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# **WRP Webinar**

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**August 29th WRP webinar featuring USGS’s National Land Imaging Program** will run from 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm Pacific. Learn more about the Landsat Program and the Landsat Next mission, and how they might be helpful to your planning information and decision-making. This presentation will be provided by Tim Newman, National Land Imaging Program Coordinator, USGS. Click [here](https://wrpinfo.org/rsvp/?meetingId=77942) to RSVP.

# **Tribal Engagement Committee (TEC)**

**August 30th WRP TEC**call **will begin at 10:00 am Pacific and conclude no later than 11:30 am Pacific.** **Featured Presentations:**

* **Outcomes of the Third Annual Tribal Aviation Symposium**by Arlando S. Teller (Diné), Assistant Secretary, Office of Tribal Government Affairs, U.S. DOT
* **Highlights from Native American Fish and Wildlife Society Southwest Region Conference**by Adam Ringia, Executive Director, Southwest Tribal Fisheries Commission

Click [here](https://wrpinfo.org/rsvp/?meetingId=77402) to RSVP.

# **2024 WRP Report**

[2024 Report: Enhancing Resilience to Avoid Cascading Disaster (July 2024)](https://wrpinfo.org/media/1971/2024-wrp-report_final.docx) This report documents the work of WRP conducted in support of the WRP Strategic Priority, “*Enhancing Resilience to Avoid Cascading Disaster”* and includes the outcomes and findings by the three WRP Deep-Dives.

# **WRP Deep-Dives**

At the 2024 WRP Principals’ Meeting, Principals affirmed continuing the WRP Priority “*Enhancing Resilience to Avoid Cascading Disaster*” for one more year. In support of this priority are the following Deep-Dives:

* Water Security/Resilience
* Wildland Fire (response/ prevention)
* Aviation/Airspace Needs

# **Energy**

## **Federal Updates**

* [Nuclear Waste Cleanup:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lmdhby5nb3YvcHJvZHVjdHMvZ2FvLTI0LTEwNjcxNj91dG1fY2FtcGFpZ249dXNnYW9fZW1haWwmdXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9dG9waWNfZW5lcmd5JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MzEuOTgzNzgwMDEifQ.Td1N9hdwHD9vNdO4kBx1lc0i5sC0XewANVNNSpjVjJ4%2Fs%2F571607519%2Fbr%2F246645338196-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C36e3dafcf3bb418cce8a08dcb1824c23%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638580420459771490%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=0tEZFgr%2BSCoDsaVCr4FgjnkY5qoSmW%2BpDeLtxB%2BXiSA%3D&reserved=0) [More Effective Oversight Is Needed To Help Ensure Better Project Outcomes](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lmdhby5nb3YvcHJvZHVjdHMvZ2FvLTI0LTEwNjcxNj91dG1fY2FtcGFpZ249dXNnYW9fZW1haWwmdXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9dG9waWNfZW5lcmd5JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MzEuOTgzNzgwMDEifQ.2soJZbK5sutL0CgGcAvTKsBXQzfFLNIWWlWI4M4Rtoc%2Fs%2F571607519%2Fbr%2F246645338196-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C36e3dafcf3bb418cce8a08dcb1824c23%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638580420459781593%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=r%2B%2FXGXi4zRbEI1UglHzpS38ZiZZ7QBSxKkRMIGuOnXY%3D&reserved=0) GAO-24-106716, July 31
* [Wind Energy:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lmdhby5nb3YvcHJvZHVjdHMvZ2FvLTI0LTEwNjY4Nz91dG1fY2FtcGFpZ249dXNnYW9fZW1haWwmdXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9dG9waWNfZW5lcmd5JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MjMuOTgwMDYzOTEifQ.2PpSRuP_-aCCv3ziHUown0woNs8AoyFlurL0cJlIocg%2Fs%2F571607519%2Fbr%2F246206548585-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C5fa197b23b9442c16b2f08dcab439089%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638573553894192824%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=di6I6byVl%2FX4JnBwk3DSRiwkS%2Beds8orMHoPYzMwdyk%3D&reserved=0) Technologies and Approaches to Help Address Environmental Effects: GAO-24-106687, July 23

### **FERC**

* [July 2024 Highlights | FERC insight | Volume 7](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/july-2024-highlights-ferc-insight-volume-7)
* [Learn More about the Electric Transmission Facilities Permit Process under Order No. 1977](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/new-learn-more-about-electric-transmission-facilities-permit-process-under-order)
* [Summaries | July 2024 Commission Meeting](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/summaries-july-2024-commission-meeting)
* [Testimony | House Subcommittee on Energy, Climate, and Grid *"The Fiscal Year 2025 Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Budget"*](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/testimony-house-subcommittee-energy-climate-and-grid-fiscal-year-2025-federal)
* [June Highlights | FERC insight | Volume 6](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/june-highlights-ferc-insight-volume-6)
* [Chairman Willie Phillips' Statement Concerning Order No. 1920](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/chairman-willie-phillips-statement-concerning-order-no-1920)

### **DOE**

* [$371 Million in 20 Projects to Accelerate Transmission Permitting Across America](https://www.energy.gov/articles/biden-harris-administration-invests-371-million-20-projects-accelerate-transmission)
* [Ocean Energy Safety Institute Opens Call for Offshore Wind Energy Proposals](https://www.bsee.gov/newsroom/latest-news/statements-and-releases/press-releases/seeking-ocean-energy-experts?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* [Protecting Wind Energy Systems From Cyberattacks](https://www.energy.gov/eere/wind/articles/protecting-wind-energy-systems-cyberattacks?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* [Hydropower Stakeholders Identify Five Perceived Gaps and Potential Remedies in U.S. Supply Chain](https://www.energy.gov/eere/water/articles/hydropower-stakeholders-identify-five-perceived-gaps-and-potential-remedies-us?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* [Energy looks to balance AI electricity demands and clean energy goals](https://www.nextgov.com/artificial-intelligence/2024/07/energy-looks-balance-ai-electricity-demands-and-clean-energy-goals/398264/?oref=ngfcw_ftt_nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Nextgov/FCW%20Federal%20Tech%20Today%20-%20July%2024%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_ng_today)
* [US starts to build solar on ex-nuclear sites across the country](https://www.reuters.com/business/energy/us-starts-build-solar-ex-nuclear-sites-across-country-2024-07-04/)
* [2024 US Electricity Sector Data](https://www.nrel.gov/news/program/2024/plug-into-newly-released-2024-us-electricity-sector-data.html?utm_source=NREL+News&utm_campaign=1aa386832d-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_12_04_07_35_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_807f77e7f4-1aa386832d-282462641)
* [How Two Rookie Engineers Expertly Designed a Tidal Energy Turbine](https://www.nrel.gov/news/program/2024/how-two-rookie-engineers-expertly-designed-a-tidal-energy-turbine.html?utm_source=NREL+News&utm_campaign=1aa386832d-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_12_04_07_35_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_807f77e7f4-1aa386832d-282462641)
* ['Moderate' Is the New 'Extreme': Weather's Impact on Growing Renewable Grid Operations](https://www.nrel.gov/news/program/2024/moderate-is-the-new-extreme-weathers-impact-on-growing-renewable-grid-operations.html?utm_source=NREL+News&utm_campaign=1aa386832d-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2018_12_04_07_35_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_807f77e7f4-1aa386832d-282462641)
* [DOE Launches Coordinated Interagency Transmission Authorizations and Permits Online Portal as One-Stop Shop for Streamlined Federal Transmission Permitting](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.gov%252Fgdo%252Farticles%252Fdoe-launches-online-portal-one-stop-shop-streamlined-federal-transmission-permitting%2F1%2F01010190748ca970-60ef03c8-a413-4466-8dbf-45d4e98f0446-000000%2FSQfKXa94LurXw2LegY3Bdb4lqTf7NGSmzaGyuvOf01g%3D359&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C6dc5e360ecca4a457def08dc9aec231e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638555586235104302%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Q4EkX5XkaU1H0Qj%2Fwnjj8JS6LUomHV1%2Bfw5wRHLpOfM%3D&reserved=0)
* NREL [announced](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.energy.gov%2Feere%2Farticles%2Ftwelve-american-companies-will-help-expand-distributed-wind-across-rural-united%3Futm_medium%3Demail%26utm_source%3Dgovdelivery&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2e49a753dabd4c36135a08dca69e9ebb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638568447412051463%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=egSewGqgXwWJHuKD1l8uZ%2BPagK8L4YoDnAwYsjE%2FvHI%3D&reserved=0) plans to award $3.15 million to 12 American component suppliers and manufacturers of small- and medium-sized wind turbines as a part of the 2024 [Competitiveness Improvement Project](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDMsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lm5yZWwuZ292L3dpbmQvY29tcGV0aXRpdmVuZXNzLWltcHJvdmVtZW50LXByb2plY3QuaHRtbD91dG1fbWVkaXVtPWVtYWlsJnV0bV9zb3VyY2U9Z292ZGVsaXZlcnkiLCJidWxsZXRpbl9pZCI6IjIwMjQwNzE3Ljk3NzM4MTAxIn0.fvzDtF9Q61Cc7ur68bylGBHqBwCf9daJ-KhX3rLToqw%2Fs%2F1420386858%2Fbr%2F245904615319-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2e49a753dabd4c36135a08dca69e9ebb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638568447412064757%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=vsEgLE42H3o28O2Rem5WNc%2Fp%2Fjgf50ZTbWVOMs7w98E%3D&reserved=0)
* Funding Opportunity: [DOE Announces Nearly $50 Million Funding Opportunity for Offshore Wind RD&D](https://www.energy.gov/eere/wind/funding-notice-nearly-50-million-funding-opportunity-offshore-wind-national-and-regional?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)

### **DOI -BLM**

* [Clean energy projects on Western public lands with potential to power nearly 2 million homes](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/biden-harris-administration-advances-clean-energy-projects-western-public-lands)
* [BLM seeks public input for seven solar projects in Nevada](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-public-input-seven-solar-projects-nevada)
* [BLM issues final analysis for Libra Solar Project in Nevada](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-issues-final-analysis-libra-solar-project-nevada)
* Funding Opportunity: 89 FR 60652 - Notice of Availability of the Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Libra Solar Project... Federal Register.

## **State Updates**

* CA: [CEC Adopts Offshore Wind Energy Strategic Plan to Support CA’s 100% Clean Electricity Future](https://www.energy.ca.gov/news/2024-07/cec-adopts-offshore-wind-energy-strategic-plan-support-californias-100-clean)
* CA: Notice of Proposed Awards are now available for [GFO-23-702 - California Clean Energy Planning Program (first-come, first-served)](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.ca.gov%252Fsolicitations%252F2024-04%252Fgfo-23-702-california-clean-energy-planning-program-first-come-first-served%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190c2a88d8b-428d3ebb-972e-4805-a180-1baf09bd8af3-000000%2Fc9xl9SPHFrSBV7JmY7H5lyXn2EdWF9W94PIuEuK0Jis%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9eec824293d642a4434608dca6aa23df%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638568496898109434%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=C8Wootb1UCywBP5JHy5mCfHSgvE%2B4bw3IGFbqQoiEqo%3D&reserved=0)
* CA: [California launches world-leading Hydrogen Hub](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2024/07/17/california-launches-world-leading-hydrogen-hub/)
* CA: [California first state to get federal funds for hydrogen energy hub to help replace fossil fuels](https://spectrumnews1.com/ca/la-west/transportation/2024/07/18/california-to-get-federal-funds-for-hydrogen-energy-hub).
* CA: [California Still Has No Plan to Phase Out Oil Refineries](https://insideclimatenews.org/news/27072024/california-still-has-no-plan-to-phase-out-oil-refineries/?utm_source=InsideClimate+News)
* CO: [Department of Local Affairs Announces Over $2M Awarded through the U.S. Department of Energy’s Grid Resilience State and Tribal Formula Grant Program](https://cdola.colorado.gov/press-release/department-of-local-affairs-announces-over-2m-awarded-through-the-us-department-of?mc_cid=8f16facefb)
* CO: [Polis Administration Releases Major New Reports to Highlight Clean Energy Future, Geothermal & Hydrogen](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/polis-administration-releases-major-new-reports-highlight-clean-energy-future-geothermal)
* NV: [Renewable energy projects on books in Northern Nevada](https://www.nevadaappeal.com/news/2024/jul/04/renewable-energy-projects-on-books-in-northern-nevada/)
* NV: ['US' largest' solar-plus-storage project comes online in Nevada](https://www.energy-storage.news/us-largest-solar-plus-storage-project-gemini-comes-online-in-nevada/)

## **Tribal Updates**

* [Tribal Energy:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lmdhby5nb3YvcHJvZHVjdHMvZ2FvLTI0LTEwNjI3OD91dG1fY2FtcGFpZ249dXNnYW9fZW1haWwmdXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9dG9waWNfZW5lcmd5JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MjIuOTc5NDk4NTEifQ.kDKmT5pbznS1hNUURUkI2Fcx4FiMEI_K5IJpcD6wfls%2Fs%2F571607519%2Fbr%2F246135880747-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C94c5d5a8a3ae471e5f7208dcaaa4019e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638572868609229852%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=AwbWh9cRJzDTY3upJ949rrCupadAj%2B3Mg1Vebv6RTX4%3D&reserved=0) [Federal Assistance to Support Microgrid Development](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDIsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3Lmdhby5nb3YvcHJvZHVjdHMvZ2FvLTI0LTEwNjI3OD91dG1fY2FtcGFpZ249dXNnYW9fZW1haWwmdXRtX2NvbnRlbnQ9dG9waWNfZW5lcmd5JnV0bV9tZWRpdW09ZW1haWwmdXRtX3NvdXJjZT1nb3ZkZWxpdmVyeSIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MjIuOTc5NDk4NTEifQ.k8HAqrgGB_g3LQ5yfbrjBuHArf8SncWnfzvd83Zq3K0%2Fs%2F571607519%2Fbr%2F246135880747-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C94c5d5a8a3ae471e5f7208dcaaa4019e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638572868609238127%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=1hsQB6jSSysuZdrJ7wNtnTLARZbibbFyD7mb8R2Cd1Y%3D&reserved=0) GAO-24-106278, July 22
* Leveraging Opportunities to Bring Tribal Clean Energy Projects Online. The [presentation slides and recording are available now](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.gov%252Findianenergy%252Farticles%252F2024-tribal-energy-webinar-series-leveraging-opportunities-bring-tribal-clean%2F2%2F01010190748ca970-60ef03c8-a413-4466-8dbf-45d4e98f0446-000000%2FS_AosYS-CiEHoPYRhd0lK_XxhTmzOeuEyFInJshdph8%3D359&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C6dc5e360ecca4a457def08dc9aec231e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638555586235046358%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Hmn1ha3k6nLZLbjJLowbI%2FwmFAHyQzfrRWTEUE9yoIU%3D&reserved=0)
* Funding Opportunities:
  + Addendum 1 is now available for [GFO-23-701r2 - California’s Fifth Climate Change Assessment Tribal Research Grant Program Round 2](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.ca.gov%252Fsolicitations%252F2024-05%252Fgfo-23-701r2-californias-fifth-climate-change-assessment-tribal-research%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190dc77374d-61deb68b-ab49-472e-bbbd-c622579da681-000000%2F3nny3msOiFwQ4oPxldN9j4tCHjDTiUHFngZXUY8Na9o%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cad8c932430e94de738b808dcaa9a5f13%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638572827213579018%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=YtjUkpKoMGawO5t99IXkYQpdOM02hgb3uRMzxD%2BIC%2FQ%3D&reserved=0).
  + $3.6 Million Pilot to Increase Access to DOE Funding and Technical Assistance for Tribes. **Apply by 3 p.m. ET on Sept. 24, 2024.** 
    - See [full announcement](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.gov%252Findianenergy%252Farticles%252Ffunding-announced-increase-collaboration-between-regional-intertribal%2F1%2F01010190c25c2e55-634c6172-535c-4e87-8b5c-be04f840a2e5-000000%2F4bQWn5fvJHBaACaRAoF9x_g_-YpgLRTtY0dxdg20dek%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cf93f1ec4dbfc4976d30e08dca6a0fe37%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638568457615225665%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rCGIyQrnXa8JAua1W%2FkcGFfixU3pCu8PG32p45n2n7s%3D&reserved=0) for more information and to apply.
    - [RSVP for the Objective Strategy Session](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fenergywerx.wufoo.com%252Fforms%252Fz1pdm6jg0wn5gdo%252F%2F1%2F01010190c25c2e55-634c6172-535c-4e87-8b5c-be04f840a2e5-000000%2FklMHAHGq7Kjsopx1eyS-fduA5LxRzJ1y4IhXgAb3j0k%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cf93f1ec4dbfc4976d30e08dca6a0fe37%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638568457615234479%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iLG8IEBzKwqN9%2Fah9MplBLsrj1ekCKVZaEmfVdGm80k%3D&reserved=0) on **Aug. 15, 2024**, at 3 p.m. ET.
    - [Attend the informational office hours session](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fenergywerx.wufoo.com%252Fforms%252Fz1gdkrnd1d6d9k6%252F%2F1%2F01010191055c2cd9-87ba671f-2116-43d9-9128-61c4215db2f6-000000%2FZ39P4k2lLMZy5Ihj3lFWe5g9PET2PVakBMXopkJISow%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cd26b951368ff477bf42408dcb0d96059%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638579694963230093%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=CdOj5e5oPCTF5avRZBlBrhH3t%2BGKFWJOU1xcFv7fKew%3D&reserved=0) for potential applicants on **Sept. 17**

## **Regional Updates**

* [55 miles of high-voltage transmission lines added in 2023 as US buildout slows: report](https://www.utilitydive.com/news/high-voltage-transmission-buildout-aceg-grid-strategies-report/722725/)
* [Public Land Solar Plan Can Balance Energy and Conservation](https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/articles/2024/07/23/public-land-solar-plan-can-balance-energy-and-conservation?utm_campaign=2024-07-24+Rundown&utm_medium=email&utm_source=Pew&subscriberkey=00QU000000AoHyxMAF)
* The [Westwide Governance Pathways Initiative](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.westernenergyboard.org%2Fwwgpi%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cb417f89a0a1646c29dde08dca33e415a%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638564735045351616%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=wHowbwjOiE2jjdkY7vYzxNAniMVDoX8%2Fcx%2BphXLfGt0%3D&reserved=0) (Pathways Initiative) is an effort led by a group of stakeholders from the eleven western states in the Western Interconnection (Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming) with the goal of creating a new entity with an independent governance structure capable of offering an expansive suite of West-wide wholesale electricity market functions across the largest possible footprint.
  + [Mission and Charter](https://www.westernenergyboard.org/wp-content/uploads/Mission-and-Charter_Dec-21-Ex-B-FINAL.pdf)
  + All public documents relating to this initiative are available [here](https://www.westernenergyboard.org/wwgpi/).
  + [Workshop schedule](https://urldefense.com/v3/__https:/www.westernenergyboard.org/wp-content/uploads/Step-2-Workshop-Schedule.pdf__;!!LFgXvAMM-w!35_QSmBaZ4fJ-ng9vKG88q2FHY7ICmRXKsPmAZ32yv0lXRXiGc6ybNhVqyXSB6d2veA4PmNSvFy_VdrLuRrsYKoZAODKzQj6$)
* SunZia:
  + [Two power lines one goal!](https://energycentral.com/c/gr/two-power-lines-one-goal) The [Federal Energy Regulatory Commission](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.linkedin.com%2Fcompany%2Ffederal-energy-regulatory-commission%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cb737236226c94347156208dca5f88d24%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638567734142880875%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=GKjBLxlMllQ8%2FYIQa3jYzu1sO6ZNCTrm7S159adxFC0%3D&reserved=0) approved an order granting the authorization application to charge negotiated rates on [SouthWestern Power Group](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.linkedin.com%2Fcompany%2Fsouthwestern-power-group%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cb737236226c94347156208dca5f88d24%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638567734142890828%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=9AWfNDLmYaXapd4XqTePeaSG3NpPamIxRVmBu07qxaY%3D&reserved=0)’s (SWPG) high-voltage alternating-current (HVAC) RioSol Transmission Project. When energized, the estimated $2.4 billion investment, will span about 550 miles across New Mexico and Arizona. Construction is expected to start in 2026 with completion in 2028.
  + [FERC approves capacity solicitation plan for $2.4B RioSol transmission project](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.utilitydive.com%2Fnews%2Fferc-capacity-solicitation-riosol-transmission-sunzia-pattern-nextera-lake-erie%2F720818%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C559fb841d340455aa36708dca0dfbc97%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638562130004745005%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=wVSZ5NE93thWayF6o6JIepLaMrdh4cMyshMh6viFxdI%3D&reserved=0)
  + [SunZia Transmission Project, US](https://www.power-technology.com/projects/sunzia-transmission-project-us/)
  + [SunZia Transmission Project, New Mexico, US](https://www.power-technology.com/projects/sunzia-transmission-project-us/)

# **Natural Resources**

## **Federal Updates**

* [White House looks to safeguard groundwater supplies as aquifers decline nationwide](https://www.route-fifty.com/infrastructure/2024/07/white-house-looks-safeguard-groundwater-supplies-aquifers-decline-nationwide/398366/?oref=rf-today-nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Route%20Fifty%20Today:%20July%2029%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_rf_today)
* [EPA and U.S. Army Announce Joint Sampling Project to Identify PFAS Contamination Near Army Installations](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-and-us-army-announce-joint-sampling-project-identify-pfas-contamination-near-army)
* [EPA, Army to Jointly Test for PFAS Near Hundreds of Bases](https://defensecommunities.org/2024/08/epa-army-to-jointly-test-for-pfas-near-hundreds-of-bases/)
* [Feds Research Re Salton Sea’s Exposed Lakebed](https://insideclimatenews.org/news/27072024/california-salton-sea-exposed-lakebed/)
* [Southern Nevada delegation asks feds for 20-year mining ban near Ash Meadows wildlife refuge](https://nevadacurrent.com/briefs/southern-nevada-delegation-asks-feds-for-20-year-mining-ban-near-ash-meadows-wildlife-refuge/#:~:text=Catherine%20Cortez%20Masto%20sent%20a,dozen%20endangered%20and%20threatened%20species)

### **EPA**

* [U.S.-Mexico Border 2025 Environmental Program Releases Binational Highlights Report](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/us-mexico-border-2025-environmental-program-releases-binational-highlights-report)
* [New Federal Grants Could Slash U.S. Climate Emissions by Nearly 1 Billion Metric Tons Through 2050](https://insideclimatenews.org/news/22072024/federal-grants-to-slash-climate-emissions/?utm_source=InsideClimate+News)
* [E.P.A. Announces Climate Pollution Reduction Grants Totaling $4.3 Billion](https://www.nytimes.com/2024/07/22/climate/epa-climate-change-money.html)
* [EPA Tribal Oil Spill Prevention Webinar](https://members.nathpo.org/eventcalendar/Details/epa-tribal-oil-spill-prevention-webinar-1130127?sourceTypeId=Hub) **August 21 & September 17:**two 90-min sessions provide a basic overview of the Spill Prevention, Control and Countermeasure oil spill prevention program, regulatory requirements, program implementation, and federal oil spill reporting requirements.

### **DOI**

* [Interior Department Announces Next Steps to Implement Ecosystem and Habitat Restoration in the Upper Colorado River Basin](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-announces-next-steps-implement-president-bidens-investing-america)
* [$16 Million for Drought Resilience in the Yakima River Basin](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOI/bulletins/3aa9380)
* [Next Steps for Ecosystem and Habitat Restoration in the Upper Colorado River Basin](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDOI/bulletins/3aa1657)
* Funding Opportunity: **October 18, 2024**—[FY24 Funding to Support Tribal Climate Resilience](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D3271578f90%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9253550d35554dac04e708dcacf6b61b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638575422854789629%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=DlNOQtQs5toS8p1OLR7qBEiRaTkEw3qMRMGgu2RoxTc%3D&reserved=0)

### **DOI-BLM**

* [BLM releases proposed plan amendment supporting Gunnison sage-grouse recovery](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-releases-proposed-plan-amendment-supporting-gunnison-sage-grouse-recovery)
* [BLM to begin the FY2024 Blue Wing Complex Wild Horse and Burro Gather](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/bureau-land-management-begin-fy2024-blue-wing-complex-wild-horse-and-burro-gather)
* [BLM seeks input on Northern Ivanpah Valley Desert Tortoise habitat plan in Nevada](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-input-northern-ivanpah-valley-desert-tortoise-habitat-plan-nevada)
* [Plan to conserve wildlife and manage oil and gas in Colorado](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-proposes-plan-conserve-wildlife-and-manage-oil-and-gas-colorado)
* [$2.3 Million for Upper Bear River Watershed Restoration](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-invests-23-million-upper-bear-river-watershed-restoration)
* [89 FR 60653 - Notice of Availability of the Draft Resource Management Plan Amendment and Associated...](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.govinfo.gov%2Fapp%2Fdetails%2FFR-2024-07-26%2F2024-16280&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C5a7646f7dda24e9ab52408dcae599163%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638576946920741724%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ZP8pz9WHomLEIQnoYowgw3fkVGCX1AYeqxmdm%2FP68GU%3D&reserved=0) Federal Register. Friday, July 26, 2024.

### **DOI-Bureau of Reclamation**

* [$8.9 million for cooperative watershed management](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/4899)
* [Finalizes environmental process to combat nonnative fish below Glen Canyon Dam](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/4901)
* [Next Steps for Ecosystem and Habitat Restoration in the Upper Colorado River Basin](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/4909)
* [$16 Million for Drought Resilience in the Yakima River Basin](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/4912)
* [The Cooperative Watershed Management Program,](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.grants.gov%2Fsearch-results-detail%2F349783&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C4e134f1161a0406a14b508dc9a9fb55d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555258323893255%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Y7RLUyB8Z5251bclyhSz4sBy1NotQfBT1cC4%2FnZCLbQ%3D&reserved=0) which offers phase I funding to design projects, form watershed collaboratives, and conduct watershed planning for up to $300k over 3 years with no cost-share requirement. Proposals are due **September 3, 2024**
* Funding Opportunities:
  + **September 3, 2024** — [WaterSMART Cooperative Watershed Management Program Phase I for Fiscal Year 2023 Second Application Period](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3Da5427e3269%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C69114cb4db8847e62f5308dca1db3ace%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563210186997852%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=AHfrm7AHrmHIePmtIwrX%2F6jswXQ4JZgIk3YY8NlAo5M%3D&reserved=0)
  + **September 22, 2024** —[Request for Proposals: Funding and Technical Assistance Opportunity for U.S. Territories](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D5c121682ae%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C69114cb4db8847e62f5308dca1db3ace%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563210187009129%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ZtYfPt%2FwVUMT8ecryKOn5x6dDvpDgI15FzGgb9ZigEE%3D&reserved=0)
  + **September 30, 2024** —[WaterSMART: Large-Scale Water Recycling Projects for Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024, Third Submittal](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D3318bf5ffd%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C69114cb4db8847e62f5308dca1db3ace%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563210187015244%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=qX3WLPEJQTsggZiZogBOFbjcW5t0DVllK0TwfPd9nGQ%3D&reserved=0)
  + **October 7, 2024** —[WaterSMART Drought Response Program: Drought Resiliency Projects for Fiscal Year 2025](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3Da4f0ab4cfe%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9253550d35554dac04e708dcacf6b61b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638575422854783234%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=DAxkp7gh4wDjcVsaSWIzhYaMQokFYYNbYhmTNuYEpek%3D&reserved=0)
  + **November 13, 2024** —[WaterSMART Grants: Water and Energy Efficiency Grants for Fiscal Year 2024](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3Db41072a278%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C69114cb4db8847e62f5308dca1db3ace%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563210187021287%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=RSBwIxh1YDT8aoH%2BZ1yv23O%2Bkowxa0Pl%2FaYtK1qE2Fg%3D&reserved=0)

### **DOI-USFWS**

* [Draft Habitat Conservation Plan and Categorical Exclusion Available for Public Comment](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2024-07/draft-habitat-conservation-plan-and-categorical-exclusion-available-public)
* [$20 million for collaborative efforts to conserve imperiled species in California](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2024-07/us-fish-and-wildlife-service-announces-over-20-million-collaborative-efforts)
* [$48.4M for Collaborative Efforts to Conserve America’s Most Imperiled Species](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2024-07/484m-collaborative-efforts-conserve-americas-most-imperiled-species)
* [2022 Economic Contributions of Wildlife Watching in the US](https://www.fws.gov/media/2022-economic-contributions-wildlife-watching-united-states-addendum)

### **DOI-USGS**

* [Updates to international database provide powerful insights on valuable byproduct minerals](https://www.usgs.gov/news/national-news-release/updates-international-database-provide-powerful-insights-valuable)

### **USDA**

* Funding Opportunities:
  + **September 13, 2024** —[Joint Chiefs Landscape Restoration Partnership Program FY2025](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D6febd98eb4%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9253550d35554dac04e708dcacf6b61b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638575422854761241%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=lv5b5RZ808MyMVpwNRVbuNeKirDGQwSGe302TYnKBrI%3D&reserved=0)
  + **August 16, 2024** —[Fiscal Year 2024 Agricultural Conservation Easement Program (ACEP) Wetland Reserve Easements (WRE)](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D15dd2e4624%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9253550d35554dac04e708dcacf6b61b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638575422854743548%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2FFpcWQS5Wf6JhCItd5AMASckmYE9oUtbWeV1h%2B82W9s%3D&reserved=0)
  + [$190M grant opportunity for payment programs that help private forest landowners address climate change](https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/newsroom/releases/usda-announces-190m-grant-opportunity-payment-programs-help-private)

### **USDA-NRCS**

* [USDA-NRCS Offers Disaster Assistance to New Mexico Farmers and Livestock Producers Impacted by Wildfires and Related Flooding](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation-basics/conservation-by-state/new-mexico/news/usda-offers-disaster-assistance-to-new)
* [USDA-NRCS Moves to Gain Better Understanding of Forest and Grazing Conservation Practices](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/news/usda-moves-to-gain-better-understanding-of-forest-and-grazing-conservation-practices)
* [$90 Million in Innovative Projects, including Two in New Mexico, that Help Conserve Natural Resources and Address Climate Change](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/conservation-basics/conservation-by-state/new-mexico/news/usda-announces-90-million-in-innovative)

### **USDA-USFS**

* Webinar: Forest Service Grants & Agreements 101 - **August 8th**, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. [Register here.](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0rdeqsqTkqG9Z6MjzRcqIwQYEMdGr8g2BY) Join us for an introduction to Forest Service grants and agreements, essential tools the agency uses to deliver funding and work in partnership with nonprofits, fire departments, conservation districts, local governments, Tribes, and more.
* Webinar: Grants & Agreements: People and Processes - **August 15th**, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. Eastern Time. [Register here](https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZIkd-CspjoiHtM0PDM3WOAN705AomgKfZoe). Forest Service grants and agreements facilitate an array of partnership work in communities and landscapes across the country.

## **State Updates**

### **Arizona**

* ADEQ will host a brief hybrid ([webinar](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/7987888644953304665) and [in-person](mailto:borns.dan@azdeq.gov?subject=Attending%20the%208/14%20Meeting%20in%20Person)) informal informational meeting (**Aug 14**) to provide stakeholders an overview of proposed water quality rule updates.

### **California**

* [900,000 more Californians now have access to clean drinking water](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2024/07/22/900000-more-californians-now-have-access-to-clean-drinking-water/)
* [The California Landscape Stewardship Network releases a new Strategic Roadmap, outlining how this statewide “network-of-networks” will focus actions in the coming three years and offering a model for network-oriented strategic planning.](https://calandscapestewardshipnetwork.org/sites/default/files/2024-06/CLSN_Strategic_Roadmap_FINAL_20240610_1.pdf)
* DWR has released a report describing [an equity survey](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwater.ca.gov%252F-%252Fmedia%252FDWR-Website%252FWeb-Pages%252FPrograms%252FCalifornia-Water-Plan%252FDocs%252FUpdate2023%252FSupporting-Documents%252FSummary-of-Equity-Survey-for-Water-and-Flood-Management-Agencies-Districts-in-California.pdf%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FC1oo1CkPm2w8IxYqTyNE_yfz9mGdiTGlvoSTnSusY5M%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515531772%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=lYHwDDA5uaRny6xPNYoq2ZZPB96QJQ8%2BbI1X2YjJUIo%3D&reserved=0) done in support of [*California Water Plan Update 2023*](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwater.ca.gov%252F-%252Fmedia%252FDWR-Website%252FWeb-Pages%252FPrograms%252FCalifornia-Water-Plan%252FDocs%252FUpdate2023%252FFinal%252FCalifornia-Water-Plan-Update-2023.pdf%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FiAi_Vent0gNsKlKF6wR3PfnDXrLujRBC0gRN-CkZV9o%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515546225%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=mbMsMDQzfEcC%2BI9VBxVoW88gqEQ8MogME9%2Fy81R1SSA%3D&reserved=0).
* The next [Lunch-MAR webinar](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Ffloodmar.org%252Fget-involved%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2523events%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2F6xJywomBs1C8FjIHpDWYCQXmtYcniT5xiMt8VJgWkbQ%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515568932%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=85agpQlJ6%2FOuqAgrzIqJcnaPIOXS7yl6CA4XZ5FvmWU%3D&reserved=0), on [Wednesday, Aug. 7](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcsus.zoom.us%252Fmeeting%252Fregister%252FtZEsdO-hqD8vHtA9k2A__2Pp6mHzHwfa7M_7%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2523%252Fregistration%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2F-e93QGqOYeJt0E8Mq_t6rUCxcjhDmL4asI1HlQEwOsI%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515575595%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=worgyVItWw92sC%2FtuSASfwfR6LWC5cw5cocDhDxXIxM%3D&reserved=0), will feature a presentation on the [*Merced River Watershed Flood-MAR Reconnaissance Study*](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwater.ca.gov%252F-%252Fmedia%252FDWR-Website%252FWeb-Pages%252FPrograms%252FFlood-Management%252FFlood-MAR%252F230410_Merced-R_FloodMAR-Reconnaissance-Study_Division-Report_v7.pdf%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FLhj2PJgEfwascqLLI_269YzP9-t3g0djhB2cjf1eB60%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515581824%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iXeJXfkgKVD1aeWifGrWo0hDHXhZaL8XjuWxzl%2Fbq0I%3D&reserved=0).
* California and tribal partners [secure critical water supply](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwater.ca.gov%252FNews%252FNews-Releases%252F2024%252FJun-24%252FCalifornia-and-Tribal-Partners-Secure-Critical-Water-Supply-to-Support-Native-American-Farmers%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190e132b533-42e3ee64-e829-4c7f-ab35-aa309f500c34-000000%2FzzMG88n6E1lwK38lVHqyFtFJSRjmtbW9FQ9xAhCpLFk%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce94093cff4d447e515fb08dcab5430f1%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638573625348412703%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=aP1QxyUdE7fh4Lt5v09zoZfWFFdchIjfn1jfYlxJbXU%3D&reserved=0) to support California Native American farmers.
* [New online portal](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fww2.arb.ca.gov%252Fnews%252Fnew-online-portal-makes-it-easier-access-funding-opportunities-and-other-key-resources%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190e132b533-42e3ee64-e829-4c7f-ab35-aa309f500c34-000000%2FQGRSa96R7thV9UprATiBimNr7PJ8zXQQQ6WUGHEXrgQ%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce94093cff4d447e515fb08dcab5430f1%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638573625348496529%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=dn5ueKc5xx2oKPm51Aj228ljxq8e6XVy5J9Vhbfwpzk%3D&reserved=0) makes it easier to access funding opportunities and resources for California Climate Investments.
* [California leaders announce 2024 state budget, preserve critical climate investments.](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2024/06/22/california-leaders-announce-2024-state-budget-agreement/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* [Facing a future of shortages, California is entering a new phase of water conservation: Cities and towns must meet new mandates ramping down use over the next 15 years — and some will be hit harder than others.](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fclick.everyaction.com%2Fk%2F89327289%2F486933211%2F-2055956524%3Fnvep%3Dew0KICAiVGVuYW50VXJpIjogIm5ncHZhbjovL3Zhbi9TTldTUi9TTldTUi8xLzEwNDkxMSIsDQogICJEaXN0cmlidXRpb25VbmlxdWVJZCI6ICI4MzFjMjgzOC0zMTQ4LWVmMTEtODZjMy02MDQ1YmRkOWUwOTYiLA0KICAiRW1haWxBZGRyZXNzIjogImFteWR1ZmZ5QGR1ZmZ5Y29uc3VsdGluZy5uZXQiDQp9%26hmac%3DjJoDSHi47icBx131sMXVqWRp5_0xrOclCRt5GtQwir4%3D%26emci%3D31af0ba4-1c48-ef11-86c3-6045bdd9e096%26emdi%3D831c2838-3148-ef11-86c3-6045bdd9e096%26ceid%3D41089&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cdd507368d8a140947acf08dcaa557337%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638572531197644642%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=YPU0wSL03T9g3yv9HBicabAl68FQLOMD0%2BUFDIWH1H0%3D&reserved=0)
* [Registration is open](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fmy.cheddarup.com%252Fc%252Fadvancing-conservation-on-working-lands-gathering-for-shared%252Fitems%253Fcart%3D%2526mrId%3D%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190c100b67d-fc344cd2-30e7-47e4-8abd-73b86b292b72-000000%2F8bqCp1Br_Uja-ymHlZszng02TWIVZstattRDFyHIfbE%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cad0339a2f0a840c787eb08dca6698334%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638568219349756724%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=PrBSLp393ITi0XGPXhWQv4j8DjeUr9CBO7GZLk%2FV2y4%3D&reserved=0) for a [two-day workshop](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcarangeland.org%252Fcalglc-2024-ad-consv%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190c100b67d-fc344cd2-30e7-47e4-8abd-73b86b292b72-000000%2FIFloSQKANUKFNlA0scU59e4CuZTG2H5U5w31ZxTtshM%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cad0339a2f0a840c787eb08dca6698334%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638568219349768811%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=egskDvBieVRv40K2UgUW1N%2BEPv%2BUx6n5pHoluaSkcVE%3D&reserved=0) (**Aug 14-15**) that will bring together California conservation leaders and ranchers to discuss the advancement of conservation on working lands.
* **Sept 30-Oct 2**: “Cultivating Connections in a Dynamically Changing Environment” will be the theme of this year’s [Bay-Delta Science Conference](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.baydeltascienceconference.com%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190c100b67d-fc344cd2-30e7-47e4-8abd-73b86b292b72-000000%2FkcOVwHd4B2l341dMmUODImjN6hmcWTPjBeqg0AlSRhY%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cad0339a2f0a840c787eb08dca6698334%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638568219349835345%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=nB0ekhuSm0YzkaZ2sLruMwwh%2FnplJQzPt12RjgR7kZY%3D&reserved=0)
* [In an era of dam removal, California is building more](https://www.route-fifty.com/infrastructure/2024/07/era-dam-removal-california-building-more/398052/?oref=rf-today-nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Route%20Fifty%20Today:%20July%2016%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_rf_today)
* [California Water Service Group Subsidiary Files Plan to Invest $1.6 Billion in its California Water Systems in Upcoming Three Years, Proposes Program to Decouple Revenue from Water Sales](https://markets.businessinsider.com/news/stocks/california-water-service-group-subsidiary-files-plan-to-invest-1-6-billion-in-its-california-water-systems-in-upcoming-three-years-proposes-program-to-decouple-revenue-from-water-sales-1033539409)
* [California adopts statewide water conservation framework](https://www.latimes.com/environment/story/2024-07-03/california-adopts-statewide-water-conservation-framework?emci=c90c523b-c43a-ef11-86d2-6045bdd9e096)
* DWR has released its reviews of [nine alternatives to groundwater sustainability plans](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcontent.govdelivery.com%252Faccounts%252FCNRA%252Fbulletins%252F3a553d6%2F1%2F0101019078e6dd8d-e2e1e6e2-0360-4893-bc8e-ae6bde273a35-000000%2FD_tPdGMR4Rp0BNhS4cixaO-ZdY6nvW3f-hhPZY0qG2A%3D360&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cdb0d3c4a93c54959910108dc9b6f0d37%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638556148476501808%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=udjeC2q0v587BAOOcWiCtTTVtlt7ShIr51bX35FoJkk%3D&reserved=0) (GSPs) that were submitted under the requirements of the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA).

### **New Mexico**

* NM [Joins](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnmpoliticalreport.com%2Fnews%2Fnew-mexico-joins-nation-wide-challenge-to-protect-and-restore-water-resources%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C4e134f1161a0406a14b508dc9a9fb55d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555258323862216%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=znxOzrt0FDl6YUwFYMGZbcFmLVTnM0%2F1w8UiAdruqHU%3D&reserved=0) effort to protect and restore waters

## **Tribal Updates**

* **August 13-15, 2024**: 2024 NAFWS SW Region Conference in Lemoore, CA. Register [here.](https://nafws.org/product/2024-southwest-regional-conference/)
* [BLM seeks input on proposed land transfer to Walker River Paiute](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-input-proposed-land-transfer-walker-river-paiute)
* [Navajo President Buu Nygren issues executive order to enforce laws to ban irresponsible, unsafe transport of radioactive material across Navajo Nation](https://opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/navajo-president-buu-nygren-issues-executive-order-to-enforce-laws-to-ban-irresponsible-unsafe-transport-of-radioactive-material-across-navajo-nation/)
* Tribal Water Right Settlements
  + [Navajo President Buu Nygren testifies before House Natural Resources Committee, joins tribal leaders from Arizona, New Mexico, Montana to pass $12 billion in settlements](https://opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/navajo-president-buu-nygren-testifies-before-house-natural-resources-committee-joins-tribal-leaders-from-arizona-new-mexico-montana-to-pass-12-billion-in-settlements/)
  + [Why are Navajo Nation Water Rights Settlements important?](https://opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/why-are-navajo-nation-water-rights-settlements-important/)
  + [Governor Hobbs Applauds Landmark Tribal Water Rights Settlement Legislation Introduced in Congress](https://azgovernor.gov/office-arizona-governor/news/2024/07/governor-hobbs-applauds-landmark-tribal-water-rights-settlement)
  + [12 New Mexico tribes could benefit from pending water settlements](https://nmpoliticalreport.com/featured/12-tribes-and-pueblos-in-new-mexico-could-benefit-from-pending-water-rights-settlements/)
  + [Tribal Leaders Testify on Bills Improving Water Rights Agreements](https://naturalresources.house.gov/news/documentsingle.aspx?DocumentID=416340)
  + [In long-sought change, states must consider tribal rights when crafting water rules](https://stateline.org/2024/07/25/in-long-sought-change-states-must-consider-tribal-rights-when-crafting-water-rules/?emci=60c065af-b34d-ef11-86c3-6045bdd9e096&emdi=abff9992-d54d-ef11-86c3-6045bdd9e096&ceid=52692)
  + [Yavapai-Apache Nation reaches water settlement after change in state policy](https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/arizona/2024/07/02/yavapai-apache-nation-reaches-water-settlement/74247621007/)
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* [How Indigenous Knowledge Informs Science Today: From Lab to Life](https://www.pewtrusts.org/en/research-and-analysis/articles/2024/07/26/from-lab-to-life-how-indigenous-knowledge-informs-science-today?utm_campaign=2024-07-31+Rundown)
* [Federal funds to empower Nevada tribes as climate challenges mount](https://lasvegassun.com/news/2024/jul/23/federal-funds-to-empower-nevada-tribes-as-climate/)
* [$120 Million for Tribal Climate Resilience](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/biden-harris-administration-invests-120-million-help-tribes-build-climate-resilience)
* [Tribal Climate Resilience Annual Awards Program](https://www.bia.gov/service/tcr-annual-awards-program)
* On the 5th anniversary of the state's apology to California Native American peoples, [Governor Gavin Newsom announced](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.youtube.com%252Fwatch%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2526v%3DGNHEB24_jQw%2F1%2F01010190e132b533-42e3ee64-e829-4c7f-ab35-aa309f500c34-000000%2Fyj2cF3xIo7a6EbKGeGKgTa82J4rgxDOjWVD-2H3W5bI%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce94093cff4d447e515fb08dcab5430f1%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638573625348297763%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bkPyn%2B524y5jKwCzbbdqAfWxfPygqCpmWYEYG4kCpps%3D&reserved=0) the state’s support for [the return](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.usatoday.com%252Fstory%252Fnews%252Fnation%252F2024%252F06%252F22%252Fcalifornia-returns-land-shasta-tribe-klamath-river%252F74169647007%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190e132b533-42e3ee64-e829-4c7f-ab35-aa309f500c34-000000%2FLb4tPynRfkDmlK04vmt5RMipQ8ryM_DYiC2VPX5ceNo%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce94093cff4d447e515fb08dcab5430f1%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638573625348307176%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=L0b3bjxvscUCLt6Hs0ugdEePeZHSXVKUnsIbLDcFnUk%3D&reserved=0) of more than [2,800 acres of ancestral land](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.latimes.com%252Fcalifornia%252Fstory%252F2024-06-19%252Fcalifornia-to-return-2800-acres-to-shasta-indian-nation%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010190e132b533-42e3ee64-e829-4c7f-ab35-aa309f500c34-000000%2F4ZwAYbNY5a5ARRRv8FD0-fknLi72jrhQ61IiNkIzUEg%3D362&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce94093cff4d447e515fb08dcab5430f1%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638573625348317537%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=L9gdI7lD2fEilAizTVJ9%2FZmP7aAYmqNF9oZ%2BYOqbIBk%3D&reserved=0) to the Shasta Indian Nation.
* [The US is about to get its first solar-covered canal](https://www.canarymedia.com/articles/solar/the-us-is-about-to-get-its-first-solar-covered-canal?utm_medium=email)
* In conjunction with Departments of Interior and Energy, the White House Council on Native American Affairs (WHCNAA) will conduct (4) Tribal Leader Consultations on the September 2023 report. Please see the recommendations [here](https://www.doi.gov/sites/doi.gov/files/mriwg-report-final-508.pdf).
* Funding Opportunity: Department of the Interior, [Tribal Domestic Water Supply Projects FY2024: Phase 1](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fatlaspolicy.us21.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3Db7dd5fec7dd3793c0eced07eb%26id%3D0d2be3d1b8%26e%3Dc9b99aaa74&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C9253550d35554dac04e708dcacf6b61b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638575422854724405%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=U8tpZ%2FIVLw61WGd90XC51qzqHyj3Fq1UkESLo7crt7E%3D&reserved=0) Due **August 4, 2024**

## **Regional Updates**

* [Feds tout Colorado River deal despite concern over residents, wildlife near Salton Sea](https://www.desertsun.com/story/news/environment/2024/07/01/colorado-river-deal-effects-on-salton-sea/74274945007/)
* [Colorado River Water Use in Three States Drops to 40-Year Low](https://www.circleofblue.org/2024/world/colorado-river-water-use-in-three-states-drops-to-40-year-low/?ct=t(EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_7_1_2024_10_44))
* [Explore the Habitats along the Lower Colorado River](https://www.audubon.org/news/explore-habitats-along-lower-colorado-river?ms=policy-adv-email-ea-x-engagement_20240625_western_water_news&utm_source=ea&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=engagement_20240625_western_water_news&emci=ad725ce2-3233-ef11-86d2-6045bdd9e096&emdi=7f090ce2-4e33-ef11-86d2-6045bdd9e096&ceid=3623265)
* [Conservation in Support of Arizona Springsnails and Talussnails](https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/2bd3450d87ed47bc9af81fa44ddefff1)
* [Conserving the Endangered Pacific Fisher in the Southern Sierra Nevada](https://consbio.org/projects/southern-sierra-nevada-fisher-conservation-assessment-and-strategy/?utm_source=CBI+Master+List&utm_campaign=029777a90f-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2024_07_30_08_23&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_-029777a90f-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D)
* [Reintroducing a Tiny Endangered Species to Its Former Range](https://mailchi.mp/8065686a27ae/cbi-newsletter-august-2024?e=c5455c0952)
* [NLC releases summary analysis of its most recent survey of landscape conservation and stewardship initiatives](https://landscapeconservation.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/Assessment-Report_FINAL.pdf).
* [NatureServe releases updated mapping of the escalating biodiversity crisis, with the Conservation Data Portal for the Western U.S. representing curated maps of at-risk ecosystems and species.](https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/6303cf0272744f1aaab2679a4a109b55)
* A [study led by UC Riverside researchers](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fagupubs.onlinelibrary.wiley.com%252Fdoi%252F10.1029%252F2023WR035719%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FyQbeNC4Zse_Pw_seJR4GyKh_BWFQAzzyWMJggTiQgRA%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515594231%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=ZYu8uDcUVSXZvt%2BloDLJldIznHA%2FnvXb5QRExRNqYqY%3D&reserved=0) is the first to quantify the Sierra Nevada's groundwater contribution to California's Central Valley.
* [Scientists from The Nature Conservancy and the Desert Research Institute](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.dri.edu%252Fgroundwater-is-key-to-protecting-global-ecosystems%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FTGTs5wLzp1pO6c8fW9ize4ubxDnasC6wFEdJB3cdliY%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515600165%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2mHNZrSjCTyL5VLyPkLKGFpUw7ebbptrlv6Ckx3Bgcs%3D&reserved=0) have generated a [global map of groundwater-dependent ecosystems](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.nature.com%252Farticles%252Fs41586-024-07702-8%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101910919cf4b-12fabece-993c-48f0-b253-d7360b0d7711-000000%2FH9h6622_SsrCQethi6H0q-5Ifh0WUC43GKEhtYrYXyk%3D364&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cca0cf72718434cd8b3a508dcb19cddbb%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638580534515606070%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=SR32HfQJn0yy6NaKW7zS0Zz0KGLoTVvcP02PCIHVW14%3D&reserved=0).
* [Critical minerals mining could leave water supplies in critical condition](https://mailchi.mp/c3412e6f1f6b/tracking-150-iijaira-funded-programs-spanning-a-dozen-water-policy-areas-12712917?e=c9b99aaa74)
* [Invasive, fast-reproducing zebra mussels reach Colorado River](https://coloradosun.com/2024/07/17/invasive-zebra-mussels-colorado-river/)
* ['Devastating': Invasive species larva found in Colorado River, Government Highline Canal](https://kdvr.com/news/local/devastating-invasive-species-larva-found-in-colorado-river-government-highline-canal/amp/)
* [New Study Ranks Cleanest and Dirtiest Lakes In America](https://www.wateronline.com/doc/new-study-ranks-cleanest-and-dirtiest-lakes-in-america-0001?vm_tId=2642990&vm_nId=87884&user=690cae64-da81-4af0-8c40-f46d52a5c3d6&gdpr=0&vm_alias=New%20Study%20Ranks%20Cleanest%20And%20Dirtiest%20Lakes%20In%20America&utm_source=mkt_WOL&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=WOL_07-05-2024&utm_term=690cae64-da81-4af0-8c40-f46d52a5c3d6&utm_content=New%20Study%20Ranks%20Cleanest%20And%20Dirtiest%20Lakes%20In%20America&mkt_tok=MDc1LU5WQy0wODYAAAGUIV4T7NteAucbn_XqSnO0cQ6CjH32n8QcIAEK6BoSJ4SuHrnWwqPOzmc2t4poHS0M1fOhX7LdfDIrFsUW6DN-B3FrUNDDdpK28pVkLDUezYVoaq8)
* [Bass are poised to take over Grand Canyon. Cold water could stop them.](https://www.azcentral.com/story/news/local/arizona-environment/2024/07/03/bass-are-poised-to-take-over-grand-canyon-cold-water-could-stop-them/74296378007/)
* [Water News Weekly: July 2, 2024](https://mailchi.mp/circleofblue/colorado-river-water-use-in-three-states-drops-to-40-year-low?e=05573f10ff)
* [This city in the West made itself drought-proof. Then its dam started leaking](https://www.route-fifty.com/infrastructure/2024/07/albuquerque-made-itself-drought-proof-then-its-dam-started-leaking/397875/?oref=rf-today-nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Route%20Fifty%20Today:%20July%209%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_rf_today)

### **WestFAST**

* [WRRC 2024 Annual Arroyo](https://wrrc.arizona.edu/publication/arroyo-2024-Solutions-AZ-Water-Challenges)
* [WestFAST Newsletter:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwesternstateswater.us2.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D669f45bd21de8ee8fbb3d9180%26id%3Db8d4ab3108%26e%3Dc3cf7dd5f3&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C92430d7a928944431ffc08dcb26e2b1d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638581433445001992%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=3beTzBVzhp8otHOciNBFefndWY5296nl%2FyA4Yf9cGao%3D&reserved=0) Wind, Waves, and Other Weather: How NOAA is Using Uncrewed Systems to Better Understand Extreme Weather Events; EPA Invests $20 Million in Water Workforce Training and Career Development as Part of Investing in America Agenda; Biden-Harris Administration Announces $90 Million in Innovative Projects that Help Conserve Natural Resources and Address Climate Change as Part of Investing in America Agenda; Biden-Harris Administration Finalizes Rule to Increase Resilience Against Flooding Nationwide; and more.

### **WRRC**

* [Reflections: 60 Years of the WRRC and 20 Years as WRRC Director](https://wrrc.arizona.edu/publication/reflections-60-years-wrrc-and-20-years-wrrc-director)
* [WRRC Summer Wave: July 19, 2024](https://myemail-api.constantcontact.com/WRRC-Summer-Wave--Reflections--60-Years-of-the-WRRC-and-20-Years-as-WRRC-Director.html?soid=1109945124084&aid=EzqA3IwYGTw) and [July 3, 2024](https://myemail-api.constantcontact.com/WRRC-Summer-Wave--WRRC-Arroyo-2024-Published.html?soid=1109945124084&aid=SiYgmdox3Vg)

### **WSWC**

* Western State Water Newsletters: [Issue #2615](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/News-2615.pdf) Ι [Issue 2615 Special Report](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/News-2615-Special-Report.pdf) Ι [Issue #2617](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/07/News-2617.pdf)

# **Military Readiness, Homeland Security, Disaster Preparedness and Aviation**

## **Military Readiness**

### **DOD**

* [Deputy Secretary of Defense Kathleen Hicks and DOD Senior Leaders Attend 29th Council of Governors Plenary Meeting](https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/3836330/deputy-secretary-of-defense-kathleen-hicks-and-dod-senior-leaders-attend-29th-c/)
* [DOD event challenges industry to down largest drone swarms to date](https://www.defensenews.com/land/2024/07/25/dod-event-challenges-industry-to-down-largest-drone-swarms-to-date/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb#:~:text=The%20joint%20office%20established%20to,the%20Arizona%20desert%20last%20month.)
* [Pentagon to test whether counter-drone systems can operate effectively under electronic attack](https://defensescoop.com/2024/07/25/pentagon-test-counter-drone-systems-operate-electromagnetic-environment/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Swarm Wars: Pentagon holds toughest drone-defense demo to date](https://breakingdefense.com/2024/07/swarm-wars-pentagon-holds-toughest-drone-defense-demo-to-date/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Feds Propose Adding More Installations to List for Review of Nearby Land Deals](https://defensecommunities.org/2024/07/feds-propose-adding-more-installations-to-list-for-review-of-nearby-land-deals/): The Committee on Foreign Investment in the United States (CFIUS) would review potential land purchases by foreigners near more than 50 additional military sites across 30 states, under a proposed Treasury Department rule published this week, as [AP](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdefensecommunities.us4.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D8156c255f5c0e2d33ce307ef7%26id%3D97613feffe%26e%3D822f95e226&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C53298108a795490b75b508dca1b13f72%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563029867657315%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=IJHMZT3ffzVpL7Pr25hvtR%2FWYP4FRCZn9wtElChmHWQ%3D&reserved=0) and [The Hill](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fdefensecommunities.us4.list-manage.com%2Ftrack%2Fclick%3Fu%3D8156c255f5c0e2d33ce307ef7%26id%3D634b9688a7%26e%3D822f95e226&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C53298108a795490b75b508dca1b13f72%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638563029867663251%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=mUZmsTAq31fKIexkuo2YIp6QJFuD3mIztm0SIAuFpGA%3D&reserved=0) reported. That would bring the number to 227 military sites.
* [US to expand control of land sales to foreigners near military sites](https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-military/2024/07/08/us-to-expand-control-of-land-sales-to-foreigners-near-military-sites/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* Funding Opportunity: [OLDCC Accepting Applications for Noise Mitigation Projects](https://defensecommunities.org/2024/07/oldcc-accepting-applications-for-noise-mitigation-projects/). Applications due **Oct. 22nd**.

### **REPI**

* 2024 Designation Cycle Sentinel Landscapes Spotlight: [Watch the recording of the webinar here.](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fbah16f18.adobeconnect.com%2Fpuogg5ta462m%2F&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C8ffe75f680bf4997f7ca08dcb276c632%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638581470465745520%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=g58H0Hf8Qr9nCV%2FHRgb65g2ltrE2x0pUqScGMtFMc7M%3D&reserved=0)

### **USAF**

* [USAF puts 6th-gen fighter on hold](https://www.defenseone.com/business/2024/07/air-forces-6th-gen-fighter-program-paused/398433/?oref=defense_one_breaking_nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Defense%20One%20Breaking%20News:%20July%2030%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_d1_alert)
* [Watch: Air Force pushes new aerial battle management platform forward](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qdZiPmUI6nA)
* [Air Force picks five firms to build autonomy package for drone wingmen](https://www.defensenews.com/air/2024/07/29/air-force-picks-five-firms-to-build-autonomy-package-for-drone-wingmen/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Small Drones Force New Thinking on Air Superiority, Slife Says](https://www.airandspaceforces.com/small-drones-force-new-thinking-on-air-superiority-slife/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Air Traffic Control For Drones? Air Force Tests Out New System](https://www.airandspaceforces.com/air-force-drone-air-traffic-control/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [NGAD redesign: Air Force secretary cracks door for unmanned next-gen fighter](https://breakingdefense.com/2024/07/ngad-redesign-air-force-secretary-cracks-door-for-unmanned-option-exclusive/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Secretary of Air Force Stands Up New Integrated Capabilities Office](https://www.airandspaceforces.com/department-of-the-air-force-integrated-capabilities-office/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
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* [Sixth-gen jet selection likely in ‘24, Air Combat Command chief says](https://www.defensenews.com/air/2024/07/11/sixth-gen-jet-selection-likely-in-24-air-combat-command-chief-says/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [New Mexico wants feds to pay for PFAS cleanup at Holloman Air Force Base](https://www.currentargus.com/2024/07/new-mexico-wants-feds-to-pay-for-pfas-cleanup-at-holloman-air-force-base/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb#/)
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### **Army**

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* [Is this unit the future of Army combat formations?](https://www.armytimes.com/news/your-army/2024/07/30/is-this-unit-the-future-of-army-combat-formations/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [89 FR 60656 - Notice of Application for Extension of Withdrawal and Public Meeting; Notice of Legal Description...](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.govinfo.gov%2Fapp%2Fdetails%2FFR-2024-07-26%2F2024-16507&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C5a7646f7dda24e9ab52408dcae599163%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638576946920763737%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=teMTmUy3XuCMMy29DPfPPJaQC9iWxBqb%2B0k%2F2J%2F%2FfXE%3D&reserved=0) *Federal Register.*
* [Army taking wide-open approach to high-altitude platforms: SMDC chief](https://breakingdefense.com/2024/07/army-taking-wide-open-approach-to-high-altitude-platforms-smdc-chief/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Army moves to expand 'space control' planning, 'interdiction' capabilities](https://breakingdefense.com/2024/07/army-moves-to-expand-space-control-planning-interdiction-capabilities/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Army rehearses deploying Bradleys anywhere at a moment’s notice](https://www.militarytimes.com/news/your-army/2024/07/15/army-rehearses-deploying-bradleys-anywhere-at-a-moments-notice/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)

### **Navy**

* [Boeing develops undersea drone for Navy](https://www.militaryaerospace.com/uncrewed/article/55128318/boeing-large-displacement-unmanned-sensors?utm_term=FCB96B53-6024-4B2D-8B83-4FFB37C4DDE0&lrh=acc29f3c176ce66d97d74ade2fdba05b9e3c1d9e6214b0774d1c5a4f05579b94&utm_campaign=A80DF615-7E38-48E7-9993-743FEC2E10FC&utm_medium=email&utm_content=27B7B473-886D-4D08-B931-E1496671FFA0&utm_source=SmartBrief)
* [Navy is on track to rearm warships at sea in 2-3 years](https://www.stripes.com/branches/navy/2024-07-26/navy-rearm-ships-missiles-china-houthis-14606297.html?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)

### **USMC**

* [Drone killing Marines: Corps seeks ‘buckshot-like’ counter-drone gear](https://www.marinecorpstimes.com/news/your-marine-corps/2024/07/25/drone-killing-marines-corps-seeks-buckshot-like-counter-drone-gear/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Every squad will get anti-drone gear, Marine Corps says](https://www.defenseone.com/policy/2024/07/every-marine-squad-will-get-anti-drone-gear/398275/?oref=defense_one_breaking_nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Defense%20One%20Breaking%20News:%20July%2023%2C%202024:%20%22EXCLUSIVE:%20Every...%22&utm_term=newsletter_d1_alert)
* [Marines release new AI strategy](https://defensescoop.com/2024/07/11/marine-corps-new-ai-strategy-goals/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)

### **Space Force**

* [Space Force's Calvelli aims to 'integrate' space acquisition organizations](https://breakingdefense.com/2024/07/exclusive-space-forces-calvelli-aims-to-integrate-space-acquisition-organizations/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Space Force looks to shift more units into ‘integrated’ structure over next year](https://defensescoop.com/2024/07/08/space-force-looks-to-shift-more-units-into-integrated-structure-over-next-year/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)
* [Why Deorbiting SpaceX Satellites Is a ‘Tremendous Opportunity’ for the Space Force](https://www.airandspaceforces.com/spacex-space-force-deorbiting-opportunity/?utm_source=sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=mil-ebb)

## **Homeland Security / Disaster Preparedness**

### **FEMA**

* [FEMA Releases Updated Guide to Help Communities with Resilience Grants Process](https://www.fema.gov/grants/mitigation/hazard-mitigation-assistance-guidance)
* [updates to a free, easy-to-use geographic information systems (GIS) tool](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDcsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vZmVtYS5tYXBzLmFyY2dpcy5jb20vYXBwcy93ZWJhcHB2aWV3ZXIvaW5kZXguaHRtbD9pZD05MGMwYzk5NmE1ZTI0MmE3OTM0NWNkYmM1Zjc1OGZjNiIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MjMuOTgwMTYyOTEifQ._o9CE0uNp9vYIzPtQZk6VBNFBR_Xq1bvPCfd0BwlaYE%2Fs%2F10033766%2Fbr%2F246223426213-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cfff31bdff94046e2a07f08dcab64c72b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638573696643838805%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=og9Ad7gqxMmblpEhW947x91Hl9whCk035sIEH%2B2iQL0%3D&reserved=0) that helps emergency managers and community partners visualize, prioritize and implement strategies to build resilience
* [Tribal Mitigation Planning Policy Update: Summary of Feedback Report](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMTcsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LmZlbWEuZ292L3NpdGVzL2RlZmF1bHQvZmlsZXMvZG9jdW1lbnRzL2ZlbWFfdG1wLXN1bW1hcnktb2YtZmVlZGJhY2sucGRmIiwiYnVsbGV0aW5faWQiOiIyMDI0MDcyMy45ODAxNjI5MSJ9.IO6aByAMXecF2k_I4c-tnaDxi1r4RxgS-O740vpyW9Q%2Fs%2F10033766%2Fbr%2F246223426213-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cfff31bdff94046e2a07f08dcab64c72b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638573696643914812%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=49OMrh9E2wmsk75mhK2sggu5wLuQtk582QdQ8PVHjok%3D&reserved=0). The policy update will affect Tribal Nations across the country. It is expected to be released in 2025.
* **Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide Update - Tribal Consultation August 7 & 8, 2024.**The agency is soliciting feedback on proposed updates to Version 5 of the Public Assistance Program and Policy Guide (PAPPG). The 60-day comment period ends **August 19, 2024**. NATHPO will be submitting comment, which we will post [here](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F84f6413a19744692a8a04e32601815b0&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C7995d7ba0e294cd4952e08dcaa882b5f%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638572749036351195%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bqacTj2kbuj893dg2pKY7ATRXKEiu8nkVrw%2BQB3InnE%3D&reserved=0) when it is finalized.
* [FEMA Resilience Year in Review](https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_resilience_year-review_2023.pdf) Report
* [Administration Finalizes Rule to Increase Resilience Against Flooding Nationwide](https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20240710/biden-harris-administration-finalizes-rule-increase-resilience-against#:~:text=WASHINGTON%20%2D%2D%20The%20Department%20of,flooding%20and%20help%20protect%20communities).
* [FEMA will now consider climate change when it rebuilds after floods](https://www.route-fifty.com/infrastructure/2024/07/fema-will-now-consider-climate-change-when-it-rebuilds-after-floods/397929/?oref=rf-today-nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Route%20Fifty%20Today:%20July%2011%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_rf_today)
* [FEMA’s final rule implementing the Federal Flood Risk Management Standard will reduce risk of flood impacts, protect people and infrastructure](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.dhs.gov%2Fnews%2F2024%2F07%2F10%2Fbiden-harris-administration-finalizes-rule-increase-resilience-against-flooding%23%3A~%3Atext%3DThis%2520rule%2520allows%2520FEMA%2520to%2Cor%2520repairs%2520to%2520substantial%2520damage&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cbe5079f367824284818c08dca0f4bb6b%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638562220174778825%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=dcsjR2WMjgjFBiZ1WZGYUXr0sGNwychpyOldMYI3Teo%3D&reserved=0)
* [New Hazard Mitigation Webinar Series: From Policy to Action](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL720Kw_OojlIsO5R2Hsav6fm8pPOa4-xZ)
* [$5.4 million for the Fiscal Year 2024 Competitive Training Grants (CTG Competitive) to focus on “Rural and Tribal Preparedness for Equitable Outcomes”.](https://www.fema.gov/grants/continuing-training)
* [656 Project Selections totaling $1 Billion to Make Communities More Resilient to Climate Change and Natural Hazards](https://www.fema.gov/press-release/20240702/president-biden-announces-1-billion-project-selections-make-communities-more) for the Fiscal Year 2023 [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9.eyJidWxsZXRpbl9saW5rX2lkIjoxMDEsInVyaSI6ImJwMjpjbGljayIsInVybCI6Imh0dHBzOi8vd3d3LmZlbWEuZ292L2dyYW50cy9taXRpZ2F0aW9uL2J1aWxkaW5nLXJlc2lsaWVudC1pbmZyYXN0cnVjdHVyZS1jb21tdW5pdGllcyIsImJ1bGxldGluX2lkIjoiMjAyNDA3MDIuOTcwODMxMTEifQ.bIDU6ZLY4RwmFsMJgM55oP-HbwZWBLPPPRW_Eisx0mg%2Fs%2F10033766%2Fbr%2F245154609340-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C8be2b7932d7e4690b32508dc9ae41acd%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555551738253206%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=LEVM9wZ31s%2FI5HS0vt%2B%2BpgcBArweakaYTXpSr4EaL%2Bc%3D&reserved=0) (BRIC) grant cycle.
  + $587 million is benefitting [Justice40 communities](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9..yOK8AVpzeCU2dFW1y5dylrsrWptbc-TVN29OEAuUqGw%2Fs%2F10033766%2Fbr%2F245154609340-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C8be2b7932d7e4690b32508dc9ae41acd%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555551738315366%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=bRSkWrwId5fq%2F%2FWSNPWM1JorK5qZUi6%2BI3cPGJCtsq0%3D&reserved=0) that are overburdened by pollution and marginalized by underinvestment.
  + $127 million will benefit [Community Disaster Resilience Zones](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flnks.gd%2Fl%2FeyJhbGciOiJIUzI1NiJ9..p6yFeiqTP1PreTYBOkMyD9CYro-Nu25VbKF9YY9R1b8%2Fs%2F10033766%2Fbr%2F245154609340-l&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C8be2b7932d7e4690b32508dc9ae41acd%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555551738323013%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=fOsu8OEskmZttEsoqac2OmQSkHRhl38oHmjnC%2FEMTWM%3D&reserved=0).
* FY 2023 [Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.fema.gov%2Fgrants%2Fmitigation%2Fbuilding-resilient-infrastructure-communities&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cffad07d7d84d4f4a6d3808dc9a9d86a9%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555249247632436%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=i5IHEJXESYXmulhWEwCzC7DcG391hwP%2Bsz3gDjSNpCE%3D&reserved=0) Sub Application Status [Announcement](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=http%3A%2F%2Fwww.fema.gov%2FBRIC2023&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cffad07d7d84d4f4a6d3808dc9a9d86a9%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638555249247646713%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=%2BF%2F62DDVFAf9%2F5WLe6pHgn%2Fe4BjhXnefOHFVW2yGnaY%3D&reserved=0).
* Funding Opportunity: [DHS NOFO: Fiscal Year 2024 Homeland Security National Training Program, Continuing Training Grants](https://www.fema.gov/sites/default/files/documents/fema_hsntp-fy2024-ctg-nofo.pdf): FEMA Announces $5.4M Available in Competitive Training Grants for Rural and Tribal Preparedness [Homeland Security National Training Program, Continuing Training Grants.](https://www.fema.gov/grants/continuing-training) Due **August 16, 2024**.

### **Cyber**

* [Future of Cybersecurity](https://www.defenseone.com/assets/future-cybersecurity-2024/portal/?oref=defenseone_today_nl&utm_source=Sailthru&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=Defense%20One%20Today:%20July%2019%2C%202024&utm_term=newsletter_d1_today)

### **Wildfire**

* [Administration Advances Early Wildfire Detection by Expanding Use of Satellites](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/biden-harris-administration-advances-early-wildfire-detection-expanding-use)
* [NOAA tests next-generation wildfire detection and warning tools](https://research.noaa.gov/2024/07/22/noaa-tests-next-generation-wildfire-detection-and-warning-tools/)
* [Climate change is narrowing and shifting prescribed fire windows in western United States](https://www.nature.com/articles/s43247-023-00993-1)
* [Forest carbon storage has declined across much of the Western U.S., likely due to drought and fire](https://phys.org/news/2024-07-forest-carbon-storage-declined-western.html)
* [To Protect Giant Sequoias, They Lit a Fire](https://www.nytimes.com/2024/07/09/science/redwoods-wildfires-indigenous-tribes-california.html)
* [Wildfires are getting more extreme. And so is the need for more firefighters](https://www.npr.org/2024/07/04/1198912809/wildfires-are-getting-more-extreme-and-so-is-the-need-for-more-firefighters)
* [Western US RxFire report](https://sites.warnercnr.colostate.edu/courtneyschultz/wp-content/uploads/sites/23/2024/07/Western-US-RxFire-report_Final.pdf)
* [Invasive Species: from infestation to inspiration](https://forestproud.org/2024/02/29/from-invasion-to-inspiration/)
* 7th Annual National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy Workshop, **September 16-19, 2024,** in Atlantic City, New Jersey. Register[here](https://cohesivestrategyworkshop.org/registration/?utm_source=Western+Cohesive+Strategy+News&utm_campaign=5195abdf5e-Cohesive_Wildland_Fire_Strategy_Western_1_5_2018_C&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_46a4d00425-5195abdf5e-208612505).
* [The Devil Is in the Details: Understanding community acceptance of fuels treatments](https://research.fs.usda.gov/rmrs/products/sycu/devil-details-understanding-community-acceptance-fuels-treatments)
* [Blending Indigenous knowledge and western science in forest management](https://podcasters.spotify.com/pod/show/afrc-forestry/episodes/Episode-34-Blending-Indigenous-knowledge-and-western-science-in-forest-management-e2ld2ao/a-abd3hv1)
* As the 2024 fires season approaches, the Southwest Fire Science Consortium with support from the Arizona Wildfire Initiative, is happy to announce the [release of a science synthesis](https://www.swfireconsortium.org/2024/05/22/desert-fire-invasion/) on the state of wildfire, invasive species, and vegetation transformation in the Sonoran Desert.
* [What is your home’s wildfire risk?](https://www.route-fifty.com/digital-government/2024/07/what-your-homes-wildfire-risk/397813/?oref=rf-today-nl)

**CALIFORNIA**

* [Lake Fire in Santa Barbara County is largest in CA this year](https://www.sanluisobispo.com/news/local/article289969354.html)
* [A wildfire in California has spread to more than 164,000 acres Friday – becoming the largest blaze to sweep the state this year](https://www.latimes.com/california/story/2024-07-26/california-largest-fire-doubles?utm_source=Daily%20on%20Energy%20072624_07/26/2024&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=WEX_Daily%20on%20Energy&rid=24307622&env=acc29f3c176ce66d97d74ade2fdba05b9e3c1d9e6214b0774d1c5a4f05579b94)
* [Wildfires pose increasing risk to California oil wells](https://www.latimes.com/environment/story/2024-07-21/wildfires-pose-increasing-risk-to-california-oil-wells?utm_medium=email)
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