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### **Walking the Red Road**

"No matter what happened in the past, no matter what you've been going through lately, no matter what diagnosis you've been given, how stuck you feel, how much trauma you've experienced...Remember, you have the innate ability to heal. And you are surrounded by helpers, guides, and ancestors who support your greatest good. Even if you feel alone right now, trust that they are there for you. Look around. See them. Feel them. Invite them in. They are here for you as you rise and step onto your sacred path.

**Konolunkwa. I love you. All is well."**

**BREAKING: Inflation Reduction Act Sets Up American Lithium Mining Boom**  
US Lithium Production Needs to Multiply 15x By 2025 to Satisfy Domestic Demand

Editorial | Jan 30, 2022 | Industry

[https://markettactic.com/lithium-supply-crisis-why-its-worse-than-you-think-3/5541232/?utm\\_source=Yahoo&utm\\_medium=CPC&utm\\_campaign=TI](https://markettactic.com/lithium-supply-crisis-why-its-worse-than-you-think-3/5541232/?utm_source=Yahoo&utm_medium=CPC&utm_campaign=TI)

[teslarati.com](https://teslarati.com) | By SIMON ALVAREZ

[Tesla-funded researchers discover reason for lithium-ion battery discharges](#)  
[A commercial tape that holds electrodes together in lithium-ion batteries can be the reason behind the self-discharging process.](#)

**Creation of largest US lithium mine draws closer despite protest over land use**

Thacker Pass mine considered critical to Biden's \$2 trillion clean energy plan.

Read in Ars Technica: <https://apple.news/A8LQv2h2DQduInC9XmHXBTQ>

**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony**

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Reno-Sparks Indian Colony Statement on Yesterday's Court Decision**

RENO, NV — On Monday, Judge Miranda Du issued her decision in the consolidated Thacker Pass court cases including Case No. 3:21-cv-00080-MMD-CLB, the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and Burns Paiute Tribe lawsuit against the Bureau of Land Management.

Judge Du ruled against the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and all the other plaintiffs except on one, limited argument. She found that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) did not determine whether or not Lithium Nevada possesses valid mineral rights for 1,300 of the 18,000 acres that the mine would cover. The judge is allowing the rest of the mine to proceed while BLM determines whether Lithium Nevada possesses those rights.

“We have expected this decision for some time,” said Arlan Melendez, Chairman of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony. “This does not mean consultation was done correctly and it does not mean this fight is over. We will be continuing to advocate for this sacred site.”

The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony attorney Will Falk said in a statement, “Law is a limited tactic – especially in public lands mining cases where the law presumes corporations have a right to mine. If we’re going to truly protect Thacker Pass, we’re going to have to do more than file

lawsuits and litigate in court. We cannot rely on the government or a judge to protect Thacker Pass. We'll have to do it ourselves.”

Falk is the co-founder of Protect Thacker Pass, which led a protest camp on the site for much of 2021.

Thacker Pass, known as Peehee Mu’huh in Paiute, is a sacred site to regional tribes whose ancestors lived in the area for thousands of years, and were massacred there on at least [two occasions](#). It’s also critical habitat for wildlife including pronghorn, Greater sage-grouse, golden eagles, mule deer, and an endangered snail species, the King’s River Pyrg.

Lithium Nevada claims that its lithium mine will be essential to producing batteries for combating global warming, and the Biden administration has previously indicated some support for Thacker Pass. Opponents of the project have called this “[greenwashing](#),” arguing that the project would harm important wildlife habitat and create significant pollution. They say that electric cars are still harmful to the planet.

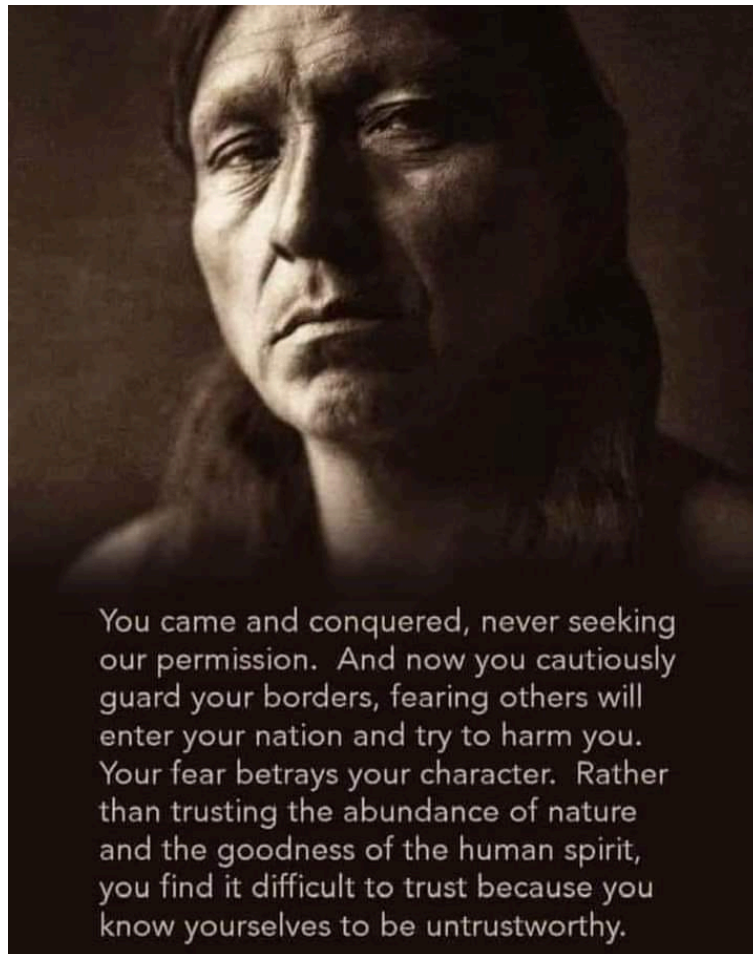
## Timeline

- January 15, 2021 — Due to “fast-tracked” permitting under the Trump Administration, the Bureau of Land Management releases a Record of Decision approving the Thacker Pass mine less than a year after beginning the Environmental Impact Statement process. On the same day, Max Wilbert and Will Falk established the Protect Thacker Pass camp.
- February 11, 2021 — Local rancher Edward Bartell files a lawsuit (Case No. 3:21-cv-00080-MMD-CLB) in U.S. District Court alleging the proposed mine violates the Endangered Species Act by harming Lahontan Cutthroat Trout, and would cause irreparable harm to springs, wet meadows, and water tables.
- February 26, 2021 — Four environmental organizations (Basin and Range Watch, Great Basin Resource Watch, Wildlands Defense, and Western Watersheds Project) file another lawsuit (Case No. 3:21-cv-00103-MMD-CLB) in U.S. District Court, alleging that BLM violated the National Environmental Policy Act, Federal Land Policy Management Act, and other laws in permitting the Thacker Pass mine.
- June 24, 2021 — The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI), the oldest and largest national organization of American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments, calls on the Department of the Interior to rescind the permits for the Thacker Pass project.
- Spring and Summer 2021 — Rallies, protests, and prayer runs take place in Oroville, Winnemucca, Reno, Carson City, and at Thacker Pass. More than 100 mine opponents gather at Thacker Pass to commemorate the 156-year anniversary of a September 12,

1865 massacre of at least 31 Northern Paiute men, women, and children committed by the 1<sup>st</sup> Nevada Cavalry. Thousands of people visit the site.

- July 19, 2021 — The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony and Atsa koodakuh wyh Nuwu (People of Red Mountain) files a successful motion to intervene in Federal District Court (Case No. 3:21-cv-00080-MMD-CLB) alleging that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) violated the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) in permitting the planned lithium mine.
- August 2, 2021 — Burns Paiute Tribe files a motion to intervene on the side of tribal plaintiffs (Case No. 3:21-cv-00080-MMD-CLB).
- September 15, 2021 — Bureau of Land Management accuses Will Falk and Max Wilbert of trespass for providing bathrooms to native elders at Thacker Pass, fining them \$49,890.13.
- October 8, 2021 — Eighteen native elders from three regional tribes request a BLM permit for their ceremonial camp. The BLM does not respond.
- November 29, 2021 — The Reno-Sparks Indian Colony files an amended complaint in federal court alleging major previously unknown violations of the law. In January, Judge Miranda Du rejects the amended complaint because she wants to make a final decision on the case within a few months (note that the case has now continued for another calendar year).
- February 11th, 2022 — Winnemucca Indian Colony files a motion to intervene in the lawsuit on the side of plaintiffs, claiming that BLM's contention that they consulted with the Tribe is completely false. Judge Du rejects this motion shortly afterwards with the same reasoning used above.
- April 4th, 2022 — Reno-Sparks Indian Colony files a *Motion for Discovery Sanctions* alleging that the BLM has been [disobeying court orders and making “reckless, false statements” in a deliberate attempt to abuse the justice system and limit judicial oversight](#). Judge Du agrees with RSIC, but rejects the motion on a technicality.
- August 2022 — BLM “discovers” five new historic sites at Thacker Pass and for the first time acknowledges the September 12, 1865 massacre took place, but continues to reject tribal expertise.
- September 2022 — Lithium Nevada Corporation begins digging up portions of Thacker Pass for “bulk sampling” despite consultation still being ongoing between the Bureau of Land Management and regional tribes over cultural sites.

- October 2022 — Dozens of mining activists from four continents visit Thacker Pass as part of the Western Mining Action Network biennial conference.
- January 31, 2023 — General Motors Corporation (GMC) announces a \$650m equity investment in Lithium Americas Corporation (LAC) for exclusive access to battery raw materials in Phase 1 of the mine project. GMC will use lithium carbonate from Thacker Pass Lithium Mine Project in Ultium battery cells.



### **Leech Lake Band Wins Mill Reversal**

[https://replica.startribune.com/infinity/article\\_popover\\_share.aspx?guid=e9fc8829-0582-4cb2-b819-fbb36995ad3b](https://replica.startribune.com/infinity/article_popover_share.aspx?guid=e9fc8829-0582-4cb2-b819-fbb36995ad3b)

### **Better World Books**

<https://www.betterworldbooks.com/search/results?q=native%20american%5D>

Books donated 35,376,722

Funds raised for literacy & libraries \$34,428,550

Books reused or recycled 449,970,119

## PowWows

### Feb 10      Bad River Wellbriety Round Dance 2023      Odanah WI

Feast 4:00pm Hand Drum Contest 5:00pm Round Dance 6:00pm Youth Singing Contest: 1st \$500.00 2nd \$300.00 3rd \$200.00 Consolations Adult Singing Contest: 1st...

### Feb 10 - 12      50th Anniversary Seminole Tribal Fair and Pow Wow - 2023      Hollywood FL

Free family event. The Seminole Tribe of Florida will host its annual celebration of Native culture and arts on February 10-12, 2023...

### February 12      Sublime Concert 2023      - Hollywood FL

Entertainment starts at 1:00pm; Sublime concert at 3:00pm Free admission! The concert is part of the 50th Anniversary Seminole Tribal Fair!

### Feb 17 - 19      Thunder on the Beach Pow Wow 2023      - Vero Beach FL

This will be a public event. Everyone is welcome. Intertribal dancing, vendors and activities. Gates open 4pm on Friday and 10am on...

### Feb 18      Yuba Sutter Winter Pow Wow 2023      - Marysville CA

11 am to 6 pm Open Gourd @ 11 am Grand Entry @ Noon Everyone Welcome - Free Entry All Dancers Welcome...

### Feb 18 - 19      33rd Annual Championship Hoop Dance Contest 2023      - Phoenix AZ

The 33rd annual Championship Hoop Dance Contest will take place at the Heard Museum on February 18-19, 2023. Saturday & Sunday 9:00am - 5:00pm; Gates...

### Feb 24      Kitigan Zibi Round Dance 2023      - Maniwaki QC

Teaching Circle 5:00pm Feast 6:00pm All singers welcome. All singers receive travel money. No vendors or outside raffles. Emcee: Ken Saddleback Stick...

### Mar 3 - 5      Thundering Spirit Family Pow Wow 2023 - Mount Dora FL

Native crafts, food, dancers & music Entertainment starts daily at 10:00am - Arvel Bird, Jack "Flute" Holland, Lowery Begay, and Aztec Dancers



Regent Bowerbird  
Queensland, Australia.



## **Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument**

Join us as we continue our huaka‘i, voyage, up the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands in celebration of Mahina ‘Ōlelo Hawai‘i, Hawaiian Language Month.

Kui ‘ia ka lei moku e Kanaloa. The ocean unites humanity.

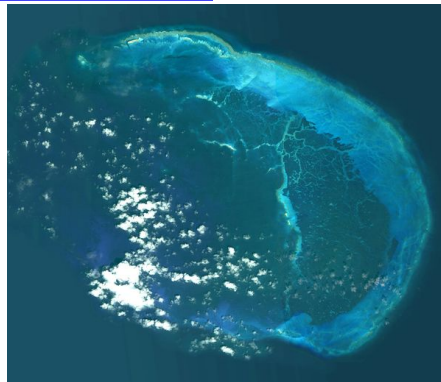
This ‘ōlelo no‘eau, or Hawaiian proverb, translates to “the islands are strung together as a lei by Kanaloa,” the Hawaiian god of the sea. The ocean is often considered as something that divides lands. From an oceanic perspective, the ocean has always been a connecting force for people of the Pacific. Next stop, Lalo, French Frigate Shoals.

Lalo, Kānemiloha‘i, Mukupāpapa (French Frigate Shoals)

The word lalo means “down, downward, low, lower, under, below, depth, west or leeward.” Lalo is closely associated with the direction of pō (darkness) or ancestral lands “where dwelt the souls of gods.” The name Lalo depicts low-lying islands partially submerged below the surface, which aptly describes the atoll. Recorded in chants, the name Mukupāpapa refers to an island, or islands, northwest of Ni‘ihau. The nearest shoal-like place is French Frigate Shoals, an atoll of reefs, low sand islets, and the 120-foot-high La Pérouse Pinnacle. Moku (islet) combined with pāpapa (low, at, expansive reef) means “islets with low-lying reefs.” It is said that on this low, flat sand island, Pele (the volcano goddess) left one of her brothers, Kānemiloha‘i, as a guardian during her first journey to Hawai‘i from Tahiti.

Image: Satellite (poelele) image of Lalo. Credit: DigitalGlobe

[NOAA Office of National Marine Sanctuaries Pacific Islands: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service](#)  
[NOAA Fisheries Pacific Islands Hawaii DLNR \(Department of Land and Natural Resources\)](#)  
[Office of Hawaiian Affairs #mahinaolelohawaii](#)



**Meet the leader helping connect St. Paul to its Indigenous roots**

<https://www.startribune.com/meet-the-leader-helping-connect-st-paul-to-its-indigenous-roots/600249690/>

<b><u>More Scholarships with March 1 Deadlines</u></b>		
<a href="#"><u>Hawkinson Foundation Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>IEEE James O. Gray Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Iowa 4-H Foundation Scholarships</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>ISCS Scholarships</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Mainely Character Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Michael Burke Sr. Memorial Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Minnesota Masonic Charities 4-Year Scholarships</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>National Association Buffalo Soldier &amp; Troopers MC</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Rocky Mountain Coal Mining Engineering/Geology Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>SEMA Memorial Scholarship Fund</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>The Armando J. de Moya Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>The Rubber Division, ACS Undergraduate Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Wm. C. "Bill" Sterner Memorial Scholarship</u></a>	\$5,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>TxDOT Conditional Grant Program</u></a>	\$6,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Colonial Agricultural Educational Foundation Scholarships</u></a>	\$6,500	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Joyce Ivy Summer Scholars Scholarship</u></a>	\$6,600	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Youthline Utah Young Humanitarian Award</u></a>	\$7,500	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>ALSC Frederic G. Melcher Scholarship</u></a>	\$8,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Bound to Stay Bound Books Scholarship</u></a>	\$8,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Colorado State University Green and Gold Scholarship</u></a>	\$8,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Mount Mercy University Holland Scholarship</u></a>	\$8,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Engbretson Foundation Scholarship</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Humboldt Area/Wild Rivers Community Scholarships</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Ripon College William J. Woolley History Scholarship</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>SEG Scholarships</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Social Entrepreneur Award</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Stephen K. Hall ACWA Water Law &amp; Policy Scholarship</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>The Brooking Industries Scholarship</u></a>	\$10,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>NSCCF Scholarships</u></a>	\$10,300	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Golden LEAF Scholarship Program</u></a>	\$12,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Robert D. Shapiro Memorial Scholarship</u></a>	\$12,500	03/01/2023

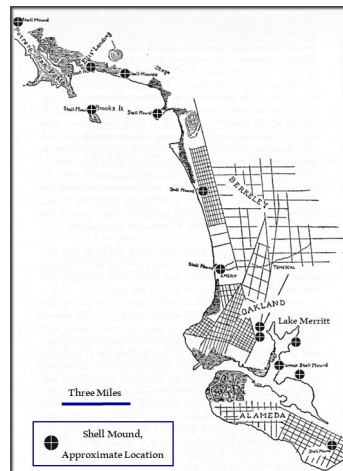


<a href="#"><u>United Methodist GBHEM Ministry as a Career Scholarships</u></a>	\$12,500	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Idaho Opportunity Scholarship</u></a>	\$14,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Charles E. Peterson Prize Fellowship</u></a>	\$15,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Life Lessons Scholarship Program</u></a>	\$15,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Tailhook Educational Foundation (TEF) Scholarships</u></a>	\$15,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>New Mexico Tech Freshmen Silver Scholarship</u></a>	\$16,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>GeoKids LINKS Graduate Fellowship in Biology</u></a>	\$18,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Anchor Endowed and Administered Scholarships</u></a>	\$20,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Central New York STEM Scholarship</u></a>	\$20,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Goya Foods Culinary Arts Scholarship Program</u></a>	\$20,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Suffolk University Graduate Fellowships</u></a>	\$20,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Supply Chain Transportation &amp; Logistics - University of Washington</u></a>	\$20,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>James Madison Graduate Fellowships</u></a>	\$24,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>New Mexico Tech Freshmen Presidential Scholarship</u></a>	\$24,000	03/01/2023
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<a href="#"><u>Colorado State University Merit Scholarships for Non-Residents</u></a>	\$40,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Elms College STEM Scholarships</u></a>	\$40,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Marine Corps Scholarship Foundation</u></a>	\$40,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Principia College Dean's Scholarship</u></a>	\$40,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>University of Iowa National Scholars Award</u></a>	\$48,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Principia College President's Scholarship</u></a>	\$60,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Curtis Institute of Music/Tuition Scholarships</u></a>	\$60,291	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Quinnipiac Transfer Student Scholarship</u></a>	\$72,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>University of Michigan Bell Scholarship</u></a>	\$80,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>CPI Charles Lewis Fellowship</u></a>	\$85,980	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Mount Mercy University Freshmen Academic Scholarships</u></a>	\$88,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Principia College Trustee Scholarship</u></a>	\$100,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>St. Joseph's College Presidential Scholarship</u></a>	\$100,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Eureka College Disciples Leadership Program</u></a>	\$109,800	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>Quinnipiac University Freshmen Academic Scholarships</u></a>	\$112,000	03/01/2023
<a href="#"><u>The Citadel Incoming Freshmen Scholarships</u></a>	\$220,796	03/01/2023

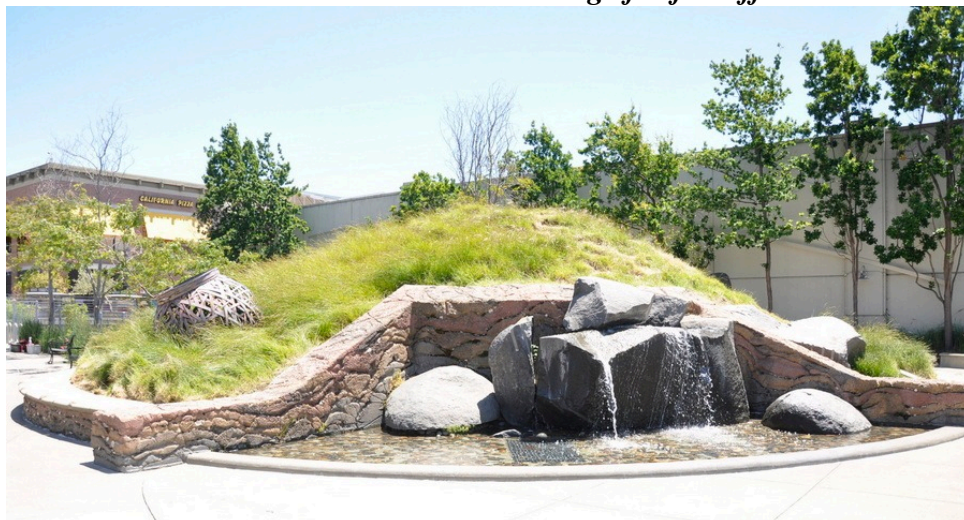
## Oakland History

Jere H. Lipps · ·

The Ohlone (Huichin) lived by the Slough that became Lake Merritt for the past ~4000 years. They built shell mounds around the slough near what is now Lake Merritt, the City of Oakland, on Alameda (Peninsula then), and maybe at the town of Clinton, now part of Oakland southeast of the lake (although an early development was called the Clinton Mound tract, I could find no indication of where it might be). This map shows locations of mounds recorded by Nelson in 1902 at West Berkeley, Emeryville, Lake Merritt, and Alameda, with the addition of several others that went unrecorded. All of the mounds around Lake Merritt, Alameda, and in Oakland were destroyed by early development and their contents are unknown. The Emeryville mound (now recalled by an inadequate small model of it and several upright plaques with a few descriptions on them on the southern side of the Bay Street Mall which sits on top of the remains of the real mound) was excavated by Uhle from 1902-1907. He unearthed, as did a few others, 700 burials, a wide variety of bone and stone tools, and remains of food (bird, mammal and fish bones). This may give an impression of what the mounds about the Lake may have contained. These are sacred sites to the Muwekma Ohlone tribe that we must respect and honor. Since their ancestors lived so close to Lake Merritt perhaps we should dedicate something there that all people could use and recognize, like naming the path around the entire Lake: the Ohlone Path, Trail, Way, Walk or something like that.



*enlarge for full effect*



Numu yadooana lunch & learn today @ noon.

(PLPT)



**Snow sisters: Team Kwe, the only all-women Indigenous snow sculpture team in the U.S.**

A look at the tight-knit community behind snow sculpting, the 'crazy little art sport'

[https://www.mprnews.org/story/2023/02/01/the-only-all-women-indigenous-snow-sculpture-team?fbclid=IwAR0\\_kgoR9Aiwd0y-7AxthW9xjK-mpFc4ECRE5iwhCegTttmDBxMHLt8Ju8I](https://www.mprnews.org/story/2023/02/01/the-only-all-women-indigenous-snow-sculpture-team?fbclid=IwAR0_kgoR9Aiwd0y-7AxthW9xjK-mpFc4ECRE5iwhCegTttmDBxMHLt8Ju8I)





# IN LOVING *Memory of* RUPERT STEELE



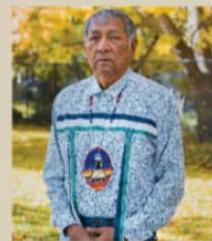
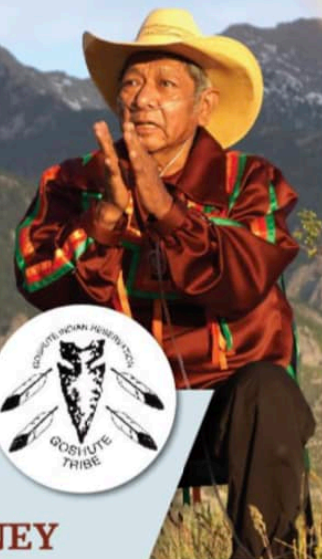
## BORN

June 3, 1953 | Owyhee, NV

## ENTERED JOURNEY

January 26, 2023 | Las Vegas, NV

**GOSHUTE TRIBE CHAIRMAN**



## VIEWING

(Afternoon)

Thursday

**February 9, 2023  
1:00 - 4:00 PM**

Sacred Circle Health Care  
660 S 200 E  
Salt Lake City, UT 84111

## VIEWING

(Open Mic & Dinner)

Friday

**February 10, 2023  
6:00 - 8:30 PM**

Goshute Tribal Gymnasium  
195 Tribal Center Road  
Ibapah, UT 84034

## TRADITIONAL WAKE

Friday - Saturday

**February 10, 2023  
8:30 PM - Sunrise**

Goshute Tribal Gymnasium  
195 Tribal Center Road  
Ibapah, UT 84034

## CELEBRATION OF LIFE

Saturday

**February 11, 2023  
10:00 AM**

Goshute Tribal Gymnasium  
195 Tribal Center Road  
Ibapah, UT 84034

▶ Nearest accommodations are in Wendover, UT/NV. Floral arrangements can be ordered at Tooele Floral (435) 882-0669 or Flowers for Sally (435) 494-6693.

Burial after services at  
Goshute Lower Cemetery