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The Department of Energy has newly launched the Community Workforce Accelerator for Major Projects (RAMP) initiative to connect local, disadvantaged, and underrepresented workers to good clean energy jobs in their communities and ensure that major energy projects have access to the skilled workers they need.

The RAMP Initiative includes three elements:

- 1. Build Local Capacity:** Support 10 RAMP fellows in targeted communities to develop as community workforce leaders
- 2. Facilitate Partnerships:** Convene labor-community collaboratives in target geographies to serve and train a diverse energy workforce and connect workers to clean energy employers.
- 3. Technical Assistance and Education:** Provide workshops and ongoing technical assistance through a national network of expert practitioners on high-road workforce development

About the Fellowship: At the heart of the RAMP Initiative is a 2-year, full-time fellowship for experienced and aspiring community leaders. DOE is seeking mid-career level candidates with backgrounds in **community or labor organizing, energy, and/or workforce development** and to learn and work for two-years in target geographies.

We need your help getting the word out to interested partners in our **target geographies** specifically to:

- Recruit 10 mid-career fellows with deep roots in their communities, experience in organizing, and interest in forging new labor-community workforce partnerships.
- Engage interested community and labor partners to establish or expand equitable workforce partnerships that lead to improved job quality and job access on clean energy projects.
- Identify Host Organizations that can provide a workspace and are organizations that are widely reputable and trusted community partners with close ties to a range of labor, community, workforce, and employer stakeholders in the region.

RAMP Initiative Target Geographies

Target geographies are places that have received large and/or concentrated public and private investments for clean energy infrastructure and supply chain projects. These areas have been identified, but not limited to: Michigan (Detroit/Lansing), Northern Ohio (Columbus), Northern Illinois and Indiana, Appalachia/Western Pennsylvania/West Virginia, Eastern Tennessee, Georgia, Gulf Coast/Louisiana, Houston, Texas, Western Oregon, Northern Nevada, Phoenix, Arizona, Northern New Mexico, Denver, Colorado, North Dakota and Minnesota, Upstate New York.

[CANDIDATES CAN APPLY TODAY](#) . The application deadline is **June 30** and a webinar for interested applicants will be held on June 10:

Webinar for Interested Applicants for the DOE RAMP Fellowship

Date and time:

Monday, June 10, 2024 4:00 PM | (UTC-04:00) Eastern Time (US & Canada)

Register link:

<https://doe.webex.com/weblink/register/r2dbf65cf372abe48cb62477a5241ad6c>

Let it wave: Minnesota's new flag takes flight

<https://www.mprnews.org/story/2024/05/11/new-minnesota-state-flag-debuts-state-capitol>

Sign on: Rename derogatory landmarks

After centuries of systemic discrimination and forced displacement, insult is added to injury for Indigenous Americans when geographic landmarks and waterways are named after ignorant, racist slurs.

The Biden administration has begun the work of renaming hundreds of these sites and restoring the respect and dignity Native communities deserve, but the work is far from done.

[The Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names will meet on June 10th to resume their work renaming these landmarks, and we need to raise our voices in favor of continued action that includes the Indigenous community. Send the Committee a message today! >>](#)

When we know our history, we know our truth—which is why renaming these geographic landmarks is critical to address the historical and contemporary contributions Indigenous people have made and continue to make in society.

Hip Hop Caucus is proud to support the Indigenous community and honor those who paved the way.

We're echoing calls from Indigenous activists for accountability during the renaming process including more community involvement from impacted communities like a 90-day minimum Tribal consultation period, more community outreach and education around forthcoming renamings, and listening sessions to foster a more inclusive and participatory process.

[Join us in urging the Advisory Committee on Reconciliation in Place Names to continue renaming derogatory landmarks in consultation with Tribes and other impacted communities.](#)

For future generations,

Hip Hop Caucus

Minnesota Historical Society will return 'Mankato Hanging Rope' to Prairie Island Indian Community

<https://www.startribune.com/minnesota-historical-society-will-return-mankato-hanging-rope-to-prairie-island-indian-community/600369427/>

Corporate Colonialism & Indigenous Resistance in Latin America



Join Indigenous leaders, community advocates, and other policy experts to discuss a new report on the harm neocolonial trade deals have inflicted on Latin America.

Thurs, June 6, 2-5 PM ET

In-Person: 1101 15th St NW, 11th Floor, Washington, DC

Virtual: RSVP for Zoom link



[**RSVP FOR THE WEBINAR TODAY »**](#)

One of Chevron's many underhanded schemes to attempt to escape accountability for deliberately dumping more than 60 billion gallons of toxic oil waste into the Ecuadorian Amazon over the course of decades **has been the use of the pro-corporate Investor-State Dispute Settlement System (ISDS).**

Like many of Chevron's efforts, this undemocratic and unethical process excludes the affected communities and **allows three paid arbiters to ignore the Ecuadorian judicial system** and issue summary awards in the favor of corporations. The system itself has become infamous for **advancing corporate interests over human rights** worldwide.

The ISDS is a direct threat to human rights, corporate accountability, and climate justice.

Join a webinar featuring our allies from Ecuador Donald Moncayo and Siekopai youth leader Consuelo Piaguaje of the Union of Communities Affected by Texaco/Chevron (UDAPT) **this Thursday at 11 am PT / 2 pm ET.** Donald and Consuelo will be joined by community advocates and other legal and policy experts to discuss the harmful effects of neocolonial trade deals and the ISDS on Latin America.

This event is sponsored by Amazon Watch, Public Citizen, Center for International Environmental Law, Center for Economic and Policy Research, and the Columbia Center on Sustainable Development.

[Join the webinar and stand up to Chevron!](#)

“Water inequality in the United States goes hand in hand with the dark legacy of colonization, systematic racism, and efforts to wipe out Indigenous cultures.”

Drops of Hope Along the Colorado River

After 174 years, the Navajo Nation is still trying to regain access

<https://www.sierraclub.org/sierra/2-summer/feature/drops-hope-colorado-river-navajo-nation>

Extracts: “Navajo Nation hydrologist Crystal Tulley-Cordova: “I didn’t grow up thinking that water comes out of the tap.”

“When the Diné were released in 1868, they signed another treaty with the United States, Naal Tsoos Sani (“the Old Paper”), which formed the Navajo Nation and guaranteed enough water to sustain it. That promise was bolstered by the Winters Doctrine, after a 1908 Supreme Court ruling on tribal water rights. The doctrine established that the Navajo Nation has rights to the water that is necessary to fulfill the purpose of the reservation that the United States established for them, and that the United States has a federal trust responsibility to protect those rights.”

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## **[This Long Island Tribe Is Dealing With the Impact of Climate Change](#)**

**The Shinnecock are using nature-based solutions to save their ancestral lands from coastal**

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[Good conversation opener for archivists](#)

<https://www.minnpost.com/community-voices/2024/05/dispute-over-mnhs-artifact-raises-questions-about-the-digitization-of-archived-material/>



Encourage ONRW status for North Coast rivers

Author [Mark Green](#) Published on: [May 23, 2024](#)

The North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board (Board) is a state agency charged with protecting the quality of water in northwest region of California under the federal Clean Water

Act and state laws. As part of its climate change initiatives, Board staff are recommending evaluation of two key tributaries of the South Fork Eel River as Outstanding National Resource Waters (Outstanding Waters) under the Clean Water Act. If approved by the Board, the potential designation would be included as part of the Triennial Update of the North Coast Basin Plan. The recommendation will be considered by the Board at its June 13-14 meeting in Santa Rosa. Public comments in support of Outstanding Waters designation are needed.

Federal and state water pollution laws are based on allowing acceptable pollution levels considered safe for human and ecosystem health. But Outstanding Waters in the Clean Water Act are provided the highest level of water quality protection – where no permanent degradation of water quality is permitted. An Outstanding Water designation does not affect existing activities such as farming, ranching, fishing, or boating, provided such uses do not diminish water quality below current levels.

The Board staff recommendation is in response to a proposal developed by CalWild, CalTrout, Pew Charitable Trusts, and Trout Unlimited to designate as Outstanding Waters two nearly pristine tributaries of the South Fork Eel – Elder and Cedar Creeks. Both tributaries are critical sources of high-quality cold water to the South Fork Eel and its threatened and endangered salmon and steelhead and they both also provide important spawning and holding habitat for these at-risk fish.

Currently, the only designated Outstanding Waters in California are Lake Tahoe and Mono Lake. CalWild and its allies want to expand this protective designation to deserving streams and other water bodies throughout the state and believe that Elder and Cedar Creeks are ideal candidates to initiate this effort.

Elder Creek begins on Cahto Peak in the South Fork Eel Wilderness, flowing through BLM lands and then state lands managed by UC Berkeley as part of the Angelo Coast Range Reserve, to its confluence with the South Fork. Elder Creek flows through one of the largest continuous tracts of undeveloped coastal conifer forest remaining in California. The creek was determined eligible and suitable for National Wild and Scenic River protection by the BLM due to its outstanding scenery, fish, and ecology values, as well as for its scientific research opportunities.

Cedar Creek rises from the flanks of Red Mountain in the northern portion of the South Fork Eel Wilderness, flowing through BLM lands and state lands managed by the California Dept. of Fish and Wildlife in the Little Red Mountain Ecological Reserve. The sponge-like serpentine geology of this area not only supports numerous rare plants, it also provides crucial recharge of fresh cold water to the South Fork Eel. The creek was determined eligible and suitable for National Wild and Scenic River protection by the BLM due to its outstanding scenery, fish, geology, and ecology values.

Public comments via email to the Board in support of Outstanding Waters designation of Elder and Cedar Creeks are needed prior to the Board's June 13-14, 2024 meeting. To be included in the meeting record, public comments on agenda items are due Monday, June 10. The email address is NorthCoast@waterboards.ca.gov.

Be sure to include the following points in your email:

- Urge the Board to support designation of Elder and Cedar Creeks as Outstanding Waters in the Triennial Basin Plan Update
- Briefly mention the outstanding values of Elder and Cedar Creek, which are summarized in this alert.
- Note that Outstanding Waters designation will be a valuable tool to provide heightened protection against degradation for these creeks, which support relatively high summertime baseflows of cold water resilient to climate change.

For more information or if you have any questions about this alert, please contact Steve Evans, CalWild Rivers Director, email: sevans@calwild.org, phone: (916) 708-3155.

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## **Brownfields Job Training Funding Opportunity and Outreach Webinars**

EPA’s Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization (OBLR) is soliciting applications from eligible entities for Brownfields Job Training Grants funding. Eligible entities can include state and local governments, Tribes, and nonprofit organizations.

Through the Brownfields Job Training Program, graduates develop the skills needed to secure full-time, sustainable employment in various aspects of hazardous substances, pollutants, contaminants, and petroleum products within the larger environmental field. These green jobs reduce environmental contamination and build more sustainable futures for communities.

The application submission deadline is August 15th, 2024.

[See the FY 2025 Brownfields Job Training Grant Guidelines and Application Resources webpage for more information.](#)

Join us for webinars to assist potential applicants.

- **Live Outreach Webinar:** EPA will provide an outreach webinar to assist applicants with understanding the Notice of Funding Opportunity for the FY 2025 Brownfields Job Training Grants Guidelines on **Thursday, June 6th, 2024 at 1 PM ET!**
  - Please click the link to join the webinar at <https://usepa.zoomgov.com/j/1601371378> Or join by telephone: 1-646-828-7666; Webinar ID: 160 137 1378.
  - A recording of the webinars and the presentations will be made available on the Brownfields Job Training Grants Application Resources webpage at a later date.
  - If you have questions, please contact the Brownfields Team at [brownfields@epa.gov](mailto:brownfields@epa.gov)
- **Free Job Training Webinar:** Brownfields Job Training Technical Assistance provider, Kansas State University, is hosting a 90-minute webinar on Tips on Writing a Competitive EPA Job Training Application on **Wednesday, June 12th, 2024 at 1:00 pm CDT.**
  - Attendance is free, but registration is required.
  - Register here: <https://us06web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0qceqtrzwoGtw0Tpy-15kNjG8Nx5B4pK0> ~~~~~



### [Native american wings](#)

"The popular narrative that horses were brought to the Americas by Europeans is now being questioned. New evidence suggests that horses were in the Americas independent of European contact. Some native nations have contended that horses have been around since time immemorial, but unfortunately oral traditions and traditional knowledge frequently aren't regarded as legitimate until Western science validates these claims.

It now **looks like archeology is catching up with what some Native nations have always known,**

providing yet another example of how Indigenous knowledge and Native ways of knowing must be given equal consideration with Knowledge from a Western scientific paradigm.

While this new evidence doesn't confirm that horses have been in the Americas since time immemorial, it does demonstrate that the adoption of the horse is independent of European colonization.

"Native accounts contradicted the timeline centered on the Pueblo Revolt, suggesting some tribes had acquired horses much earlier, but "oral tradition was discounted," says Comanche historian Jimmy Arterberry, a co-author of the Science study. "The end result has been to discredit the antiquity of the relationship between Native people and horses," adds University of Colorado, Boulder, archaeologist William Taylor, also a co-author."

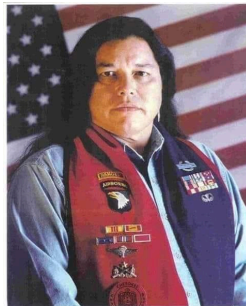
History is not there for you to like or dislike. It is there for you to learn from it. And if it offends you, even better. Because then you are less likely to repeat it. It's not yours for you to erase or destroy.

### [Native Soul Connection](#)

#### [Assi Balbin Abin](#)

The warrior you're looking at, is Sergeant , **Billy Walks About, one of the most decorated Warriors in the Vietnam War.** Sergeant walks about was awarded one distinguished service cross, 5 silver stars, 10 bronze Stars, and 6 purple hearts. Native tribes send more of their young men and women into battle more than any other race in the United States.

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## Equity in Education 2024 Virtual Conference

**Date & Time Jun 11 08:00 AM**

Join Upswing for Equity in Education 2024, a virtual conference for an enlightening exploration into the critical issue of equity in education. In today's world, access to quality education remains uneven, creating disparities that perpetuate social and economic inequality. This virtual conference seeks to unravel the complexities surrounding equity in education and chart a path toward inclusive, empowering solutions. Featured Sessions Include: • Empowering and Upskilling America for the New Talent Economy • Lessons Learned from Three Institutions about Adult Learners from Recruitment to Job Placement • The State of Financial Wellness with Carla Fletcher of Trellis Education • It All Adds Up: Equity-Minded Instructional Pedagogies and Analytics for Intervention Math Courses • Shaping Behavior: Cultivating a Customer Service Mindset to Support Diversity and Inclusion To learn more, visit: <https://learning.upswing.io/equity-in-education-2024>

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The graphic features the Upswing logo at the top left. The main title 'EQUITY 20 IN EDUCATION 24' is prominently displayed in a white box. Below the title, it states 'A free, one-day virtual conference hosted by Upswing'. The event details are listed: 'Tuesday June 11, 2024', '11:00 AM to 3:45 PM ET', and 'Zoom Webinar'. A photograph of a smiling young woman with a backpack is on the right side. At the bottom left, there is a call to action: 'Join us as we seek to chart a path toward inclusive, empowering solutions.' At the bottom right, there is a globe icon and the text 'More Information: [upswing.io/events](https://upswing.io/events)'.

## Trove of 600 Looted Italian Artifacts Worth \$65 Million Comes Home

The collection includes artifacts spanning the ninth century B.C.E. to the second century C.E.

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/trove-600-looted-italian-artifacts-worth-65-million-comes-home-180984451/?>

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### Scholarships with July 3-15 Deadlines

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| <a href="#">BLM<sup>2</sup> Scholarship Foundation College Scholarship</a>              | \$1,000  | July 03, 2024 |
| <a href="#">University of Texas-Arlington Transfer Scholarship</a>                      | \$10,000 | July 03, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Mike Molino RV Learning Center's Scholarship Program</a>                    | \$2,500  | July 05, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Twins Days Festival Twins Scholarship</a>                                   | \$1,000  | July 05, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Blessify4Life Academic Scholarship</a>                                      | \$2,500  | July 07, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Flight Attendants/Flight Technicians Scholarship</a>                        | Varies   | July 07, 2024 |
| <a href="#">YPE SF Bay Area Scholarship</a>                                             | \$2,500  | July 07, 2024 |
| <a href="#">SMRP Scholarship</a>                                                        | \$2,000  | July 08, 2024 |
| <a href="#">SMRPCO Dorothy and Jack Nicholas Scholarship</a>                            | \$2,000  | July 08, 2024 |
| <a href="#">The Rick and Sherry Murray Medical Futures Scholarship</a>                  | \$8,000  | July 08, 2024 |
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| <a href="#">Baron &amp; Budd Mesothelioma Cancer Victims Memorial Scholarships</a>      | \$2,500  | July 12, 2024 |
| <a href="#">MFMA Academic Scholarship</a>                                               | \$1,000  | July 12, 2024 |
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| <a href="#">Chiropractic Education Scholarship Program</a>                              | \$6,000  | July 14, 2024 |
| <a href="#">University of Guam Rotary Friendship Scholarship</a>                        | \$10,000 | July 14, 2024 |
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| <a href="#">AAMA Student Essay Competition</a>                                          | \$1,000  | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">ALCW Scholars Support Scholarship</a>                                       | \$3,500  | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">American Legion Baseball Scholarship</a>                                    | \$5,000  | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Cyntra D. Scott Scholarship</a>                                             | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">David A. Ladizki Scholarship</a>                                            | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Dr. Pete Magee Memorial Scholarship</a>                                     | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Edward T. Conroy Memorial Scholarship Program</a>                           | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Elevate Scholarship Program</a>                                             | \$500    | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Fergus Area College Foundation Scholarship</a>                              | \$2,000  | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Foundation for Seminole State College of Florida Scholarship</a>            | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Hardin-Simmons University Endowed Scholarships for Ministerial Students</a> | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Helen Veress-Mitchell Scholarship</a>                                       | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |
| <a href="#">Hopi Tribe Grants and Scholarships Program</a>                              | Varies   | July 15, 2024 |



### [IDRS Acorn Project - Calling all Native entrepreneurs \(or those that want to be!\)](#)

We are launching a four-part online program to help you develop a viable business model, refine it, and then create and market the business. In the Native Launchpad program, we'll dive into getting customers, financial modeling, and setting goals within your business. After the four sessions, you'll have a plan to take action!

This program begins June 12th and is free of charge but we have a limited number of spots available so we're taking applications. If you're interested in applying to be in the cohort, please visit [ntv.bz/launchpad](https://ntv.bz/launchpad). Deadline to apply is June 1st.

The Native Launchpad utilizes the CO.STARTERS Bootcamp curriculum. [CO.STARTERS](#) is a global support network that equips communities with proven programs to empower local entrepreneurs. IDRS is proud to be one of the pioneering organizations to bring CO.STARTERS to Indian Country. Participants in the cohort will receive a CO.STARTERS manual.

The workshop is presented in partnership with [Reinventing Rural](#), a non-profit supporting small businesses in rural and Tribal communities throughout Oregon.

The Native Launchpad is funded in part by the [U.S. Small Business Administration](#), USDA Rural Business Development, and the [California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development \(GO-Biz\)](#)

