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### EPA urges California to safeguard tribal cultural practices by preserving Delta water flows



"The Environmental Protection Agency urged California water regulators to protect tribal cultural practices in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Bay Delta, the troubled heart of the state's water supply. Comments to the State Water Resources Control Board by EPA regional administrator Martha Guzman at a hearing Tuesday marked rare federal intervention into state water politics as regulators weigh options to regulate how much water stays in the estuary. "The EPA strongly supports the proposal in the draft plan to designate tribal cultural uses throughout the Bay Delta <u>watershed</u>," Guzman said, referring to subsistence fishing. "This proposal recognizes the centrality of vital fish populations to many California tribes." ... "<u>Read more from the Sacramento Bee</u>.

### Helping the Karuk tribe in California prepare for climate challenges

"Danielle Touma is no stranger to drought. The research professor at University of Texas, Austin, was born in Lebanon and grew up in the drought-prone Middle East. Touma's childhood shaped her career. "When I did my civil engineering undergrad I focused on water resources, and a lot of the things we talked about in class reminded me of the conditions we had growing up," she says. "So it all came together later on in my life." Touma, who has a PhD in earth system sciences, has spent her career working to understand how extreme climate events have changed in a warming world. She uses model simulations and statistics to understand the changes in the frequency, duration and geographic areas of wildfires, droughts and heavy rain. But she's recently taken a different turn and stepped out from the research lab and into the field – into Karuk territory, a tribe in Northern California, to be exact. ... "Read more from The Story Exchange.

### 'This project is 20 years in the making': Meeks Meadow restoration has begun

"Máyala Wáta, also called Meeks Meadow, is proceeding with lodgepole pine removal through a grant from the California Tahoe Conservancy. The conifer thinning will take place over 200 acres of the area, which will help restore the area's water levels and culturally significant plants to the Washoe tribe. Meeks Meadow is the center of the Washoe homelands and was identified as a priority habitat for protection in the area. In 1997, the U.S. Forest Service and Washoe tribe signed a memorandum of understanding that expressed a common line of action—protecting and restoring the area. Since then, different restoration efforts have been made in the area, but this promises to be one of the largest thanks to the \$600,000 grant received from the California Tahoe Conservancy. ... " Read more from the Tahoe Daily Tribune.

As Nevada's population grows, so does the need for new doctors — and resources to train them. Nevada ranks 45th in the US for active physicians per 100,000 residents, and with seemingly little appetite to fund residency programs at the federal level, officials in the Silver State are mulling new ways to tackle a worsening issue. (Read more here).

Jamie Oliver: <u>Children's book by celebrity chef is withdrawn after criticism from</u> <u>Indigenous Australians</u> FroGordon Edwardsm:<ccnr@web.ca>

Please note the following important correction:

# After fact checking, it appears that Wabigoon First Nation has NOT given its consent to the NWMO DGR Project!!

As Brennain Llloyd (Northwatch and We The Nuclear Free North) has pointed out -"Wabigoon Lake Ojibway First Nation (WLON) has not "given their consent for NWMO to build a DGR at the Revell site."

"WLON has consented to the next stage of site characterization, and to the regulatory processes, including their own. They were very clear in their November 18th statement:

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"Pending the NWMO site selection decision, WLON's yes vote reflects the Nation's commitment to thoroughly explore the project's feasibility through a rigorous regulatory process that upholds WLON's Anishinaabe laws and values. **The yes vote does not signify approval of the project**; rather, it demonstrates the Nation's willingness to enter the next phase of in-depth environmental and technical assessments, to determine safety and site suitability

"We greatly regret the NWMO announcement today that they have selected the Revell site. But it is important that their decision be seen for what it is: an abandonment of the NWMO's sole commitment, which was that they would only select a site for which there is an informed and willing host, after that 'host' had made a "compelling demonstration of willingness". The don't have an informed and willing host for the Revell site, and there has been no "compelling demonstration of willingness" to host the project."

Canada's Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) has chosen a site North of Lake Superior to build a Deep Geological Repository (DGR) to house all of Canada's High-Level Radioactive Waste (HLW). In the accompanying announcement, it is not stated that NWMO is wholly owned by the three nuclear waste producing utilities in Canada.

The small town of Ignace (population 1200+) and the Indigenous community of Wabigoon First Nation (population 800+) have both given their consent for NWMO to build a DGR at the Revell

site. Other communities such as Dryden (population 7000+) were not asked for their approval, nor was agreement sought from any of the communities along the 2600 kilometre transportation corridor needed to bring used nuclear fuel from New Brunswick, Quebec, and Southern Ontario over public roads for half a century or more.

Gordon Edwards, PhD, President, Canadian Coalition for Nuclear Responsibility (CCNR).

What is high-level radioactive waste? See <u>www.ccnr.org/hlw\_resources\_2024.pdf</u>

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## The Nuclear Waste Management Organization selects site for Canada's deep geological repository

This safe, long-term management solution for used nuclear fuel will protect people and the environment

### November 28, 2024

Today, the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) announced it has selected <u>Wabigoon Lake</u> <u>Ojibway Nation (WLON)</u> and the <u>Township of Ignace</u> as the host communities for the future site for Canada's deep geological repository for used nuclear fuel.

Canadians and Indigenous peoples have been clear that it is essential to take responsibility now, in this generation, to safely manage Canada's used nuclear fuel for the long term. This announcement is an important milestone in delivering on that promise to not leave it as a burden for future generations to manage.

"This is a historic moment," said Laurie Swami, NWMO President and CEO. "This project will solve an environmental issue and supports Canada's climate change goals. And today's decision was driven by a consent-based siting process led by Canadians and Indigenous peoples. This is what making history looks like."

There is international scientific consensus that a deep geological repository is the safest way to manage used nuclear fuel over the long term, and Canada is among the leading countries on this solution.

The NWMO launched its community-driven, consent-based site selection process in 2010. It included clear commitments that Canada's plan for used nuclear fuel could only move forward in an area with a site that meets rigorous safety standards and that has informed and willing hosts. The project also needs to be implemented in a way that advances community well-being as defined by the host communities.

The people of both host communities have demonstrated their willingness to move forward in this process. Earlier this month, WLON confirmed its willingness, following a decision-making process that was open to all its members. The Township of Ignace completed a decision-making process with its residents in July, which also confirmed willingness.

This important decision for Canada was possible because of the communities' leadership and active engagement over a decade of learning, as well as considering the future of their communities. The safety of the site was also established through rigorous site assessment and technical studies.

"We have learned so much from all the communities that took part in this process over the years," said Lise Morton, NWMO Vice-President of Site Selection. "By challenging us, they helped the NWMO grow and become a better organization, and they directly shaped this project." The project will drive a wide range of benefits for both host communities, the region and Canada as a whole over the 175-year timeline of the project. These include new jobs and investments in community well-being driven by the priorities communities themselves defined.

As the project now advances into the regulatory decision-making process, Canada will take another step forward on this long-term management solution for its used nuclear fuel, which will protect people and the environment, including water, while supporting its goals around energy security and climate change.

### **Quick facts**

Please see the NWMO's fact sheet for more detailed information about this project.

- Canadians and Indigenous peoples have relied on clean nuclear energy to power their homes, businesses and cities for over 60 years.
- A necessary byproduct of generating nuclear energy is used nuclear fuel. While Canada's used nuclear fuel is safely managed in interim storage at reactor and laboratory sites, this approach is not appropriate over the long term.
- The deep geological repository design uses a series of engineered and natural barriers that work together to contain and isolate used nuclear fuel.
- The NWMO only considered areas where at least one community expressed interest in learning more about the project and exploring their potential to host it.
- Twenty-two communities did just that, and the NWMO gradually narrowed its focus through increasingly intensive technical studies and engagement with those communities, their neighbours and the First Nations in whose traditional territories the potential sites were located.
- This process was also guided by the NWMO's commitment to Reconciliation, based on cocreating a shared future, built on rights, equity and well-being for Indigenous peoples.
- The NWMO has agreed to an Indigenous-led RAAP (Regulatory Assessment and Approval Process), a sovereign regulatory process that will be developed and implemented by Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation (WLON). WLON will design the process to ensure that potential impacts of the project are assessed against WLON's Anishinaabe Values, and that conditions to mitigate any impacts are designed by WLON and complied with by the NWMO. This approach aligns with the NWMO's Reconciliation commitments, and the NWMO looks forward to working with WLON as it implements its sovereign process.
- In addition to WLON's RAAP, the project will enter the rigorous regulatory decision-making process that will ensure that the NWMO's understanding of the safety of the repository is independently confirmed, by both the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) and through the Government of Canada's impact assessment process.
- Since 2020, activities have been centred in the areas of two remaining sites one in the Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation-Ignace area and one in the Saugeen Ojibway Nation-South Bruce area, both in Ontario.
- After extensive technical study and community engagement, the NWMO selected a site that is safe and where the host communities have demonstrated that they understand the project and support making it part of their community.

### Quotes

"We acknowledge the NWMO site selection decision, and we look forward to continuing to work closely as this project enters the regulatory assessment phase. WLON views our role as the potential host for Canada's used nuclear fuel as one of the most important responsibilities of our time. We cannot ignore this challenge and allow it to become a burden for future generations. Our membership spoke with a clear voice in our willingness decision that we have the bravery and courage to continue to the next phase of this project."

"The WLON Regulatory Assessment and Approval Process (WLON-RAAP) asserts our Sovereign rights while protecting our Anishinaabe Values and Laws. This project will be under intense scrutiny by our Nation's regulatory process in addition to the regulatory oversight by the Impact Assessment Agency of

Canada and the CNSC. Wabigoon will ensure that safety, environmental protection and Anishnaabe values are upheld throughout this process."

### Chief Clayton Wetelainen, Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation

"The Township of Ignace is honoured, humbled and delighted to have been chosen as the site of a deep geological repository to store Canada's used nuclear fuel by the Nuclear Waste Management Organization. Today's announcement marks the beginning of the future of this community, for its residents, our youth and for generations to come. We will now begin to focus on being committed, dedicated and fully engaged in the process to establish Canada's first ever deep geological repository with a goal to build up our community, our region and the future prosperity of all of northwestern Ontario. We thank the NWMO, our neighbours at Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation and most importantly the staff, volunteers and people of Ignace, for their confidence and for having so dedicatedly committed their time for over a decade towards our collective success in being selected today." **Mayor Kim Baigrie, Township of Ignace** 

"I express my deep gratitude to the communities of Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation and the Township of Ignace, as well as the many other communities that were involved in the site selection process, for their thoughtful leadership and active engagement. I also commend the NWMO for its long, hard work and for the progress it has made in advancing a safe, responsible and informed plan. Thanks to our commitment to health and safety, Canadian nuclear energy will continue to power communities at home and allies around the world – providing Canadians jobs and opportunities for generations." **The Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources** 

"I extend my thanks to the leaders of Wabigoon Lake Ojibway Nation and the Township of Ignace for their leadership and willingness to host this vital project. As our government expands our zero-emissions nuclear fleet to meet rising energy demand, Ontario is cementing its position as a world leader in all parts of the nuclear lifecycle – this achievement by NWMO is just the latest example." **The Honourable Stephen Lecce, Ontario's Minister of Energy and Electrification** 

### About the NWMO

Founded in 2002, the Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) is a not-for-profit organization tasked with the safe, long-term management of Canada's intermediate- and high-level radioactive waste, in a manner that protects people and the environment for generations to come.

The NWMO has been guided for more than 20 years by a dedicated team of world-class scientists, engineers and Indigenous Knowledge Holders who are developing innovative and collaborative solutions for nuclear waste management.



### Biden-Harris Administration Announces Nearly \$850 Million to Revitalize Aging Water Infrastructure, Advance Drought Resilience

### Funding will be provided to 77 projects in 11 states to increase drought resilience and improve water delivery systems

**WASHINGTON** — The Department of the Interior today announced a \$849 million investment from President Biden's Investing in America agenda to revitalize aging water delivery systems across the West. The funding supports 77 projects in Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, New Mexico, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah and Washington to improve water conveyance and storage, increase safety, improve hydropower generation, and provide water treatment. This includes 14 projects totaling \$118.3 million in the Colorado River Basin.

Today's announcement follows <u>the release</u> of five alternatives earlier this month that will be analyzed as part of the Post-2026 Operations for the Colorado River Basin. Since Day One of the Biden-Harris administration, the Department has led critical discussions over how to bring the Colorado River back from the brink of crisis in the face of an unprecedented 24-year drought. Having achieved overwhelming success in 2023 on interim operation plans to guide operations through 2026 with a historic consensus agreement, and following more than a year of collaboration with the states and Tribes who call the Colorado River Basin home, the release of alternatives is the next step in a responsible path to guide post-2026 operations for the Colorado River.

"President Biden's Investing in America agenda provides transformational resources to safeguard clean, reliable water for families, farmers and Tribes," said **Acting Deputy Secretary Laura Daniel-Davis.** "As we work to address record drought and changing climate conditions in the Colorado River Basin and throughout the West, these investments in our aging water infrastructure will conserve community water supplies and revitalize water delivery systems."

"Reclamation is committed to utilizing these historic investments from the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law to revitalize our infrastructure for continued reliability and sustainability for the next generation," said **Bureau of Reclamation Deputy Commissioner Roque Sanchez.** "These facilities are essential to the West as they provide water for families, farms and Tribal communities, while also and producing hydropower and recreation opportunities for communities throughout the Basin."

Deputy Commissioner Sanchez visited the Lower San Acacia Reach Improvements project in New Mexico today, which will receive \$143 million to realign the Rio Grande for improved water conveyance and to provide a long-term strategy to better manage sediment. Senior Advisor John Watts also visited the Delta Mendota Canal Subsidence Correction project in California today, which is receiving \$204 million to address structural impacts to the canal from dropping groundwater levels.

The projects selected for funding today are found in all the major river basins and regions where Reclamation operates. Among the 77 projects selected for funding are efforts to restore canal capacity, sustain water treatment for Tribes, replace equipment for hydropower production and provide necessary maintenance to aging project buildings.

The Biden-Harris administration has led a comprehensive effort to make Western communities more resilient to climate change and address the ongoing megadrought across the region by harnessing the full resources of President Biden's historic Investing in America agenda. As climate change has accelerated over the past two decades, the Colorado River Basin experienced the driest period in the region in over one thousand years. Together, the Inflation Reduction Act and Bipartisan Infrastructure Law provide the largest investment in climate resilience in our nation's history, including \$15.4 billion for western water across federal

agencies to enhance the West's resilience to drought and deliver unprecedented resources to protect the Colorado River System for all whose lives and livelihoods depend on it. This includes \$5.35 billion for over 577 projects in the Colorado River Basin states alone.

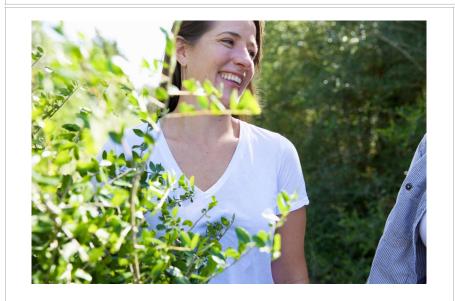
To view a full list of projects selected as part of today's announcement, visit <u>Bureau of</u> <u>Reclamation's websit</u>e.

The Bureau of Land Management for both Ely and Elko Districts are offering <u>\$5 permits to</u> <u>Nevadans</u> through Friday, Dec. 20 to cut down your own Christmas tree. There's nothing like the fresh pine scent in our homes to liven up your spirits this holiday season.

### Native Regenerators

In the heart of southeast Texas, Abianne Falla, a member of the Chickasaw Nation and founder of CatSpring Yaupon, embraces traditional ecological practices in her tea operation to promote environmental stewardship. Abianne is the caretaker for acres of Yaupon—a native tea plant cherished by North American Indigenous communities for millennia—embodying the values of regenerative agriculture and cultural preservation. As a licensed user of the Intertribal Agriculture Council's (IAC) <u>Made/Produced by American Indians trademark</u> and <u>Rege[N]ation Pledge</u> and <u>Seal</u>, Abianne's story highlights the profound connection between cultural heritage and environmental stewardship.

Abianne Falla behind Yaupon plant. Photo Courtesy of Abianne Falla



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This spirit of regeneration and tradition thrives at the IAC through its <u>American</u> <u>Indian Foods</u> (AIF) and <u>Natural Resources</u> programs and the Rege[N]ation Pledge and Seal initiative, which provides support for and recognizes the efforts of producers like Abianne who honor traditional ecological practices. The Rege[N]ation pledge and seal is exclusively available to American Indian and Alaska Native agricultural producers—from farmers and ranchers to harvesters and foragers—to recognize environmental stewardship while honoring traditional, cultural, and Native-led agricultural wisdom.

### "One of the things I'm super excited about with Rege[N]ation is that it's not just about the practices that we're implementing but about the continuation of tradition, and I think that's really important to me."

Abianne's journey into sustainable agriculture and the start of her business, <u>CatSpring Yaupon</u>, began when an unexpected opportunity revealed itself during a drought that withered the land across Texas in 2011. As it turns out, Yaupon is a tea plant that thrives in dry weather, does not produce tannins, and is full of antioxidants. She saw Yaupon flourishing during the drought and, in turn, saw an opportunity to develop a product centered on sustainability and the values of her Chickasaw community. "The definition of a warrior in the Chickasaw culture is as a steward and a protector of the land," Abianne shared. Like many Indigenous worldviews, she noted, "It's ours to protect, and it's ours to preserve." This ancestral wisdom informs how and why CatSpring Yaupon prioritizes grassland restoration. "The plant in its current state is to the detriment of the land. If we want it to be improved for soil health, carbon sequestration, water table recharge, biodiversity, and all of these things, then we need to be doing more," Abianne emphasized. "For me, at this current state, that means grassland restoration."



Abianne working in the field. Photo Courtesy of Abianne

For CatSpring Yaupon, regenerative agriculture considers the well-being of the land and people, especially its workers, who often move from one crisis to the next. IAC's Rege[N]ation Pledge recognizes the benefits of resilient agricultural practices and, for Abianne, supports the demand for a growing business. "IAC does an incredible job of putting resources on the desks of farmers [...] of inviting us in, she explained. "That is such a gift because we're so busy. We are often staying afloat or trying to grow. And, so, to be out there learning what resources are available, or what we qualify for, or what we should be considering could be another full-time job."

### California's little civil war

"Put together seven knowledgeable people who have been in the thick of the battles over Owens Valley water and environmental issues for years and you get a list. A long list. A long detailed list of the fights that still need to be fought. Two panels of such folks were convened Nov. 16 and 17 during the Alabama Gates 2024 event in Lone Pine. The occasion marked the 100th anniversary of the famous "occupation" of the Alabama Gates by about 700 outraged Owens Valley residents to protest the land and water gathering shenanigans of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power. They stayed for four days. They had a picnic. The county sheriff handed out citations that were ignored while he enjoyed the picnic dinner. They got statewide and national notoriety and glowing press. The occupation was crowned "California's Little Civil War." They literally turned the gates and released the flow of the aqueduct into the desert, draining the aqueduct, which was the primary water source for the city of Los Angeles. They eventually left the gates, turned the water back into the aqueduct and went home after "promises" of compromise and change. Those promises never turned into reality. ... " Continue reading from The Sheet.

### Trump's first climate crisis

"The West is on the precipice of the most high-stakes water war this country has seen. ... But it has shrunk dramatically over the past 25 years. Now, the rules that govern water deliveries are about to expire and the seven states that share the waterway, along with the federal government, must agree on new ones that will work in a far drier future. It's a wrenching task that can only bring political and economic pain. The West's most important river has lost 20 percent of its flows since the turn of the century, gripped by a megadrought that climate experts say may be just a taste of things to come. The region is warming and drying out far faster than the rest of the U.S., sending water levels at the region's two main reservoirs so low in recent years that federal engineers have begun worrying about their ability to physically release water from the dam that feeds California, Arizona and Nevada. It's the country's first major climate crisis and it's about to fall on the Trump administration — which has denied the science of climate change and is pledged to roll back Biden's climate policies. But, as one lead negotiator has put it: "Elections don't add water to the river." ... " Read more from Politico.

### Commentary: The Colorado River's future: A call for collaborative solutions

The California Farm Water Coalition writes, "As the Colorado River Basin faces unprecedented challenges, it's crucial for the seven basin states and tribal nations to come together and forge a consensus-driven solution for the river's future management. With the current operating guidelines set to expire in 2026, the time is now for stakeholders to redouble their efforts in crafting a balanced, long-term plan that includes equal participation from both the Upper and Lower Basin states. The stark divisions that have emerged among the basin states in recent negotiations underscore the complexity of the issue. However, these differences should not be seen as insurmountable obstacles, but rather as opportunities to find innovative compromises that benefit the entire region. …" Continue reading at the California Farm Water Coalition.

### Las Vegas conference to tackle urgent Colorado River water management issues

"When the Bureau of Reclamation gives stakeholders and states in the Colorado River Basin something to respond to, it pushes conversation in a more tangible and meaningful way, said Taylor Hawes, the Colorado River program director at the Nature Conservancy. One of the focuses of the Colorado River Water Users Association conference starting today at Paris Las Vegas will be discussing paths forward on Colorado River use and management between the seven Upper and Lower Basin states, tribes and Mexico. Legal agreements appropriating the drought-stricken river will expire in 2026, bringing urgency to talks on what's next and how to manage the effects of climate change...." Read more from the Las Vegas Sun.

# 'We're dealing with a crisis': How the straining of the Colorado River System impacts Nevada

"It's no secret Lake Mead has seen a decline in recent years — it currently sits at about 32% full capacity — but the larger water system that feeds the reservoir is also strained. How the critical resource will be managed in the years to come is up for debate and will be a topic at the Colorado River Water Users Association Conference this week in Las Vegas. Kyle Roerink is the executive director for the watchdog organization Great Basin Water Network. He told Channel 13: "We're dealing with an availability crisis. We're dealing with a crisis where we know that 20% of the Colorado River has been lost in the past 24, 25 years. We know that the best scientists in the world are telling us that we could lose another 20% in the coming decades. So what we're seeing right now is a conflict between coming to terms, coming to grips with this new availability challenge." ... " Continue reading from Channel 13.

### Curtis bills address Colorado River salinity, critical minerals

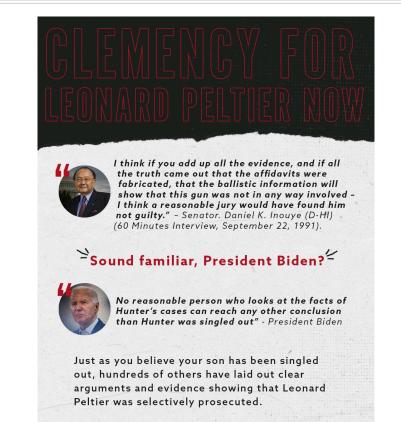
"In a time of drought and increasing water scarcity throughout the West, a key step to protect the water supply for more than 40 million residents is to control the salinity of the Colorado River to ensure its continued functionality. Rep. John Curtis, R-Utah, pushed forward legislation successfully on Tuesday to boost efforts to combat that challenge and step up states' and the federal government's response. "High salinity levels in the Colorado River have far-reaching consequences. They threaten the beauty and integrity of Utah's national parks, impact our ranchers and farmers, and jeopardize drinking water for millions of Americans," he said. ... "Read more from Deseret News.





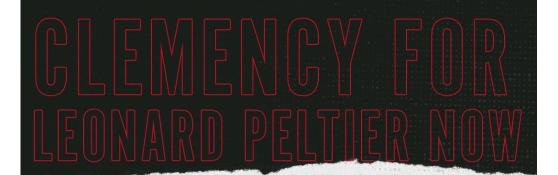
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Yesterday, President Biden pardoned his son Hunter Biden, and the President likely took this action without a recommendation from the Department of Justice (DOJ). This demonstrates LOUD AND CLEAR that President Biden has the power and authority to take SWIFT ACTION to ensure justice where other processes have FAILED.



President Biden's words in his son's pardon are part of the message to free Leonard Peltier for generations. Leonard Peltier's continued imprisonment is a horrific act of injustice. Hunter Biden's prosecution was politically motivated, and so was Leonard Peltier's; the difference is that Peltier has suffered in prison for nearly 50 years.

"There has been an effort to break Hunter – who has been five and a half years sober, even in the face of unrelenting attacks and selective prosecution. In trying to break Hunter, they've tried to break me – and there's no reason to believe it will stop here. Enough is enough." - President Biden



Hunter Biden's prosecution was politically motivated, so was Leonard Peltier's; the difference is Peltier has suffered in prison for nearly 50 years. Grant Executive Clemency for Peltier Now!



I believe in the justice system, but as I have wrestled with this, I also believe raw politics has infected this process and it led to a miscarriage of justice - and once I made this decision this weekend, there was no sense in delaying it further." - President Biden

President Biden, there is "no sense" in continuing to delay taking action to grant Leonard Peltier his freedom.

Leonard's imprisonment in a maximum security facility has been an effort to "break" him. This represents the way this justice system continues to try to "break" the spirit of Indigenous resistance for sovereignty, self-determination, religious freedom, treaty rights, and the right to justice for Indigenous Peoples.

ENOUGH IS ENOUGH!

Miigwech (thank you), Korina Barry, Managing Director of NDN Action NDN Collective