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The Super Moon was captured in photographs around the world.

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/cx2xzk1nd2eo>

Another two supermoons are expected in November and December.

SB53: CA Enacts First-In-Nation AI Safety Law

The Golden State just became the first in the U.S. to sign a bill regulating artificial intelligence.

SB53 aims to prevent companies and people from using powerful artificial intelligence models for potentially catastrophic motives like building a bioweapon or shutting down a bank system.

“California has proven that we can establish regulations to protect our communities while also ensuring that the growing AI industry continues to thrive. This legislation strikes that balance,” Newsom wrote in a statement.

"Catastrophic risk" is defined as an event that would incur at least \$1 billion in damage or more than 50 injuries or deaths.

The new law will force AI companies to implement and disclose publicly safety protocols. The rules are designed to cover AI systems if they meet a “frontier” threshold that signals they run on a huge amount of computing power.

Companies will also have to report to the state any critical safety incidents within 15 days. The law establishes whistleblower protections for AI workers and creates a public cloud for researchers. It includes a fine of \$1 million per violation.

Some tech companies oppose the new law, arguing that AI regulation should happen at the federal level. Meanwhile, Anthropic, which has created a ChatGPT adjacent AI assistant called Claude, calls the law a practical safeguard that makes official the safety practices many companies are already doing.

The Associated Press contributed to this report.

"A lot of good can come down from shutdowns. We can get rid of a lot of things that we didn't want," President Donald Trump said Tuesday.

He makes bows — and bow makers

Joshua Hood is decolonizing traditional bow-making and archery education from his Portland backyard.

<https://www.hcn.org/articles/he-makes-bows-and-bow-makers/>

Shutdown causes ‘confusion’ across the Forest Service

Prescribed burns are on hold during shutdown while logging continues

<https://www.hcn.org/articles/shutdown-causes-confusion-across-the-forest-service/>

Interesting jobs

MULESHOE RANCH PRESERVE STEWARD

FOREST PROGRAM CONTRACT MANAGER

PUBLIC LANDS PROGRAM MANAGER

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

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50th annual Zeke Grader forum addresses California fisheries crisis

“Lawmakers, tribal representatives and state officials gathered on October 1, in Sacramento for the 50th Annual Zeke Grader Fisheries Forum, focusing on the mounting difficulties facing California’s salmon and Dungeness crab fisheries. Hosted by California Senator Mike McGuire and the Joint Committee on Fisheries and Aquaculture, the forum highlighted the economic and environmental pressures impacting coastal communities. Officials discussed how warming ocean temperatures, drought, and habitat degradation have contributed to repeated salmon season closures and delayed crab opening along the West Coast. ... ” [Read more from KRCR](#).

Kokanee salmon spawning season set to return to Taylor Creek in Tahoe

“Each fall, one of Lake Tahoe’s most unique wildlife spectacles comes alive at Taylor Creek. The Kokanee salmon are preparing to begin their upstream journey, turning the waters of this South Lake Tahoe stream into a vibrant scene of red and silver. While the native Lahontan cutthroat trout spawn in the spring, the Kokanee—a landlocked cousin of the Sockeye salmon—take center stage in October and November. Their timing depends on environmental factors like colder water and higher stream flows, which are managed in part by the Fallen Leaf Lake Dam. Without these carefully balanced flows, Taylor Creek could run too low or even dry up in the fall. ... ” [Read more from Active NorCal](#).

Majestic wild horses are trampling Mono Lake’s otherworldly landscape. The feds plan a roundup

“Several dozen horses calmly graze along the shores of Mono Lake, a sparkling saline expanse spread out before the jagged Sierra Nevada mountains. The September sun is blazing. A pair of brown horses come up side by side and stare intensely at an approaching visitor. These wild equines soon may disappear from beside the ancient lake. The prospect is stirring emotional disagreement over the future of the herd, which has surged to more than three times what federal officials say the land can support. “These horses deserve a place to roam and be free, but around Mono Lake is not the place,” said Bartshe Miller of the Mono Lake Committee, an environmental nonprofit. Earlier this year, the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management approved a plan to round up and remove hundreds of wild horses roaming beyond the roughly 200,000 acres designated for them along the California and Nevada border. No date

has been set, but it could be as soon as this fall. ... ” [Read more from the LA Times](#). | [Read via AOL News](#).

As Colorado River nears collapse, it faces leadership, transparency ‘crisis,’ environmentalists warn



Lone Rock, Lake Powell, Arizona, USA. [Photo by DepositPhotos](#)

“There is no more water available. That’s the assessment of a new report published Wednesday about the Colorado River by a coalition of environmental groups urging the states that rely on the river and the federal government to take immediate action to cut back use. The river, they argue, is threatened by crises in both its hydrology and in the transparency of the groups negotiating its future. The report comes as the Colorado River verges on collapse. A [recent study](#) from leading experts found that by 2027, water levels will be so low in the system’s major reservoirs that their dams would become inoperable and nearly all storage would be lost, with water struggling to reach California, Arizona and Nevada. After two years, the seven states that rely on the river are at an impasse in tense negotiations over the cuts in water allocations that each of them will accept in a new agreement being drafted to take effect when the current guidelines for managing the river’s water expire at the end of 2026. That process is supposed to be public, with the Bureau of Reclamation, the federal agency that oversees the river and its dams, publishing environmental impact statements that allow for public review and comment. But so far, those reports haven’t arrived and there’s no word on when they will. Complicating the process even more, Reclamation still does not have an appointed leader after the Trump administration’s nominee for the post withdrew last month. ... ” [Read more from Inside Climate News](#).

Trump administration makes shifts in Colorado River leadership

“The federal agencies responsible for managing the ever-shrinking Colorado River have two new leaders at the helm. Scott Cameron, who previously served as acting assistant Interior secretary for water and science, will lead the Bureau of Reclamation as acting commissioner. Interior Secretary Doug Burgum appointed him Wednesday through a secretarial order. The Bureau of Reclamation, which is housed in the Interior Department, oversees dams and water in the West.

That includes the painful process to update the operating guidelines for the Colorado River — where Southern Nevada sources about 90 percent of its water. The decision making is largely left to the seven basin states. As Burgum’s senior adviser on the Colorado River negotiations that have left states divided with a deadline looming, Cameron has publicly urged the states to come to a consensus. He told negotiators in June that Burgum is willing to step in and make a decision, though experts have cautioned that a lengthy lawsuit could ensue. ... ” [Read more from the Las Vegas Review-Journal](#).

The 1922 Colorado River Compact is now the obvious elephant in the negotiating room

“As negotiators for the seven Colorado River Basin states rapidly approach Reclamation’s November deadline for providing a framework for a seven-state agreement for the Post-2026 Operating Guidelines for Lakes Powell and Mead, a larger threat looms. Reclamation’s recently released September 24-Month study minimum probable projection is consistent with our mass balance analysis of storage in the next year, solidifying the likelihood of critical conditions if the coming winter is dry. Reclamation’s latest analysis predicts that storage at Lake Powell would fall below the 3500-ft elevation as early August 2026 and might continue to be below this critical elevation until March 2028. As we noted in our recent white paper, Reclamation has committed to protecting Lake Powell from going below 3500 ft. ... ” [Read more from the Inkstain blog](#).

Yuma City Council opposes Colorado River Water transfer to other Arizona City

“Monday morning the Yuma City Council adopted a resolution opposing the permanent transfer of Colorado River Water to the town of Queen Creek, Arizona as the proposed transfer stands. This project was proposed in 2018 with the Arizona Department of Water Resources’ opening comment at that time. “We lose these fights, these are the fights that end the way of life in Yuma, or any of these smaller communities along the river,” said Yuma Mayor Doug Nicholls. At first, it recommended moving over 1,000 acre feet of water from Yuma to Queen Creek per year, but now it is up to 2,000. ... ” [Read more from Channel 11](#).

The dried-out subdivisions of Phoenix

“On the far edge of suburban Phoenix, a giant concrete arch spans the Central Arizona Project, dubbed a “Bridge to Nowhere” by developers and neighborhood activists alike. Nobody can use it; even pedestrians are barred by a chain-link fence sporting a huge “Road Closed” sign. To the bridge’s north, the desert sits as raw as ever. The bridge was built in recent years to connect an existing subdivision to the planned North Star Ranch and its proposed 9,600 homes. North Star was to be the latest of many new master-planned communities in Buckeye, one of the fastest-growing cities in one of the nation’s fastest-growing metro areas. But now, this development is on hold over concerns that there’s not enough groundwater to supply the community. And it’s not the only project: *High Country News* found that almost half a million homes, including thousands in North Star, are currently on pause, far more than developers or local elected officials have acknowledged publicly. ... ” [Read more from High Country News](#).

Ag-to-urban is a reality. Here’s what we know about how it’ll work

“The long-awaited ag-to-urban program officially became effective on Sept. 26. So how will it work? Farmers may apply to relinquish their irrigation rights — formally known by the Arizona Department of Water Resources as “irrigation grandfathered rights” — in exchange for savings

credits. The idea is that these credits can then be used by developers to build housing, which simultaneously means a less-intensive water use over agriculture and encourages more housing supply. Ben Bryce, special adviser to ADWR Director Tom Buschatzke, has spearheaded the department's effort to make the program a reality. Senate Bill 1611, which led to the program, was sponsored by Pinal's state Sen. T.J. Shope, R-Coolidge, and had longtime lobbying support from Pinal County Supervisor Steve Miller of Casa Grande. It was signed by Gov. Katie Hobbs on June 30. ... ” [Read more from Pinal Central](#).

New study reveals alarming groundwater declines threatening Nevada's ecosystems

“Groundwater in Nevada is under growing threat, with nearly 40% of thousands of wells analyzed across the state showing significantly declining water levels, according to a scientific paper recently published in the *Hydrological Processes*. The study warns of mounting risks to groundwater-dependent ecosystems (GDEs) like springs, wetlands and riparian habitats that sustain rare plants and wildlife, but also offers science-based strategies to protect and restore these vital systems amid intensifying drought and rising water demand. ... “Our research shows that groundwater-dependent ecosystems in Nevada are already facing multiple, compounding stressors like excessive groundwater withdrawals and climate,” said Laurel Saito, Water Strategy Director for The Nature Conservancy in Nevada and lead author of the study. “This highlights the urgency of advancing science-based solutions to protect these ecosystems.” ... ” [Read more from the Desert Research Institute](#).

[A huge \\$600-million casino — bigger than many Vegas rivals — is coming to California next month](#)

LAT, SUHAUNA HUSSAIN: "A massive new tribal casino — big enough to rival the largest casinos in Las Vegas — is scheduled to open its doors next month in the Central Valley.

The Hard Rock Casino Tejon, which is set to open Nov. 13, will be the first full-scale casino in Kern County. The property is owned by the Tejon Indian Tribe and will be managed by Hard Rock International."

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The recent Super as the Beaver Moon Americans is 94.6% rising behind Superstition Mts in AZ.



Moon is also known by Native captured waxing at Flatiron Peak of the Apache Junction,

Scholarships with November 15-29 Deadlines

University of South Carolina Alumni Scholars Award	\$32,000	November 15, 2025
University of South Carolina Alumni Scholars Award (Nonresidents)	\$120,000	November 15, 2025
University of South Carolina Trustees' Award	\$20,000	November 15, 2025
University of Washington Diversity Scholarship	\$40,000	November 15, 2025
University of Washington Presidential Scholarship	\$40,000	November 15, 2025
University of Washington Purple & Gold Scholarship	\$500	November 15, 2025
VFW Sport Clips Help A Hero Scholarship	\$5,000	November 15, 2025
Wheelock College of Education & Human Development Scholarships	\$1,000	November 15, 2025
Wild Fish For All Scholarship	\$1,000	November 15, 2025
Zonta International Amelia Earhart Fellowship	\$10,000	November 15, 2025
NALP Foundation Scholarships	\$5,000	November 16, 2025
Hawaiian Financial Federal Credit Union Scholarship Program	\$2,000	November 17, 2025
National Space Club and Foundation Keynote Scholars Program	\$20,000	November 17, 2025
Dick Lauber Masonry Scholarship	\$1,000	November 20, 2025
Point Foundation Flagship Scholarship	\$12,000	November 20, 2025
Randolph-Macon College Performing Arts Scholarship	\$4,000	November 22, 2025
BBB Minnesota and North Dakota Students of Integrity Scholarship	\$2,500	November 25, 2025
Women's Law and Public Policy Fellowship Program	\$60,000	November 26, 2025
Dan L. Meisinger Sr. Memorial Learn to Fly Scholarship	\$2,500	November 28, 2025
Kids' Chance of Michigan Scholarship Program	\$7,500	November 29, 2025

Powwow Reminder

Oct 10 - 12 [Snow Mountain Pow Wow 2025](#) [Las Vegas NV](#)

33rd Annual Las Vegas Paiute Snow Mountain Pow Wow MC: Bart Powaukee Arena Director:
Hank Johnson Head...

Oct 11 [Wassamasaw Tribe Pow Wow 2025](#) [Moncks Corner SC](#)

Mark your calendars for the next Wassamasaw Powwow set this upcoming October 11th, 2025 at the Old Santee Canal Park. Event activities include: Native American...

Oct 11 [Southeastern Mvskoke Nation Creek Friend's Festival 2025](#) [Troy AL](#)

Come out and join the Southeastern Mvskoke Nation for their second annual Creek Friend's Festival! There will be dancers, story telling, music, arts and crafts...

Oct 11 - 12 [Indigenous Peoples Celebration, Standing Peachtree Native American Festival & Pow Wow 2025](#) [East Point GA](#)

Announcing the 4th Annual Standing Peachtree Native American Festival Indigenous Peoples Celebration October 13, 2025 Indigenous Peoples Day Held in the City of East Point...

Oct 11 - 12 [Annual Midwest SOARRING Foundation Harvest Pow Wow 2025](#) [Wheaton IL](#)

Join us for the Annual Midwest SOARRING Foundation Harvest Pow Wow. Bring your friends and family. All are welcome at our...

Oct 11-12 [40th Annual Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation Pow Wow 2025](#) [Burlington NC](#)

Please join us for our special 40th Annual Pow Wow, celebrating the Occaneechi people, our heritage, our culture with the communities, friends...

Oct 13 [5th Annual Indigenous Peoples Day Newton Ceremonial Celebration 2025](#)

[Newton MA](#) Indigenous Peoples Day Newton Ceremonial Celebration includes music, dance, poetry, food, and art presented by Native artists from the Northeast and other regions. This intertribal...

Oct 13 [3rd Annual Honoring Native Nations Pow Wow 2025](#) [Santa Fe NM](#)

Join The Santa Fe Indigenous Center in celebrating "Indigenous Peoples' Day" at our 3rd Annual Honoring Native Nations Pow Wow! On Monday,...

Oct 16 - 19 [Lower Muskogee Creek Tribe 2025 Pow Wow](#) [Whigham GA](#)

Vendor Spots Available: contact for vendor application Entertainment Spots Available: Contact to discuss entertainers contract Competition Dancing Prize Money Stomp Dancing Head...

Oct 17 - 18 [2025 Disability Awareness Pow Wow](#) [Broken Arrow OK](#)
Save the Date! Head Staff: TBD Looking for volunteers and Vendors Stick Ball Games Gourd Dance Specials Kid Zone Specials &...

Oct 17 - 19 [Hunting Moon Pow Wow 2025](#) [Milwaukee WI](#)
[Save the Date!!](#)

Oct 17 - 19 [HIITEM'WAQ'IISWIT Pow Wow 2025](#) [Lewiston ID](#)
Join us! Grand Entries: Friday 7:00pm Saturday 1:00pm & 7:00pm Sunday 1:00pm Head Staff: Host Drum: Wildrose Head Man: Trevor Street...

Oct 18 [17th Annual American Indian Festival \(Maryland\) 2025](#) [Upper Marlboro MD](#)
Save the Date! Featuring American Indian cultural education and celebration of traditional music, dancing, crafts, folkways, and merchandise. MC: Keith Colston Arena...

Oct 18 [The 4th Annual National Indigenous Peoples of the Americas Parade 2025](#) [NYC](#)
Madison Square Park/E 26th Street Manhattan NYC Line up at 9:00am Opening Ceremony 10:00am Parade Starts 12noon Sharp - march to 17th...

Oct 18 - 19 [Historic Badin Hardaway Pow Wow 2025](#) [Albemarle NC](#)
Intertribal Pow Wow all dancers welcome! Food, Dancing, Historical Presentations, competition dances ,giveaways, storytelling and more! Free admission , free parking ,...

Oct 18-19 [Chester County American Indian Cultural Festival 2025](#) [Geigertown PA](#)
[\(Morgantown\) PA](#) All welcome. Intertribal. \$5 per person. 12 and under free. Over 65 free. Honoring Veterans MMIWG Grove. MC: Matt White Eagle...

Oct 18 - 19 [5th Annual Red Canyon Pow Wow 2025](#) [Moab UT](#)
Fifth annual Red Canyon Pow Wow. This is a contest pow wow in both dancing and singing.

Oct 24-25 [21st Annual Four Winds Tribe Louisiana Cherokee Confederation Pow Wow 2025](#) [Oberlin LA](#)
with Attakapas Eagle Tribe, Children's Heritage and Cultural Day - October 24,...

Oct 24 - 26 [Chambers Farm Intertribal Pow Wow 2025](#) [Fort McCoy FL](#)
Join us at Chambers Farm for this years Intertribal Powwow! Luck of the Draw and Competition Dance Categories daily!...

Oct 25 - 26 [Tribal Unity Pow Wow 2025](#) [Philadelphia PA](#)
Native American Dancing, Artwork & More \$5.00 per car load non-dancers Schedule: Saturday - Grand Entry 12:00pm Sunday - Grand Entry 12:00pm...

In **Ulysses S. Grant's Fifth State of the Union Address**, originally delivered in 1873, the former president and Civil War general reflects on the current state of the nation post-war, focusing on topics such as reconstruction, civil rights, and foreign relations. Grant's address is characterized by its direct and authoritative tone, reflecting his background as a military leader and statesman. The speech serves as a crucial historical document, capturing a pivotal moment in American history when the nation was grappling with the aftermath of a devastating conflict and seeking to move forward towards unity and progress. Ulysses S. Grant's experience as a key figure in the Civil War and his two terms as president provide him with a unique perspective on the challenges facing the United States during this period. His political and military background undoubtedly influenced his decision to address these pressing issues head-on in his State of the Union speeches, including the Fifth Address. Grant's commitment to preserving the Union and promoting civil rights shines through in his eloquent and impassioned rhetoric. I highly recommend Ulysses S. Grant's Fifth State of the Union Address to readers interested in American history, Civil War literature, and political speeches. Grant's insightful reflections on the state of the nation offer valuable insights into the challenges and opportunities facing a country in transition, making this speech a timeless and relevant piece of historical literature.

<https://www.readfy.com/en/ebooks/432494-fifth-state-of-the-union-address/>

The above description does not give a true picture. *“In the midst of great national prosperity a financial crisis has occurred that has brought low fortunes of gigantic proportions; political partisanship has almost ceased to exist, especially in the agricultural regions; and, finally, the capture upon the high seas of a vessel bearing our flag has for a time threatened the most serious consequences, and has agitated the public mind from one end of the country to the other.”* I do encourage readers to read the whole address while I only share the sections that cover “Indian affairs”.

The fifth address in whole carries intriguing insights into both national and international affairs

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR.

“The policy inaugurated toward the Indians at the beginning of the last Administration has been steadily pursued, and, I believe, with beneficial results. It will be continued with only such modifications as time and experience may demonstrate as necessary.

With the encroachment of civilization upon the Indian reservations and hunting grounds, disturbances have taken place between the Indians and whites during the past year, and probably will continue to do so until each race appreciates that the other has rights which must be respected.

The policy has been to collect the Indians as rapidly as possible on reservations, and as far as practicable within what is known as the Indian Territory, and to teach them the arts of civilization and self-support. Where found off their reservations, and endangering the peace and safety of the whites, they have been punished, and will continue to be for like offenses.

The Indian Territory south of Kansas and west of Arkansas is sufficient in area and agricultural resources to support all the Indians east of the Rocky Mountains. In time, no doubt, all of them, except a few who may elect to make their homes among white people, will be collected there. As a preparatory step for this consummation, I am now satisfied that a Territorial form of government should be given them, which will secure the treaty rights of the original settlers and protect their homesteads from alienation for a period of twenty years.

The business of the General Land Office exhibits a material increase in all its branches during the last fiscal year. During that time there were disposed of out of the public lands 13,030,606 acres, being an amount greater by 1,165,631 acres than was disposed of during the preceding year. Of the amount disposed of, 1,626,266 acres were sold for cash, 214,940 acres were located with military land warrants, 3,793,612 acres were taken for homesteads, 653,446 acres were located with agricultural-college scrip, 6,083,536 acres were certified by railroads, 76,576 acres were granted to wagon roads, 238,548 acres were approved to States as swamp lands, 138,681 acres were certified for agricultural colleges, common schools, universities, and seminaries, 190,775 acres were approved to States for internal improvements, and 14,222 acres were located with Indian scrip. The cash receipts during the same time were \$3,408,515.50, being \$190,415.50 in excess of the receipts of the previous year. During the year 30,488,132 acres of public land were surveyed, an increase over the amount surveyed the previous year of 1,037,193 acres, and, added to the area previously surveyed, aggregates 616,554,895 acres which have been surveyed, leaving 1,218,443,505 acres of the public land still unsurveyed. “ 12/1/73

<https://media.mcclatchydc.com/static/pdf/1994-contract-with-america.pdf>

Explore the intricate tapestry of **Native American moon** traditions in this illuminating blog post. Delve into the deep-rooted reverence, rituals, and wisdom that various tribes have woven into their cultural fabric, revealing the profound connection between indigenous spirituality and the celestial realms.



The Story of the Navajo Moon: Myths of Reflection and Intuition

<https://nativeamerican.mythologyworldwide.com/the-story-of-the-navajo-moon-myths-of-reflection-and-intuition/>