



NTAA Weekly Update

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PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

NY Times – [Biden Plans to Restore Alaskan Forest Protections Stripped Under Trump](#)



The Tongass National Forest, in southeastern Alaska, is home to more than 400 species of wildlife, including nesting bald eagles, moose and bears. Credit: Ron Niebrugge/Alamy

TOP STORIES

If you missed Monday’s NTAA’s national webinar and release party for the 2021 Status of Tribal Air Report (STAR) on June 14th, you can view the recorded webinar and download the STAR on [NTAA’s website here!](#)

To help readers navigate the 130-page report, this webinar provided an overview of the STAR, shared the stories within the STAR, and provided the specific recommendations for national leadership to advance air quality on and around Tribal lands.

NY Times - [G7 Nations Take Aggressive Climate Action but Hold Back on Coal](#)

Earther – [7 Shocking Satellite Images Reveal the West’s Megadrought](#)

Axios - [Dangerous heat wave underway in West, will shatter records](#)

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

The Hill - [EPA to reinstate air pollution panel disbanded under Trump](#)

NPR – [Tackling ‘Energy Justice’ Requires Better Data. These Researchers Are On It](#)

CBS – [90% of Utah in extreme drought as governor declares emergency, asks locals to conserve water](#)

The Hill - [Haaland recommends full restoration of monuments Trump altered: report](#)

WHYY - [What researchers are learning about air pollution and the pandemic shutdown](#)

Science Daily - [Air pollution exposure during pregnancy may boost babies' obesity risk](#)

National Association of Clean Air Agencies – [Washington Update](#)

Climate Change/Energy

Axios - [Climate reality collides with rhetoric at the G7 summit](#)

Gizmodo – [Joe Biden Is Already Failing on Climate Policy](#)

NPR - [Tackling 'Energy Justice' Requires Better Data. These Researchers Are on It](#)

NPR – [Warming Climate Amplifies The Risks Of Wildfire Season](#)

AP – [Report: California encourages rebuilding in fire-prone areas](#)

Vox - [“Back to normal” puts us back on the path to climate catastrophe](#)

The Hill - [State appeals court upholds approval of Minnesota pipeline](#)

The Hill - [Biden administration eyes step toward Trump-era proposal for uranium reserve](#)

Reuters – [Biden Administration proposes offshore wind energy sales near NY, NJ](#)

Axios – [Study: Key Antarctic ice shelf is speeding up its collapse](#)

The Washington Post – [Lake Mead reaches lowest level on record amid exceptional drought](#)

Reuters – [California tells public to prepare for heatwave; power prices soar](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

Axios - [G7 leaders to announce plan to phase out gasoline cars](#)

Inside Climate News – [13 Refineries Emit Dangerous Benzene Emissions That Exceed the EPA’s ‘Action Level,’ a Study Finds](#)

The Guardian – [World oil demand ‘will rebound to pre-Covid levels by end of 2022](#)

Las Vegas Review Journal - [Granholm promotes lithium mining for clean-energy batteries](#)

AP – [NTSB releases report on Washington oil-train derailment](#)

The Guardian – [Half of clothes sold by online fashion brands ‘made from virgin plastic’](#)

Axios – [Study: Take-out food, drink litter make up vast majority of plastics in oceans](#)

Indoor Air Quality

The Regulatory Review – [The Urgent Need for Indoor Air Quality Regulation](#)

Verywell Health – [How to Improve Your Indoor Air Quality to Protect Against Pollutants](#)

Wyoming Public Media – [Something In The \(Indoor Air\): A Paradigm Shift](#)

Vox.com – [Covid-19 proved bad indoor air quality makes us sick. We can fix that.](#)

Be sure to subscribe to [EPA's IAQ Bulletins](#)

UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS/NOTICES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

NEW! EPA Webinar: Clean Air Act List of Air Toxics Addition of 1-Bromopropane (1-BP)

Registration Required by *Noon, Wednesday, June 23*

On June 23, 2021, the EPA will host two webinars on the 1-BP Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, or ANPRM. These webinars will provide an opportunity for the public to provide feedback concerning facilities located within their community that may be subject to the revisions or new emission standards. Each webinar will be similar but targeted to a difference audience (small businesses, Environmental Justice stakeholders and tribes). Both webinars will be held on Wednesday, June 23, click the links below to register:

- 3:00 – 4:00pm EDT: [Communities/Environmental Justice Stakeholders/Tribes](#)
- 4:00 – 5:00pm EDT: [Small Business Stakeholders](#)

The Administrator signed an Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) related to adding 1-bromopropane (1-BP) to the Clean Act Act's list of hazardous air pollutants (HAP).

The EPA intends to add 1-BP to the HAP list by the end of 2021. This would be the first time that EPA has added a pollutant to the HAP list since the list was created by the 1990 Clean Air Act amendments. This chemical is largely used in solvent degreasing and in adhesives, furniture foam fabrication, and surface coatings applications such as in the aerospace manufacturing. EPA is soliciting data and information on 1-BP usage, emission controls, and costs to inform the process to address the implementation of the upcoming listing action and to ensure that the regulatory infrastructure is in place to control the emissions of 1-BP. The EPA is publishing an ANPRM to solicit comments and data from the public on topics related to adding 1-BP to the Clean Air Act's HAP list. The Agency also requests information on potential impacts to small businesses, as well as potential impacts on Tribal and environmental justice communities.

A pre-publication version of the ANPRM and a fact sheet are available on the [web](#).

EPA Tools & Resources Webinar: Community Exposure for COVID

Wednesday, June 16; 3-4 pm EST / [Register Here](#)

EPA researchers have been working on a variety of projects to learn more about SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, to help states, tribes and communities make sound public health decisions. This webinar will discuss

research that sheds light on community exposure of SARS-CoV-2, including virus detection in wastewater, standardized methods for quantifying the virus in wastewater, development of salivary antibody assays, and transmission of the virus through airborne particles.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is taking the first step to develop a proposed rule to reduce methane and other harmful pollutants from new and existing sources in the oil and natural gas industry, beginning with a broad public outreach effort to gather community and stakeholder input.

These activities include opening a public docket for pre-proposal comments, holding training sessions on the rulemaking process and how to participate in it, and convening listening sessions for stakeholders. These actions are a part of our response to a directive in Executive Order 13990, “[Protecting Public Health and the Environment and Restoring Science to Tackle the Climate Crisis](#).” See the information below on how to participate.

Submit your input in writing to EPA’s public docket. EPA has opened a docket for members of the public to submit input to the Agency in writing. To submit your input online, visit this [website](#). Identify your comments by **Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0295**. For more information on submitting information to EPA dockets, visit [here](#).

NOTE: This is not the docket for the proposed rulemaking. EPA will open a separate regulatory docket when it issues the proposal in September.

GAP Guidance Next Steps

The Indian Environmental General Assistance Program, or GAP, is the largest tribal capacity building program in EPA. Since its inception in 1992, GAP has been a primary source of non-competitive, consistent funding for tribes to address multi-media capacity building and solid and hazardous waste implementation needs. The efficient, effective, and flexible administration of GAP is a shared priority for tribes as well as EPA.

EPA is moving forward with finalizing revisions to the GAP Guidance. The EPA American Indian Environmental Office (AIEO) in the Office of International and Tribal Affairs (OITA) has scheduled two national webinars in June to share our progress and discuss next steps. The webinars are scheduled as follows:

- **Webinar #1: June 24/2-3:30 Eastern Time**
 - TEAMS video conference link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) at the appropriate time
 - Dial-In Option (Audio Only) Number:
 - [+1 202-991-0477,,394915343#](#) United States, Washington DC
 - Phone Conference ID: 394 915 343#
 - To find a local dial-in number, [Find a local number](#).

- **Tribal Webinar #2: June 29/2-3:30 Eastern Time**
 - TEAMS video conference link: [Click here to join the meeting](#) here at the appropriate time
 - Dial-In Option (Audio Only) Number:
 - [+1 202-991-0477,,928337418#](#) United States, Washington DC
 - Phone Conference ID: 928 337 418#
 - To find a local dial-in number, [Find a local number](#).

NIH-EPA Environmental Health Disparities Research Webinar Series

The [NIH-EPA Environmental Health Disparities Research Centers of Excellence Program](#) is hosting this webinar series to highlight the research, training, and community-engagement accomplishments at the Centers collaboratively funded by the National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS), National Institute of Minority Health and Health Disparities (NIMHD), and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). Furthermore, the webinar series is intended to raise awareness of, and prompt dialogue on, opportunities to examine and address environmental contributions to health disparities. The webinars are open to anyone interested in learning more about environmental health disparities and strategies to reduce them. **Schedule:**

- *June 28, 2021* – [Exposure Pathways & Environmental Health Disparities](#)

All webinars in the series will be held live via Zoom on Mondays 3-4:30pm EST

NTAA Upcoming Calls

The toll-free number is 1-800-309-2350. If you do not need to call toll free, or would like to help conserve NTAA funding, you can call 1-805-309-2350. Both numbers use code 928-523-0526#. Contact Andy.Bessler@nau.edu if you have any questions about any call! ***Registration instructions*** When you register for the GoToWebinar, please remember to include your Tribe, Region, or Organization in parenthesis after your last name. This allows you to see everyone on the call and prevents us from conducting a roll-call, ultimately saving everyone's time.

Indoor Air Quality Work Group: Join this work group every other month to help support IAQ work throughout Indian Country.	Thursday, June 17, 2pm ET
EPA Policy Call: Call in to hear updates from EPA on policies, actions, and tools relevant to Indian Country and Air Quality. <i>NOTE TIME CHANGE</i>	Thursday, June 24, 1pm ET

Mobile Sources Work Group: This monthly work group addresses all mobile source pollution issues.	Thursday, July 1, 2pm ET
Wood Smoke Work Group: Join this work group every other month to address wood smoke issues in Indian Country.	Thursday, July 22, 1pm ET

The Institute for Tribal Environmental Professional (ITEP)

[Click here](#) for ITEP's new Tribal Environmental Management and Planning Online Courses. Sign up for a self-paced course hosted by ITEP's Waste and Response and Tribal Air Quality programs. New courses have been added, so check it out!

ITEP's American Indian Air Quality Training Program (AIAQTP) hosts the Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates, Residential Building Science Review, Radon Fundamentals, Quality Assurance Fundamental, Writing a Quality Assurance Project Plan, Emissions Inventory Fundamentals, and Emissions Inventory Advanced.

[AIAQTP Schedule and Registration](#)

Training Title	2021 Dates	Training Type
Quality Assurance Project Plans in a Nutshell	June 1	Webinar
Wildland Smoke and Community Preparedness	June 7-11	Virtual Training

Recorded Webinars

Looking for more information check out the [Tribal Air Quality Media Space Channel](#). Recent webinars include an Introduction to Air Quality Programs, Emissions Inventories, Remote Professional Assistance, and Woodstoves in Indian Country. Older classics include a series on Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke, Tribal Air Program and Grants, Data Management, and the Clean Air Act.

ITEP's [Tribes and Climate Change Calendar](#) includes conferences, trainings, webinars, and other events related to tribes and climate change.

Climate Change / Energy

NEW! EPA's Climate Change Indicators in the United States: EPA's newly updated website, *Climate Change Indicators in the United States*, looks at

changes to our health and the environment related to the causes and effects of climate change. With new science, additional indicators, and more years of data, many of these signs of climate change have become even more evident, stronger, and extreme. Explore the website: <https://www.epa.gov/climate-indicators>.

You are invited to participate in two upcoming webinars on the resource. On June 17, EPA will provide an Overview of EPA’s Climate Change Indicators. The presentation will provide key findings, highlight several indicators, and describe ways to explore, share and use the information including interactive data tools and story maps. A second webinar on June 24 will focus on Climate and Heat: Trends, Health Impacts and Risk. This one-hour webinar will feature climate-related temperature trends particularly related to extreme heat and urban heat, human health effects, social vulnerability, and risks (happening now and looking into the future). Visit EPA’s State, Local, and Tribal Webinar Series webpage to register: <https://www.epa.gov/statelocalenergy/state-local-and-tribal-webinar-series>.

Request for Proposals: Seed Funding for Centering Justice in Climate Research & Action

Due: Friday, June 25; @midnight | [View Application Here](#)

The [Rising Voices Center for Indigenous and Earth Sciences](#) is offering three \$5,000 awards to launch small-scale but impactful projects OR to support the time and effort to write a proposal for a large-scale project. Applications must demonstrate how the proposed work will bring together Indigenous and Earth sciences to address pressing community-driven research and action. Successful applications will support projects to begin around July 20, 2021 and conclude around November 20, 2021. If you have any questions about the solicitation or application process, please send an email to RisingVoicesinAction@gmail.com

Office of Air and Radiation Update: Proposed Rule “Phasedown of Hydrofluorocarbons: Establishing the Allowance Allocation and Trading Program under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act”

Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs) are potent greenhouse gases commonly used in refrigerators, stationery and motor vehicle air conditioners, and many other applications. On April 30th, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) proposed the first regulation under the American Innovation and Manufacturing (AIM) Act of 2020, which requires the United States to phase down production and consumption of HFCs by 85% over the next 15 years by using an allowance allocation and trading program.

EPA is seeking public comment on this proposed rule, which would set the HFC production and consumption baseline levels from which reductions will be made, establish an initial methodology for allocating HFC allowances for 2022 and 2023,

and create a robust and innovative compliance and enforcement system. Companies that produce, import, export, destroy, or use HFCs in equipment may be interested in submitting data or commenting. More information on HFCs and the proposed rule can be found [here](#). The public comment period for the proposal will be open for 45 days after publication in the Federal Register.

ITEP's Climate Change Adaptation Training Courses registration is online!
[Learn more about the courses and register here.](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

NTAA produced a [Policy Resource Kit](#) to help Tribes respond to EPA on its reconsideration of the 2019 action titled, the “Safer Affordable Fuel-Efficient Vehicles Rule,” for the purposes of rescinding the action taken by the prior administration. [NTAA commented on the full SAFE proposal](#), which included both the waiver withdrawal and the freezing of fuel efficiency standards, on October 26, 2018. This Reconsideration seeks comment on:

- Appropriateness of EPA’s interpretations that led to the withdrawal of CA’s CAA waiver to set GHG standards and a ZEV sales mandate
- Appropriateness of EPA’s interpretation that disallowed other states to adopt CA GHG emission standards

NTAA’s PRK includes [a fact sheet](#) and NTAA will be preparing a template letter for Tribes to use in submitting their own comments. The comment deadline is July 6, 2021. You can find more information and to comment, visit the [Federal Register website](#).

EPA’s Diesel Emissions Reduction Act’s Tribal Grants for FY21

Request for Applications now open! More information can be found on this [flyer](#) and on [this website](#). EPA’s 2021 Tribal and Insular Area grant program is now open. EPA anticipates awarding approximately \$5 million in DERA funding under this announcement. A total of \$4.5 million will be made available to tribal governments (or intertribal consortia) and Alaska Native villages, and \$500,000 will be made available to insular area governments. EPA anticipates awarding five to ten cooperative agreements to tribal governments (or intertribal consortia) and Alaska Native villages and two to four cooperative agreements to insular area governments. Click [here](#) for more information.

The U.S. EPA is in the process of conducting a residual risk and technology review of the 2002 National Emission Standards for Hazardous Air Pollutants (NESHAP) for Major Source Primary Copper Smelting and a technology review of the 2007 Primary Copper Smelting Area Sources NESHAP.

After EPA publishes the rules in the *Federal Register*, EPA plans to accept comment on these proposals for at least 45 days after publication in the *Federal Register*. Interested parties can download additional information and a copy of the proposed rules (when they are officially issued by EPA) from [EPA's website](#) and this [website](#). The proposed rules and other background information will also be available either electronically [here](#), EPA's electronic public docket and comment system. Materials for the proposed actions can be accessed using **Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2020-0430**. For further technical information about the rule, contact Tonisha Dawson, EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, at (919) 541-1454 or dawson.tonisha@epa.gov.

The U.S. EPA Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention (OCSPP) is initiating consultation and coordination with federally-recognized tribes regarding development of proposed actions under section 6(a) of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) to address the unreasonable risks that EPA has determined are presented by n-methylpyrrolidone (NMP) under its conditions of use.

This consultation and coordination process will be conducted in accordance with the [EPA Policy on Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribes](#). EPA invites you and/or your designated consultation representative(s) to participate in this process. OCSPP's anticipated timeline for the consultation and coordination period is expected to extend from May 24 to August 27, 2021. During this period, two identical consultation sessions will be conducted. To participate, OCSPP invites you and/or your designee to join us during one or more of the following consultation sessions:

- **Wednesday, July 14, 2021, Tribal Consultation 2** – Technical Briefing and Comment Period from 1:00-3:30pm (ET) Conference Line: (833) 760-4028; Conference ID: 7686356 [Adobe Connect Link](#).

To learn more about the rulemaking for NMP, visit this [link](#).

Green Transportation Summit & Expo

August 16-18, 2021 Tacoma, Washington / [Registration](#)

The 10th annual Green Transportation Summit & Expo (GTSE) is the region's premier clean transportation convening event. There has not been a time when clean transportation has had as much potential. With this year's theme of Reflecting + Refocusing on a Resilient Future, we are giving particular attention to recent events affecting our communities and livelihood. We will be creating space to ensure these critical topics are addressed. **All Tribes can get a 20% discount, contact Dara.Marks-Marino@nau.edu for the code!**

Office of Pesticide Program Update: EPA Opens Comment Period on Draft Biological Opinion on Malathion, Closes June 19, 2021

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is seeking public comment on the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service's (FWS) [draft biological opinion for the registration of malathion](#), an insecticide that is commonly used to control mosquitoes and a variety of insects that attack fruits, vegetables, landscaping plants, and shrubs. The draft biological opinion evaluates whether use of malathion is likely to jeopardize federally threatened and endangered species or destroy or adversely modify their critical habitats.

In January 2017, EPA released the [biological evaluation for malathion](#), which found potential effects on threatened and endangered species and their designated critical habitats. Because the biological evaluation for malathion made "likely to adversely affect" determinations to some threatened and endangered species and their designated critical habitats, EPA has been consulting with FWS to ensure the registration of malathion is not likely to jeopardize the continued existence of these species or adversely modify their critical habitats. The public comment period will be open for 60 days and will close on June 19, 2021. The draft biological opinion is included in docket EPA-HQ-OPP-2021-0231 at www.regulations.gov.

The recent additions to OTAQ's website in June 2021. [*You can access these additions as well as new press releases and Federal Register notices related to OTAQ on our website.*](#)

- June 8, 2021: [EPA releases the annual Fast Facts document that provides information about U.S. transportation sector greenhouse gas emissions \(1990-2019\).](#)

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Indoor Air Quality

NEW! Healthy Schools Webinar on ReOpening Schools

Join us for a webinar on Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 11:00 AM PDT.
“Many Kindergarten through 12th grade (K-12) schools in the United States do not have good ventilation. This is a longstanding problem with demonstrably negative effects on student learning. We can and should act to fix this to ensure good indoor air quality for all students, educators, and school staff. During the COVID-19 pandemic, it is even more important that ventilation problems in K-12 schools be addressed now. Along with other mitigation measures, improvements in ventilation in K-12 schools can decrease the risk of SARS-CoV-2 spread.”

Presented by Paula Olsiewski, John Hopkins Center for Health Security, John Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, a pioneering leader in policy and scientific research programs in the microbiology and chemistry of indoor environments.

The webinar will review the findings of a recent report that considers the impact of COVID-19 pandemic on children, families, and educators and summarizes current [ventilation guidelines](#).

[Register HERE NOW](#). If you have questions, contact mansel.nelson@nau.edu

Navigating the Landscape of Air Cleaning Technologies for COVID-19

Wednesday, June 16; 1-3pm EDT / [Register Here](#)

The global COVID-19 pandemic has prompted widespread demand for air cleaning technologies aimed at reducing risks of airborne infectious disease transmission inside buildings. Along with increased ventilation, portable and in-duct air cleaners are increasingly being recommended as part of a layered approach to reduce exposures to SARS-CoV-2 in airborne particles. In this webinar we will help navigate the landscape of commercially available air cleaning technologies, provide insight on how to interpret air cleaner test reports, and provide recommendations and tools for selection, evaluation, and sizing of portable and in-duct air cleaners.

NEW! Radon Webinar Series: Radon and Citizen Science: Public Engagement to Increase Education and Outreach

Tuesday, June 22; 2-3pm ET / [Register Here](#)

Reducing exposure to radon is an important component in preventing lung cancer. Radon, a radioactive gas, is one of the most hazardous indoor pollutants. This naturally occurring gas is the leading cause of lung cancer among non-smokers, responsible for more than 21,000 annual deaths. According to the US EPA, radon concentrations above its action level are present in 1 of 15 buildings in the United States.

During this webinar, subject matter experts will share guidance, lessons learned, and best practices for increasing radon education and outreach through public engagement opportunities created by citizen science projects. Register today to reserve your seat!

The Conference of Radiation Control Program Directors (CRCPD) and the American Association of Radon Scientists and Technologists (AARST) Foundation Webinar Series:

- National Radon Action Month: Best Practices for State and Tribal Radon Programs – *July 22, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST*

- The sixth webinar on a trending topic to be announced will be scheduled for the month of August – *stay tuned*

How Indoor airPLUS Homes Help Reduce the Occurrence of Asthma Triggers in the Home

Here are ways an Indoor airPLUS home can help reduce [asthma triggers](#) in the home.

Be sure to subscribe to [CodeTalk](#), HUD's Office of Native American Programs newsletter, for webinars and opportunities!

RESOURCES & FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring!

Climate Action Coordinator (Environmental Senior) Position

The Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation is hiring a [Climate Action Coordinator \(Environmental Senior\)](#) position, to be located within the Environmental Trust Department. The Coordinator will foster the integration of climate adaptation into management plans and activities, and provide information to the Colville Tribes' Climate Change Steering Committee about climate-related impacts to human health and the environment.

Closing date for applications is **Friday, June 18th at 9:59pm.**

Indigenous Engagement Coordinator Position for the Navigating the New Arctic Community Office

[Full Job Posting](#)

This position will focus on supporting Arctic communities by facilitating local/regional NNA research partnerships and interfacing NNA research with Indigenous cultures, knowledge systems, and research needs. This position will work closely with the Office of Research and Community Engagement (ORCE) Director at APU and the NNA-CO team to advance the office's support of use-inspired convergence research in the Arctic—collaborative research that deeply draws on information and expertise from across disciplines and knowledge systems to solve complex challenges. This position will uphold the Office's vision and commitment to support the NNA community (researchers, Arctic community partners, Indigenous knowledge holders, decision-makers, etc.) through coordination, enhanced communication, and interdisciplinary, cross-cultural, and institutional learning.

HEAL is Hiring a PostDoc

The Humanities Education for Anti-racism Literacy in the Sciences and Medicine (HEAL) project at the University of Wisconsin–Madison invites applications for a 2-year postdoctoral associate position to begin August 23, 2021. We seek someone with scholarly expertise in diversity and inclusion or anti-racism in higher education to both develop research in collaboration with the project team and to assist with project management. The HEAL project, funded by the Mellon Foundation’s [Just Futures Initiative](#), seeks to improve equitable access to higher education by drawing on humanities research to advance anti-racist practices and pedagogy in science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and medicine (STEMM). This is a 2-year, 12-month position to run August 23, 2021, to August 22, 2023, and is based in Madison, Wisconsin. The successful candidate will be expected to reside in Madison, though initial meetings will likely take place over Zoom as we continue to navigate the pandemic. Position includes a base salary of \$60,000 per year; a research allowance (\$6500); health insurance; mentoring; and office space.

Director, National Museum of the American Indian

Closing Date: 06/29/21 [More information here](#)

The Director of the National Museum of the American Indian (NMAI) is responsible for promoting, sustaining and further developing a more informed understanding of Native peoples using a “One NMAI” approach linking all three facilities and following the guiding philosophy of being a place where the voices of the Indigenous Peoples of the Americas are primary in the interpretation of Native histories and cultures.

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Emergency Broadband Benefit Program Accepting Applications

The Federal Communications Commission just launched a temporary program to help families and households struggling to afford Internet service during the COVID-19 pandemic. Starting May 12, the Emergency Broadband Benefit (EBB) will provide a discount of up to \$50 per month toward broadband service for eligible households and up to \$75 per month for households on qualifying tribal lands. Eligible households can also receive a one-time discount of up to \$100 to purchase a laptop, desktop computer, or tablet from participating providers. Eligible households can enroll through a participating broadband provider or directly with the Universal Service Administrative Company using an online or mail-in application. You can learn more about the EBB program, including eligibility and enrollment information, by following the links below or calling (833) 511-0311.

- [Read the news release](#)

- [EBB website https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit](https://www.fcc.gov/broadbandbenefit)
- [GetEmergencyBroadband.org](https://www.getemergencybroadband.org)
- [EBB FAQ sheet](#)
- [Step-by-step instructions for applicants \(PDF\)](#)
- [City of Tucson website summary of EBB program](#)

First Nations Development Institute grant opportunity

With the generous support of the Indigenous Peoples Fund at Tides Foundation, First Nations will establish a Gather Food Sovereignty Grant that will support work contributing to building a national movement that will fulfill a vision of Native communities and food systems that are self-directed, well-resourced and supported by community policies and systems. This opportunity is targeting emerging projects that focus on developing Tribal Food Sovereignty. Through the first round of the Gather Food Sovereignty Grant, First Nations expects to award up to 13 grant awards of approximately \$32,000 to support Native American-led food sovereignty work. *The grant period for this funding opportunity will commence March 1, 2021, and end February 28, 2022.* Application on the [Gather Food Sovereignty Grant site](#).

Assistant Secretary Sweeney Announces \$3 Million Living Languages Grant Program Funding Opportunity

Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs Tara Mac Lean Sweeney announced today that the Office of Indian Energy and Economic Development (IEED) is soliciting applications to the Living Languages Grant Program (LLGP). This \$3 Million grant program will fund between 15 and 60 grants, ranging from \$25,000-\$200,000, to federally recognized American Indian tribes and Alaska Native entities to document, preserve and revitalize Native languages and build active speaker capacity. IEED's solicitation for LLGP funding and details on how to apply can be found in the [Federal Register](#) and at [Grants.Gov](#).

To view and/or receive ITEP's American Indian Air Quality Training Program newsletter, [Native Voices, click here!](#)

Climate Change/Energy

On-Request Technical Assistance from DOE Office of Indian Energy

Applications Due: Not Applicable

Eligible Entities: tribal governments

The DOE Office of Indian Energy provides federally recognized Indian tribes, including Alaska Native villages, tribal energy resource development organizations, and other organized tribal groups and communities, with technical

assistance to advance tribal energy projects at no cost. Technical experts from DOE and its national laboratories, along with other partnering organizations, provide support to assist Indian tribes and Alaska Native villages with energy planning, housing and building energy efficiency, project development, policy and regulation, resilience, and village power.

Join NCAI's [Climate Action email](#) listserv here!

Sign up for the [Alliance for Green Heat](#)'s newsletter!

To view and/or receive [ITEP's Climate Change newsletter, click here!](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

EPA Announces \$10 Million Available for States, Tribes, and Territories to Address Environmental Challenges

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is announcing the availability of Multipurpose Grant (MPG) funding to support states, Tribes and territories in addressing high-priority environmental issues, including PFAS, environmental justice and climate change. For more information on eligibility, use of funding, process for award, and timelines, please reference the [Multipurpose Grant guidance](#).

HUD's FY2021 Lead Hazard Reduction Grant Program NOFO

Click [here](#) to visit the website. Here is some key information:

- \$356.8 million is available including \$45 million in Healthy Homes Supplemental funding
- HUD expects to make approximately 80 awards from the funds available under the NOFO
- Informational webinars on the NOFO are forthcoming
- 42-month project period (08/30/2021 to 03/03/2025)
- **Applications close July 12, 2021**

You can find more information on [HUD's website here](#) and in the attached NOFO/Appendices. Please stay tuned for upcoming informational webinars on the NOFO. Any questions regarding the NOFO should be directed to Yolanda Brown, Lead and Healthy Homes Program Division Director Yolanda.A.Brown@hud.gov

EPA's Diesel Emissions Reduction Act's Tribal Grants for FY21 Request for Applications are coming soon! More information can be found [on this flyer](#) and [on this website](#).

Recent additions to OTAQ's website in March 2021

You can access these additions as well as new press releases and Federal Register notices related to OTAQ [on our website](#).

Indoor Air Quality**Resource for Healthy Indoor Air Quality**

Check out the website <https://forhealth.org/> for many resources related to healthy homes and indoor air quality!

The Tribal Healthy Homes Network (THHN) has a webpage dedicated to [Funding Opportunities](#)! Additionally, THHN has developed a [Funding Guide for American Indian and Alaska Native Communities](#).

Most Recent Listing: EPA Rules from the Federal Register can be [found here](#).

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