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Monthly Update

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Description automatically generated**WRP sends out monthly updates on agency efforts relevant to the WRP Mission. This includes publicly available information from WRP Partners and agency news releases, etc. to assist in creating greater awareness of current WRP Partner actions. If you have any updates you would like to share, please email that information to [amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org](mailto:amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org).

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# **WRP Updates**

## **WRP Tribal Engagement Committee (TEC)**

You are cordially invited to participate in the **WRP TEC**call on **Friday, September 29th.** This call will begin at 10:00 am Pacific. Please click [here](https://wrpinfo.org/rsvp/?meetingId=89197) to RSVP. The featured presentations are:

* *How the Department of Energy Office of Indian Energy supports Tribes on their energy journey,* David F. Conrad, Acting Director/Deputy Director, Office of Indian Energy Policy and Programs
* *Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma’s Emerging Aviation Program: Overview and History* by James L Grimsley / Executive Director - Advanced Technology Initiatives, Choctaw Nation of Oklahoma

The **August 29th WRP TEC call** featured presentations on:

* *Stepping Through Time: An Emerging Paleo Indian Landscape* by Anya Kitterman, Archaeologist/Architectural Historian, Hill AFB
* *Overview of the USGS National Geologic Map Database* by Dr. Dave Soller, Senior Program Scientist, National Geologic Map Database

The meeting recording is available [here](https://youtu.be/D6jbifmcvA4). We were not able to record Dr. Soller’s presentation – and - unfortunately there were technical difficulties during the call which resulted in two gaps in the recording.

## **WRP Deep-Dives**

There are three Deep-Dives in support of the current WRP Priority of “*Enhancing Resilience to Avoid Cascading Disaster*”:

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

WRP Deep-Teams (comprised of state, federal and tribal entities) regularly meet to receive updates by SMEs and discuss WRP action items. For more details contact [amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org](mailto:amyduffy@westernregionalpartnership.org)

[**2024 Report: Enhancing Resilience to Avoid Cascading Disaster** (July 2024)](https://wrpinfo.org/media/1971/2024-wrp-report_final.docx) This report includes the outcomes and findings by the three WRP Deep-Dives.

# **Energy**

## **Federal Updates**

* [Permitting Council Adds Three New Critical Mineral Mining Projects to FAST-41 Transparency Status](https://www.permitting.gov/newsroom/press-releases/permitting-council-adds-three-new-critical-mineral-mining-projects-fast-41)
* [Report to Congress on U.S. Nuclear Weapons Tests](https://news.usni.org/2025/08/21/report-to-congress-on-u-s-nuclear-weapons-tests?utm_source=sailthru)

### **FERC**

* [President Trump Names David Rosner Chairman of FERC](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/president-trump-names-david-rosner-chairman-ferc)
* [Chairman Mark C. Christie Submits Resignation & Final Letter on Major FERC Actions](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/chairman-mark-c-christie-submits-resignation-final-letter-major-ferc-actions)
* [FERC Staff Issues Webinar on Natural Gas-Electric Interdependency & Fact Sheet on Capacity Release](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/ferc-staff-issues-webinar-natural-gas-electric-interdependency-fact-sheet-capacity)
* [July/August 2025 Highlights | FERC insight | Volume 8](https://www.ferc.gov/media/julyaugust-2025-highlights-ferc-insight-volume-8)
* Chairman Christie's Letter Re: Review of Federal Energy Regulatory Commission Agency Actions
  + [August 7, 2025, through August 22, 2025](https://ferc.gov/news-events/news/chairman-rosners-letter-re-review-federal-energy-regulatory-commission-agency)

### **DOE**

* [Energy Department Announces Actions to Secure American Critical Minerals and Materials Supply Chain](https://www.energy.gov/articles/energy-department-announces-actions-secure-american-critical-minerals-and-materials-supply?utm_medium=email)

**EIA**

* [EIA expects record U.S. natural gas consumption in 2025](https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=65984)
* [EIA expects the price of crude oil to fall to below $60 per barrel by the end of the year and average near $50 per barrel through 2026](https://www.eia.gov/pressroom/releases/press573.php)
* [U.S. developers report half of new electric generating capacity will come from solar](https://www.eia.gov/todayinenergy/detail.php?id=65964)
* [Total Energy Monthly Data](https://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/monthly/)
* [Short-Term Energy Outlook - U.S. Energy Information Administration (EIA)](https://www.eia.gov/outlooks/steo/?utm_medium=PressOps)
* [Natural Gas Monthly](https://www.eia.gov/naturalgas/monthly/)
* [Monthly Crude Oil and Natural Gas Production](https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/production/)
* [Petroleum Supply Monthly](https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/supply/monthly/)
* [U.S. Movements of Crude Oil by Rail](https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/transportation/)
* [Monthly Energy Review](https://www.eia.gov/totalenergy/data/monthly/)
* [Electric Power Monthly](https://www.eia.gov/electricity/monthly/)
* [Liquids Pipeline Projects](https://www.eia.gov/petroleum/data.php#movements)

### **DOI**

* [SO 3438: Managing Federal Energy Resources and Protecting the Environment](https://www.doi.gov/document-library/secretary-order/so-3438-managing-federal-energy-resources-and-protecting)
* [Secretary Burgum Announces Order to Rein In Environmentally Damaging Wind and Solar Projects](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-burgum-announces-order-rein-environmentally-damaging-wind-and-solar)
* [DOI Advances First Expedited Coal Lease Under One Big Beautiful Bill Act](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/department-interior-advances-first-expedited-coal-lease-under-one-big-beautiful-bill)
* [Interior Department Sets Offshore Energy Leasing Schedule Under One Big Beautiful Bill Act](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-sets-offshore-energy-leasing-schedule-under-one-big-beautiful)
* [Interior Launches Overhaul of Offshore Wind Rules to Prioritize American Energy Security](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-launches-overhaul-offshore-wind-rules-prioritize-american-energy-security)
* [Interior Department Updates Commingling Policy to Strengthen Energy Production and Safety](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-updates-commingling-policy-strengthen-energy-production-and)

### **DOI-BLM**

* [BLM seeks input for January 2026 sale of oil and gas leases in New Mexico and Oklahoma](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-input-january-2026-sale-oil-and-gas-leases-new-mexico-and-oklahoma)
* [BLM announces November 2025 sale of oil and gas leases in New Mexico and Oklahoma](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-announces-november-2025-sale-oil-and-gas-leases-new-mexico-and-oklahoma)
* [BLM seeks initial input for March 2026 sale of oil and gas leases in Nevada](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-initial-input-march-2026-sale-oil-and-gas-leases-nevada)
* [Interior advances first expedited coal lease under One Big Beautiful Bill Act](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/interior-advances-first-expedited-coal-lease-under-one-big-beautiful-bill-act)
* [BLM geothermal lease sales in California net over $2.7 million](https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-geothermal-lease-sales-california-net-over-27-million?utm_medium=email)
* [Update to the Reasonably Foreseeable Development Scenario (RFD) for Oil and Gas Activities in the Farmington Field Office, Northwestern New Mexico](https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2025-07/rfd-oil-and-gas-blm-nm-ffo-071725.pdf)
  + [Oil and Gas Forecast for New Mexico's San Juan Basin: Going, Going ...](https://capitalandmain.com/oil-and-gas-forecast-for-new-mexicos-san-juan-basin-going-going)
* [Revision to Regulations Regarding Approval of Operations; Valid Period of Approved Application for Permit To Drill](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14642/revision-to-regulations-regarding-approval-of-operations-valid-period-of-approved-application-for)
* [Revisions to Regulations Regarding Intermittent Energy](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14627/revisions-to-the-regulations-regarding-intermittent-energy)
* [Revision to Regulations Regarding Onshore Oil and Gas Leasing; General](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14626/revision-to-regulations-regarding-onshore-oil-and-gas-leasing-general)
* [Revision to Regulations Regarding Oil and Gas Leasing; Stipulations and Information Notices](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14625/revision-to-regulations-regarding-oil-and-gas-leasing-stipulations-and-information-notices)
* [Revision to Regulations Regarding Coal Management Provisions and Limitations; Fees, Rentals, and Royalties](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14623/revision-to-regulations-regarding-coal-management-provisions-and-limitations-fees-rentals-and)
* [Revision to Regulations Regarding Competitive Leases; Expression of Interest Process](https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2025/08/01/2025-14621/revision-to-regulations-regarding-competitive-leases-expression-of-interest-process)

### **DOI - USDA**

* [Secretary Rollins Prioritizes American Energy on National Forest Lands](https://www.usda.gov/about-usda/news/press-releases/2025/08/21/secretary-rollins-prioritizes-american-energy-national-forest-lands)

### **DOI - USGS**

* [USGS releases assessment of undiscovered oil and gas resources in the Phosphoria Total Petroleum System of SW Wyoming and NW Colorado](https://www.usgs.gov/news/national-news-release/usgs-releases-assessment-undiscovered-oil-and-gas-resources-phosphoria)

## **State Updates**

* [States fast-track wind, solar permits and contracts to beat Trump’s deadline](https://stateline.org/2025/08/27/states-fast-track-wind-solar-permits-and-contracts-to-beat-trumps-deadline/?emci=d9245c4c-3783-f011-b484-6045bdeb7413)
* AZ: **September 5**, 10AM AZ | The Arizona Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (AZOGCC) is holding a virtual public hearing and meeting. [Join via Zoom](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89194635122?pwd=11rcbPSCsRDoWEXXEtKldAqgbCuwgk.1#success). View [agenda](https://azogcc.az.gov/node/134).
* AZ: [APS joins gas pipeline expansion, walks back clean energy promises](https://azcapitoltimes.com/news/2025/08/07/aps-joins-gas-pipeline-expansion-walks-back-clean-energy-promises/?utm_campaign=az_morning)
* CA: [CEC to Hold First Public Meeting on Soda Mountain Solar Project in San Bernardino County](https://www.energy.ca.gov/news/2025-08/cec-hold-first-public-meeting-soda-mountain-solar-project-san-bernardino-county)
* CA: [Governor Newsom continues to work with Legislature to pass critical power grid proposal: ‘Our best shot at affordability this year’](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/08/27/governor-newsom-pathways/)
* CA: [**September 10, 2025**: Energy Commission Business Meeting](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.ca.gov%252Fevent%252Fmeeting%252F2025-09%252Fenergy-commission-business-meeting%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198f7ee9155-f17dac4e-5f0e-45cd-9b52-5bffca592056-000000%2Fljs-k2L8ZJbge9WXIp0XBT2V13VsDhnHj1hz6xun-Io%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2478ce9d453645b309b408dde76ee40f%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638921185656166730%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=jbUqfIvIUxW5V%2BQqAWQ0i7A0QqOGQ57UBDjWRIDe09s%3D&reserved=0). [Download Agenda](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fefiling.energy.ca.gov%252FGetDocument.aspx%253FDocumentContentId%3D102675%2526tn%3D265820%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198f7ee9155-f17dac4e-5f0e-45cd-9b52-5bffca592056-000000%2F19jYo9Mef4zYgJEX9cNCf7QkonjlR1JOaQnhScAkBBQ%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2478ce9d453645b309b408dde76ee40f%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638921185656176925%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=qyakZUusGmJZUrowqEqI4tBbaDjzMKbX5%2FK6ZEGms1o%3D&reserved=0)
* CA: Public Comments are now available for the [IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Energy Demand Forecast Inputs and Assumptions](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.ca.gov%252Fevent%252Fworkshop%252F2025-08%252Fiepr-commissioner-workshop-energy-demand-forecast-inputs-and-assumptions%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198e2036f71-00c900a1-5745-4379-8da7-5e3ac02ee236-000000%2F--Aym-XinVev-HfSR5B-DT0zK-1z3ElAUw_RpxjFG1w%3D419&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C105c18f40e41455060a608dde4073896%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638917441860274231%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=MHEnr0m6AbJso6BETTBcZTNT2ZGUl87wcVMFcNzEi3I%3D&reserved=0).
* CA: Recording: [IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Energy Demand Forecast Inputs and Assumptions](https://www.energy.ca.gov/event/workshop/2025-08/iepr-commissioner-workshop-energy-demand-forecast-inputs-and-assumptions?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery)
* CA: Recording: [IEPR Commissioner Workshop on Accelerating Interconnection and Energization](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.energy.ca.gov%252Fevent%252Fworkshop%252F2025-08%252Fiepr-commissioner-workshop-accelerating-interconnection-and-energization%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F010101989ef7ddbe-4e4961bb-1571-4c7b-9877-1120a00e0b21-000000%2F0Ele6lmcdRgsQWFURMvdzOiomN0lMTyBsoYM5vJV8Dg%3D417&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C948415efb1374a9677fb08ddd9ed0ee6%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638906334370054831%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=mAqqijBQr1V8QJ%2FVQGcTEZ3p%2BkKENy0d%2FHJrL%2Fr%2FL4Q%3D&reserved=0)
* CA: [California Supreme Court hands victory to rooftop solar panel owners](https://calmatters.org/economy/2025/08/california-supreme-court-rules-on-net-metering-cuts/?emci=20a95cdd-4974-f011-8dc9-6045bda9d96b)
* CA: [Why California might plug into a fossil fuel energy market](https://calmatters.org/politics/2025/08/western-regional-power-market/?emci=18973ec8-8173-f011-8dc9-6045bda9d96b&emdi=542281b4-9473-f011-8dc9-6045bda9d96b&ceid=41089)
* CO: The [Microgrids for Community Resilience](https://dlg.colorado.gov/microgrids?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) grant program published the [2025 IDEA Report.](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1DuKm2FgOBkD-cjEJOBQVSzpmxVAy4ug2/view?pli=1)
* CO: [Denver to study nuclear power for airport and potential data centers](https://denverite.com/2025/08/06/denver-airport-nuclear-power/)
* NV: [Nevada Solar Projects Frozen: Governor’s Concerns for Burgum](https://www.newsylist.com/nevada-solar-projects-frozen-governors-concerns-for-burgum/)
* WGA: The first workshop of Utah Governor Spencer Cox's WGA Chair initiative, [Energy Superabundance: Unlocking Prosperity in the West](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fgmsuxxbab.cc.rs6.net%2Ftn.jsp%3Ff%3D001CJ98SU7xxmK1RJ4CGeafacRMBtvaQ9_9Rkqn1hyseU1P8yzUw0yYlGzPno_kbhcfidjk1Y9BMJzRfkpUJAz0AmgoqOOk_tF4qDcsfzGfmHzsuGNhVS6KEQJul9K4MMz5R54Y_XUlUC-vcFq48-J_z58dhhFV3__F8zItzrSFNGWjE7vegoq9-ZGJiS2r_m1S%26c%3D6ckDy-medPx-eOcGIGOBPmiJoDPasUWW9ZSbA00LuxkH3xEJWwwMaA%3D%3D%26ch%3D3Tvfu0l02-AhlEu6A0kjcmV7kC6mCVfsooaxgDRnjliZ9V5K8wxfog%3D%3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C998f05e6c1ac423abbce08dde777e19c%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638921224273090638%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C80000%7C%7C%7C&sdata=E0IeLTIU7y9laQwBgDk0LSjS%2F9z7KuwaJ%2BTeK8zfuhg%3D&reserved=0), will take place on **September 22 and 23** at the Idaho National Laboratory in Idaho Falls, Idaho.
* WGA: [Idaho National Laboratory to host the first workshop of Governor Cox's WGA Chair initiative](https://westgov.org/news/article-dev/idaho-national-laboratory-to-host-the-first-workshop-of-governor-coxs-wga-chair-initiative)

## **Tribal Updates**

* [Tribal Energy Finance:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.gao.gov%252Fproducts%252Fgao-25-107441%253Futm_campaign%3Dusgao_email%2526utm_content%3Dtopic_energy%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F2%2F010101990abc1b7d-9d6592a9-a8f9-472e-a0e3-547315e96375-000000%2FJAAlUGMKQJBh64QFclHkVzt9v2UZQt4mZ2pkEmrGu3s%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce6bf11d50cd841381efa08ddea298d40%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638924186406236356%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=2NrzMBZsUprTBcizQGE2PusAqz3fQZh8cm16%2F4N9DJU%3D&reserved=0) [Changes to DOE Loan Program Would Reduce Barriers for Tribes](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.gao.gov%252Fproducts%252Fgao-25-107441%253Futm_campaign%3Dusgao_email%2526utm_content%3Dtopic_energy%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F3%2F010101990abc1b7d-9d6592a9-a8f9-472e-a0e3-547315e96375-000000%2Fxs8riKl4XVptjMjbD7ayqCxxlPD0u0Ishbhq-9nBmp0%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Ce6bf11d50cd841381efa08ddea298d40%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638924186406249877%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=gbdJisM3NLlciaEG50Bb3L92FGg204ConefD%2BuomosI%3D&reserved=0) GAO-25-107441, August 11
* [NMSU to lead hydropower project, collaborate with Navajo Nation](https://newsroom.nmsu.edu/news/nmsu-to-lead-hydropower-project--collaborate-with-navajo-nation/s/58c3d195-a13b-412c-ba21-2a217eeeefb7)
* [NMSU to lead $14.2 million pumped storage project with Navajo Nation](https://www.waterpowermagazine.com/news/nmsu-to-lead-14-2-million-pumped-storage-project-with-navajo-nation/)
* [NRS brings live 190-MW solar and storage project in New Mexico](https://renewablesnow.com/news/nrs-brings-live-190-mw-solar-and-storage-project-in-new-mexico-1280256/)

## **Regional Updates**

* [PacifiCorp urges FERC to dismiss challenges to adding $1.7B in wildfire costs to transmission rates](https://www.utilitydive.com/news/pacificorp-ferc-bpa-wildfire-liability-transmission-rates/758475/)
* [Energy Transfer to Build $5.3 Billion Texas-to-Arizona Natural Gas Pipeline](https://energynow.com/2025/08/energy-transfer-to-build-5-3-billion-texas-to-arizona-natural-gas-pipeline/)
* **October 2**, 2:00PM ET [Cataloging Wildlife Risk Minimization Technologies with the REWI Technology Catalog](https://rewi.org/webinars/cataloging-wildlife-risk-minimization-technologies-with-the-rewi-technology-catalog/)
* **September 4th** 12 PM ET [REWRF in Focus: Recent Publications from the Renewable Energy Wildlife Research Fund (REWRF)](https://rewi.org/webinars/rewrf-webinar-2025-publications/)
* [Offshore wind leasing is officially dead under Trump](https://www.canarymedia.com/articles/offshore-wind/trump-interior-revokes-leasing-areas)

# **Natural Resources**

## **Federal Updates**

* [Newly Released: 2024 Sentinel Landscapes Accomplishments Report](https://sentinellandscapes.org/media/ctzghaoo/2024-sentinel-landscapes-accomplishments-report.pdf)
* [Permitting Council Adds Four New Critical Mineral Mining Projects to FAST-41 Transparency Status](https://www.permitting.gov/newsroom/press-releases/permitting-council-adds-four-new-critical-mineral-mining-projects-fast-41)
* [Water Infrastructure Resilience:](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.gao.gov%252Fproducts%252Fgao-25-107013%253Futm_campaign%3Dusgao_email%2526utm_content%3Ddaybook%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F2%2F01010198996ac333-5ff5ef01-cc69-4227-91d1-9f9fc151f88b-000000%2F30Zf7uqTGljEMJK89177ZvUL-xVlxqWNIQ_9tyJyYSY%3D417&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cb2613f7a5c264c38274808ddd8df5f3a%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638905176088863914%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iKKnkYCKdAUtC27XD%2FvvCZFUwFUTtOoMUGmia%2BbuYt0%3D&reserved=0) [Agencies Could Better Assess Efforts to Assist Communities Vulnerable to Natural Disasters](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.gao.gov%252Fproducts%252Fgao-25-107013%253Futm_campaign%3Dusgao_email%2526utm_content%3Ddaybook%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F3%2F01010198996ac333-5ff5ef01-cc69-4227-91d1-9f9fc151f88b-000000%2FsWGvToT0K16mLfgNvApwWDcXnk1XlQToGKMyo2rvGpk%3D417&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cb2613f7a5c264c38274808ddd8df5f3a%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638905176088879779%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=rjXQduFwmr%2FlYehoOtSIqB47jpLtiXT4szVi8aaqIiQ%3D&reserved=0) GAO-25-107013, August 11

### **EPA**

* [EPA withdraws proposed wastewater treatment regulations](https://www.meatpoultry.com/articles/32405-epa-withdraws-proposed-wastewater-treatment-regulations)
* [EPA plans to dramatically reduce wetland protection](https://www.eenews.net/articles/epa-plans-to-dramatically-reduce-wetland-protection/)
* [EPA and US IBWC Announce Major Milestone in Delivering 100% Solution to the Tijuana River Sewage Crisis](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-and-us-ibwc-announce-major-milestone-delivering-100-solution-tijuana-river-sewage)
* [Trump EPA races to meet Biden’s timelines on sewage crisis](https://inewsource.org/2025/08/04/trump-epa-reaffirms-biden-goals-sewage-crisis/)
* [EPA Announces Availability of $9 Million to Protect Drinking Water from Natural Hazards and Cybersecurity Threat](https://www.epa.gov/newsreleases/epa-announces-availability-9-million-protect-drinking-water-natural-hazards-and)
* [90 FR 42432 - Notice of Adoption of Categorical Exclusions Under Section 109 of the National Environmental Policy Act](https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/FR-2025-09-02/2025-16759)
* [90 FR 41895 - Air Plan Approval; California; Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District; Internal Combustion Engines](https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/FR-2025-08-28/2025-16466)

### **NOAA**

* NOAA’s Climate Prediction Center released its latest [monthly drought outlook](https://www.cpc.ncep.noaa.gov/) for September 2025
* Recording: [Intermountain West August Drought and Climate Outlook Webinar](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SeXRXWfuvb8)

### **DOI**

* [$102.9 Million for Wetland Conservation Projects](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/interior-department-announces-1029-million-wetland-conservation-projects)
* [DOI releases draft 2025 List of Critical Minerals](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/department-interior-releases-draft-2025-list-critical-minerals)
* [Secretary Burgum Urges Action on Resolution Copper Project After Ninth Circuit Stay](https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-burgum-urges-action-resolution-copper-project-after-ninth-circuit-stay)

### **DOI-BLM**

* [BLM transfers more than 600 acres over to Utah state parks](https://utahnewsdispatch.com/briefs/blm-transfers-600-acres-to-utah-state-parks/?emci=49050fcd-817e-f011-b484-6045bdeb7413)

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

* [Reclamation announces Yakima basin August water supply forecast](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5209)
* [Reclamation announces 2026 operating conditions for Lake Powell and Lake Mead](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5211)
* [Reclamation Releases 24-Month Study on 2026 Reservoir Conditions](https://wrrc.arizona.edu/news/reclamation-releases-24-month-study-2026-reservoir-conditions)
* [Reclamation lowers Lake Mohave water level to aid with annual razorback sucker harvest](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5217)
* [Water releases briefly resume from Elephant Butte Dam](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5219)
* [Releases from Davis Dam temporarily reduced](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5222)

* [‘Cool Mix’ flows resume at Glen Canyon Dam](https://www.usbr.gov/newsroom/news-release/5205)
* [USBR invests almost $200 million in water reuse in the Colorado River Basin](https://smartwatermagazine.com/news/bureau-reclamation/usbr-invests-almost-200-million-water-reuse-colorado-river-basin)

### **DOI-USFWS**

* [Northern California–Southern Oregon Fisher Not Warranted for Federal Protection](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2025-08/northern-california-southern-oregon-fisher-not-warranted-federal-protection)
* [Public Comment Open on Endangered Chupadera Springsnail's Draft Recovery Plan](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2025-08/public-comment-open-endangered-chupadera-springsnails-draft-recovery-plan)
* [Interior Expands Hunting and Fishing Access at Refuges and Hatcheries](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2025-08/interior-expands-hunting-and-fishing-access-refuges-and-hatcheries)
* [Draft Recovery Plan for Endangered Sonoyta Mud Turtle Available](https://www.fws.gov/press-release/2025-08/draft-recovery-plan-endangered-sonoyta-mud-turtle-available)

### **NOAA**

* Webinar: Everything You Need to Know About the Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow Network Program on **September 9, 2025** from 1-2 PM ET. Register [here](https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/3796810912159081566).
* Recording: [Digging into the Significance of Soil Moisture at the 2025 National Soil Moisture Workshop](https://www.drought.gov/events/2025-national-soil-moisture-workshop-2025-06-03)

### **USDA**

* [Secretary Rollins Opens Next Step in the Roadless Rule Rescission](https://www.usda.gov/about-usda/news/press-releases/2025/08/27/secretary-rollins-opens-next-step-roadless-rule-rescission)

### **USDA-NRCS**

* [Follow the Chief: NRCS Helps Producers Maximize Water Efficiency in Arizona’s Arid Environment](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/our-agency/news/follow-the-chief-nrcs-helps-producers-maximize-water-efficiency-in-arizonas-arid)
* Water & Climate Update: [August 28](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2025-08/NWCC%20Water%20and%20Climate%20Update%202025-08-28.pdf) | [August 21](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2025-08/NWCC%20Water%20and%20Climate%20Update%202025-08-21.pdf) | [August 14](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2025-08/NWCC%20Water%20and%20Climate%20Update%202025-08-14.pdf) | [August 7](https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/sites/default/files/2025-08/NWCC%20Water%20and%20Climate%20Update%202025-08-07.pdf)

### **USDA-USFS**

* [USDA Forest Service invests $106M to keep working forests working](https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/newsroom/releases/usda-forest-service-invests-106m-keep-working-forests-working)
* [USDA Opens Next Step in the Roadless Rule Rescission](https://www.fs.usda.gov/about-agency/newsroom/releases/usda-opens-next-step-roadless-rule-rescission)
* [90 FR 42179 - Special Areas; Roadless Area Conservation; National Forest System Lands](https://www.govinfo.gov/app/details/FR-2025-08-29/2025-16581)

## **State Updates**

* [States Face Challenges in Gauging Water Infrastructure Needs](https://www.pew.org/en/research-and-analysis/articles/2025/08/22/states-face-challenges-in-gauging-water-infrastructure-needs?utm_campaign=2025-08-27+Rundown)
* Western States Water Newsletter: [August 29](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/News-2676.pdf) | [August 22](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/News-2675.pdf) | [August 15](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/News-2674.pdf) | [August 15 - Special Report](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/Special-Report-2674.pdf) | [August 8](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/News-2673.pdf) | [August 1](https://westernstateswater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/08/News-2672.pdf)

### **Arizona**

* [Desalination and New Water Sources: Arizona’s Strategy to Address Water Scarcity](https://www.waterworld.com/water-reuse/news/55312547/desalination-and-new-water-sources-arizonas-strategy-to-address-water-scarcity)
* [Arizona mayors unite to fight in Colorado River negotiations](https://www.kjzz.org/politics/2025-08-21/arizona-mayors-unite-to-fight-in-colorado-river-negotiations)
* [Data center proposed south of Eloy](https://www.kvoa.com/news/local/data-center-proposed-south-of-eloy/article_ef75d52b-7604-4d6c-95db-821da77f98bd.html)
* [As a Critical Minerals Mine Nears Approval in Arizona, Residents Fear It’s Already Affecting Area Water](https://insideclimatenews.org/news/07082025/arizona-south32-hermosa-mine-water/?utm_source=InsideClimate+News)
* [Copper Mines Close in on Western Apache Sacred Site, and the Forest Protected to Mitigate The Damage](https://insideclimatenews.org/news/05082025/western-apache-sacred-site-copper-mines/?utm_source=InsideClimate+News)
* [Arizona’s Declining Groundwater](https://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/images/154567/arizonas-declining-groundwater)
* Project Blue:
  + [Tucson City Council rejects Project Blue data center amid intense community pressure](https://azluminaria.org/2025/08/06/tucson-city-council-rejects-project-blue-amid-intense-community-pressure/)
  + [Project Blue data center advances despite Tucson Mayor and Council rejection](https://news.azpm.org/p/azpmnews/2025/8/29/226242-project-blue-data-center-advances-despite-tucson-mayor-and-council-rejection/)
  + [After Project Blue outcry, Tucson adopts rules for large water users](https://azluminaria.org/2025/08/20/after-project-blue-outcry-tucson-adopts-rules-for-large-water-users/)
  + [Anti-Project Blue rally attendees worry about water, resource usage](https://www.kgun9.com/news/community-inspired-journalism/midtown-news/cant-drink-data-anti-project-blue-rally-attendees-worry-about-water-resource-usage)

### **California**

* [Newsom Administration launches Delta Conveyance Project accountability plan, includes $200 million in funding and support for Delta communities](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/08/06/newsom-administration-launches-delta-conveyance-project-accountability-plan-includes-200-million-in-funding-and-support-for-delta-communities/)
  + [Newsom releases accountability plan for Delta Tunnel project](https://fox40.com/news/california-connection/newsom-releases-accountability-plan-for-delta-tunnel-project/)
  + [DWR Director: Delta Conveyance Project key to modernizing California's State Water Project](https://www.actionnewsnow.com/news/dwr-director-delta-conveyance-project-key-to-modernizing-californias-state-water-project/article_0cf1d087-54e9-471a-882c-a4f7e9f57ea7.html)
  + [Governor Newsom’s Delta Conveyance Project is single most effective action for California’s sustainable water future, study finds](https://www.gov.ca.gov/2025/08/19/governor-newsoms-delta-conveyance-project-is-single-most-effective-action-for-californias-sustainable-water-future-study-finds/)
* [Conservation groups boost shorebird population in Sacramento Valley](https://fox40.com/news/restoring-habitats-sacramento-valleys-help-for-migratory-birds/)
* [Go deep to make desal work along California's coast](https://santamariatimes.com/news/local/go-deep-to-make-desal-work-along-californias-coast/article_d36f4601-ba82-485a-867e-cf46224edc65.html)
* [Emergency declared in Napa as contaminated water dumped into California's Napa County](https://www.insurancebusinessmag.com/us/news/catastrophe/emergency-declared-in-napa-as-contaminated-water-dumped-into-californias-napa-county-547613.aspx)
* On Tuesday, **Sept. 9,** the [California Water Data Consortium](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcawaterdata.org%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FMdOC6S5lZm2K9SbvYs796eT3KzK7lKhbHTmi6CvQ2To%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842854144%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=qHGtdw7tMA63ZLUHWMMhAGTWoVulSfS3RLs68msVPJw%3D&reserved=0) will host a half-day event to showcase the [Groundwater Accounting Platform](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.groundwateraccounting.org%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FvEvjX65r9Zs4-YSR1v_lL-Xr8Z7qF2JNqoNUveJRP68%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842867133%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=m%2FYoUr41WoTr6%2BOl6LOkjJme0aLvlpgR4KSs%2Bf%2FhI7w%3D&reserved=0) (Platform). Learn more on the [Platform’s webpage](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%252FCL0%252Fhttps%3A%25252F%25252Fwww.groundwateraccounting.org%25252F%25253Futm_medium%3Demail%252526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%252F1%252F010101987633b1e7-0c0d6391-b7a1-4d09-8fb4-a197550b6b92-000000%252FjGxyAuinLDEdVnNozontgXjurAi4kAw8FHHCLnfYlqE%3D416%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FNm4fbA-_WPYEIMaUjZv4LsLbTnd81sEcp7aLBF9LFe4%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842883557%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=OddhiAZtA%2FhxfiRBFWziNAdP441ySF2oryK%2FWeOibJU%3D&reserved=0) and through this [video walk-through](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.youtube.com%252Fwatch%253Ft%3D15s%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2526v%3DWwwf_R28EPk%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FVco2G2KeOIv1mePvia7vMnyKVUQl1-FbFJdIgDILR78%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842896287%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=Qzwg9Aeol0luYfUpctWGX0xkKeu1%2Bm5AkUvkPqZxXCA%3D&reserved=0). [Registration](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.eventbrite.com%252Fe%252Fgroundwater-accounting-platform-showcase-tickets-1559633789649%253Faff%3Doddtdtcreator%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2Fo7qmQBJLGtihXF-YTMpkil3XxuqdQAfkX9DS6a3dNe4%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842907779%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=5bPgecD3zNISG0rkBqFqFKEh%2B0aGdbJcgEF5Uvz2slM%3D&reserved=0) is required.
* The California State Water Resources Control Board’s [Supply and Demand Assessment (SDA) Unit](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fwww.waterboards.ca.gov%252Fwaterrights%252Fwater_issues%252Fprograms%252Fsupply-and-demand%252Findex.html%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FcYAaocIU91_eAAStNLUlXQJ2srx4fTSC8XgCZlC1x8o%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842920205%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=W4pObetC5eKjiLyPRVAaRpBMSs4KzTxE4fluTysi4WU%3D&reserved=0) has published new interactive surface water demand visualization dashboards for [Butte Creek](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252FMavensNotebook.us7.list-manage.com%252Ftrack%252Fclick%253Fe%3Dbec08e7967%2526id%3D0f3f797426%2526u%3D88af2b23c65f1c863838dd9a5%2526utm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FAaxnoLE3QkqzzdYTGNuHEtOwcfqzwO5JG1mnEmGDGpg%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100842932457%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=VvE29rbTRmXKGmyRpTw6cMHW%2BVtAhaOLYrC%2FiZOTD7w%3D&reserved=0), [Gualala 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* Funding Opportunities:
  + [Forest Restoration & Wildfire Risk Mitigation (FRWRM) Grants](https://csfs.colostate.edu/grants/forest-restoration-wildfire-risk-mitigation/?utm_medium=email&utm_source=govdelivery) Open. This program provides State support through competitive grant funds that encourage community-level actions across the state to reduce risk of wildfire in the wildland-urban interface, promote forest health and restoration projects, or encourage use of woody material for traditional forest products and biomass energy. [Applications are due](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-1.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcsfs.colostate.edu%252Fgrants%252Fforest-restoration-wildfire-risk-mitigation%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01000198ced37ebb-70b6bd84-4340-41ac-8104-be36477b8cb1-000000%2FWHJElbGqd0v4ID5Qm9ty-Jch8gy9lMgYiKXo4HGFK-U%3D419&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C3868ed8dbc0e49702e5108dde24ea449%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638915549604472998%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=xyLEJn0hC%2BgaSnQSeAR2TY6RQ67QW4%2FwkzWKXJfdYs4%3D&reserved=0) by **October 9, 2025**.
  + The Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCB)’s [Water Plan Grant Program](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-1.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcwcb.colorado.gov%252Ffunding%252Fcolorado-water-plan-grants%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01000197a3bd5f99-c034ec65-ac73-4184-97a7-b3bb06bb25c4-000000%2FdZlI5QUA9HA0fLWYtVg6OPURTfPMqaFMqu-CZqEbKdg%3D411&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C153f6a9dba7d4523117e08ddb3699145%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638863988182009083%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=nE3nDlLQzOBU0b%2BSNA%2FYJXoYZl5AUGQt%2FHPNj6Rplp4%3D&reserved=0) has $36.77 million in available funding for the upcoming fiscal year. Applications must support one of the five funding categories in the [Colorado Water Plan](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-1.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Fcwcb.colorado.gov%252Fcolorado-water-plan%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01000197a3bd5f99-c034ec65-ac73-4184-97a7-b3bb06bb25c4-000000%2Filww4Khjgvx64QPg7JKDOAusgwZ-wHmb9aylBz2KcbI%3D411&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C153f6a9dba7d4523117e08ddb3699145%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638863988182028180%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=lBbJDHcLQtmEr%2Bwzys5z9vL73WXJ5ygb8dGL%2FLq7A2Y%3D&reserved=0). Deadlines are **July 1, 2025,** and **Dec. 1, 2025**.

### **Nevada**

* [Lake Mead projection worries Nevada’s representatives in Congress](https://www.reviewjournal.com/news/politics-and-government/nevada/its-crunch-time-to-save-lake-mead-as-negotiations-stall-nevada-leader-says-3431200/?utm_campaign=widget)
* [Nevada warns of tough choices as Colorado River deadline approaches](https://lasvegassun.com/news/2025/aug/29/nevada-warns-of-tough-choices-as-colorado-river-de/)
* [What are rivers really worth? University of Nevada, Reno and partners lead a global rethink of freshwater value](https://www.unr.edu/nevada-today/news/2025/freshwater-workshops)
* [Las Vegas valley's water use more efficient; SNWA's goal is a 10% improvement](https://www.8newsnow.com/news/local-news/las-vegas-valleys-water-use-more-efficient-snwas-goal-is-a-10-improvement/)

### **New Mexico**

* [Water rights transfer denied for reopening of a copper mine](https://www.koat.com/article/water-rights-transfer-denied-for-reopening-of-a-copper-mine/65891664)
* [Invasive plant fuels fire risk and drought concerns along the Rio Grande](https://www.yahoo.com/news/articles/invasive-plant-fuels-fire-risk-002554176.html?guccounter=1)
* [NM to release $40 million for projects to treat brackish water](https://sourcenm.com/briefs/nm-to-release-40-million-for-projects-to-treat-brackish-water/?emci=49050fcd-817e-f011-b484-6045bdeb7413)
* [Key Stretch of New Mexico’s Pecos River Protected](https://www.conservationfund.org/our-impact/news-insights/key-stretch-of-new-mexicos-pecos-river-protected/?utm_source=aug-2025-conservation-insider)
* **October 14 -15, 2025**: [2025 Water Data Initiative Workshop Event](https://whova.com/web/w14g-bK2-X7W4uczp%40McMQzPtVAOFbTEgl22hz5DoGc%3D/). View [draft agenda](https://whova.com/web/Kt169oaQbU7FoEzEfKcHg8ULI2Sz6axTfu9y5eXT7uk%3D/Agenda/).
* **November 18-19, 2025**: [New Mexico Energy Initiatives 2025 Symposium and Stakeholder Forum](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fv8di6qabb.cc.rs6.net%2Ftn.jsp%3Ff%3D001W5u9TPr8J1B0tHHGr8TTMQc_wce17HBbAIqfnBb8t7tHu_sYZm6VKVu0V3xNEYvhYdmRkSrboRfoC6l9v3dBcPEI0XYG2UzAibyrlOTglEgE4WHAu2z1T_20UR9_XTpwN4msyQa6HNzhmoZ3D-U5qW0MsRsXQDttDLon4OuhHTcvf_M5fo2dk6SNryyoEX3qP-jmyK9rAYU5O81BD7UgDQ%3D%3D%26c%3D5uK5jej6xMilBNzz95_v973EtLT8UaQ_szjDvkQDYcPrWlF8pHiXuA%3D%3D%26ch%3DEEUEPXohtcP9j8JfHY8NnwCX8CFyCId37EXfAVH_t51euQ-TuLRgNQ%3D%3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C5cef5f6fe2db41f30f9808ddcdf78c7a%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638893185308127202%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=xZsTWnZYT86FV1OEHgJHwc4vWVi%2FsIQ0Ybbi8x3vY6c%3D&reserved=0) at NM Tech Socorro, NM. Registration is free.

### **Utah**

* [Drought continues to plague Utah, officials stress conservation](https://www.deseret.com/utah/2025/08/22/water-drought-utah-summer-reservoirs/)
* [Early winter outlooks leave Great Salt Lake advocates on edge](https://www.ksl.com/article/51361511/early-winter-outlooks-leave-great-salt-lake-advocates-on-edge)
* [Utah drought, fire danger worsens with dry spell](https://kslnewsradio.com/environment-outdoors/utah-drought/drought-utah/2235311/)
* [Utah officials optimistic Colorado River deal can be reached](https://www.moabtimes.com/articles/utah-officials-optimistic-colorado-river-deal-can-be-reached/)

## **Tribal Updates**

* [$21 Million Water Infrastructure in Church Rock and Iyanbito](https://opvp.navajo-nsn.gov/250829-church-rock-beneath-sandstone/)
* National Ecological Drought & Tribal Webinar Series. The next two webinars will be [Wednesday, **September 17**](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fpj5u9ghab.cc.rs6.net%2Ftn.jsp%3Ff%3D001K9pmrflVsls1ozmDhQSzXYQtghgFPby2PkOuF4D_AOnaqhUhRYNUkxvPO1L3s0nyvH_bsYkCJkU-8mEYDJZ61YgroCAgkh381rdAeOo07bMeGTPHBDUTaFwGFePAsRPryr7zpQur3od6-OHsWM8-VTtPjP8kW1xbT5LeSAb3EuXZmR7GcYmx9DhiIyeka95z5Vn3Ijc6steHYTiG_-YMaqSdEBYpob_yeiSHZJ9OYQgJxYRqly0AbIipC24oAAvUm9uklRm-gMIoT1iQDW4I5w%3D%3D%26c%3DadYIHR6jDbxZL9kuzKRwNA3AB0udvPJ7ijx7c-Zy1kGOTufrr3G05w%3D%3D%26ch%3D7WJSaGPvwgtYIZmVZd0Ji66KJ-dTEvmS1NKQJdrtI_UxXKYPTW3EDg%3D%3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C146437263da5492e56b408dde664ec4e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920043342784867%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=qBHcR5hSVgS3RzXSA1iCWuTzOUfZ1WMonuGVl%2B0biWo%3D&reserved=0) at 1 p.m. ET/10 a.m. PT and [Thursday, **October 16, 2025**](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fpj5u9ghab.cc.rs6.net%2Ftn.jsp%3Ff%3D001K9pmrflVsls1ozmDhQSzXYQtghgFPby2PkOuF4D_AOnaqhUhRYNUkxvPO1L3s0nyzoQKQNkEWdXc30_c1xaQ4d98CGDNzhFUl-CQcq0hwoq0_I8PZeYsYqPEflJxo1wyUr5lBO7rSzuLAPSVhWIhbFyZyzGtT6CAb-gS3lRk8jTVUvnjsWG2V9xZ_YlU4FCI5BLN9a8-s5gZ4PP6PkGhctTgal4BGvutBSNdJOustSIReRKDQ_TQsAsPu0P7Y2Uz63974cXy0pXCMl6Y3txZz3FDR1BdgEpm%26c%3DadYIHR6jDbxZL9kuzKRwNA3AB0udvPJ7ijx7c-Zy1kGOTufrr3G05w%3D%3D%26ch%3D7WJSaGPvwgtYIZmVZd0Ji66KJ-dTEvmS1NKQJdrtI_UxXKYPTW3EDg%3D%3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C146437263da5492e56b408dde664ec4e%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920043342799198%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=JiXrpud8wDTXmhZBMR%2Fax791cPzKXibSAy9JFhlvjac%3D&reserved=0), 2 p.m. ET/11 a.m. PT.
* [First tribally led forest resilience bond launches](https://plumassun.org/2025/08/26/first-tribally-led-forest-resilience-bond-launches/)
* [Native American tribes push for seat at Colorado water negotiations](https://denvergazette.com/news/native-american-tribes-push-for-seat-at-colorado-water-negotiations/article_13731e6b-30b3-4e0a-8748-b0b5fe4e05f5.html)
* [The Colorado River is this tribe’s ‘lifeblood,’ now they want to give it the same legal rights as a person](https://www.kunc.org/news/2025-08-20/the-colorado-river-is-this-tribes-lifeblood-now-they-want-to-give-it-the-same-legal-rights-as-a-person)
* [San Gabriel Band of Mission Indian tribe wins land back for the first time](https://www.latimes.com/environment/story/2025-08-19/l-a-tribe-wins-first-land-back-for-the-first-time)
* [Top Interior officials reassure tribes Trump administration supports their water rights](https://www.kjzz.org/tribal-natural-resources/2025-08-08/top-interior-officials-reassure-tribes-trump-administration-supports-their-water-rights)
* [Navajo Nation Washington Office Report on Federal Activities - Executive Orders](https://files.constantcontact.com/b4452133801/7bbb480a-b997-408b-b3d7-836a2b3a3011.pdf?rdr=true)
* [Navajo Nation pushes for water rights as Colorado River shrinks](https://www.stgeorgeutah.com/news/navajo-nation-pushes-for-water-rights-as-colorado-river-shrinks/article_57df43a6-98b3-4f37-b49d-8d45183b74a1.html)
* [Yurok Tribe, Farmers Ditch Company, and California Trout Break Ground on Scott River Restoration Project](https://caltrout.org/news/yurok-tribe-farmers-ditch-company-and-california-trout-break-ground-on-scott-river-restoration-project)
* [Yurok Tribe gains federal authority to set water quality standards on its reservation](https://tribalbusinessnews.com/sections/energy/15241-yurok-tribe-gains-federal-authority-to-set-water-quality-standards-on-its-reservation)
* Funding Opportunity: Emergency Drought Relief for Tribes: Department of the Interior: The DOI [Native American Affairs Technical Assistance Program](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu7061146.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3Du001.gqh-2BaxUzlo7XKIuSly0rCxaP2hwLhlJkPF7zfbn1zfoMZyLv48rpCMi4ceul11BgUgznMXrnBuxvatHtt4-2B22w-3D-3Da61G_c02mAhx8WbnPGUJx4peIL74cMzmTBzFolYKt1gm4cSI-2B0C60C1wjZ0goUuPw3qiV3rFw4XGGuON0e-2BthHbqxdUYxJ5v-2Bdf1xAZKm0121KxO0LcXmuCDkEsrq92xb5PRwEthEpHLteClzqS9k0UAvR4Nm6-2BAvnbydLHs8I4XkOm7Rs2S6EJ4J-2F0xMPttczJWUa-2BS9EfHZeXXz7srdmGATvvWA78elJ-2FgPkkmTGx1r5nrK2aIHcvDDckmookbNLGSofkA9doFBCZ2vz2ZkIgta2WZA2pn-2BMoEp35JAPUKHp-2FEpE66Tgu47XFNOdr5PtirGtYG8hfjnB0LqsUSwqikIGQ-3D-3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2a24e46142584d11457908ddcebdc5a5%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638894036647094385%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=vBO9DucOJN%2F7Ps46EF0qB0eYIrD8Si5FSQZJVwB7rtU%3D&reserved=0) implements the Emergency Drought Relief for Tribes Program. Restrictions apply, the funding opportunity is for federally recognized Indian Tribes in the 17 western states. Activities funded through this program must provide near-term drought relief actions that mitigate drought impacts for Tribes who are impacted by the operation of a Bureau of Reclamation water project. [Apply](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fu7061146.ct.sendgrid.net%2Fls%2Fclick%3Fupn%3Du001.gqh-2BaxUzlo7XKIuSly0rCzi0O47eSW-2FSeMs-2BhND35j-2BNJzWf3HmsQNZ7ocf3BjBFTmxcfKdi-2FAzSuHfuwffLLA-3D-3Dvq71_c02mAhx8WbnPGUJx4peIL74cMzmTBzFolYKt1gm4cSI-2B0C60C1wjZ0goUuPw3qiV3rFw4XGGuON0e-2BthHbqxdUYxJ5v-2Bdf1xAZKm0121KxO0LcXmuCDkEsrq92xb5PRwEthEpHLteClzqS9k0UAvR4Nm6-2BAvnbydLHs8I4XkOm7Rs2S6EJ4J-2F0xMPttczJWUa-2BS9EfHZeXXz7srdmGATvtn1l3kAR8sVP86Bz-2B7VRZEfmB-2FHk779dG3GTHgv5r-2Fp9JIEGedSW3z68-2BWvoErs8ZCIi5oGZMx2knC3s6eEgjRrTjGRpYFro6LWSnKUb6VnS2NqLGlCNBECVw2sLzYZ3A-3D-3D&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C2a24e46142584d11457908ddcebdc5a5%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638894036647113099%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=t4Fu4ORqKHj7ZVWXqdIpD47nT5pcRoh0C5IMcs%2F4SGI%3D&reserved=0) by **October 14, 2025**.

## **Regional Updates**

* [New Mexico, Texas, and Colorado reach agreement on Rio Grande Compact](https://www.krqe.com/news/new-mexico/new-mexico-texas-and-colorado-reach-agreement-on-rio-grande-compact/)
* [Rio Grande feud nears resolution with new settlement proposals](https://apnews.com/article/texas-new-mexico-rio-grande-water-drought-53de7bc5749475164d7df933bf537d2e)
* [$400M water investment fund announced for US-Mexico border](https://www.borderreport.com/news/environment/400m-water-investment-fund-announced-for-us-mexico-border/)
* The UC Davis [Tahoe Environmental Research Center](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Ftahoe.ucdavis.edu%252F%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2Fav6Zg453nMKkE-RsMshfuSFEjudy12kEBWKc_F5txH8%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100843048860%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=iWl1PDd6MinT5Uzxz%2FDIKRu9%2FybP8164hu8kOL7NsRY%3D&reserved=0) (TERC) recently released its [*Tahoe: State of the Lake Report*](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Flinks-2.govdelivery.com%2FCL0%2Fhttps%3A%252F%252Ftahoe.ucdavis.edu%252Fstateofthelake%253Futm_medium%3Demail%2526utm_source%3Dgovdelivery%2F1%2F01010198ec0fa3f6-558eb306-4ee9-428d-853d-c5f377f9c803-000000%2FD6eOk_DWbv9CNb_2Ck7vNx-huwm3jD59CM7jvo6-hew%3D420&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7Cec5ca1660d6a4926261008dde5897b08%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C1%7C638919100843062885%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=5S%2FL4jkjZY2bvAMU1qUdCz7kgKgkydQVNLmiQycZfMM%3D&reserved=0), an annual update on the ecological health of Lake Tahoe.
* [Lake Mead, Lake Powell water level update as warning issued](https://www.msn.com/en-us/news/us/lake-mead-lake-powell-water-level-update-as-warning-issued/ar-AA1KTbsR)
* [Big Tech’s next major political battle may already be brewing in your backyard](https://www.politico.com/news/2025/08/10/big-techs-next-major-political-battle-may-already-be-brewing-in-your-backyard-00500937?campaign_id=4&emc=edit_dk_20250811&instance_id=160311&nl=dealbook&regi_id=51546889&segment_id=203669&user_id=565ce779cb861c574771016e3fc1f46d)
* [Deep-Sea Desalination Pulls Fresh Water from the Depths](https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/deep-sea-desalination-pulls-drinking-water-from-the-depths/)
* [News release: Joint state effort shields Lake Tahoe from a record amount of polluted runoff](https://www.waterboards.ca.gov/press_room/press_releases/2025/pr20250806-tahoe-tmdl.pdf)
* Colorado River:
  + [Here's how 'dire' predictions from the federal government could impact Colorado River negotiations](https://www.kunc.org/news/2025-08-30/heres-how-dire-predictions-from-the-federal-government-could-impact-colorado-river-negotiations)
  + [Colorado River consensus is 'tenuous' 2 months before federal deadline](https://www.denverpost.com/2025/08/30/colorado-river-negotiations-deadline-arizona-negotiator/)
  + [Ciscomani relaunches bipartisan caucus focused on Colorado River water scarcity](https://riponadvance.com/stories/ciscomani-relaunches-bipartisan-caucus-focused-on-colorado-river-water-scarcity/)
  + [As November deadline nears, Colorado River states 'nowhere close to an agreement'](https://nevadacurrent.com/2025/08/29/as-november-deadline-looms-colorado-river-states-nowhere-close-to-an-agreement/)
  + [To save precious Colorado River water, groups want government to weigh 'beneficial use'](https://apnews.com/article/colorado-river-beneficial-use-water-drought-32de21e3e87a84aeb638088e708e380d)
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**TRIBAL**

* National Association of Tribal Historic Preservation Officers (NATHPO) recent Comments:
  + *Comment On Plan for Army Warfighting Readiness And Associated Buildings, Structures, And Landscapes:* The US Army is currently considering a [new plan to address readiness with respect to building, structures, and landscapes under its control](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F9dd99a8030f346fbb55741e546a000c9&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C7741f668854240c8009008dde705c19d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920734143603017%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=UAaiskYq3C%2BtCHZCh5S6Zcx2QlzvnoR3UxGPwkhdcNc%3D&reserved=0). NATHPO comments [on our website](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F20bfacdb463b487b8ea4b15c9ae6e435&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C7741f668854240c8009008dde705c19d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920734143622372%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=yaTlGMkV0LwSdisMBvdLsU%2BUKFMIyf1i%2FkatTxNTXfk%3D&reserved=0).
  + *Coalition Letter On Tribal Consultation to DOI:* On August 1, 2025, NATHPO and other members of the Coalition for Tribal Sovereignty [submitted a letter](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F5ed10ca5b40c4d1abb74a78a8c181042&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C7741f668854240c8009008dde705c19d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920734143631807%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=KAJqRF7WcZebPWFs%2FVC1rhXy%2FwcQHxgNwT6YY86lJhM%3D&reserved=0) to DOI Secretary Doug Burgum. Letter is [here](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F5ed10ca5b40c4d1abb74a78a8c181042&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C7741f668854240c8009008dde705c19d%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638920734143643480%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=FWc1Wak8PsRwaizMhUpCAOqnwA0uqnoDVpo6rdKPYNo%3D&reserved=0).
* [President Nygren meets USDA Deputy Secretary Vaden to advance food sovereignty, tribal consultations, and research partnerships](https://files.constantcontact.com/b4452133801/262bf7bf-b4bb-4298-bdb5-0b667368017d.pdf?rdr=true)
* **September 8-12, 2025:** [NATHPO's 25th Annual Conference](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F2e14614682eb4937a3a711accd7e305d&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C530212b60d1f4e43295b08dd9964ef6c%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638835380997966498%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=cGMC2UJifi3LJgUAX7Q6El9yjISxDU8HX%2Fd65xRDRTs%3D&reserved=0), Register [here](https://nam10.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fnationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com%2Fap%2Fr%2F2e14614682eb4937a3a711accd7e305d&data=05%7C02%7Cmichelle.bell%40ag.tamu.edu%7C530212b60d1f4e43295b08dd9964ef6c%7C9fd7580a64724d9ca142d131d3a7a116%7C0%7C0%7C638835380997976037%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJFbXB0eU1hcGkiOnRydWUsIlYiOiIwLjAuMDAwMCIsIlAiOiJXaW4zMiIsIkFOIjoiTWFpbCIsIldUIjoyfQ%3D%3D%7C0%7C%7C%7C&sdata=O%2B1RTYlTZgl%2BEhP0yPMYrCVvxudyRbdGBih7IAOd3DM%3D&reserved=0). For virtual attendance option on **September 9-10**, register [here](https://nationalassociationoftribalhistoricpreservationofficersnathpo.growthzoneapp.com/ap/Events/Register/EqFlZXAugC6C9).

**INFRASTRUCTURE**

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* [Secretary Sean P. Duffy Announces $175 Million to Build and Improve Ferry Boat Service](https://highways.dot.gov/newsroom/us-transportation-secretary-sean-p-duffy-announces-175-million-build-and-improve-ferry)
* [Secretary Duffy Unveils Revised NEVI Guidance to Allow States to Actually Build EV Chargers](https://www.transportation.gov/briefing-room/president-trumps-transportation-secretary-sean-p-duffy-unveils-revised-nevi-guidance?utm_source=Daily%20on%20Energy%20081325_08/13/2025)
* [Permitting Council Adds Three New Critical Mineral Mining Projects to FAST-41 Transparency Status](https://www.permitting.gov/newsroom/press-releases/permitting-council-adds-three-new-critical-mineral-mining-projects-fast-41)
* [New EV Charging Opportunities in Federal, California Programs](https://www.govtech.com/transportation/new-ev-charging-opportunities-in-federal-california-programs)
* AZ: [ADOT seeks input on plan for nine new EV charging corridors](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/AZDOT/bulletins/3ef7898). Proposed 2025 update would add 21 new or upgraded stations
* CA: [California Opens $55 Million Incentive Program to Expand Public Electric Vehicle Fast Charging](https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/CNRA/bulletins/3ec92a6)
* CO: [Colorado Energy Office Awards $5 Million in Grants to Further Expand Colorado’s Nation-Leading EV Charging Network](https://www.colorado.gov/governor/news/colorado-energy-office-awards-5-million-grants-further-expand-colorados-nation-leading-ev)