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NTAA Weekly Update

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PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

NY Times – [Environmental Justice Was a Climate Forum Theme. Here’s Why.](#)



Abaco Island, Bahamas, was devastated this week by Hurricane Dorian. Photo Credit: Daniele Volpe for The New York Times

TOP STORIES

The NTAA has published a supplement to the 2019 Status of Tribal Air Report, [“A White Paper Detailing the Science and Connections between Air Pollution, Tribes and Public Health.”](#) This White Paper seeks to help Tribes write effective comments on proposed regulatory actions that will affect the health and well-being of their Tribal members and lands. The White Paper, written by NTAA EC Region 5 Representative Joy Wiecks, cites study after study that has shown the detrimental health effects of pollutants on our bodies in the areas of respiration, reproduction, endocrine systems, and more, demonstrating that reductions of pollutants are important to protect public health.

Montreal Gazette - [Documentary tells story of Mohawk ironworkers who helped in wreckage of 9/11](#)

EPA – [EPA Honors 2019 Green Power Leaders](#)

Editor’s Note: Blue Lake Rancheria is listed in the “Direct Project Engagement” category!

E&E News - [Updated strategic plan purges Pruitt buzzwords](#)

HEADLINES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Durango Herald – [Oil drilling plan near Hovenweep monument draws tribal opposition](#)

AP – [Wisconsin tribe joins groups opposed to Superior gas plant](#)

Native Sun News – [EPA Ignores tribal consultation](#)

Phys.org – [To reduce pollution, policymakers should broaden focus beyond smokestacks](#)

Houston Chronicle - [BP launches gas cloud imaging, drones to monitor methane emissions](#)

E&E News – [Trump’s carbon rule hits legal deadline. Who’s suing?](#)

Popular Science - [Everything you should know about methane as regulations loosen](#)

Indianz – [Fires in Amazon shed light on long-standing issues facing Indigenous peoples](#)

Indianz – [Presidential hopefuls embrace Indigenous movement against unwanted pipelines](#)

NPR - [EPA Chief Pledges to Severely Cut Back On Animal Testing Of Chemicals](#)

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

Climate Change/Energy

Washington Post - [2°C: Beyond the Limit: Dangerous new hot zones are spreading around the world](#)

Navajo Times - [NTEC's coal mine purchase draws critics](#)

AP – [Administration switches off rule for thriftier light bulbs](#)

USA Today – [As Earth faces climate catastrophe, US set to open 200 power plants](#)

NPR – [Unfurling The Waste Problem Caused By Wind Energy](#)

NPR – [Cleaning Up Abandoned Wells Proves Costly To Gas and Oil Producing States](#)

E&E News – [Big Oil and climate: What's going on?](#)

E&E News – [Loosening methane rule could hurt U.S. gas abroad – experts](#)

E&E News – [Climate conflicts await as Congress returns](#)

E&E News – [Congress returns to busy fall for energy, environment issues](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

EPA – [EPA and DOT Put California on Notice](#)

NY Times – [White House Prepares to Revoke California's Right to Set Tougher Pollution Rules](#)

NY Times – [Justice Dept. Investigates California Emissions Pact That Embarrassed Trump](#)

The Guardian - [Diesel cars emit more air pollution on hot days, study says](#)

E&E News – [Enviros sue EPA over bee-killing chemical](#)

E&E News – [Biofuels: Court: EPA failed to consider species with 2018 standards](#)

Indian Country Today – [Toxic Alaska mine could ‘destroy the world’s last great sockeye salmon fishery’](#)

Indoor Air Quality

Region 10 Tribal Newsletter – [Okanogan River Airshed Partnership’s Woodstove Change Out Project](#)

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UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS/NOTICES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

NTAA/EPA Informational Webinar on EPA’s Proposed Policy Amendments 2012 and 2016 New Source Performance Standards for the Oil and Natural Gas Industry

When: Wednesday, September 18, 11am PT / 2pm ET

To listen in, view documents discussed and to register for the webinar, [click here](#). The NTAA and EPA will be hosting an hour-long informational webinar on EPA’s proposed policy amendments to the 2012 and 2016 New Source Performance Standards (NSPS) for the Oil and Natural Gas Industry. We will provide an overview of the proposed amendments and allow time for Tribes to ask questions. For more information on the proposed action, [refer to the EPA webpage](#).

Round 4 SO2 Designations Memo

The OAQPS Director signed the memorandum titled “Area Designations for the 2010 Primary Sulfur Dioxide National Ambient Air Quality Standard – Round 4” on September 5, 2019. This memorandum provides information on the schedule and process for the area designations for the 2010 primary sulfur dioxide (SO₂) national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) that EPA must complete by a court-ordered deadline of December 31, 2020 (“Round 4”). This document supplements, where necessary, our prior designations guidance on area designations for the 2010 primary SO₂ NAAQS to better reflect the Round 4

designations process. [More information on the 2010 primary SO₂ NAAQS designations is available here.](#)

EPA’s proposed rule “Reclassification of Major Sources as Area Sources Under Section 112 of the Clean Air Act” This proposed rule was published in the Federal Register (FR) on Friday, July 26, 2019. See 84 FR 36304. The FR notice is now [available here](#). The 60-day public comment period is now open. Comments must be received on or before September 24, 2019. This rule is also known as “Once in, always in.” The NTAA has [posted a Fact Sheet](#) for this rule and is developing a full Policy Response Kit, including a Tribal template letter and comment letter to EPA.

Prevention of Significant Deterioration (PSD) and Nonattainment New Source Review (NNSR): Project Emissions Accounting

The EPA is proposing to revise certain New Source Review (NSR) applicability regulations to clarify the requirements that apply to sources proposing to undertake a physical or operational change (i.e., a project) under the NSR preconstruction permitting program. Under this program, an existing major source proposing to undertake a project must determine whether that project will constitute a major modification following a two-step applicability test and thus be subject to the NSR preconstruction permitting requirements. The first step is to determine if the proposed project will cause a “significant emissions increase” of a regulated NSR pollutant (Step 1). If the proposed project is projected to cause such an increase, the second step is to determine if there is a “significant net emissions increase” of that pollutant (Step 2). In this action, we are proposing to revise our NSR applicability regulations to make it clear that both emissions increases and emissions decreases that result from a given proposed project are to be considered at Step 1 of the NSR major modification applicability test. In addition, this proposal replaces and withdraws the agency’s 2006 Project Netting Proposal. Comments must be received on or before October 8, 2019.

Tribal Grants Education and Technical Assistance Webinar Series Second Wednesday of Every Month at 1pm ET
[For more information, click here!](#)

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.

EPA Policy Call: Call in to hear updates from EPA on policies, actions, and tools relevant to Indian Country and Air Quality.	Thursday, September 19, 2pm ET
Mobile Sources Work Group: Formerly the VW Work Group, this Work Group will address all mobile source pollution issues.	Thursday, October 3, 2pm ET
Indoor Air Quality Work Group: Join this work group to help support IAQ work throughout Indian Country. <i>Note that this call and the Wood Smoke Work Group call are now alternating months, with standing agenda items to briefly address items from the other's topic.</i>	Thursday, October 17, 2pm ET
Wood Smoke Work Group: Join this work group to help address air quality issues arising from wood smoke. <i>Note that this call and the Indoor Air Quality Work Group call are now alternating months, with standing agenda items to briefly address items from the other's topic.</i>	Wednesday, November 6, 3pm ET

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

[Click here](#) for ITEP's other trainings and events.

[Click here](#) for ITEP's new Tribal Environmental Management and Planning Online Courses. New courses have been added, so check it out!

ITEP's [FY20 AIAQTP Course Schedule](#)

Course Title	Dates	Location	Course Level
Indoor Air Quality in Tribal Communities	September 24-26	Rapid City, SD	1

Management of Tribal Air Programs and Grants	October 29-31	Tulsa, OK	2
Sensor Technology	November 19-21	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	n/a
Air Quality in Alaska	December 3-6	Bethel, AK	1
GIS for Air Quality	December 16-18	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	3
	2020		
Introduction to Tribal Air Quality	January 14-17	Flagstaff, AZ	1
Indoor Air Quality Diagnostic Tools	January 28-31	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Air Quality Computations	February 11-14	Phoenix, AZ	1
Fundamentals of Air Monitoring	February 25-27	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	2
Indoor Air Quality Diagnostic Tools in Alaska	March 3-6	AK - TBD	2
Air Pollution Technology	March 10-13	Flagstaff, AZ	2
Meteorological Monitoring	March 24-26	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	3
Air Pollution Modeling	April 14-16	TAMS Center, Las Vegas, NV	3
<i>National Tribal Forum on Air Quality (NTFAQ)</i>	<i>May</i>	<i>TBD</i>	
Air Quality Outreach	June 2-4	TBD	1
Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke	Anytime	Series of 6 recorded webinars	n/a
Indoor Air Quality - Independent Study	Anytime	Independent Study	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates	Open	Online	1
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Warm Climates	In development	Online	1
Residential Building Science Review	Open	Online	1
Radon Fundamentals	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Fundamentals (QA 101)	Open	Online	1
Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP) (QA 201-209)	Open	Online	2
Emissions Inventory (self-paced, instructor assistance as needed)	Open	Online	3

Note: This schedule is subject to change. For up-to-date information, course descriptions, and applications please visit http://www7.nau.edu/itep/main/Training/training_air/

Climate Change / Energy

September 11, 1:15 PM (ET) – Power to the People with Minigrids

Universal access to modern energy services is a prerequisite for poverty eradication and an enabler of human and economic development. However, that requires equity investments in impoverished communities. Who would make those investments and is it possible to structure them to recover capital costs and get a return on the investment? Join LightWorks at ASU and SSF in a 90-minute webinar exploring innovations in financing off grid (Minigrids) energy solutions in remote villages that spark economic development that lead to sustainable rural energy markets.

[Register](#)

September 11, 1 PM (ET) – Portfolio Manager 101

Learn about EPA’s ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager tool. Attendees will learn how to: navigate Portfolio Manager; add a property and enter details about it; enter energy and water consumption data; and generate template performance reports to assess progress.

[Register](#)

September 12, 1 PM (ET) - Discovering Energy Savings with Treasure Hunts

During an Energy Treasure Hunt, groups of people walk around a building looking for opportunities to save energy. Treasure Hunts focus on quick fixes with a short payback period. Hundreds of organizations have used Energy Treasure Hunts to reduce their facilities' energy use by 7 to 15 percent.

During this webinar, you'll hear from two ENERGY STAR partners that have used Treasure Hunts to improve day-to-day operations and engage building operators and employees in “discovering” treasure in their facilities. Atrium Health uncovered \$75,000 in potential annual energy savings through their Treasure Hunt at one acute care facility. The event involved 20 teammates from seven different departments and included training on ENERGY STAR portfolio management and certification. Bimbo Bakeries will share their experience and success achieved by creating their own Treasure Hunt version to address their company's needs and realities.

In addition, we'll provide an overview of new resources available from EPA to help your organization plan and host a successful Treasure Hunt in time for Energy Awareness Month this October.

[Register](#)

September 17, 2 PM (ET) – Managing Electricity Demand, Coss, and Resiliency with Onsite Battery Storage in the Industrial Sector

Battery storage capacity in the U.S. has doubled every two years since 2011. By the end of 2017, there was over 700 MW of installed capacity in the U.S. Traditionally, battery storage projects have been implemented by utilities and independent power producers for grid management. Lately, commercial and industrial facilities are getting into the action, taking advantage of onsite storage to regulate the frequency, support voltage/reactive power, and lower peak demand charges. Advances in technology and lower prices make battery storage a more accessible tool for controlling electricity prices, improving energy quality, and managing a plant's carbon footprint. During this webinar participants will get an overview of the state of battery storage in the industrial sector and hear from two industrial organizations on battery storage projects in their manufacturing facilities. Presenters will discuss how to determine whether battery storage is appropriate for a facility.

[Register](#)

September 18, Noon (ET) – Ask the Expert

Every other Wednesday ENERGY STAR holds a Portfolio Manager "Ask the Expert" session. It's a live webinar that gives all users an opportunity to ask their questions directly to EPA experts in an open forum. Want to talk to a "real" person? Have a question about how Portfolio Manager calculates your score? Want to learn more about entering Green Power? Join ENERGY STAR, and they'll answer all your questions about ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager in this public forum.

[Register](#)

September 18, 1 PM (ET) – Portfolio Manager 201

Continue to learn about EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager tool with a deeper dive into more advanced functionalities such as: editing property data; correcting and updating property use details; using the data quality checker; and sharing property data.

[Register](#)

September 19, 1:15 PM (ET) – Towards a 20 GT Negative CO2 Emissions Inventory

It is imperative to capture 20 GT of carbon from the air in the next 20 years, and that will require contributions from all sectors including agriculture, industrial processes and direct air capture. What is the scorecard in each sector and how does each trajectory look? What are the drivers, and how can the pace of innovation and commercialization of new solutions be accelerated to scale rapidly enough to get to 20 GT in time? This webinar will examine policy, price signals, incentives and other drivers. We will address gaps in the innovation pipeline, including what is needed to create new markets for carbon. Hear how California's leadership in stacking state tax incentives with the federal 45Q tax credit and other policy commitments that can be a model for other states and federal action.

[Register](#)

September 24, 1 PM (ET) – Portfolio Manager 301

With a good background on the basic functionality of EPA's ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager tool, learn about some advanced features including: using spreadsheet upload templates to update property data; setting goals and targets to plan energy improvements for properties; creating custom reports; and using the Sustainable Buildings Checklist.

[Register](#)

September 25, 1 PM (ET) – Saving Water in Restrooms with WaterSense

Water use in restrooms and laundries can account for nearly 40 percent of water use within a facility. Join us to learn about water-efficient operation and maintenance practices and retrofit and replacements options that can help reduce water and energy use in public and private bathrooms and commercial laundries. Find out how using WaterSense labeled and ENERGY STAR qualified products in these areas can significantly reduce your facility operating costs.

[Register](#)

September 26, 1 PM (ET) – Best Practices for Submitting ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year Award Applications

Learn more about the ENERGY STAR Partner of the Year awards and what makes a great application. ENERGY STAR will share the benefits of being a POY winner, accomplishments of past winners, and what it takes to earn POY. Helpful tips on the application process will be covered, such as how to avoid common mistakes, plus they'll review the Sustained Excellence application.

[Register](#)

September 24–26: 2019 National Tribal Energy Summit (NTES)**Tribal Energy: Powering Self-Determination**

The Office of Indian Energy, in coordination with the National Conference of State Legislatures, will host the 2019 NTES, Tribal Energy: Powering Self-Determination, September 24-26 at the Westin Washington City Center in Washington, D.C. Educate yourselves and others, expand your circles, and meet with high-level Administration officials and Members of Congress. Tribal leaders—together with the Administration, representatives from federal agencies, state governments, private industry, utilities, and academia—will build networks, exchange ideas, and explore cross-cutting and cost-effective solutions to national energy interests.

Explore taking tribal energy to the next level through:

- Learning modules centered around the key drivers for tribal energy development
- Tribal leader roundtable discussions to address energy policy
- A Women in Energy Leadership Breakfast focusing on tribal perspectives
- Takeaways and resources for participating communities, including utilizing your Tribal Energy Atlas

Unlock the power with DOE and its partner organizations to position your community at the forefront of timely tribal energy conversations. The key to building capacity is first understanding how DOE's Office of Indian Energy can support—or build upon—each tribe's self-determined energy development goals. Registration is required by **September 18**, and capacity is limited. Register, view the agenda overview, and find lodging and travel information at the [NTES website](#).

November 18–22: Register for 2019 Office of Indian Energy Program Review

Register now for the 2019 Office of Indian Energy Program Review to be held November 18–22 at the Sheraton Denver West Hotel in Lakewood, Colorado. This annual event is a tremendous opportunity for Indian tribes to meet, learn from other Indian tribes that are pursuing energy self-sufficiency, and share in each other's successes. The 2019 Program Review will feature project status updates from tribes across the nation who are leveraging Office of Indian Energy grant funding to deploy energy technologies or initiate the first steps to energy development. Due to widespread interest in energy development, the Review is also open to all of Indian Country. There is no registration fee, but advanced registration is required to ensure seating and availability of food. [Register now](#).

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

Toxics/Mobile Sources

September 12, Noon (ET) – Equity in Smart Mobility

This webinar will provide an overview of national quantitative data that suggests how smart mobility solutions are perpetuating existing barriers to transportation access, and in some instances creating new barriers; contextualize the data with local insights from Maricopa County; discuss a framework for equitable smart mobility solutions; and provide real world examples of policies and practices that are leveraging smart mobility to increase equity in transportation systems.

[Register](#)

Lead Awareness in Indian Country: Keeping Our Children Healthy!

Join the Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council's (ENIPC) Environmental Department finalize the curriculum to pilot the new lead curriculum designed to increase understanding and raise awareness about childhood lead exposures, potential health effects, and preventative actions in Indian Country.

HOST: Eight Northern Indian Pueblos Council

WHEN: September 17-18, 2019

WHERE: Isleta Resort & Casino, 11000 Broadway SE Albuquerque, NM 87105

WHO: Tribal staff and members responsible for and interested in community education and outreach activities to tribes. *There are travel scholarships available for employees of EPA Region 6 federally-recognized tribes.*

For more information, please contact Margaret Chavez, mchavez@enipc.org, 505-692-8774. For registration/travel scholarships, please contact Shayna Sellars, sellars.shayna@epa.gov, 202-564-1411

Indoor Air Quality

Throwback Thursday Webinars—Learn About Healthy Green Cleaning in Schools Throughout October

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is opening the webinar vault and re-releasing three classics with essential information for protecting occupant health while improving school facilities! Attend these webinars throughout October to learn about the importance of combining an effective IAQ management plan with healthy green cleaning in schools, the effects this can have on student and staff health, and how to integrate these practices with preventive maintenance to increase efficiency, improve equipment reliability and reduce exposure to toxic chemicals. If you need a refresher on healthy green cleaning strategies or if you are curious how green cleaning ties into indoor air quality (IAQ) preventive maintenance practices, this fall webinar series is for you! Additionally, be sure to

join us for a [live discussion on October 30, 2019](#), when EPA staff along with school district experts will expand on common themes and strategies for integrating healthy green cleaning strategies with IAQ preventive maintenance. You also will have an opportunity to ask your questions and seek guidance.

Register for the upcoming Throwback Thursday Webinars, all from 1:00 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. EDT

- October 3, 2019 [Clean Bill of Health: How Effective Cleaning and Maintenance Can Improve Health Outcomes in Your School](#)
- October 10, 2019 [Green Cleaning for Improved Health: The Return on Investment of Green Cleaning in Schools](#)
- October 17, 2019 [Green, Clean and Healthy: Effective Cleaning and Preventive Maintenance for a Healthier School Environment](#)
- Wednesday, October 30, 2019 [Insights From the Experts: IAQ Preventive Maintenance Today for Healthy Green Cleaning Tomorrow](#)

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

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RESOURCES

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

Climate Change/Energy

[Introducing a Way to Estimate Health Benefits of Clean Energy](#)

EPA’s State and Local Energy and Environment Program has developed [benefits-per-kWh \(BPK\) values](#) to help state and local government policymakers and other stakeholders estimate the monetized public health benefits of investments in energy efficiency and renewable energy (EE/RE). Simply multiply the BPK value for your region and the kWh saved through EE or generated through RE to determine the economic value of the associated health benefits.

What are these benefits-per-kWh values and when could you use them?

We used a [peer reviewed methodology](#) and our [AVERT](#) and [COBRA](#) tools to develop this set of screening-level regional estimates of the dollar benefits per kilowatt-hour from four different types of EE/RE initiatives.

Examples of analyses where it would be appropriate to use BPK values include:

- Estimating the public health benefits of regional, state, or local-level investments in EE/RE projects, programs, and policies
- Understanding the cost-effectiveness of regional, state, or local-level EE projects, programs, and measures
- Incorporating health benefits in short-term regional, state, or local policy analyses and decision-making

Explore the [BPK values](#)

New Health and Climate Solutions Website

In collaboration with Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, the George Mason University Center for Climate Change Communication is sharing evidence about effective strategies to advance health and climate solutions in communities across America. They recently launched a [new website](#) to highlight resources for communities on the frontlines of responding to health and climate change. The website includes a [resource library](#) and a [blog](#) featuring expert opinions, success stories, and reflections from frontline communities.

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

Indoor Air Quality

[Wildfire Smoke: A Guide for Public Health Officials available now](#)

Wildfire smoke events can occur without warning, but we can be prepared. The [2019 Wildfire Smoke: A Guide for Public Health Officials](#) provides state, tribal and local public health officials with information they need to be prepared for smoke events and, when wildfire smoke is present, to communicate health risks and take measures to protect the public.

Use the Guide to learn more about:

- The health effects of wildfire smoke and who is most at risk
- Air quality conditions and what they mean for your community

- Strategies for reducing smoke exposure

Although developed for public health officials, *Wildfire Smoke: A Guide for Public Health Officials* is useful to many others, including health professionals, air quality officials and members of the public. The Guide's accompanying fact sheets make it easy to communicate the information to the public. This version includes updates related to preparedness, exposure reduction strategies and ash cleanup, both indoors and outdoors. The [U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's \(EPA\) Wildfires and Indoor Air Quality \(IAQ\) webpage](#) provides more information about how wildfires affect IAQ and what you can do at home to protect your family's health. For current fire conditions and more resources on wildfires and smoke, visit [AirNow Fires: Current Conditions](#)

September Is National Preparedness Month

Every September, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) [Indoor Environments Division](#) (IED) supports the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) [Ready campaign](#)'s efforts to educate Americans on the importance of being prepared for disasters and emergencies in their homes, businesses and communities. EPA has a variety of information and resources on how to protect your [indoor air quality \(IAQ\)](#) when [disasters and emergencies](#) occur. The following EPA resources can help you prepare for disasters and reduce associated health risks after specific types of events:

- [Individuals and Homeowners](#)
- [Communities](#)
- [Preparing for Hurricanes](#)
- [Flood Cleanup](#)

Be sure to sign up for [EPA's Healthy Indoor Air newsletter](#).

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring!

La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians is hiring a Water Operator

Open until filled; apply soon! More information, contact Shirley Rodriguez at 760-742-3790 ext 401

La Jolla Band of Luiseno Indians is hiring a Domestic Water Systems Manager

Open until filled; apply soon! More information, contact Shirley Rodriguez at 760-742-3790 ext 401

Bishop Paiute Tribe is hiring a Water Quality Specialist

Open until filled; apply soon! [More information here.](#)

Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians is hiring a Tribal Air Technician

The Tribal Air Technician will work under the supervision of the Tribal Environmental Coordinator to protect human health and the environment on the Twenty-Nine Palms Reservation. The Tribal Air Technician will work in the Tribal Environmental Protection Agency (Tribal EPA) office to monitor, maintain and protect the environment on the Reservation. Learn more and apply on either [Indeed](#) or [Career Builder](#).

The Fort Independence Tribe is hiring an Environmental Director, a Receptionist, an Environmental Technician, and a Facilities Maintenance Worker

Open until filled; first round of applications will be reviewed on Thursday, September 26, 2019.

Inquiries contact 760-878-5160 or email ata@fortindependence.com

Grid Alternatives is hiring a North Coast Native American Outreach Coordinator

More information: www.gridalternatives.org/jobs

The La Posta Environmental Department is hiring an Environmental Technician II

Announced: August 29, 2019, open until filled

More information contact Eric La Chappa at elachappa@lptribe.net.

ITEP is hiring a Volkswagen Settlement Technical Assistance Program (VWTAP) Project Assistant

Position is open until filled.

For more information, contact Mark Daniels at Mark.Daniels@nau.edu, or (928) 523-8897.

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Announcing EPA Tribal Air Quality Training Funding

Applications due: September 20, 2019, at 11:59 p.m. EDT.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards (OAQPS) has announced the availability of \$300,000 for tribal governments seeking to investigate, develop and establish air quality management programs. This request for applications is open to states, local governments, territories, federally recognized Native American tribal governments, universities, hospitals, laboratories and nonprofit organizations. The purpose of the grant program is to provide continuous air quality training and technical support to tribal partner governments for air quality initiatives, including wood stove change-out efforts. EPA anticipates awarding one cooperative agreement under this announcement, providing \$100,000 per year for 3 years, and reserves the right to make additional awards under this announcement. The application package can be found on [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov).

Native American Agricultural Fund Request for Applications

Since NAAF was launched in 2018, our Board of Trustees and staff have taken steps to craft a strategy that can begin to realize the promise we knew was possible when NAAF was created. Agriculture across Indian Country is as diverse as our Native nations and we hope the applications for funding will reflect that diversity. Native farmers and ranchers are key to the success of Native food systems and diversification of our agriculture economies. We look forward to the next step on this journey. Prospective applicants are encouraged to view the RFA at NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org/grants. The request for applications opened on Thursday, August 1, 2019. Eligible applicants must submit a complete application no later than **Monday, September 30, 2019, by 11:59 pm CDT**. Grants will be made in the mission areas of business assistance, agricultural education, technical support and advocacy services. We are also accepting applications across four special emphasis areas listed in the RFA on our website. Eligible grant recipients are:

- 501(c)(3) organizations
- Educational organizations
- Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFIs) or Native CDFIs, and
- State and federally recognized tribes

Prospective applicants may register for informational RFA webinars at NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org/grants-webinar. Technical assistance relating strictly to the application process will be available by dedicated phone and email contacts listed in the RFA. For grant-related questions; email grants@NativeAmericanAgricultureFund.org or call 479-445-6226.

EPA's Tribal Training Support for the Community and Tribal Air Quality Programs Request for Applications

Closing date: September 30, 2019

Summary: EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning & Standards is soliciting applications from eligible entities to provide tribal training and technical support to tribal governments seeking to investigate, develop and establish air quality management programs for lands under their jurisdiction. The total estimated funding for this competitive opportunity is approximately \$300,000 over three years. EPA anticipates awarding one cooperative agreement from this announcement, subject to availability of funds, the quality of applications received and other applicable considerations. [More information here.](#)

HUD's Southwest Office of Native American Programs: Resident Opportunity and Self Sufficiency Program NOFA

Applications due: October 15, 2019

The Resident Opportunity & Self Sufficiency Service Coordinator (ROSS-SC) program is designed to assist residents of Public and Indian Housing make progress towards economic self-sufficiency. Self Sufficiency is an individual's ability to support their household by maintaining financial, housing, and personal/family stability. To achieve self-sufficiency, an individual moves along a continuum towards economic independence and stability; such movement is facilitated by the achievement of personal goals. To help residents make progress towards self-sufficiency, HUD provides ROSS-SC grant funding to eligible applicants to hire a Service Coordinator who assesses the needs of Public and Indian housing residents and links them to supportive services that enable participants to move along a continuum towards self-sufficiency. Funding of up to **\$35,000,000** is available through this NOFA. This Notice of Funding Availability is published on www.grants.gov. More information [can be found here](#). If you have any questions, please email ROSS-PIH@hud.gov.

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US Department of Transportation: Port Infrastructure Development Program

Deadline to apply: September 16; to apply, see MARAD's [PIDP webpage](#)

The Department of Transportation seeks projects that will: (1) advance technology-supported safety and design efficiency improvements; (2) bring facilities to a state of good repair and improve resiliency; (3) promote efficient trade in energy

resources; (4) promote exports of manufacturing, agriculture, or other goods; and (5) for only the top 15 coastal ports, support the safe flow of agricultural and food products, free of pests and disease, domestically and internationally.

Total FY19 Funding: \$292.7 Million

Minimum Amount Awarded: \$10 Million

Eligible Entities include the following:

- Port authority;
- A commission or its subdivision or agent under existing authority;
- State, local, and tribal governments;
- A public agency or publicly chartered authority established by one or more States;
- A special purpose district with a transportation function;
- A multistate or multijurisdictional group of entities, or;
- A lead entity described above jointly with a private entity or group of private entities.

About the Grant: [PIDP Webpage](#). Selection Criteria: Grants will be awarded on a competitive basis for projects that will improve the safety, efficiency, or reliability of the movement of goods into, out of, around, or within a coastal seaport, as well as the unloading and loading of cargo at a coastal seaport.

Indoor Air Quality

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