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Idaho SR 51 is a long, lonely stretch between Mountain Home and the Duck Valley Indian Reservation. (L.E. Baskow/Las Vegas Review-Journal) @Left\_Eye\_Images

**ICYMI last week:** <https://www.reviewjournal.com/local/local-nevada/tribe-fights-cancer-cluster-in-nevada-town-we-have-to-get-a-new-school-2715701/>



**The Latest News in the Fight for Native Rights**



### **EPA Upholds Clean Water Protections for Bristol Bay**

The advocacy of Bristol Bay Tribes, communities, Alaska Native Corporations, and organizations has stopped Pebble Mine from being built at the headwaters of Bristol Bay.

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### **Celebrating Elizabeth Peratrovich Day**

Elizabeth Peratrovich was a powerful Alaska Native civil rights leader whose impact the world acknowledges on February 16.

[Learn More →](#)



### **Supreme Court Urged to Honor Tribal Water Rights**

The U.S. Supreme Court received an amicus brief from tribal governments and Native organizations urging the court to uphold long standing tribal water rights attacked in *Arizona v. Navajo Nation*.

[More on This →](#)



### **Investing in Tribal Sovereignty**

The San Manuel Band of Mission Indians has committed ongoing support of the Tribal Supreme Court Project through a generous two-year donation.

[What's the Impact? →](#)



#### Last Call to Donate to NARF Via AmazonSmile

Thank you to everyone who selected the Native American Rights Fund as their designated charity at AmazonSmile.com. The contributions you encouraged Amazon to donate on your behalf helped fuel the fight for justice!

Amazon will end the donation program on Feb. 20. We appreciate any last minute donations you have a chance to place before the program ends.

[Other Ways to Help →](#)



#### [David Attenborough Fans](#)

Check out this incredible discovery by archaeologists! A perfectly preserved boot from 2,300 years ago has been unearthed, complete with stunning beaded details that are absolutely beautiful.

[Read the full story of this amazing find in the Altai Mountains here: http://bit.ly/3YJ4tth](http://bit.ly/3YJ4tth)



# White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council (WHEJAC)

## Public Meeting: March 1, 2023

The [White House Environmental Justice Advisory Council \(WHEJAC\)](#) will hold a virtual public meeting **March 1, 2023** from approximately 3:00 - 7:30 PM ET. This free meeting is open to all members of the public. Individual registration is **REQUIRED** and is available through the scheduled end time of the meeting day.

**Register for the WHEJAC virtual public meeting here:** [https://usepa.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN\\_glwxjegQTVqjC0sgNeabbA](https://usepa.zoomgov.com/webinar/register/WN_glwxjegQTVqjC0sgNeabbA)

Priority to speak during the meeting will be given to public commenters with comments relevant to current WHEJC charges. Every effort will be made to hear from as many registered public commenters during the time specified on the agenda. Registration to speak during the public comment period closes at **11:59 p.m. (ET), February 27, 2023.**

The WHEJAC is seeking comments relevant to:

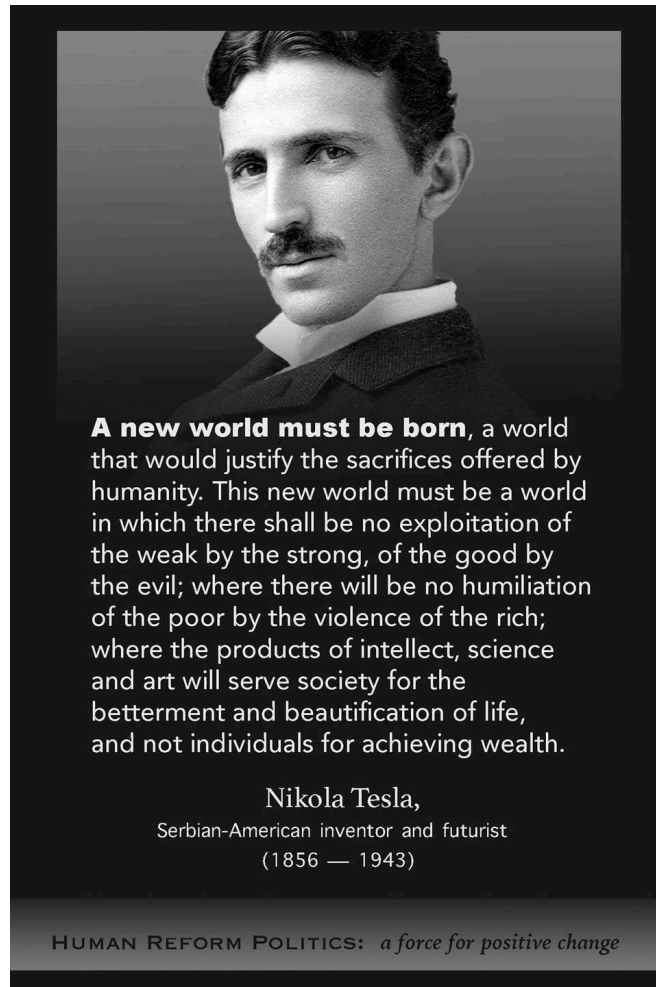
- Climate and Economic Justice Screening Tool
- Environmental Justice Scorecard
- **Indigenous Peoples and Tribal Nations**
- Climate Planning Preparedness, Response, Recovery, or Impacts
- Question: What are the core elements of a multi-agency strategy apart from Carbon Capture, Usage and Storage that can address potential use of carbon management while protecting communities?
- Question: Adverse health impacts from a changing climate disproportionately affects disadvantaged communities. What are the policies or programs that can address adverse health impacts before, during, and after extreme climate events?
- Question: Tribal communities are disproportionately impacted by the ecosystem collapse caused by climate change that is destroying subsistence hunting, fishing, and growing traditional foods. How can the policies or programs of the federal government prevent and address these impacts?

Submitting written comments for the record are strongly encouraged. Written comments can be submitted through **March 15, 2023**. The public can submit written comments in the following 3 ways:

1. Entering comments in the Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OEJECR-2023-099 at <http://www.regulations.gov>, when it opens.
2. Using the webform at <https://www.epa.gov/environmentaljustice/forms/white-house-environmental-justice-advisory-council-whejac-public-comment>
3. Sending comments via email to [whejac@epa.gov](mailto:whejac@epa.gov), for comments with additional materials.

The meeting agenda and other meeting support materials including the public comments will be posted in the public docket **EPA-HQ-OEJECR-2023-0099** as they become available at <http://www.regulations.gov>.





### **L.A. fights to keep Mono Lake supply flowing**

[https://enewspaper.eastbaytimes.com/infinity/article\\_popover\\_share.aspx?guid=7e53162a-8c21-401c-aa38-ad0a68caa606](https://enewspaper.eastbaytimes.com/infinity/article_popover_share.aspx?guid=7e53162a-8c21-401c-aa38-ad0a68caa606)

**Toxic waste:** You can hear CalMatters investigative reporter Robert Lewis on National Public Radio's "All Things Considered" this week. The radio feature is a companion to his story on how [California sends nearly half its toxic waste out of state](#), which took him to tribal lands in Arizona and the shores of Great Salt Lake.

### **Invisible Destruction: 38% of Remaining Amazon Forest Already Degraded**

*Suzana Camargo, Mongabay*

Camargo writes: "When we speak about destruction of the Amazon, deforestation data are often the reference. Over the last few decades, it is the rates of clear cutting that are best documented, making headlines and guiding environmental protection strategies."

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### [A Mighty Girl](#)

Happy 82nd birthday to music legend Buffy Sainte-Marie! Over the past fifty years, the Canadian musician and singer-songwriter has released over twenty albums. Her songs often focus on themes such as love, war, and religion, including the famous 1960s era protest song, Universal Soldier. Sainte-Marie has also been active for decades on issues related to promoting the empowerment of the Indigenous peoples of North America. In 1977, she famously appeared on Sesame Street and breastfed her son during the show. "I think I was the first person to nurse a baby on major television," she said recently. "I mean, think of the impact: it was three shows a day in 72 countries."

Born on the Piapot Plains Cree First Nation Reserve in Saskatchewan, Canada, Sainte-Marie was raised by adoptive parents in Massachusetts. She taught herself guitar as a teenager and, by the early 1960s, she had become active in Greenwich Village folk music scene in New York City. Sainte-Marie began to tour around North America, becoming especially well-known for her protest songs and social activism. In the 1970s, she gained an interest in experimental music and earned a PhD in Fine Art from the University of Massachusetts. Sainte-Marie has continued to compose and perform for decades and, in 2015, she released a highly acclaimed album, "Power In The Blood," after a seven year hiatus from recording.

To learn more about her newest album "Power In The Blood," visit <http://amzn.to/1L0gJxV> Buffy Sainte-Marie is also the author of two children's books: "Hey Little Rockabye: A Lullaby for Pet Adoption" (<https://amzn.to/3sMYzs0>) and "Tâpwê and the Magic Hat" (<https://amzn.to/3gYeXR6>)

To introduce kids to this musical icon, she is one of 40 incredible women featured in the inspiring book "Rad Women Worldwide" for ages 10 and up at <https://www.amightygirl.com/rad-women-worldwide>

Adults can learn more about her remarkable life in the recent biography "Buffy Sainte-Marie: The Authorized Biography" at <https://amzn.to/33zznga>

To introduce children and teens to more Native American and Aboriginal girls and women -- both in real-life and fiction -- visit our blog post, "50 Children's Books Celebrating Native American and Indigenous Mighty Girls," at <https://www.amightygirl.com/blog?p=10365>

## USDA Seeks Feedback from Broadband Technical Assistance Providers and Rural Communities

The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) ([Pub. L. 117-58](#)) provided the Rural Utilities Service (RUS) Telecommunications Program with funding for technical assistance and pre-development planning activities to support the most rural communities. RUS received additional funding for these purposes in the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2023 ([Pub. L. 117-328](#)). RUS will host two listening sessions to solicit important feedback from **rural communities interested in receiving broadband technical assistance and technical assistance providers serving rural communities**.

**Rural Communities** interested in receiving broadband technical assistance are encouraged to register to attend the **Broadband Technical Assistance for Rural Communities Listening Session on Thursday, February 23rd at 1 PM ET**. [Register for this session here.](#)

**Technical Assistance Providers** interested in providing broadband technical assistance to support the most rural communities are encouraged to register to attend the **Broadband Technical Assistance Providers Listening Session on Tuesday, February 28th at 1 PM ET**. [Register for this session here.](#)

The goal of these listening sessions is to solicit valuable insight into the challenges communities face in gaining broadband access, the types of technical assistance resources that would best serve these communities, and how RUS can best provide support.

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**FREE Webinars: The Native Learning Center** (NLC) partners with Travois to develop housing related training opportunities focused on areas that are critical to the improvement and self-sufficiency of safe and healthy Tribal communities. **Upcoming Webinars:**

- Tuesday, February 28, 2023: Pascua Yaqui Tribe: A case study and comprehensive planning and managing multiple projects at the same time.
- Thursday, March 2, 2023: Asset management and compliance — plan for post pandemic operations

Visit [NLC's website](#) to register for a free training.

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**HUD's Office of Native American Programs offers FREE Trainings on various topics impacting Tribal Housing and Administration of HUD funding. Below is a summary. For a complete listing of upcoming trainings, please visit [Calendar of Events and Training Opportunities](#)**

### **Feb. 22: Incorporating Phase I Environmental Site Assessments into the HUD Environmental Review (1:00 – 2:30pm EST)**

This training is intended for environmental staff of HUD grantees and others who may work on environmental reviews of HUD-assisted projects. [Register today!](#)

### **April 3-6, 2023: RES 2023 Summit – Empowering For Generations.**

The **2023 Reservation Economic Summit** features Tribal leaders, members of Congress, federal agency representatives, state and local officials, and top CEO's on a national platform. RES 2023 will include plenary programming and panel discussions on timely themes relevant to Native American, Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian Tribes and enterprises. [Register Today!](#)

**April 17-19, 2023: 23rd Annual Travois Indian Country Affordable Housing & Economic Development Conference** -Washington, DC. Visit [travois.com/news-events/annual-conference-information](https://travois.com/news-events/annual-conference-information) .

**May 9-11: 2023 AMERIND Risk/NAHIC Convention & Trade Show** – Hawaii  
[SAVE THE DATE: 2023 AMERIND/NAIHC ANNUAL CONVENTION AND TRADESHOW | AMERIND.com](https://amerind.com)

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## **Biden's EPA Restores Rule Protecting Vulnerable Communities From Mercury and Other Toxic Power Plant Emissions - EcoWatch**

<https://www.ecowatch.com/power-plant-emissions-mercury-biden.html>

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### **What Does a Curator of Sustainability Do? A Q&A with Chris Hobbs**

Category: [Alliance Blog](#)      Posted on [Feb 17, 2023](#)

[https://www.aam-us.org/2023/02/17/what-does-a-curator-of-sustainability-do-a-qa-with-chris-hobbs/?utm\\_source=American+Alliance+of+Museums&utm\\_campaign=30febf9895-FieldNotes\\_2023\\_Feb20&utm\\_medium=email&utm\\_term=0\\_-30febf9895-%5BLIST\\_EMAIL\\_ID%5D](https://www.aam-us.org/2023/02/17/what-does-a-curator-of-sustainability-do-a-qa-with-chris-hobbs/?utm_source=American+Alliance+of+Museums&utm_campaign=30febf9895-FieldNotes_2023_Feb20&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-30febf9895-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)

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From the PNut:

#### **Turning The Forest Into A Testing Site**

- Last week, [the first-ever genetically modified trees were planted in U.S. forests](#) outside of research or commercial produce-growing purposes. The trees, which are now taking root in a southern Georgia pine forest, are a preliminary attempt to revolutionize the forestry industry using genetically-modified plants, much like the produce industry was changed by lab-developed seeds.
- The trees, which are modified poplars, were developed by a San Francisco-based biotech firm named Living Carbon. Normally, poplars and other hardwood trees grow much slower than pines, taking 50 to 60 years to offer a full harvest. However, the modified specimens need half that growth time while also providing more carbon-eliminating benefits. The trees were created using a gene-blasting technique to make their photosynthesis process more efficient, allowing the trees to grow faster while also taking in more carbon dioxide to reduce global warming (theoretically).
- While these benefits seem revolutionary both for the climate and tree farmers, experts and regulators are wary of Living Carbon's rush to plant their modified seeds. One expert in tree gene modification from SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry said Living Forest's "claims seem bold based on very limited real-world data." Another geneticist said that lab tests mean almost nothing to real-life results, and the geneticist whose research inspired the company's experiments even called the experiment "uber high risk."

**Editor's Note:** Hopefully this doesn't become another Theranos situation, because these trees sound pretty impressive.



## **A long time ago (from cnn)**

Laser technology that can peer beneath the dense rainforests of Guatemala has revealed new insights into early Mayan civilization.

Researchers uncovered a previously unknown Maya site that included more than 900 settlements across 417 interconnected ancient cities, towns and villages.

Connecting these communities was a sprawling network of raised stone trails, called causeways, that rose above the swamps and dense forest of the Maya Lowlands.

“They’re the world’s first superhighway system that we have,” said archaeologist Richard Hansen of Idaho State University.

The Maya people made sure their causeways were visible even at night, [using a technique that would reflect the moonlight](#).

## **[How a San Jose professor is using technology to save precious books in her Ukrainian hometown](#)**



A San Jose library science professor is doing all she can to preserve her hometown library — and her country's culture — in Cherkasy, Ukraine.

## **[Photos: Bald eagles nesting on Bay Area golf course](#)**



Dot in eye, missing nail on talon point to one bird hatching in March 2019 at a Milpitas elementary school

**[Read more](#)**

## [Did winter storms replenish California's depleted groundwater supplies? Here's what data shows](#)

San Francisco Chronicle, 2/19/23 - Winter storms have filled California's reservoirs and built up a colossal Sierra snowpack that's nearly twice its normal size for this time of year. But years of dry conditions have created problems far beneath Earth's surface that aren't as easily addressed.

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Please also share this survey and encourage your colleagues to take this Library of Congress Research Survey. Share the survey (<https://www.research.net/r/lcap-user-survey-collector-1>) on social media, via email and more.

We appreciate you taking the time to complete this six-minute survey.

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## **Chronicling America**

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[Newspaper Navigator](#) (Search historic newspaper photos)

**All human beings** are descendants of tribal people who were spiritually alive, intimately in love with the natural world, children of Mother Earth. When we were tribal people, we knew who we were, we knew where we were, and we knew our purpose. This sacred perception of reality remains alive and well in our genetic memory. We carry it inside of us, usually in a dusty box in the mind's attic, but it is accessible.

John Trudell



### Native American History · A LAUGH FOR TODAY

When NASA was preparing for the Apollo moon landings of the late 60s and early 70s, they did some astronaut training along a Navajo Indian reservation in the SW. One day, a Navajo elder and his grandson were herding animals and came across the space crew. The old man, who only spoke Navajo, asked a question, which the grandson translated: "What are the guys in the big suits doing?" A member of the crew said they were practicing for their trip to the moon." Then, recognizing a promotional opportunity for the spin-doctors, added, "We will be leaving behind a special record with greetings in many languages and such. Would the old man be interested in giving us a greeting to include?"

Upon translation, the old man got really excited and was thrilled at the idea of sending a message to the moon with the astronauts. The NASA folks produced a tape recorder and the old man recorded his message at which the grandson fought back the urge to laugh... but he refused to translate.

After Apollo 11 had successfully landed on the moon and brought its astronauts homes, a new group were training in the desert when one of the NASA officials recognized the Navajo elder and his grandson and went to tell them that the old man's message was indeed on the moon which was met with laughter.

Finally, the NASA rep caught on that not everything was as simple as he had originally thought and asked for a translation. With a chuckle the youngster replied: "Beware of white man; they come to steal your land!" Thank you for your interest in this post !

# Charlotte Davis Harry



Born:  
April 15, 1933 | Nixon, NV

Entered Journey:  
February 19, 2023 | Nixon, NV

## Thursday, February 23, 2023

**1-3pm: Viewing**  
Walton's Sparks  
1745 Sullivan Lane  
Sparks, NV

**7pm: Cry Dance**  
Charlotte Harry Ranch  
810 Cottonwood Lane  
Nixon, NV



## Friday, February 24, 2023

**11am: Services will be held**  
at the Nixon Gymnasium

Burial at the Nixon Cemetery.  
Meal following service. Food donations are appreciated.