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Alice McCool and Thomas Lewton, *Guardian UK*

Excerpt: "Oil and gas companies and lobby groups in Canada are heavily investing in campaigns to present themselves as defenders of Indigenous interests in the face of high-profile protests against a controversial natural gas pipeline on First Nation land."

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OK.....one more time....the XL Pipeline was not to bring American oil to market. It was to bring Canadian oil into the US, refine it and sell it overseas.....it's not hard to look it up!!



- Biden issues study order for expanding digital currencies, from design and security to financial and societal impacts. The Federal Reserve published a [white paper](#) in January about potentially creating a CBDC that would complement existing payment systems. It found that a CBDC could make payments cheaper and easier for consumers, but might also pose a risk to the stability of the U.S. financial system.
- The administration encourages the Fed's continued research and development. [China](#) has introduced its own CBDC, with more than 140 million people having opened digital "wallets," and many other countries have either rolled out or are developing digital currencies. The [Bahamas' Sand Dollar](#) is considered among the world's most successful digital currencies. (NBC, [consulting.us](#)).

We must learn from families about how school systems can best serve their children.

From North Carolina to Alaska, these 10 new grantees are creating true partnerships between educators & families who are too often left out of the conversation.

carnegie.org

[Carnegie Corporation of New York Names 10 Grant Recipients to Support Family Engagement Programs](#)

[Philanthropic funding will advance new strategies to provide equitable learning for all students](#)



[Jack Malotte](#)

The standing women is Susie my great grand mother, in the basket is Donald Ridley Sr. Girl with the dog is Wenona don't know the names of the 2 dogs.

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***In case your social life is lax, here's some HUD WEBINARS & CONFERENCES to take up the slack:***

**March 22-23: [Self-Monitoring](#)**

This two (2) day online training will provide participants with a solid foundation for complying with the self-monitoring requirements of NAHASDA and 2 CFR 200. Participants will learn strategies and insights that can be utilized to make self-monitoring an effective tool to accomplish their goals. This training will emphasize the development of local self-monitoring plans that are appropriate and effective for the size and needs of the recipient's program. The training will provide participants with the most current information, tools, and resources available. **When:** 9:00 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. AKST [Register Here](#)



### **March 23 Webinar: Advancing Considerations of Traditional Knowledge into Federal Decision Making**

The federal government is seeking ways to advance the consideration of Traditional Knowledge (TK) in federal decision-making processes, in coordination and collaboration with federally recognized tribes and indigenous peoples. This webinar will discuss the importance of considering TK, including ethics, values, etc., in decision-making, and recent developments and actions of the federal government to further consider TK, including plans to [develop guidance](#) for federal agencies, **Register Here:** [https://usepa.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_Pr8NnTJ0QhSwWHAf74glmA](https://usepa.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_Pr8NnTJ0QhSwWHAf74glmA)

**NOTE:** The webinar is planned to be recorded will be posted at: <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/environmental-justice-tribes-and-indigenous-peoples>.

For questions about this webinar, contact Danny Gogal ([gogal.danny@epa.gov](mailto:gogal.danny@epa.gov)).

### **March 28-29 TRIBAL HOUSING ADMISSIONS & OCCUPANCY - 10:00am-3:00pm MST**

This two-day virtual course will cover admissions and occupancy program management for the Indian Housing Block Grant program with topics to include the application and selection process, eligibility for housing assistance, calculating annual income, determining monthly rental or homeownership payments, occupancy standards, collections practices and compliance, effective communication techniques with residents, lease agreement compliance, collections, and eviction process. The course will also examine how maintaining high standards in the admissions and occupancy program affects the overall management of tribal housing programs. Participants are encouraged to print exercise questions and have calculators available. To register click this link: [REGISTRATION FOR SW ONAP A&O TRAINING](#)

### **March 29-31 [Uniform Guidance 2 CFR Part 200](#) - Virtual Training**

The Uniform Guidance establishes the administrative and financial management requirements for all Federal grants in accordance with 2 CFR 200. The Uniform Guidance requirements encompass management standards, procurement, reporting, record keeping, allowable costs, audits and much more. In addition to the Uniform Guidance, specific program requirements are established by statute or regulation which supersedes the Uniform Guidance. This three (3) day online training will provide participants with a comprehensive overview of the administrative and financial management requirements for the Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) pursuant to the Native American Housing Assistance and Self Determination Act (NAHASDA) including the Uniform Guidance. The training will emphasize practical applications of the Uniform Guidance to the NAHASDA program requirements.

**When:** 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. AKST [Register Here](#)

### **March 30-April 1 [Development Planning: Part 1 Training](#) (NP Series\*)**

This 3-day virtual training will provide participants with an introduction to the development planning process. The training will provide a pathway for Project Implementation from Conception through Development; provide management tools and reference material to support effective Project Implementation; present compliance requirements within the context of the Project Implementation process; and provide the opportunity to apply Project Implementation concepts through case studies.

**\*There are multiple series of Development Planning Training being offered. Tribes/TDHEs from any region may attend. We encourage participants to sign-up for the trainings in a particular series. The second session in this series is being offered May 31-June 2 and the third session is June 21-23.**

**When:** 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. MT [Register Here](#)

**April 5-6 PROGRAM INCOME TRAINING | 12:30 pm – 4:30 pm Pacific Time**

Participants at this 2-day training will gain a better understanding of program income under NAHSADA. The training will provide an overview of program income and will discuss sources of program income and how to calculate it. Participants will learn how to appropriately spend and report program income. Registration for this training is FREE, but you must register to attend. Registration is available online at <https://bit.ly/3C5Z8l9>.

**April 5-7 Development Planning: Part 1 Training (EW Series\*)**

This 3-day virtual training will provide participants with an introduction to the development planning process. The training will provide a pathway for Project Implementation from Conception through Development; provide management tools and reference material to support effective Project Implementation; present compliance requirements within the context of the Project Implementation process; and provide the opportunity to apply Project Implementation concepts through case studies.

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**When:** 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. ET [Register Here](#)

**April 6-7 HUD ONAP Virtual Housing Summit**

Tribal leaders and housing professionals are invited to join a free two-day virtual housing summit on April 6-7, 2022 hosted by the [National American Indian Housing Council](#) (NAIHC) in partnership with the [U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's](#) (HUD) [Office of Native American Programs](#) (ONAP). Summit attendees will hear from HUD officials on program and funding updates as well as panel discussions highlighting tribal housing best practices during the Covid-19 pandemic and navigating CARES Act and ARPA relief funding. This year, NAIHC is also celebrating 25 years of the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA) with special programming at each of its events.

**When:** 1:00 p.m.- 5:00 p.m. ET [Register Here](#)

**April 12-14 NAHASDA Essentials Training**

This exciting and interactive 3-day virtual training will provide attendees with a comprehensive introduction to NAHASDA. Participants will become familiar with all program activities, including rental housing, homebuyer programs, rehabilitation, and housing and crime prevention services. Other major topics that will be covered include the IHBG formula, eligible program participants, income verifications, other federal requirements, financial management and program administration. This foundational course will acquaint tribal and TDHE staff with the basic requirements of the IHBG Program and opportunities that are available. **When:** 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. ET [Register Here](#)

**April 12 Tribal HUD-VASH: Essentials Training**

Participants at this virtual training will receive step-by-step instruction on how to successfully administer and manage a Tribal HUD-VASH program. The trainer will give an overview of the Tribal HUD-VASH program, how it works, who is eligible, and key regulations and guidance.

**When:** 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. CT [Register Here](#)

**April 18-19 Indian Housing Plan/Annual Performance Report (IHP/APR)**

This two (2) day online training on Indian Housing Plan (IHP)/Annual Performance Report (APR) will provide participants with a comprehensive understanding of the IHP and APR requirements, the process for developing the local IHP, tracking activities for the APR, step-by-step process for completing the report template, current reference materials related to the IHP and APR, and overview of the HUD EPIC on-line reporting system. **When:** 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

AKST [Register Here](#)

**April 19-21 Tribal Secretaries & Administrative Professionals Conference** – Las Vegas, NV  
Details coming soon. For more info., call or visit [Falmouth Institute](#) 1-800-992-4489

**April 26-28 [Development Planning: Part 2 Training](#) (EW Series\*)**

This 3-day virtual training will provide participants with training on project implementation and management and construction process. It will build in the overview presented in part 1 with focus on the project development from planning, procurement, construction to closeout.

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**When:** 9:00 a.m.- 5:00 p.m. ET [Register Here](#)



RESTORATION SOFTWARE | [4-MINUTE READ](#)

### **DeepMind's New AI Helps Restore Damaged Ancient Texts**

Many inscriptions are so decrepit that large chunks are illegible. The company's Ithaca tool helps historians fill in the blanks.

*(With children not being taught cursive, either a PhD program or this kind of AI will be required to read many documents critical to tribal rights.....what's your solution?)*

*"Imagination will often carry us to worlds that never were. But without it we go nowhere.*

*—Carl Sagan*



One of the coolest things about Tucson is collaborations like this one. Love our startup community!



[azluminaria.org](http://azluminaria.org)

[Free industrial sewing job training is stitching together the Pascua Yaqui tribe with entrepreneurs - AZ Luminaria](http://azluminaria.org)

[Highlights • Arizona Stitch Lab is a free job training program housed in the Sonoran Stitch Factory, a cut-and-sew factory in the Old Pascua neighborhood of Tucson. • These are well-paying manufacturing jobs, not hobby-level home sewing projects. An industrial sewing machine operator may start a...](http://azluminaria.org)



[globalnews.ca](http://globalnews.ca)

[Enoch Cree model becomes 1st Indigenous woman in Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition | Globalnews.ca](http://globalnews.ca)

[Ashely Callingbull is the first Indigenous woman to model in Sports Illustrated swimsuit edition. This year, she's also the only Canadian represented.](http://globalnews.ca)



[What Were Humans Doing in the Yukon 24,000 Years Ago?](http://www.cbc.ca/news/science/indigenous-humans-yukon-24000-years-ago-1.5000000)

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The Biden administration unveiled a rule Friday to slash smog pollution that comes from power plants and other industrial sources and drifts across state lines, endangering people in downwind states. [Read more...](#)

***Just a thought:*** while there was the world of Columbus, there was another simultaneous reality:

"The Collection of children was institutionalised with the building of the schools in Topkapi Palace. An Ottoman decree from 1493 commanded those conducting the levy to take boys except those who 'show signs of reaching puberty or [who] have begun to grow a beard'. When the levied boys arrived in Istanbul as a tribute tax imposed on Christian subjects, they were circumcised. The 'children of superior beauty' were taken into inner palace service. Their superior moral qualities were allegedly revealed by the pseudoscience of physiognomy, which deduced which boys had 'the sign of felicity on their foreheads' as determined by the eunuch who was the agha ('lord' or 'master', a ranking servant of the imperial household) of the Gate of Felicity. After a number of years of education in the palace, those in this first, privileged group -- the pretty palace pages -- again passed through a selection process in which those with the best moral character and physique were chosen for further physical, spiritual, and cultural education. They would become the leading administrators of the empire.

**from *The Ottomans: Khans, Caesars, and Caliphs* by Marc David Baer**



**Safa Samiezhadeh Yazd**

They've since been erased, but Native American women were highly visible in early 20th century suffrage. White suffragists were fascinated by matriarchal power within tribes, but quickly forgot them by 1920. "The Indian woman rejoices with you," one woman told Alice Paul, but she was quick to remind too that the fight was far from over. The 19th Amendment didn't grant voting rights to Native women— at that point, they weren't even considered US citizens.

That woman who reminded Alice Paul was Zitkala-Ša ("Red Bird"), who spent her entire life straddling two cultures. Born and raised on a reservation in South Dakota, she was taken by Quaker missionaries to attend boarding school. Later, she wrote on her struggles with identity, the inner conflict she felt between the culture she came from, and the culture she was educated in — the joy of learning to read, write and play music, but also the pain of losing her heritage.

While studying at Earlham College and the New England Conservatory of Music, she began recording Native American oral histories and translating them into English. It was her belief that because many Indigenous customs were passed orally through music, opera would be a powerful way to share her cultural values with a new audience. So in 1913, she wrote the libretto and songs for the first Native American opera— composed in the romantic style, and based on a sacred Sioux dance deemed illegal by the US Government.

She argued that as the original people of America, indigenous people had a right to be citizens and be represented in government with the right to vote. Her relentless work in promoting a pan-Indian movement across all tribes for the cause of citizenship rights led to the passage of the



1924 Indian Citizenship Act. In 1926, she co-founded the National Council of American Indians, lobbying for Native suffrage rights. Her later books were amongst the first to bring traditional Native American stories to white audiences.

On International Women's Day, it's important to remember Zitkala-Ša's call to remember Native women, and the full range of their political and cultural experiences.

Photo from Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery

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All photos taken by Shelly Davis-King at the Society for California Archaeology Annual Meeting the first week in March. Visalia.

Top: Ron Goode on right received the 2022 California Indian Heritage Preservation Award. Shown with Jane Allen and Dirk Charley.

President Shannon Tushingham gives special presidential award to Suntayea Steinruck

Award to the Sierra Mono Museum (Lindsay Bethel accepting) for long term heritage preservation

Cultural Resource Management award to the California Tribal Historic Preservation Officers.



Hands off Wet'suwet'en! #JustLookUp Solidarity Action against City National Bank

Celebrities, Los Angeles Indigenous and Youth Climate Leaders Gather to Pressure City National Bank to Divest from Fossil Fuels

WHAT:

Twenty five percent of City National Bank's business is connected to Hollywood celebrities and productions. Mark Ruffalo, Edward Sharpe, and the Magnetic Zeros lead singer Alex Ebert have created the No More Dirty Banks campaign in support of the Wet'suwet'en tribe in British Columbia, with some of the world's biggest A-list celebrities, like Leonardo DiCaprio who have signed a letter to City National Bank and their parent company Royal Bank of Canada demanding that the banks cut financial ties with and stop funding the Coastal Gas Link Pipeline (or CGL).

This week Ruffalo and Ebert also placed a full page ad in Variety Magazine with an open letter to CNB and RBC listing all of the names of the celebrities signed on, committed to divesting should the banks refuse to divest.. RBC threatened Variety magazine with legal action which cause the entertainment media outlet to pull the digital ad, though they were too late to stop the print ad.

Adam McKay and Meryl Streep from the multiple Oscar Nominated film **"Don't Look Up"** have **were contacted by local Los Angeles organizers and will join the Indigenous and Youth led coalition gathering at Pershing Square in Downtown Los Angeles at Noon on Friday, March 18 to show their solidarity with the Wet'suwet'en tribe and as well as support for Youth Climate Strike Los Angeles** who will be mobilizing March 25th to demand the UTA teacher union divest their \$20 billion pension fund from fossil fuels. The UTA will be voting on whether or not to divest on that day.

These LA organizers are not the only activists who have been inspired by the film, "Don't Look Up". Over 80,000 climate activists in Europe mobilized last week to say "Look Up!", as the film is a metaphor for the endemic failures of government, media and the private sector to recognize the urgent crisis of climate change.

There will also be a **livestream event on [Act.tv](https://act.tv) on Saturday 3/19 at 12:00-1:30 pm PST/ 3 pm-4:30pm EST featuring the #JustLookUp Alliance with Mark Ruffalo, Bill McKibben, Adam McKay, Meryl Streep, Danny Glover and hosted by Baratunde Thurston.** One of the calls to action will be to ask the Biden Administration to green light plans to use the Defense Production Act to produce electric heaters for Europe, who is heavily dependent on Russian oil, thereby addressing both the crisis in Ukraine and offering a long term solution to get off of fossil fuels.

WHY:

The CGL pipeline is being pushed through sovereign Wet'suwet'en territory which threatens the tribe's primary water supply. Just as we witnessed at Standing Rock, TC Energy, the parent company of the CGL pipeline has engaged private security mercenaries to commit brutal acts of repression

RBC will claim that they have the support of the Wet'suwet'en leaders, but they have only secured the consent of the colonial leaders. The Canadian Supreme Court has upheld that the unbroken lineage and acting government of the hereditary Wet'suwet'en Chiefs of the territory

predating the Canadian Colonies have retained their sovereignty. Therefore the CGL pipeline is illegal and immoral.

The coalition and indigenous leaders will meet to inform the public that the same invasion of sovereign land, usurping of natural resources and suppression of the free press that is being perpetrated by Putin in the Ukraine is also happening right here in North America by our financial institutions.

Don't Look Up is a zeitgeist film because it so perfectly parodies what is happening in real life as media outlets and officials call for more drilling in response to the rising gas prices due to inflation and the situation in Ukraine. The IPCC scientific report has given the human race less than eight years to end its dependency on fossil fuels before the point of no return.

WHO:

- * Adam McKay. - Writer/ Director of "Don't Look Up" and "The Big Short"
- * Meryl Streep - Multiple Academy Award winning actress (to be present)
- * Chief Na'Moks - Wet'suwet'en hereditary chief will be calling in to the rally

- * Xiuhtezcatl Martinez - Indigenous Activist and Recording Artist
- * Sim Bilal - Youth Climate Strike LA
- * George Funmaker - Indigenous Activist Red Earth Defense
- * Jay Ponti - Founder of the #BankExit movement and author of Be The Revolution: How Occupy Wall Street and the Bernie Sanders Movement Reshaped American Politics
- * Sim Bilal - Organizer Youth Climate Strike LA
- * Kailynn Cruz - Organizer Youth Climate Strike LA
- * Simone Johnson - Senior Project Manager of The Future Coalition
- * Kevin J. Patel - Founder/ Exec. Dir of OneUpAction
- * Keya Chaudhuri - Extinction Rebellion Youth - National Coordinator
- * Lydia Ponce - SoCal 350

WHEN: Friday, March 18th, 2022

Press Check In: 12:00 pm - 12:30 pm

Rally/ Gathering: 12:30 pm- 1:30 pm

March to City National Bank (350 S Grand Ave, Los Angeles, CA 90071) 1:30 pm

* We ask everyone in attendance to wear a mask

* Media Opportunities Pre-Event upon request

MUSIC PERFORMANCES BY:

* Cafeteras

*More to be announced

WHERE: Pershing Square 532 S Olive St, Los Angeles, CA 90013

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DID YOU KNOW:

1. While fossil fuel companies are often assigned the bulk of the blame for driving and profiting from climate change, they share that responsibility with the world's big banks. Banks make money by leveraging or "borrowing" money from their depositors to make loans to both individual and corporate borrowers. Many of the largest borrowers from big banks include fossil fuel companies which use their bank financing to sustain and expand their high-carbon emitting operations.

2. The world's [60 largest banks have poured \\$3.8T into new and existing fossil fuel projects since 2015](#) when world leaders signed the Paris Agreement committing all countries to cutting their fossil fuel emissions in half by 2030. As fossil fuel combustion accounted for [74% alone of total U.S. emissions in 2019](#), the country and world cannot achieve this goal without decreasing the volume of fossil fuels it develops and deploys. Yet banks are doing the opposite of what is necessary, logging record increases in the total sums they invest, lend and use to underwrite new and existing fossil fuel projects since 2015. In fact, banks allocated 39% of their \$3.8T in fossil fuel financing to the world's 100 least sustainable fossil fuel companies that are pursuing the biggest plans to expand their fossil fuel production. In May, 2021, The International Energy Agency (IEA) said that [reaching net-zero by 2050 requires there can be "no investment in new fossil fuel supply projects"](#).
3. Sustainable finance commitments are important; however, they don't offset/counteract fossil fuel financing. If a bank is committed to sustainable finance, their contribution is undermined by the money they're pouring into fossil fuels
 - For example: JPMC's \$55B in green financing last year (not all climate related) was more than neutralized by the \$51B they poured into fossil fuel infrastructure and expansion. Several banks tout their sustainable finance commitments; however, most commitments are widely viewed as greenwashing as the core of these commitments lack concrete actions to minimize climate change on a Paris-aligned timeline, which science requires.
4. Greenwashing is the process of conveying a false impression or providing misleading information about how a company's products, investments, and overall footprint are more environmentally sound than they are. Activists refer to business initiatives that reduce reputational risks more than climate change as "greenwashing".
 - "Many of those banks are making 2050 commitments to align with the Paris Agreement when they need to act now on fossil fuels. Any bank that makes a 'net zero by 2050' policy commitment and then treats it as a license to continue with business as usual is guilty of greenwashing." - Ginger Cassady, the executive director of Rainforest Action Network.
5. Across the world, governments and companies, specifically banks, have pledged to conserve and plant a massive number of trees as a solution to mitigate climate change as plants absorb CO2 from the atmosphere. The fact is, [offsetting carbon using trees is not a solution](#) as there isn't enough real estate in the world to offset our current carbon emissions, and there never will be. While banks' focus on carbon capture technologies is important, it is not a solution or replacement for science-informed efforts to halve emissions by 2030.
6. Some clients may choose to specify that their personal dollars cannot be used to invest or otherwise finance fossil fuel – or other unsustainable – companies. However, until the majority of institutional as well as individual clients direct banks not to allocate their funds to high-carbon emitting companies, the impact of these limits is minimal. On average, \$1 of every \$10 you deposit with the largest US banks goes towards fossil fuel financing (JPMorgan Chase, Citibank, Wells Fargo, Bank of America, Morgan Stanley, and Goldman Sachs).

7. According to a report published by CDP, [Banks Produce 700 Times More Emissions From Loans Than Offices](#) and direct emissions through investing, lending, and underwriting activities. Bank's operational emissions (the sum of their Scope 1 and 2 emissions) amount to only a fraction of their Scope 3, or financed emissions, yet many banks tout their "operational sustainability" as a way of greenwashing their environmental and climate profiles and obscuring the total emissions for which they bear responsibility.
8. There are 5 main industry standard frameworks that banks can commit to – GFANZ, PCAF, PACTA, TCFD, and UN PRB
 - While making commitments to GFANZ, PCAF, TCFD, and UN PRB are important for consistency and accountability, they are still highly insufficient in aligning with the Paris Agreement's 1.5-degree pathway and are often a way for banks to check the box and tout their "commitment" to sustainability while continuing to fund new and existing fossil fuel projects.

See you out there! -SoCal 350 Steering Committee

