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Darlene Arrum /Toni Arrum



Suquamish Tribe celebrated the grand opening of Waterfront Park on their ancestral lands in Seattle on September 6,

Suquamish Tribe Chairman Leonard Forsman was among the featured speakers at the 10am ribbon cutting on Pier 58. The Suquamish Canoe Family will be pulling to the event with Suquamish Song & Dance offering traditional songs as part of the opening day ceremonies.

“The transformation of the waterfront into a place of reflection, recreation, and learning is important for residents and visitors who access our ancestral waters, now known as Elliott Bay, where we still harvest salmon and other marine foods today,” says Forsman. The 20-acre park is just a short walk from where a thriving Suquamish village once stood, among the locations where Chief Seattle spent his winters.

Suquamish Tribe invites you to our ancestral lands in Seattle to celebrate the grand opening of Waterfront Park tomorrow, Sept. 6.

“Our past leader, Chief Seattle, who gave his famous speech in his namesake city, would appreciate the traditional artwork, including the house post carved by Suquamish Elder Randi Purser that depicts his mother holding him as an infant, displayed along the walkway. He would honor all of the people who worked to make this park a reality.”

[Delmar Stevens](#)

This sacred run/walk is happening now. They are seeking spiritual warriors to assist in carrying this prayer. Tomorrow morning (Friday) they will leave from Hawthorne and head towards Schurz. There are a minimal amount of people carrying this prayer currently and they could use the help. The route in these coming days includes Schurz, Fallon, Lovelock, Winnemucca and Thacker Pass with hoped for events at Thacker Pass on the 12-13.



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Why are all of America's biggest cities sinking? "Cities sunmoving on the landscape — a sprawling collection of roads, sidewalks, and buildings designed to last for generations. But across the United States, urban areas are silently shifting: The land, beneath them is sinking, a process known as subsidence, largely because people are using too much groundwater and aquifers are collapsing. The sheer weight of a metropolis, too, compacts the underlying soil. A new study published on Thursday in the journal Nature Cities mapped the scale of this slow-motion crisis across the country. Researchers used satellites to measure how the elevation has been changing in America's 28 most populous cities — including New York, Dallas, and Seattle — and found that in every one of them, at least 20 percent of the urban area is sinking. In 25 cities, two-thirds or more of the area is subsiding, with rates up to 0.4 inches each year. (In the maps below, red indicates areas where subsidence is fastest.) Groundwater withdrawal was responsible for 80 percent of total subsidence in the cities. ... " Read more from Grist.

[Bucky Harjo](#)

One of many stands I have taken, and most certainly not the last. For every moment, every action, every prayer, songs and tears both of happiness and saddness, the strength of unity. This I have not forgotten. 10 years approaching since we all stood to protect the water and still standing to protect water, land and life.

You wouldn't believe me how much it has changed me, and in my everyday vision I can still see these moments, when I over look our valley's, I can still see the Ocetit encampment, when I look at our foothills and mountains I can still see the hills of Oceti.....it was like a dream, it was a dream, a dream of those before us who protect the land and the life, the universe so that we may have that beauty so we pray for the future generations so that they can have the Water of Life and the beauty of the land and a life that can be better than the life we have today, we must learn not to hate, but to help one another, not to put down but to help others up, we can have our differences, it is how we learn of each other, but we must have respect for each other as the creator blessed us with
life and a universe full of
mystery.



Balloon Race archive;

After rains in the Arizona desert, hundreds of Triops, prehistoric three-eyed crustaceans, reappeared in Wupatki.

Their eggs remained underground until the monsoon. They live for weeks, but their lineage dates back more than **350 million years, an example of extreme adaptation and the natural mystery behind the rain.**



On Nevada Business: The gener8tor helps startups gain national traction with local outreach (renonr.com) — The startup accelerator gener8tor is making waves in Reno by helping local entrepreneurs gain national traction. With a focus on nurturing innovative businesses, gener8tor is proving that great companies can emerge from Nevada's vibrant startup ecosystem.

Telling time by trees: The Nevada Museum of Art's new expansion contains a clock that runs on 'bristlecone time' (renonr.com) — The Nevada Museum of Art's new expansion features a unique clock that runs on 'bristlecone time,' created by artist Jonathon Keats. This installation highlights ecological timekeeping and serves as a reminder of climate change, while also showcasing the museum's commitment to innovative art and education in **Reno**.

Mural update

OAKLAND — For nearly 20 years, Diane Williams has seethed whenever she walked by a street mural depicting the genocide of the Ohlone people by Spanish colonizers — artwork she finds demeaning because the Native American men are depicted as fully nude.

Last week, plans to remove the wall art were halted after tenants of the building's apartments at 41st Street and Piedmont Avenue demanded that the history on display be left alone.

But on Friday morning, Williams had a reason to smile as she gazed at the mural. Someone had defaced it overnight with paper cutouts and red paint.

Now, the Franciscan missionaries oppressing the Native Americans in the painting had arrows piercing their heads and bodies. Blood spilled out of the White men. In the same red color, a declaration had been scrawled over the artwork: "THERE, I FIXED IT."

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From:	Team at Native Organizers Alliance
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We're accepting applications now through next Tuesday, September 9 for our November 17-22, 2025 National Native Community Organizer Training.

We encourage Tribal and Native community organizers/leaders in rural, reservation, or urban communities -- as well as the staff of Native nonprofits, service agencies, and Tribal entities -- to apply now, before the deadline of 11:59 PM EST on this coming Tuesday, September 9 2025.

[Click here to apply today](#), or please forward this email to Native folks who may be interested.

Native Organizers Alliance will cover the cost of housing, transportation, and most meals for this training, which will be held in Washington state near Seattle.

This training will focus on the complicated political landscape and how we meet the challenges and create opportunities to exercise our self determination and the critical alliance building to support our communities.

We'll focus on emphasizing traditional values to bring our communities in relationship with each other and Mother Earth to build effective grassroots campaigns and movements to build power in our Native Nations and our communities. Our week-long, in-person Native Organizing Trainings are a part of our year-round efforts of growing a powerful ecosystem of Native leaders who will continue to build our collective community power.

It is a time when we must resist, reclaim and rebuild our communities despite the uncertainties ahead.

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

Participants will spend time together envisioning where our communities will be in 20 to 40 years, two generations from now and how we organize for those two generations now!

- We'll **explore** how our communities have always been guided by our traditional values to organize in our communities and overcome difficulties.
- We'll **discuss** building Native grassroots political power; how Tribal and urban communities can challenge the power that denies our peoples' inherent and sovereign rights and human rights for all.
- We'll **share** organizing tools and share knowledge gained from our inter-Tribal teachings and life experiences.
- We'll **learn** from our rich history by using interactive sessions or popular education practices that are grounded in collective learning. And folks will go home energized with

a shared theory of change rooted in traditional inter-Tribal Indigenous community building.

- **We'll continue the sharing and learning process with monthly Reflection Circles for one year after the training.**

[We are accepting applications between now and September 9. Click here to apply today.](#)



The above photo features participants from one of our previous trainings. If you'd like to read more about our national training from May 2024, check out [this blog post](#) from one of our staff.

Hawwih (*thank you*), Judith LeBlanc (*Caddo*), Executive Director

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**Restoring the United States Department of War**      *Executive Orders*  
September 5, 2025

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More info about the Department of War *National Library of Medicine* <https://www.nlm.nih.gov/nativevoices/timeline/272.html>

Tribes - Native Voices

1824: U.S. establishes Office of Indian Affairs in War Department

Establishment of the Office of Indian Affairs within the War Department puts in place the bureaucracy that will administer the nation's "manifest destiny" objectives—the idea that expansion to the Pacific is the young nation's right. The government will make treaties with American Indian tribes as the U.S. military ...

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**Papers of the War Department**      <https://wardepartmentpapers.org> > s > home > item > 40045

#### **Papers of the War Department · Preparations for Treaty and Intent of ...**

Every arrangement has been made and **Indians** are encamped at the distance directed by Secretary of **War**. Great exertions have been made to keep **Indians** together, and in good humor.

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War, U.S. Department of - sk.sagepub.com

The U.S. **War Department** was formally responsible for U.S.-Indian relations from the beginning of the nation until the responsibility was transferred to the newly established **Department of the Interior** in 1849. After the transfer, the **War Department** was responsible for fighting **wars** against the **Indian** nations and for removing **Indians** to, and maintaining them on, reservations.

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**UC Berkeley Library Update**

<https://update.lib.berkeley.edu> > 2023 > 10 > 20 > primary-sources-war-department-and-indian-affairs-1800-1824

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<https://www.bia.gov> > faqs > what-bias-history

What is the BIA's history? - Indian Affairs

An Office of **Indian** Trade was established in the **War Department** by an act of April 21, 1806 (2 Stat. 402) specifically to handle this responsibility below the secretarial level. It was later abolished by an act of May 6, 1822 (3 Stat. 679) which handed responsibility for all **Indian** matters back to the Secretary of **War**.

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DENIX

<https://www.denix.osd.mil> > na > denix-files > sites > 42 > 2016 > 03 > DoD-Brief-History-with-Native-Americans.pdf

**American Indians, Alaska Natives & the Department of Defense a Brief ...**

The following pages present a summary of important events in the history of American Indians and Alaska Natives in relation to the DoD and its precursor agencies (the Cavalry, the US Army, the War Department, etc.). We start the history at the beginning of the United States with the actions of the Continental Congress..

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United States Department of War

United States Cabinet department (1789-1947)

The United States Department of War, also called the War Department, was the United States Cabinet department originally responsible for the operation and maintenance of the United States

Army, also bearing responsibility for naval affairs until the establishment of the Navy Department in 1798, and for most land-based air forces until the creation of the Department of the Air Force on September 18, 1947. The secretary of war, a civilian with such responsibilities as finance and purchases and a minor role in directing military affairs, headed the War Department throughout its existence. [Wikipedia](#)

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#### **Implementing The United States–Japan Agreement**

[Presidential Actions](#), [Executive Orders](#)

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The state is on a mission to remove invasive fish, but what happens to all the dead fish?

“The state is on a campaign to remove invasive smallmouth bass, which harm ecosystems and eat other fish, threatening native species. Colorado Parks and Wildlife runs a fishing tournament every other summer to encourage anglers to remove as many smallmouth bass as possible from a vital Western Slope reservoir. The top prize for the Ridgway Reservoir Smallmouth Classic is \$10,000. The winner this year was none other than Chase Nicholson — for the fifth time. A dedicated angler who is also passionate about the environment, Nicholson believes in the event’s mission. “I think Parks and Wildlife is doing a great job to get on top of it before it becomes unstoppable,” Nicholson said. ... ” [Read more from Colorado Public Radio](#).

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### **More Than Half of U.S. Is Now Included in Mapping Tool for Flood Forecasts. Here’s What to Know.**

CBS News

<https://www.cbsnews.com/miami/news/mapping-tool-flood-forecasts-more-than-half-us/>



## **Nevada lithium mine fast-tracked by Trump seeks public land**



**Fast-tracked by Pres. Trump, the Silver Peak lithium mine in Nevada is also seeking retroactive approval of facilities built without authorization.**

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The Silver Peak lithium mine is currently authorized to operate on 6,462 acres of land in Nevada's Esmeralda County, including 548 acres of public land, according to the Bureau of Land Management. If Albemarle's proposal is approved, the area for its lithium mine operations will expand by 1,596 additional acres. Of that amount, 1,053 acres will be public land, which is nearly double the amount of public land it is allowed to access now.

The proposed expansion will include:

- Two transfer pump stations and related pipelines
- Two weak brine ponds
- Future production well drilling

The approvals are not limited to facilities that have yet to be built. The BLM is also considering whether to retroactively approve existing facilities built at the site without prior authorization.

The Silver Peak mine was one of several projects that are being fast-tracked under an initiative by President Donald Trump. Back in April, the Silver Peak mine was added to a list of projects nationwide that were deemed to be "critical" for accelerating domestic mineral production, [according to the Department of Interior](#).

Other Nevada projects accelerated by the Trump administration include [several Ormat geothermal projects](#) and an [exploration project by 3 Proton Lithium](#) in Nye County.

The Silver Peak mine proposal is being reviewed by the BLM, which is seeking public comment about the Albemarle project. Documentation about the Silver Peak mine is [available for public review online at the BLM.gov website](#), with the public comment period running through Oct. 6.

The BLM will also hold a virtual meeting about the Silver Peak project on Tuesday, Sept. 23, that is open to the public. [Registration is required](#) in order to attend the meeting. No public comments will be collected, however, during the virtual meeting.

Instead, public comment on the Silver Peak mine project can be submitted multiple ways:

- Submitting a comment online through the [BLM National NEPA register](#), using the “Participate Now” option.
- Submitting comment by mail to Silver Peak EIS, P.O. Box 911, Tonopah, NV 89049.

For more details, the public can contact project manager Erik Bray at [ebay@blm.gov](mailto:ebay@blm.gov) or call 775-861-6451.

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Amid ‘tense’ Colorado River negotiations, water summit keeps focus on conservation efforts



Colorado River. [Photo by Deposit Photos.](#)

“Among “contentious negotiations” regarding usage and the ongoing water crisis of the Colorado River, Rep. Susie Lee (D-NV) hosted the third annual Water Summit at Springs Preserve in Las Vegas on Aug. 28. In addition to the news on negotiations, the main takeaways from this year’s summit included discussions on funding, legislation and local conservation efforts. Lee described the negotiations between Nevada, Arizona and California on water use from the Colorado River as tense. However, she said she believes the best path forward is one that is “jointly chartered and agreed upon” by the basin states and the tribes. She said the worst outcome would be one imposed upon the West from legislators living in Washington, D.C. The 2022 three-state water conservation agreement expires at the end of next year, giving the current round of negotiations a sense of urgency. ... ” [Read more from the Nevada Independent.](#)

Arizona town sinking up to 3 inches a year in fight to reach groundwater: ‘Train wreck waiting to happen’

“An Arizona town competing for basic access to clean water has sunk more than 18 feet over the past eight decades — with no signs of stopping — as locals struggle to make headway against area megafarms reportedly sucking the land dry. Residents of Wenden, an unincorporated

community roughly 60 miles east of the Colorado River Reservation, have had to pivot to digging thousands of feet underground just to reach groundwater. For many towns, this wouldn't be an issue. But along the Colorado River, communities and companies are locked in battles over its water supply. Wenden draws roughly 38% of its entire water supply from the Colorado River, as do major cities like Los Angeles and Phoenix — but they take more. As groundwater trickles further out of reach in Wenden, the rest of the community's water supply is up in the air, leaving many high and dry. "It's a train wreck waiting to happen," Gary Saiter, head of the Wenden Water Improvement District, told [NBC News](#). ... " [Read more from the New York Post](#). | [Read via AOL News](#).

Changes to popular conservation program draws criticism from local conservation groups

"The Department of the Interior announced plans Thursday to reshape a popular conservation program that uses offshore oil royalties to support conservation projects, including narrowing the ways those funds can be spent. Interior Secretary Doug Burgum issued an order guiding the allocation of more than \$430 million from the Land and Water Conservation Fund to projects that would "benefit wildlife habitat, improve water quality and provide flood protection while creating new recreational opportunities." "The Land and Water Conservation Fund continues to deliver on its promise to connect Americans to the outdoors while protecting the landscapes that make our nation special," said Burgum in a statement. But local conservation groups say the changes threaten to undermine the bipartisan Great American Outdoors Act (GAOA) that President Donald Trump signed into law in 2020, which contributes hundreds of millions of dollars to the development and rehabilitation of parks, conservation areas and outdoor recreation facilities across the nation. ... " [Read more from the Nevada Current](#).

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Trump Signs Stablecoin GENIUS Act: Here's What To Know

Jul 17, 2025The House took a record nine hours to vote to advance the legislation Wednesday as Republican leaders negotiated with conservative holdouts who blocked the trio of bills.

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All night Traditional sing Friday, September 05, 2025, at the Kanosh Band Building. Dinner will be served at 5pm and sing will start at sundown.