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The Northern Lights Were Visible From Fort Collins 2.27.23 <https://buff.ly/3xSF58B>

Indigenous Prayer Run Registration

Prayer Run Dates: **March 11-15, 2023**

All are welcome. This is a volunteer, Indigenous-led event. We will be hosted by Tribal Nations along the route and all participants will be expected to be respectful and abide by protocols at all times. No drugs or alcohol will be permitted.

In order to ensure that we can best prepare to support our prayer runners, please register and provide the information requested below. We are coming together for a purpose, but do so at our own risk and expense. Indigenous runners who may need some additional support to participate, please let us know in advance so we can do our best to accommodate.

The nearest airport to Page, AZ is Page Municipal Airport. The nearest airport to Las Vegas, NV is Harry Reid International. Please plan ahead.

Saturday, March 11 arrive in Page, AZ.

Each run begins at **Sunrise**.

Route

3/11 Pre-Run Meet-up Point: Wahweap RV/Campground

3/12 Day 1: Glen Canyon Dam, AZ - Kaibab Paiute Reservation (RV/Campground)

3/13 Day 2: Kaibab Paiute Reservation - Shivwits Paiute Reservation (Tribal HQ), Shivwits, UT

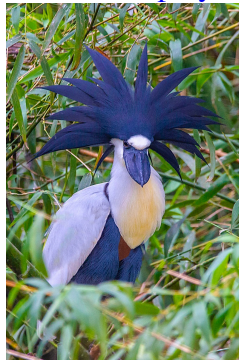
3/14 Day 3: Shivwits Paiute Reservation - Moapa Lands, NV

3/15 Day 4: Moapa Lands, NV - Boulder Beach, Hoover Dam, NV

Camp set-up at each destination. May be indoor/outdoor. Those participating in multiple days of the run should be prepared to camp, rain or shine. Please **bring your own camping equipment and reusable utensils, if possible**. A limited number of sleeping bags, tents and ground pads will be available for loan. Routes may be altered if roads are muddy.

COVID-19 vaccinations are recommended but not required. Please stay home if you are not feeling well or are experiencing any symptoms of illness. Some Tribal nations may have their own protocols. Please check ahead if it is a concern.

For any other questions you can contact us at waterprayerrun@gmail.com



Boat-billed Heron (Cochlearius cochlearius) in Brazil by Celso Queiroz

Town Halls on OMB's Race and Ethnicity Statistical Standards Coming in March

March 1, 2023 — The U.S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Federal Interagency Technical Working Group on Race and Ethnicity Standards (Working Group) are hosting three Town Halls to hear directly from the American public about the initial proposals to revise Statistical Policy Directive No. 15: Standards for Maintaining, Collecting, and Presenting Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity (SPD 15).

- **Town Hall 1:** Tuesday, March 14 at 2pm ET
- **Town Hall 2:** Friday, March 17 at 2pm ET
- **Town Hall 3:** Saturday, March 18 at 2pm ET



The Town Halls will be accessible via Webex and audio through Verizon. More details will be forthcoming.

The initial proposals can be found on January 27's Federal Register Notice [Initial Proposals For Updating OMB's Race and Ethnicity Statistical Standards](#), which closes on April 12, 2023.

Tribal Consultation: OMB is also hosting a Tribal Consultation on March 16 from 2 pm - 4 pm ET. Tribal leaders were sent a formal letter on February 14 and information is being shared by the National Indian Health Board and the National Congress of American Indians.

Background

OMB maintains government-wide standards for federal race and ethnicity data that ensure our ability to compare information and data across federal agencies, and to understand how well federal programs serve a diverse America.

On June 15, 2022, [the Chief Statistician of the United States identified updating the standards as a top priority](#) to ensure that the standards better reflect the diversity of the American people. The Working Group was created to lead this effort and was charged with proposing recommendations for improving the quality and usefulness of federal race and ethnicity data.

On January 26, 2023, [OMB released an initial set of recommended revisions](#) proposed by the Working Group to revise OMB's SPD 15, last revised in 1997.

The public is invited to provide feedback through the Federal Register Notice (FRN) on the proposed revisions by April 12, 2023.

The initial proposals include:

- Collecting race and ethnicity information using one combined question.
- Adding "Middle Eastern or North African" (MENA) as a new response category.
- Requiring the collection of detailed race and ethnicity categories by default.

The Working Group is also asking for public comment on how best to revise SPD 15's:

- Terminology, definitions, and question wording.
- Guidance on implementation and adoption of revised standards.
- Guidance on how to collect and report administrative and proxy data.

These recommendations are preliminary and they do not represent the final positions of OMB or the agencies participating on the Working Group.

Your feedback will help guide the Working Group as they develop their final recommendations to OMB and will also help OMB determine how to revise SPD 15 to improve the quality and usefulness of federal race and ethnicity data.

OMB and the Working Group have set the goal of completing these important revisions by the Summer of 2024.

For more information on the FRN, providing feedback, or OMB's process for revising SPD 15, visit <https://spd15revision.gov>



A recent study discovered that some Icelandic people with deep roots in the country possessed mitochondrial DNA specific to Native Americans. Since mitochondrial DNA is passed down from women, it's likely that a Native American woman crossed the Atlantic with Vikings and had children in Iceland.

[Sovereign Union](#)

DNA REVEALS ABORIGINAL PEOPLE HAD A LONG AND SETTLED CONNECTION TO COUNTRY

Historic hair samples collected from Aboriginal people show that following an initial migration 50,000 years ago, populations spread rapidly around the east and west coasts of Australia. Our research, published in Nature today, also shows that once settled, Aboriginal groups remained in their discrete geographical regions right up until the arrival of Europeans a few hundred years ago.

So where does the evidence for this rapid migration and long settlement come from?

EARLY EXPEDITIONS

In a series of remarkable expeditions that ran from the 1920s to 1960s, scientists travelled widely across the Australian outback. They recorded as much anthropological information as possible about Aboriginal Australians.

They recorded film and audio, drawings, songlines, genealogies and extensive physical measurements under tough outback conditions. This included packing in the equipment on camels for the early trips.

The extensive collections from the Board for Anthropological Expeditions are now curated in the South Australian Museum. They contain the vast majority of the black and white film footage you may have seen of traditional Aboriginal culture, songs, hunting practices and ceremonies. The metadata collected was voluminous. It now comprises possibly the best anthropological collection of an indigenous people in the world.

LOCKED IN THE HAIR

But perhaps the biggest scientific contributions may yet turn out to be hidden within small locks of hair.

These were collected with permission (such as it was given in the situation and era) for a minor project to study the variation of Aboriginal hair types across Australia.

But the hair clippings turn out to preserve an incredible record of the genetic diversity and distribution of Indigenous Australia prior to European disruption.

Importantly, the detailed genealogical data collected with each sample allows the genetic lineages to be placed on the map back through several generations.

This allowed us to reconstruct the genetic structure within Australia prior to the forced relocation of Aboriginal people to missions and stations, sometimes thousands of kilometres from their traditional lands.

RECONNECTING HISTORIES

This project was only possible through partnership with Aboriginal families and communities. So we needed to design an ethical framework and protocol for such unprecedented work.

This was based on large amounts of archival research performed by our team members in the Aboriginal Family History Unit of the South Australian Museum, to locate and contact the original donors, or their descendants and family elders.

We arranged a meeting time, and then the combined team spent several days in each Aboriginal community talking to individual families about the project, and passing on copies of the archival material.

We discussed both the potential and pitfalls of genetic research, and answered common questions. These included why the results cannot be used for land claim issues (insufficient

geographical resolution) or as a test of Aboriginality (which is a cultural, rather than genetic, association).

The feedback from communities was overwhelmingly positive. There was a strong interest in how a genetic map of Aboriginal Australia could help people of the stolen generation to reconnect with family and country.

It could also help facilitate the repatriation of Aboriginal samples and artefacts held in museums.

THE DNA RESULTS

The initial genetic results not only reveal exciting insights into the deep genetic history of the continent, but also showcase the enormous potential of our project.

We mapped the maternal genetic lineages onto the birthplace of the oldest recorded maternal ancestor (sometimes two to three generations back) and found there were striking patterns of Australia's genetic past.

There were many very deep genetic branches, stretching back 45,000 to 50,000 years. We compared these dates to records of the earliest archaeological sites around Australia. We found that the people appear to have arrived in Australia almost exactly 50,000 years ago.

EARLY MIGRATION

Those Aboriginal people entered a landmass we collectively call "Sahul", where New Guinea was connected to Australia.

The Gulf of Carpentaria was a massive fresh water lake at the time and most likely a very attractive place for the founding population.

The genetic lineages show that the first Aboriginal populations swept around the coasts of Australia in two parallel waves. One went clockwise and the other counter-clockwise, before meeting somewhere in South Australia.

The occupation of the coasts was rapid, perhaps taking no longer than 2,000 to 3,000 years. But after that, the genetic patterns suggest that populations quickly settled down into specific territory or country, and have moved very little since.

The genetic lineages within each region are clearly very divergent. They tell us that people – once settled in a particular landscape – stayed connected within their realms for up to 50,000 years despite huge environmental and climate changes.

We should remember that this is about ten times as long as all of the European history we're commonly taught.

This pattern is very unusual elsewhere in the world, and underlines why there might be such remarkable Aboriginal cultural and spiritual connection to land and country.

As Kaurna Elder, Lewis O'Brien, one of the original hair donors and part of the advisory group for the study, put it:

“Aboriginal people have always known that we have been on our land since the start of our time, but it is important to have science show that to the rest of the world.”

- By Alan Cooper Director, Australian Centre for Ancient DNA, University of Adelaide, RAY TOBLER Postdoctoral fellow, Australian National University, WOLFGANG HAAK Group Leader Molecular Anthropology and MAX PLANCK Institute for the Science of Human History
Previously Published by The Conversation 9 March 2017

Academic Paper: <https://www.nature.com/articles/nature21416>

There is more information on this work by the Aboriginal History Project available in this series of videos: <https://www.youtube.com/playlist...>



The largest basket in Hopi history, 43 x 39", woven from ca. 1926 to 1928, by Nellie Quamalla, Shongopavi, Second Mesa, Arizona.

L to R: Tom Pavatea, Nellie Quamalla, and Archie Quamalla, her husband. Location: Tom Pavatea's Trading Post, First Mesa, AZ

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**‘The Respect They Deserve’: Law Library Fights Intrinsic Bias by Reclassifying Indigenous Materials**

<https://www.law.berkeley.edu/article/law-library-of-congress-indigenous-law-reclassification-research/>

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Examples of archives within Berkeley Law:

[**Deploying CRT to Revive Indian Civil Rights and Renew Indigenous ...**](#)

Berkeley Law > event > deploying-crt-to-revive-indian-civil-rights... Nov 17, 2022 ... He will explain how Indigenous kinship rules have been replaced by federal Indian rights since the late 18th Century, and how those rights ...

[**Experts Urge Pragmatic Approach to Resolving Indian Law Issues ...Berkeley Law > article > experts-urge-pragmatic-approach-to-reso...Oct 3, 2012 ... Before his untimely death in 201Berkeley Law Professor Philip Frickey—a leading expert on Indian law and policy—urged academics to veer ...**](#)

[Indigenous Women's Reproductive Rights: The Indian Health ...](#)

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File Format: PDF/Adobe Acrobat

In fact, statistical data show that in several states, Native. American women are over-represented among women seeking abortion services at non-. **Indian**-Health ...

<https://www.law.berkeley.edu/php-programs/jsp/file...>

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My current work focuses on sacrificial politics and the historical and ongoing securitization of **Indian** Country in the United States. Languages.

[Karen Biestman Sees Native American Culture as Intellectual ...](#)

[sites.law.berkeley.edu](#) > [inthenews](#) > [2011/11/03](#) > [karen-biestman-sees-nati...](#)

Karen Biestman Sees Native American Culture as Intellectual Property. **Indian** Country, September 16, 2011 by Barry Bergman <http://bit.ly/n2FnFf>.

[Karuk-Berkeley Collaborative Legal - Berkeley Law](#)

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KBC also seeks to raise awareness of Federal **Indian** law, environmental, and cultural property issues among Berkeley Law students.

[Creating Community - Berkeley Law](#)

[Berkeley Law](#) > [news](#) > [transcript-magazine](#) > [creating-community](#)

A member of the Gila River **Indian** Community near Phoenix, Lopez wanted to attend ... be around other Native law students and learn about federal **Indian** law. A member of the Gila River **Indian** Community near Phoenix, Lopez wanted to attend ... be around other Native lawstudents and learn about federal **Indian** law.



2023 Native Scholarship Forum: Learn about scholarship opportunities from TOP Native orgs! Register through link in bio or here: <https://bit.ly/3xGI3hv>

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Alaska's Fisheries Are Collapsing. This Congresswoman Is Taking on the Industry She Says Is to Blame.

<https://www.politico.com/news/magazine/2023/03/03/alaskas-fisheries-collapsing-peltola-industry-blame-00066843>



Deborah Cheetham talks about the importance of First Nations language and its connection to her work. [#ArtWorksTV](#)

[Mo Hollis](#) :

Here is a couple of interesting facts...This is the oldest coiled basket on record found in Cowboy Cave in Utah. Radiocarbon dating puts it between 7060 and 6670 BCE, making it at least 8,600 years old. That puts this basket at nearly twice as old as the "early Egyptian kingdom" that started around 3400 B.C. The basket was intact like this only because of the perfect conditions in the cave - think about how many tens of thousands of years of weaving led up to this one basket in North America. Makes you wonder how little we really know about the human timeline.

Norwegian Prime Minister Jonas Gahr Støre met with Indigenous Sami reindeer

herders Friday after more than a week of protests against wind farms that activists say endanger their way of life, and has acknowledged that there are “ongoing human rights violations.” At the same time, the activists, many teenagers, said they would pause their blockade of the entrances of several government ministries in Oslo, Norway’s capital, because the government had made a public apology. Associated Press

Oglala Sioux Tribe Call South Dakota House Decision Deplorable

<https://www.keloland.com/keloland-com-original/oglala-sioux-tribe-calls-sd-house-decision-deplorable/>

FORM ON FACEBOOK

Washoe County Locals Will Now Be Paid To Switch to Solar

New approved solar discount programs are available in Washoe County, allowing homeowners to save tens of thousands of dollars. Click here to see if you qualify for our program to go solar for \$0 out-of-pocket.

Attached are our current openings for Middle School Teacher, Special Education Teacher and Industrial Arts. Please post and share in your area.

Please contact our Human Resources office if you have any questions. [HR Page](#)

Have a wonderful day!

--Human Resources Pyramid Lake Jr./Sr. High School OFFICE HOURS: M-F 8:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

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Scholarships with April 14 Deadline

BCC Foundation Donna Johnson Memorial Scholarship	\$1,000	04/14/2023
Beth Carew Memorial Scholarship Program	Varies	04/14/2023
BJC Scholars Fund	\$60,000	04/14/2023
CMAA Mid-Atlantic Chapter Scholarship	\$3,500	04/14/2023
Discover Manufacturing Scholarship	\$2,000	04/14/2023
Donna Easter Student Ethics Awards	\$7,500	04/14/2023
ESA Youth Scholarship	\$12,000	04/14/2023
Feeding Tomorrow Scholarships	\$5,000	04/14/2023
Hinsdale (HJWC) Junior Women's Club Scholarship	Varies	04/14/2023
HITEC Foundation Scholarship	\$5,000	04/14/2023
James Beard Foundation Scholarship Program	Varies	04/14/2023
Jewel Continuum Foundation	Varies	04/14/2023
Kentucky Student Technology Leadership Program (STLP) Scholarship	\$1,000	04/14/2023
KRMF Undergraduate Music Scholarship	\$5,000	04/14/2023
LEAGUE Foundation Academic Scholarships	Varies	04/14/2023
Mike Rowe Work Ethic Scholarship	Varies	04/14/2023
Plan New Hampshire Scholarship & Fellowship	Varies	04/14/2023
Steigleder Family Scholarship	Varies	04/14/2023
Steve A. Garban Grant-in-aid	Varies	04/14/2023
Texas Women in Public Finance Scholarship	\$3,000	04/14/2023
Washington CPA Foundation Associate Accounting Scholarships	\$2,000	04/14/2023