest to solve the riddle. 🖱️ [L.A. Times](#)

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From the Northern Nevada International Council:

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Internships typically last between six weeks (summer internships only) and four months and are offered three times a year; spring, summer and fall. [Learn more about our internships](#)

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Coastal Flooding From Global Warming Has Begun

Rebecca Hersher, NPR

Hersher writes: "Coastal neighborhoods around the U.S. are seeing a steady increase in high tide flooding, as sea level rise accelerates and sends seawater into homes, sewers and streets."

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July 12, 2021 - Suzanne Potter, Public News Service (NV). [Play Audio in Browser Window](#)



The Avi Kwa Ame area, also known as Spirit Mountain, is important habitat for the golden eagle and the desert tortoise and is home to the largest Joshua tree forest in the country. (Justin McAfee)

SEARCHLIGHT, Nev. -- The push for a new [national monument](#) about 60 miles south of Las Vegas has taken on added urgency, in the face of a new [wind-farm proposal](#) in the area.

The monument would be called Avi Kwa Ame, which is the Mojave Tribe's term for Spirit Mountain. The 380,000-acre monument would connect the Mojave National Preserve on the California-Nevada border with the Colorado River plateau.

Neal Desai, senior program director for the National Parks Conservation Association, said the landscape is holy ground for many Native Americans.

"This area is sacred to a dozen tribes," Desai explained. "It's tied to the creation story. It is the area where the universe started for the Yuman tribes along the river."

Opponents noted the area already has some federal protections. However, a national monument designation would preclude any future commercial development.

In recent weeks, town officials in [Searchlight](#) and [Boulder City](#) have endorsed the monument proposal.

In 2018, the Bureau of Land Management [rejected a bid](#) by a Swedish company to build the huge [Crescent Peak wind farm](#).

Desai added he hopes the agency will also put a stop to the company's latest plans.

"That company is now proposing a 9,000-acre project in the same area," Desai noted. "It's just a new threat, and it's another reason why we need to get this monument established right away."

Advocates for the monument believe their cause is gaining momentum now that a Native American leader, Deb Haaland, has become U.S. Interior Secretary. In addition, the monument would help President Joe Biden reach his stated goal of protecting 30% of the country's public lands by 2030.

Elveda Martinez

If this RAWA passes, tribes will be able to build capacity with their conservation, fish and wildlife programs. I've been working on this with other tribes and the Native American Fish and Wildlife Society for a few years.

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"Think" piece of the week:

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[Gustave Le Bon's 1895 work The Crowd: A Study of the Popular Mind.](#)

For Le Bon, a crowd was any group of individuals overtaken by a common purpose or emotion. This "does not always involve the simultaneous presence of a number of individuals on one spot," he wrote, for "thousands of isolated individuals may acquire at certain moments, and under the influence of certain violent emotions—such, for example, as a great national event—the characteristics of a psychological crowd." The chief psychological characteristic of a man caught up in a crowd was the loss of rational, independent judgment. Members of a crowd "feel, think, and act in a manner quite different from that in which each individual of them would feel, think, and act, were he in a state of isolation," for the "critical spirit" and "conscious personality" of an individual will be lost once they are "sublimated" into a crowd's collective conscious.

In this irrational and impulse-driven crowd-state, humans are vulnerable to what Le Bon labeled "contagion in the brain." Infectious emotions like rage, fear, or a spirit of heroic self-sacrifice would race through the collective like a disease, leaving crowds of men "at the mercy of all external exciting causes...the slave of every impulse which they receive." Merely by joining a crowd, Le Bon's most famous passage argues:

"[A] man descends several rungs in the ladder of civilization. Isolated, he may be a cultivated individual; in a crowd, he is a barbarian — that is, a creature acting by instinct. He possesses the spontaneity, the violence, the ferocity, and also the enthusiasm and heroism of primitive beings, whom he further tends to resemble by the facility with which he allows himself to be impressed by words and images — which would be entirely without action on each of the isolated individuals composing the crowd — and to be induced to commit acts contrary to his most obvious interests and his best-known habits. An individual in a crowd is a grain of sand amid other grains of sand, which the wind stirs up at will..