



NTAA Weekly Update

Week of May 17 - 21, 2021

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PHOTOS FROM THE FIELD

Please join the Institute for Tribal Environmental Professionals and the Desert Research Institute for an upcoming film screening and panel discussion, featuring the documentary, *Inhabitants: An Indigenous Perspective*. This film follows five Native American Tribes across deserts, coastlines, forests, and prairies as they restore their traditional land management practices. For more information on the film, click [here. Film & Panel Discussion Registration!](#)



JOIN US FOR A FILM SCREENING
AND PANEL DISCUSSION

INHABITANTS

AN INDIGENOUS PERSPECTIVE

Co-director & Cinematographer: Costa Boutsikaris | Co-director & Producer: Anna Palmer
Executive Producer: Emmanuel Vaughan-Lee | Producer & Advisor: Ben-Alex Dupris

Inhabitants follows five Native American Tribes across deserts, coastlines, forests, and prairies as they restore their traditional land management practices. As the climate crisis escalates these time-tested practices of North America's original inhabitants are becoming increasingly essential in a rapidly changing world.

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EXCLUSIVE ACCESS TO THE FILM AT NO COST FOR YOU TO WATCH PRIOR TO THE PANEL DISCUSSION. REGISTRATION REQUIRED TO RECIEVE FILM LINK

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LIVE PANEL DISCUSSION June 1, 2021
PANEL INCLUDES FILM PARTICIPANTS & OTHER EXPERT GUESTS
11am AK/ 12pm PT/ 1pm MT/ 2pm CT/ 3pm ET
REGISTRATION LINK

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 **FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THE FILM, CLICK [HERE](#).** 

Participants will be given exclusive access to the film at no cost to watch prior to the panel discussion. The live panel discussion will be on Tuesday, June 1st.

TOP STORIES

Join us this week for NTFAQ, May 17 – 21, 2021!

Click here to [check it out!](#)

Updates include:

1. You can join the NTAA Annual Meeting on Thursday, May 20 at 12:30 pm PT when NTAA will be releasing the 2021 Status of Tribal Air Report. You can also learn how to join NTAA as a Member Tribe or Associate Member!
2. Join leaders from the Moms Clean Air Force for a Meet and Greet TODAY at 3pm PT. [Moms Clean Air Force](#) is NTAA's latest Associate Member so join them to learn what they do to advance air quality!

It's National Asthma Awareness Month!

Join the EPA Indoor airPLUS Program in celebrating [National Asthma Awareness Month](#). Asthma is a serious, sometimes life-threatening chronic respiratory disease that affects the quality of life for more than 25 million Americans, including an estimated 5 million children. Although there is no cure for asthma yet, asthma can be controlled in part through management of the indoor environment. [Indoor airPLUS](#) is a voluntary partnership and labeling program that helps new home builders improve the quality of indoor air by requiring construction practices and product specifications that minimize exposure to airborne pollutants including environmental asthma triggers. Search for a local Indoor airPLUS builder on EPA's [Partner Locator](#), and ask for the EPA Indoor airPLUS label on your new home!

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Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Dame Magazine – [It's High Time We Listen to Indigenous Women on Climate](#)
NTAA's recent partnership with Moms Clean Air Force is mentioned

NY Times - [Biden Administration to Repeal Trump Rule Aimed at Curbing E.P.A.'s Power](#)

NY Times - [Blazes That Refuse to Die: 'Zombie Fires'](#)

The Guardian - [Air pollution linked to 'huge' rise in child asthma GP visits](#)

Gizmodo – [The EPA Is Doing Its Job Again](#)

High Country News – [The everyday violence of Indian Country’s ‘bordertowns’](#)

Cronkite News – [Fight over Oak Flat mine draws support of diverse religious groups](#)

Oregon Live – [Lawsuit seeks \\$103 million in damages from two public utilities stemming from Holiday Farm wildfire](#)

Grist – [The EPA just accused Missouri’s environmental agency of violating the Civil Rights Act](#)

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

Climate Change/Energy

The Hill - [White House environmental justice advisers express opposition to nuclear, carbon capture projects](#)

The Hill - [Researchers: Emissions goals must incorporate Arctic permafrost warming](#)

Gizmodo – [Exxon Blames You for Climate Change](#)

The Guardian – [Crying about hamburgers is dead-end on climate crisis, Republicans warned](#)

The Guardian – [Third of global food production at risk from climate crisis](#)

Earther – [40,000-Year-Old Rock Art Is Being Destroyed Due to Climate Change](#)

Star Tribune – [Minnesota family-owned company on track to build third of U.S. wind projects this year](#)

NY Times – [Syria’s Surprising Solar Boom: Sunlight Powers the Night in Rebel Idlib](#)

The Guardian – [Weatherwatch: does nuclear power really keep the lights on?](#)

Energy News – [Michigan Line 5 opponents serve ‘eviction notice’ at Enbridge pumping station](#)

Toxics/Mobile Sources

NY Times - [Electric Pickups Could Make or Break Biden’s Infrastructure Plans](#)

The Hill – [Gas shortages likely to linger for days](#)

The Hill – [Vast majority of DC gas stations without fuel amid panic buying](#)

Washington Post – [EPA orders Virgin Island refinery to shut down, citing ‘imminent’ health threat](#)

Reuters – [Factbox: Getting out of gas – the sold and scrapped projects](#)

Inside Climate News – [Biden’s Pipeline Dilemma: How to Build a Clean Energy Future While Shoring Up the Present’s Carbon-Intensive Infrastructure](#)

Indoor Air Quality

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

Yale Climate Connections – [Santa Fe women built homemade air purifiers to help protect people from wildfire smoke](#)

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

UPCOMING CALLS/EVENTS/NOTICES

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

NEW! EPA Announces Public Listening Sessions, Trainings on Upcoming Oil and Natural Gas Methane Rule

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.”](#)

EPA has opened a docket for members of the public to submit input to the Agency in writing. To submit your input online, visit <https://www.regulations.gov/>. Identify your comments by Docket ID No. EPA-HQ-OAR-2021-0295. For more information on submitting information to EPA dockets, visit <https://www.epa.gov/dockets/commenting-epa-dockets>.

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

EPA will host webinar-based trainings designed for communities, tribes and small businesses. Each training will provide an overview of the oil and gas industry and how it is regulated and will offer information on how to participate in the rulemaking process. Follow the links below to register to attend a training.

Small Businesses 2-3:30 p.m. EDT Tuesday, May 25, 2021

<https://epa-oilandgaswebinar-smallbusiness.eventbrite.com>

Tribes 2-3:30 p.m. EDT Wednesday, May 26, 2021

<https://epa-oilandgaswebinar-tribes.eventbrite.com>

Communities 2-3:30 p.m. EDT Thursday, May 27, 2021

<https://epa-oilandgaswebinar-communities-ej.eventbrite.com>

EPA will hold public listening sessions from noon to 9 p.m. EDT each day Tuesday June 15 through Thursday, June 17. Follow [this link to register to speak](#) at a public listening session. Each day focuses on different stakeholder groups; however, you may register to speak on the day that is the most convenient for you.

NEW! 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 today, 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](#)

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) American Indian Environmental Office (AIEO) has scheduled national webinars regarding EPA's consultation practices and to inform the EPA *Plan for Implementing the Policies and Directives of Executive Order 13175: Consultation and Coordination with Indian Tribal Governments*. EPA's American Indian Environmental Office has scheduled those national webinars as follows:

- Webinar #1: Monday, May 24, 2021, 3:00 - 5:00 PM Eastern Time
 - TEAMS video conference link: [Click here](#) at the appropriate time
 - Dial-In Option (Audio Only) Number: 202-991-0477; Conf. ID: 599-738-900#.
 - To find a local dial-in number, please [click here](#).
- Tribal Webinar #2: Thursday, May 27, 2021, 1:00 - 3:00 PM Eastern Time
 - TEAMS video conference link: [Click here](#) at the appropriate time
 - Dial-In Option (Audio Only) Number: 202-991-0477; Conf. ID: 240-750-765#
 - To find a local dial-in number, please [click here](#).

The webinars will be given through Microsoft Teams, which can be joined by clicking the links provided above or dialing in – please note these links and dial in numbers are different for each webinar. You may reach out to byrne.andrew@epa.gov if you have any questions.

Community Based Organization Vaccination Toolkit Discussion Group

Thursday, May 20; 3-4pm ET / [Register Here](#)

The [National Indian Health Board](#) (NIHB), in coordination with the [Centers for Disease Control and Prevention](#) (CDC), will be hosting a [Community Based Organization \(CBO\) Vaccine Toolkit](#). This discussion group will feature an overview of the CBO Vaccine Toolkit. Following the overview will be an opportunity for feedback on the toolkit.

- What do you find useful in the toolkit?
- What is missing? What information needs to be added?
- How can the toolkit be improved?
- Is the toolkit useful for Tribal Communities? Why or why not?

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:

- *May 24, 2021* – [Exploring Critical Windows of Exposure to Heavy Metals in Health Disparity Cohorts](#)
- *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

Vaccine Equity for Indigenous Communities

Monday, May 24; 6-7:30pm ET | [Register Here](#)

Numerous reports have discussed how longstanding inequalities, stigmatization and discrimination, and inadequate access to health care have resulted in substantial inequities under the ongoing COVID pandemic. Poorer communities, including the more than 476 million indigenous people living in 90 countries, have higher morbidity and mortality due to COVID, and less access to COVID vaccines. During this webinar, we will hear from indigenous leaders and health care providers from the United States, Australia and Latin America regarding the current status of COVID and access to COVID vaccines.

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.

Mobile Sources Work Group: This monthly work group addresses all mobile source pollution issues.	Thursday, May 6, 2pm ET
EPA Policy Call: Call in to hear updates from EPA on policies, actions, and tools relevant to Indian Country and Air Quality.	Thursday, May 27, 2pm ET

Indoor Air Quality Work Group: Join this work group every other month to help support IAQ work throughout Indian Country.	Thursday, June 24, 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

Please note: ITEP's Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke course has been postponed to June 7-11th. There is no need to reapply if you have done so already. There is still time to apply!

- Air Quality Planning for Wildland Smoke Course Dates: June 7-11, 202
- Course Times: Selected attendees should set aside a minimum of 4 hours daily on June 7-10 and 1.5 hours on June 11 to engage in the course.
- Live Zoom session: 10-11 am AKDT; 11-12pm PDT; 12-1pm MDT; 1-2pm CDT; 2-3pm EDT
- Homework: SLMS module completion (2-3 hours self-paced learning)

[Apply Now!](#)

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

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

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.

NEW! The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (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 unreasonable risks to health or the environment identified in the risk evaluations for Asbestos Part 1: Chrysotile Asbestos (chrysotile asbestos) and Colour Index Pigment Violet 29 (PV29). EPA is initiating these actions for chrysotile asbestos and PV29 so that they no longer present an unreasonable risk. 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 for Asbestos, Part 1: Chrysotile Asbestos and PV29 is expected to extend from May 10 to August 13, 2021.

- **Monday, May 24, 2021 Tribal Consultation 1 – Technical Briefing and Comment Period from 1:00-3:30 pm (ET)**
Conference Line: (833) 760-4028; Conference ID: 6034915
[Adobe Connect Link](#)
- **Thursday, June 3, 2021 Tribal Consultation 2 – Technical Briefing and Comment Period from 1:00-3:30 pm (ET)**
Conference Line: (833) 760-4028; Conference ID: 3279306
[Adobe Connect Link](#)

NEW! EPA announced the first step in developing 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 holding training sessions on the rulemaking process and how to participate in it, convening listening sessions for stakeholders, and opening a public docket for pre-proposal comments. Here are some links for more information:

- [Press release](#) on the announcement
- Additional information, a [link](#) to the public docket and information on registering to attend a training webinar or a listening session.

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.

TLEF: A Virtual Gathering, now accepting proposals

TLEF: A Virtual Gathering that will take place *August 16 through 19, 2021!* Last year's virtual TLEF had *twice* as many attendees as normally come to our in-person TLEF so we do hope to see you this August. We are now accepting proposals from you! Please fill out our [online proposal form](#), and learn more about the types of sessions we are offering this year. And please note: **The deadline for submitting your proposal is May 14.**

These continue to be very uncertain times, when many are facing not only serious health concerns but also economic, social, and psychological challenges as well. And yet we do find strength in working with one another! We want to see your proposals for case studies, virtual tours of your sites and facilities, strategies you're using to protect your lands and communities, and stories about your successes and challenges.

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

- April 30, 2021: [EPA announces \\$5 million in grants available for tribes and insular areas to replace diesel equipment and reduce harmful emissions.](#)
- April 26, 2021: [EPA reconsiders a previous withdrawal of a waiver for California's advanced clean car program \(light-duty vehicle greenhouse gas emission standards and zero emission vehicle requirements\).](#)
- April 23, 2021: [EPA publishes a new case study on Providence Pilot Community-Port Collaboration Project.](#)
- April 20, 2021: [EPA awards \\$10.5 million to clean up 473 school buses in 40 states.](#)
- April 1, 2021: [EPA releases a new case study on groundbreaking Clean Air Action Plan \(CAAP\) for California San Pedro Bay Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach.](#)

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Indoor Air Quality

NEW! Radon Test Kit Distribution: Best Practices for State and Tribal Radon Programs

Tuesday, May 25; 2-3pm EST / [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, leaders from state radon programs in Maryland, Utah, and Virginia will share guidance and best practices for implementing a radon test kit distribution program to encourage building occupants to understand their radon risk potential by testing the buildings where they live, work, and learn. 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:

- Radon Test Kit Distribution: Best Practices for State and Tribal Radon Programs – *May 25, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST*
- Radon and Citizen Science: Public Engagement to Increase Education and Outreach – *June 22, 2:00-3:00 p.m. EST*
- 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*

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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!

NEW! 2021 Upward Bound Math & Science Instructors

The Upward Bound Math & Science program at Northern Arizona University, Flagstaff, Arizona, is looking to hire (4) Summer Instructors.

If possible, our program would appreciate our announcement being shared with others. Our student population is mostly Navajo/Dine (Native American), Hopi (Native American), and Latinx. The majority of our students live in the Northern Arizona region, mostly tribal reservation lands which are very rural. More info can be found [here](#).

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Virtual Air Quality Fellowship program through May 21, 2021. This fellowship is a vital component of DOS and EPA's collaborative efforts to improve access to, and application of, continuous air quality data worldwide. The fellowship is open to air quality experts from universities, government agencies, or non-profit institutions. Applicants must be U.S. citizens. [Media Note announcing the opening of applications](#). Application [Page](#).

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions to Stephanie Christel, Eco-Management Analyst, Greening Diplomacy Initiative
Office of Management Strategy & Solutions
U.S. Department of State (o) 202-485-1624 (m) 516-835-1666

Native Land Trust Council Seeking Executive Director

The Executive Director (ED) works full-time (40-hours per week) remotely from their home office. In addition to fundraising, the Executive Director will develop and maintain the NLTC's program management, administration, financial reporting, as well as strengthen new and existing community partnerships in support of the NLTC's mission. [Apply Here](#)

Compensation: \$80K – \$90K per year initially, working as a 40 hr/wk independent contractor.

To Apply: Please submit a cover letter, resume, and at least three references, via email, to ckramernltc@gmail.com.

Deadline: Open until filled.

Ambient Air Quality/EPA/NTAA/Tribes

Application Period Open for Department of State and EPA Virtual Air Quality Fellowship

In honor of Air Quality Awareness Week (May 3-7), applications are now being accepted for the U.S. Department of State (DOS) and U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Virtual Air Quality Fellowship program through May 21, 2021. This fellowship is a vital component of DOS and EPA's collaborative efforts to improve access to, and application of, continuous air quality data worldwide. The fellowship is open to air quality experts from universities, government agencies, or non-profit institutions. Applicants must be U.S. citizens.

[Click here](#) for more information. Email Stephanie Christel at public_outreach_tribes@lists.4cleanair.org for more information.

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](#).

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) posted a competitive funding opportunity to assist local communities in developing sustainable capabilities to prevent targeted violence and terrorism. The FY21 Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention (TVTP) Grant Program seeks to provide funding to implement local prevention frameworks and explore innovative approaches to preventing targeted violence and terrorism. The FY21 program establishes the following priorities:

- Preventing Domestic Violent Extremism
- Enhancing Local Threat Assessment and Management Capabilities
- Implementing Innovative Solutions for Preventing Targeted Violence and Terrorism
- Challenging Online Violence Mobilization Narratives

The TVTP Grant Program seeks to provide funding to applications that align with these objectives and that protect privacy, civil rights, and civil liberties. Eligibility

includes Tribal, state, local, territorial governments; non-profits; and institutions of higher education are eligible to apply for funds to establish capabilities or fill gaps in their prevention capabilities.

The application period opened on March 24, 2021 and will close on May 25, 2021 at 5:00:00 PM ET. Applicants should consult the NOFO for more specific information about the process. Applying for this grant is a multi-step process and it is recommended that applicants begin that process early to allow sufficient time to complete the interim steps. Applicants can register early with the Non-Disaster Grants Management System (ND Grants) and are encouraged to begin their ND Grants registration at the time of this announcement. Early registration will allow applicants to have adequate time to start and complete their application. For more information, please see the relevant NOFO posting on Grants.gov and the [TVTP Grant Program site](#). For questions about the TVTP Grant Program, please contact the Office for Targeted Violence and Terrorism Prevention at TerrorismPrevention@hq.dhs.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.

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Toxics/Mobile Sources

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](#).

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