



National Tribal Air Association

NTAA Weekly Update

*Week of June 4th-June 8th,
2018*

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HEADLINES

Photos from the field

NY Times – [A Year after Trump’s Paris Pullout, U.S. Companies Are Driving a Renewables Boom](#)



Solar panels on the roof of a Walmart in Baldwin Park, Calif. Credit: Reed Saxon/Associated Press

E&E News – [Face-off in Alaska over refuge drilling plan](#)



Alaska Natives and supporters protest outside the Bureau of Land Management's meeting in Fairbanks on drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. Tim Woody/Wilderness Society

TOP STORIES

Volkswagen Settlement Report on Court-Ordered Stay

On June 1, 2018, the U.S. Department of Justice issued a report to the Courts providing an update summarizing actions taken by the Department of Justice since the issuance of the March 2, 2018, Court-ordered stay for the first round of funding of the Volkswagen Environmental Mitigation Indian Tribe Trust Agreement. You can [find the report here](#).

FY18 Tribal DERA Request for Proposals Now OPEN!

Summary: EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. Eligible entities include tribal governments (or intertribal consortia) and Alaska Native Villages, which have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality. EPA anticipates awarding approximately \$2 million in DERA funding under this announcement. EPA anticipates awarding 2-8 cooperative agreements nationally, subject to the availability of funds, the quality of proposals received, and other applicable considerations.

Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program FY 2018

RFP Number: EPA -OAR-OTAQ-18-04

Closing date: September 6, 2018

<https://www.epa.gov/grants/tribal-clean-diesel-funding-assistance-program-fy-2018>

Webinars for applicants:

- Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 2:00-4:00pm ET [LINK TO WEBINAR](#) Call-in Number: 1-202-991-0477 Access Code: 414-9804#
- Thursday, June 21, 2018, 3:00-5:00pm ET [LINK TO WEBINAR](#) Call-in Number: 1-202-991-0477 Access Code: 414-9804#

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

ATS Journals – [Asthma in Navajo Children: Striving for Health Equity](#)

Patch – [Morongo Air Quality Program Recognized for Excellence, Outreach](#)

KNAU – [U.S. House Approves Measure to Compensate Arizona ‘Downwinders’](#)

Native News Online – [350 Acres Destroyed by Fire in the Sawmill Chapter on Navajo Nation](#)

CNN – [Thousands of acres ablaze in Colorado, New Mexico and California](#)

EPA – [Interview with EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt: Paris Agreement](#)

Reuters - [EPA's science advisers vote to review plan to restrict research](#)

NPR – [Kilauea’s fast-Moving Lava Threatens another Community, Volcanic Haze Reaches Guam](#)

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

Climate Change/Energy

NPR – [President Trump Orders Help for Coal and Nuclear Plants](#)

Indian Country Today – [Canadian Government announces it will purchase Kinder Morgan Pipeline for 3.45 billion US](#)

Native Sun News Today – [Tribal leaders endorse Chaco no-drill zone](#)

E&E News – [This is how we might pull CO2 out of the atmosphere](#)

Ensia – [Suddenly, Solar Energy plus Storage Is Giving Conventional Fuels a Run for Their Money](#)

Forbes - [How Climate Change Will Make Pollution Even Worse](#)

NY Times – Climate Fwd: [Hockey in the Desert](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

E&E News – [BLM failed to track cleanup costs for abandoned wells – GAO](#)

NY Times – [E.P.A. Takes a Major Step to Roll Back Clean Car Rules](#)

NY Times – [In a First for Germany, Hamburg Bans Diesel Engines. On 2 Roads.](#)

NY Times – [Lowe's Drops Paint Strippers Blamed in Dozens of Deaths](#)

E&E News – [Calif. And N.Y. put big money on charging infrastructure](#)

Bloomberg – [Total Unconvinced by Hydrogen Cars as France Unveils Subsidies](#)

Ensia – [Protecting Crops with Predators Instead of Poisons](#)

Indoor Air Quality

Scientific American – [The Fight to Keep Tobacco Sacred](#)

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

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UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

This is a pre-notification of a fast-approaching Tribal Consultation on a Proposed Rule Regarding Dust-Lead Hazard Standards and the Definition of Lead-Based Paint that will tentatively take place in July 2018 with a short consultation period of 30 days as soon as the proposed rule is posted to the Federal Register (www.federalregister.gov) to ensure EPA meets the Ninth Circuit Court's order.

EPA is reviewing existing regulatory dust-lead hazard standards for target housing and Child-Occupied Facilities (COFs), and the definition of lead-based paint. On January 5, 2001, the EPA issued a final regulation under sections 403 of the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA). The 2001 final rule established regulatory dust-lead hazard standards of 40 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ for floors and 250 $\mu\text{g}/\text{ft}^2$ for interior windowsills. To see the existing rule, visit www.epa.gov/lead/hazard-standards-lead-paint-dust-and-soil-tsca-section-403

The Public Health Institute Presents a Webinar: Smart911 Program Outcomes during the Missoula 2017 Wildfire Season - Lessons from a Whole Community Approach to Emergency Planning

Thursday June 14th, 2018

Webinars begin at 2.30pm EDT/1.30pm CDT/12.30pm MDT/11.30am

PDT/8:30am Hawaii

Registration: Free on-line at <http://www.adapresentations.org/registration.php>

Registration closes at midnight, June 13th, 2018.

[More information here.](#)

Tribal Consultation Notice: Evaluating EPA's 2013 Guidance on the Award and Management of General Assistance Agreements for Tribes and Tribal Consortia

Lead organization: Office of International and Tribal Affairs

Dates: 6/1/2018 – 8/31/2018

This is a courtesy announcement that the USEPA intends to consult with tribal governments on the above mentioned action. This announcement is being sent both to tribal governments' representatives and other organizations such as EPA's tribal partnership groups that may also be interested in this action. Official notification of consultation will be sent to tribal governments potentially affected by this action.

To obtain additional information about this action and other EPA consultations on going or planned [Click here to open "published list of consultations"](#) The EPA contact for this list is: Dona M Harris (harris.dona@epa.gov), American Indian Environmental Office/Office of International and Tribal Affairs

US EPA presents Solar Project Portal Webinar: guidance for setting a renewable energy goal

June 27, 3pm ET

[Register](#)

Setting clean renewable energy goals and defining priorities are important steps in developing solar projects. Join this webinar to learn about the [Local Government Solar Project Portal](#) on how to set a renewable energy goal and the key considerations and benefits of doing so. This webinar will provide an overview of a new EPA guidance document for local governments on setting renewable energy goals and present two case studies from the City of Ashland, OR, and the City of Orlando, FL.

Speakers: Verena Radulovic, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency; Adam Hanks, Interim City Administrator, City of Ashland, OR; Christopher Castro, Director of Sustainability, City of Orlando, FL

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

The Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) is hosting a FREE Grants Education and Technical Assistance Webinar Series for Tribes, Tribal Organizations, Indian Health, Tribal and Urban Indian Health Programs. Learn about the federal grant application process, how to write better grant proposals and evaluation plans for your projects, strategies for successful grant management, and more. Participants will also have the opportunity to connect with HRSA subject matter experts, grant reviewers, as well as peers to discuss best practices and barriers to successful grants application and management.

Webinars will be held the second Wednesday of every month from 1:00pm to 2:30pm ET - view the list of topics below:

- May 9: Writing a Competitive Grant Application
- June 13: Applying for a HRSA Grant
- July 11: Writing a Successful Evaluation Plan for Your Grant Application
- August 8: Preparing a Budget for your Grant Proposal
- September 12: Effective Grants Management/Administration & Reporting
- October 10: Successful HRSA Tribal Grantees

You must register to access the recording. Register here:

https://hrsa.connectsolutions.com/federal_grant_application_recording/event/registration.html. For more information, please contact Nancy Rios at nrios@hrsa.gov.

EPA Workshop & Webinar: Deliberating Performance Targets for Air Quality Sensors

Date and Time: Monday, 06/25/2018, 9:00AM EDT to Tuesday, 06/26/2018, 5:00PM EDT

[Click here for more information](#) from EPA's website.

The NASA Health and Air Quality Applied Sciences Team (HAQAST) is holding their annual meeting in Madison, WI on July 16-17:

<https://haqast.org/next-meeting/>

One of the goals of HAQAST is to connect air quality planners with NASA data. The HAQAST researchers have engaged in several projects to demonstrate how data derived from satellite platforms could be used by state air agencies.

Satellite data are becoming critical technical support components for demonstrating the air quality impacts of international transport, exceptional events, and interstate transport... issues that have been at the forefront of our recent discussions. I will be leading a panel at the meeting on how NASA-sponsored research can better serve air pollution planning agencies. Having state perspectives involved in this discussion would be very valuable.

Registration is open now and NASA is accepting applications for travel support on an as needed, first-come basis.

2nd Annual National Native Health Research Training Conference: Call for Abstracts

Indigenous Research: Native Approaches to Sustainable Health

August 8-10, 2018; Prior Lake, MN

For more information, visit www.NNHRTI.org.

[National Ambient Air Monitoring Conference](#), Portland, OR, Aug 13-16

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.

Wood Smoke Work Group: Join this newly formed work group to help address air quality issues arising from wood smoke	Wednesday, June 6, 3pm ET <i>Note: this work group has a different call-in number: Dial-In Number: 1-866-299-3188</i> Conference Code: 919-541-5497
Volkswagen Settlement Work Group: Continue to track the ongoing developments and help guide the process	Thursday, June 7, 2pm ET
Indoor Air Quality Work Group: Help implement IAQ priorities and develop webinars	Thursday, June 21, 2pm ET
EPA Policy Update Call: Receive updates from EPA	Thursday, June 28, 2pm 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 [2018 AIAQTP Course Schedule](#)

Course Title	Dates	Location
Reviewing NSR and Title V Permits	August 28-31	Santa Ana Pueblo, NM
Introduction to Tribal Air Quality	September	Flagstaff, AZ
Indoor Air Quality in Alaska	TBD	Fairbanks, AK
Building Performance: Improving IAQ in Cold Climates	Open	Online

Residential Building Science Review	Open	Online
Radon Fundamentals	Open	Online
Quality Assurance (QA) Fundamentals	Open	Online
Quality Assurance Project Plans (QAPP)	Open	Online
Emissions Inventory (self-paced, instructor assistance as needed)	Open	Online

Note: This schedule is subject to change. [Click here](#) for up-to-date information, course descriptions, and applications. If you have questions regarding the pre-requisites or your eligibility for a course, please contact Patricia Ellsworth, Air Quality Curriculum Coordinator, at Patricia.Ellsworth@nau.edu or phone 928-523-6721. For more information, please visit [ITEP's website](#).

Climate Change / Energy

June 5, 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](#)

ENERGY STAR Webinars

June 7, 1 PM (ET) – How to apply for the ENERGY STAR

Learn about applying for ENERGY STAR certification in Portfolio Manager. Understand the value of ENERGY STAR certification, see the step-by-step process of applying, and learn tips to help your property progress from application to award.

[Register](#)

June 12, 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](#)

June 13, 27, Noon (ET) – Portfolio Manager: Ask the Expert

Most Wednesdays ENERGY STAR holds a live webinar that gives all Portfolio Manager users an opportunity to ask their questions directly to EPA experts in an open forum.

[Register](#)

June 13, 1 PM (ET) – Make a splash with quick water wins

Managing water within your facility doesn't have to involve major retrofits or renovations. Significant water savings can be achieved with small changes to operation and maintenance procedures and changes to user behavior. Learn about no- and low-cost solutions that can be implemented to start saving water in buildings right away, without the need for costly capital improvements.

[Register](#)

June 14, 1 PM (ET) – ENERGY STAR and green building rating systems

Learn how to use EPA tools and resources to help meet requirements for green building rating systems such as the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED), the Green Globes system, IREM Certified Sustainable properties, and BOMA BEST.

[Register](#)

June 19, 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](#)

June 20, 1 PM (ET) – Preparing for EPA's ENERGY STAR metric updates

In August 2018, EPA will update the models that power 1-100 ENERGY STAR scores with new data, based on the latest Commercial Building Energy Consumption Survey (CBECS) from the U.S. Energy Information Administration. Learn about EPA's methodology and schedule for the update, discuss considerations for building owners and managers, and learn what to expect when new metrics are released.

[Register](#)

June 27, 1 PM (ET) – Success stories on hosting energy efficiency competitions

Are you looking for a fun way to engage your building occupants? Join us to hear from two ENERGY STAR partners that have hosted successful internal energy efficiency competitions.

[Register](#)

National Indian Health Board Webinar Invitation: Indigenous Health in Climate Change Assessments – Overview of methods and results from Swinomish

This webinar is part of the [NIHB Climate Ready Tribes](#) project and is made possible by funding and support from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Date and Time

Tuesday, June 12, 2018 from 3:00-4:00 pm ET

*Beginning at 2:00 pm CT, 1:00 pm MT, 12:00 pm PT, 11:00 am Alaska

Presenter

Jamie Donatuto, PhD, Environmental Health Analyst, Swinomish Indian Tribal Community

Audience

This webinar is intended for anyone working in areas related to health and climate change with indigenous communities.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this training, participants will be able to:

- Describe the modified BRACE steps used in the Swinomish health and climate change assessment
- Describe methods used to complete the Swinomish project and how they may be useful for other Tribal communities

[Register here](#)

Clean Energy States Alliance Webinar

June 14, 1 PM (ET) – Electricity affordability metrics for the United States

Through the US Department of Energy's Grid Modernization Lab Consortium (GMLC), the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory has developed electricity affordability metrics at the state and county levels for the United States. This webinar will introduce a simple spreadsheet interface to map these electricity affordability metrics. Monisha Shah of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory will discuss the GMLC and its work to measure the progress of the nation's grid modernization efforts. Dave Anderson of the Pacific Northwest National Laboratory will explain the electricity affordability concept, present the methods

used to construct affordability metrics, and demonstrate the mapping tool. This webinar is presented by CESA as part of the Sustainable Solar Education Project. [Register](#)

Green Bank Network Webinars

June 16, Noon (ET) – Unlocking clean energy investment in the commercial and industrial sectors

Join the leaders of Michigan Saves and Montgomery County Green Bank in a discussion on unlocking energy efficiency investments in commercial and industrial buildings. Mary Templeton, President and CEO of [Michigan Saves](#), will discuss their Commercial Building Loan Program and how it has helped hundreds of organizations, including businesses, multifamily, public sector, municipal buildings invest in improvements that reduce future increases in energy prices and provide savings via smaller, more predictable utility bills. Mary will also offer lessons learned over this period and how that has led to changes to her program. Tom Deyo, CEO of the [Montgomery County Green Bank](#) will discuss how models like that of Michigan Saves can be guiding lights for local markets and new Green Banks. Tom will explore how due diligence on your local conditions can identify opportunities, as well as strategies to develop a locally-tailored product such as Montgomery County Green Bank’s new “Commercial Loan for Energy Efficiency and Renewables” (CLEER) financing program. Tom will also discuss how to design a program with local partners and how to use the process to develop relationships with lenders and contractors to get from startup to launch.

[Register](#)

U.S. Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy Policies and Programs Webinar

June 27, 1 PM (ET) - Tribal Energy Webinar: Evaluating Tribal Utility Authority Opportunities

The DOE Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs and the Western Area Power Administration will co-sponsor the 2018 webinar series [Tribal Sovereignty and Self-Determination through Community Energy Development](#). The series is intended for tribal leaders, tribal staff, and others interested in energy development on tribal lands. During the June webinar, tribal leaders and community members will learn about the benefits and challenges of forming a tribal utility authority, including the many opportunities associated with wholesale tariffs, direct access service, net-metering arrangements, and use of substations and infrastructure, among other utility services. Attendees will also learn about the

unique authority of sovereign nations to select new energy service providers, implement eminent domain, license dams, and negotiate right-of-way agreements.

[Register](#)

Health Effects Institute’s Energy Research Program invites you to a workshop: Research Planning to Understand Population-Level Exposures Related to Development of Oil and Natural Gas from Unconventional Resources

July 11-12, 2018, Denver, CO

The purpose of HEI’s Energy Research Program is to identify and conduct highest priority research on the potential population exposures and health effects from the onshore development of oil and natural gas from shale and other unconventional resources (UOGD) across the United States. With resource development projected to continue, alongside growing efforts to switch to renewables and conserve energy, a source of high-quality, impartial science is needed to support decisions about how best to ensure protection of public health in the oversight and implementation of this development. For more information, contact Donna Vorhees (617-488-2317; dvorhees@healtheffects.org)

ITEP’s Climate Change Adaptation Training Courses registration is online!

[Learn more about the courses and register here.](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

Indoor Air Quality

HUD’s Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes (OLHCHH) and the USDA’s National Institute of Food and Agriculture, National Healthy Homes Partnership is presenting a [webinar series](#) in support of 2018 National Healthy Homes Month (NHHM.) We’re glad to have expert presenters and a balanced mix of topics, to appeal to a wide range of stakeholders and partners. Here is the full list and registration links to all of the June Webinars, [Click Here](#) for a detailed description of each webinar:

- **June 5 1:00 -2:00 pm EDT, How am I going to pay for this? Healthy Homes for Residents with Limited Financial Resources**, Presenter: Jayne Windham, Training partner from Healthy Homes Training Center, Healthy Housing Solutions, Inc. [Click here to register.](#)
- **June 7 2:00-3:00 pm EDT, Bridging the Cultural Divide-The Role of Community Health Representatives/Workers in Environmental Public**

Health, Presenters: Maureen Lichtveld, M.D., MPH Professor and Chair of Environmental Policy, Tulane University School of Public Health and Tropical Medicine and Ray Lopez, Director of Programs, LSA Family Health Service. [Click here to register.](#)

- **June 11 2:00-3:00 pm EDT**, Assessing Indoor Air Quality and Indoor Household Hazards for Native Americans, Presenters: Michael Goldschmidt and Art Nash, USDA NIFA, Healthy Homes Partnership. [Click here to register.](#)
- **June 12 2:00-3:00 pm EDT**, Teaching the Next Generation Healthy Homes Principles, Presenter: Sarah Kirby, USDA NIFA, Healthy Homes Partnership. [Click here to register.](#)
- **June 18 2:00-3:00 pm EDT**, Healthy Homes Youth App, Presenter: Gina Peek, USDA NIFA Healthy Homes Partnership. [Click here to register.](#)
- **June 20 2:00-3:00 pm EDT**, Protect Your Homes -The Top 5 Wind, Flood, and Fire Damage Defenses, Presenter: Claudette Hanks Reichel, Ed.D, LSU AgCenter, La. Extension service Housing Specialist, Director of LaHouse Resource Center, USDA NIFA, Healthy Homes Partnership. [Click here to register.](#)
- **June 27 1:00-2:00 pm EDT**, Hoarding, Presenter: Dion Lerman, Penn State, PA IPM Program, Philadelphia Hoarding Task Force, Pennsylvania State University State IPM Program, Trainer in the Healthy Homes Training Center Network, [Click here to register.](#)

Gordon Research Conference on the Microbiology of the Built Environment

July 15-20, 2018

University of New England, Biddeford, ME, USA

Topics covered include

- How the building microbiome impacts the human microbiome
- Viruses in buildings
- Building microbes, allergies and asthma
- Mold in buildings
- Pathogens in premise plumbing
- Control of microbes in buildings
- New methods for pathogen detection

More [information and registration here.](#)

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RESOURCES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

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

Climate Change/Energy

[Check out this story map](#) intended to build awareness about climate change among Samish Tribe members. It is ESRI's June Story Map of the Month and won first in the 2018 ESRI Tribal Story Map Challenge! (Created by none other than Fletcher Wilkinson, of ITEP and NTAA fame!)

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

June Is National Healthy Homes Month

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) joins the [U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development \(HUD\)](#) in recognizing June as National Healthy Homes Month. We invite you to use this opportunity to learn about the relationship between indoor air, housing and health. [Resources](#) are available that can assist you in advocating for healthy housing.

[EPA's Indoor Environments Division](#) shares HUD's goal of ensuring healthy homes by maintaining healthy indoor air. The following strategies will help maintain and improve your home's indoor air quality (IAQ):

- [Source Control](#)—Eliminate sources or reduce emissions. For example, adjust emissions from gas stoves, and eliminate sources of mold and moisture.
- [Better Ventilation](#)—Use exhaust fans when cooking or showering.

- [Filters](#) and [Air Cleaners](#)—Change the filter in your heating/cooling system and follow the manufacturer's recommendations. Also, consider using an air cleaning device.

You can improve your home's air quality by [using “green” cleaning products](#), [not smoking indoors](#), [testing your home for radon](#) and [upgrading your heating and cooling systems](#) to be cleaner and more energy efficient, among many [other actions](#).

Celebrate National Healthy Homes Month with EPA's Indoor Environments Division and HUD! Follow the links below to resources that can help you improve your home's IAQ:

- EPA: [Protect the IAQ in Your Home: What You Can Do Now](#)
- EPA: [Interactive Mold House Tour](#)
- HUD: [The Healthy Homes Program](#)

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

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FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

Now Hiring!

The Grand Canyon Trust is hiring an Energy Program Associate

The energy program associate works with the [energy program director](#) to further the mission of the Grand Canyon Trust as it relates to energy issues. Existing areas of focus include preventing [uranium mining near the Grand Canyon](#), forcing proper cleanup of uranium mines and [mills](#) across the Colorado Plateau, and strengthening controls on fugitive methane emissions, venting, and flaring at oil and gas production sites. Potential other areas of focus include preventing oil and gas development in areas of particular significance, facilitating a Just Transition to safe and sustainable energy sources, and preventing development of new extreme, carbon-intensive, and unnecessary energy sources such as oil shale and tar sands. More information: <https://www.grandcanyontrust.org/energy-program-associate>

Arizona State University – Julie Ann Wrigley Global Institute of Sustainability is hiring a year-long contract position for a Navajo Nation Energy Manager. This is a contractor position; the contractor will work in the office of the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources under the direct

supervision of Executive Director Bidtah Becker. This position will support the Navajo Nation government as they pursue development of renewable energy on their 27 million square miles. This is a year-long position.

The contractor will be expected to be available in Window Rock, AZ, approximately five to ten business days a month.

Job responsibilities include:

Assist in development of Navajo Nation policies regarding renewable energy development zones on the Nation. Provide expertise to help further refine existing screening criteria for these zones, investigate and analyze the zones, and development of appropriate policies to ensure actual development of utility scale renewable energy projects and to ensure that benefits accrue to the Nation and to the local communities, referred to as Chapters, where the projects will be sited. This policy development includes the development of a plan for an Energy Office to work on strategic development as more fully described below.

Please address current letters of interest and C.V. or resume to Maren Mahoney, Energy Policy Innovation Council Program Manager at Arizona State University: Maren.Mahoney@asu.edu. For more information about the Navajo Nation, please see the Navajo Nation Division of Natural Resources' website: <http://www.dnr.navajo-nsn.gov/>. This announcement will be posted on that site on May 25th. Application deadline is two weeks after posting on the Navajo Nation site, on June 8th.

Department of the Interior is hiring a Tribal Liaison for the Office of Indian Water Rights

Closes 6/6/2018

The incumbent will serve as a Tribal Liaison for Indian Water Rights and works with tribes, Federal, state and local agencies on Native American issues concerning policy, consultation, and protocol related to Indian Water rights settlement and implementation. Provides coordination for the purpose of satisfying to the greatest extent possible the interest of Indian Water Rights and the respective tribal governments with whom Indian Water Rights interfaces.

More information: <https://www.usajobs.gov/GetJob/ViewDetails/500804000>

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Tribal Resilience Funding Available Closing Date July 2, 2018

The BIA's Tribal Resilience Program is pleased to announce the availability of funding for tribal projects that support tribal resilience and ocean and coastal management planning as tribes incorporate the science (including Traditional

Knowledge) and technical information to prepare for extreme events and harmful environmental trends that impact tribal treaty and trust resources, economies, infrastructure, and human health and welfare.

The solicitation is available on [grants.gov](https://www.grants.gov), named BIA 1800-0002

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=304843>.

Program to Support Tribal Resilience and Ocean and Coastal Management and Planning, Department of the Interior, Applications due July 12, 2018

[For more information, click here!](#)

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Office of Trust Services, Tribal Resilience Program hereby solicits proposals from tribal not-for-profit and tribal non-governmental organizations and associations to receive grants to support tribal resilience and ocean and coastal management and planning. This program supports tribes preparing for extreme events and harmful environmental trends that impact tribal treaty and trust resources, economies, infrastructure, and human health and safety. The Program will provide funding for projects that support tribal resilience and ocean and coastal management planning as tribes incorporate science (including Traditional Knowledge) and technical information to prepare for the impacts of extreme events and harmful environmental trends.

Awards will be made to projects that address vulnerability to extreme events and harmful environmental trends through development of regionally focused or topically focused training, adaptation planning and data development, and travel to access training and attend technical workshops to build skills and capacity. Awards will also support projects that ensure tribal participation in ocean and coastal (including the Great Lakes) cooperative planning and projects for resource health, resiliency, community safety, and economic security for present and future generations. **Award Ceiling: \$150,000**

Eligibility is limited to not-for-profit, non-governmental tribal organizations and associations, and tribally-controlled colleges and universities (TCUs), referred to as "tribal organization(s)" hereafter. Full details at

<https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=305465>. BIA-18-0001

NIGMS Funding for STEM Now Available

The National Institute of General Medical Sciences (NIGMS) [Science Education Partnership Award \(SEPA\)](#) R25 program, supports pre-K to grade 12 (P-12) STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math), informal science education, and science center/museum projects. Funding is now available through solicitation

PAR-17-339. **Grant proposals are due by 5:00 p.m. local time Monday, July 9, 2018.** [Review the SEPA funding opportunity announcement.](#)

Climate Change/Energy

FY18 Tribal DERA Request for Proposals Now OPEN!

Summary: EPA's Office of Transportation and Air Quality (OTAQ) is soliciting proposals nationwide for projects that achieve significant reductions in diesel emissions in terms of tons of pollution produced by diesel engines and diesel emissions exposure, particularly from fleets located in areas designated as having poor air quality. Further, priority for funding will be given to projects which result in outcomes that benefit affected communities, those that engage affected communities with respect to the design and performance of the project, and those which can demonstrate the ability to promote and continue efforts to reduce emissions after the project has ended. Eligible entities include tribal governments (or intertribal consortia) and Alaska Native Villages, which have jurisdiction over transportation or air quality. EPA anticipates awarding approximately \$2 million in DERA funding under this announcement. EPA anticipates awarding 2-8 cooperative agreements nationally, subject to the availability of funds, the quality of proposals received, and other applicable considerations.

Tribal Clean Diesel Funding Assistance Program FY 2018

RFP Number: EPA -OAR-OTAQ-18-04

Closing date: September 6, 2018

<https://www.epa.gov/grants/tribal-clean-diesel-funding-assistance-program-fy-2018>

Webinars for applicants:

- Tuesday, June 19, 2018, 2:00-4:00pm ET [LINK TO WEBINAR](#) Call-in Number: 1-202-991-0477 Access Code: 414-9804#
- Thursday, June 21, 2018, 3:00-5:00pm ET [LINK TO WEBINAR](#) Call-in Number: 1-202-991-0477 Access Code: 414-9804#

Toxics/Mobile Sources

FY 2018 Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program for Tribes

The Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program for Tribes provides financial assistance to tribal governments and tribal consortia for the development and implementation of hazardous waste programs; for building capacity to improve and maintain regulatory compliance; and for developing solutions to address improper

management of hazardous waste on tribal lands. To support this year's grant program, ORCR has received a funding allocation of \$303K. The closing date for submittal of applications is **June 28, 2018**.

The competitive announcement for the FY 2018 Hazardous Waste Management Grant Program for Tribes (EPA-OLEM-ORCR-18-01) has been posted on the OLEM Grants and Funding Page: <https://www.epa.gov/grants/fy-2018-hazardous-waste-management-grant-program-tribes>. In addition, the competitive announcement has been published on Grants.gov. You can view the announcement at: <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=305314>.

Indoor Air Quality

Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Announces “Healthy Homes Production Grant Program for Tribal Housing” [Tribal Healthy Homes Grant](#). [Application deadline is July 18, 2018](#)

HUD's Office of Lead Hazard Control and Healthy Homes Tribal Healthy Homes Production (HHP) Grant provides \$12 million, grant amounts are minimum \$500K to maximum \$1M. The purpose of the HHP program is to assist American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments to identify and remediate housing related health and safety hazards. This program will assist American Indian and Alaska Native tribal governments to develop comprehensive programs to identify and remediate housing issues that contribute to health and safety issues in urban and tribal communities. Application deadline is July 18, 2018. This is first time since 2012 this NOFA has been offered. Time is limited – 30 day application period. Further information can be found by contacting AskGMO@hud.gov, or at Grants.gov, referencing the Funding Opportunity Number FR-6100-N-44 [APPLY HERE](#)

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](#).

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