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This Month in Hopi History

- **1834:** Rocky Mountain Fur Company trappers kill 15-20 Hopis
- **1837:** Massive Navajo attack on Orayvi Village
- **1862-1863:** Three Hopis travel to Salt Lake City to appeal for aid against Navajos
- **1891:** Orayvi Warriors declared war on U.S. Calvary

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Judith Youvella selected Tribal Council Secretary



Judy Youvella, Aswungwa/Hospowungwa, from First Mesa Sichomovi Village, selected as Council Secretary

By: Louella Furcap
First Mesa Village Crier

Among the two vying for the position of Tribal Council Secretary, the Council selected Judith Youvella from First Mesa, Sichomovi Village, as Tribal Secretary.

“I’m beyond grateful to have been selected for the Secretary position,” said Youvella. “It has been an interesting first few days in the office, meeting with staff and learning the process of Council meetings. Some office staff are currently working from home, but will return to the office as soon as the Executive

Order has been lifted. I am honored to be able to represent the Hopi Tribe in this position, trusting that I will carry out the duties of the office to the best of my abilities.”

“Nu’ Judy Youvella yan maatsiwa. Nu’ Sitsom’ovit angqwnit pu’ Aswungwa pu’ Hospowungwa. Nu’ Hopi Council amungem tumala’yyvaqe halayti! Nu’ so’onqe qa pas soosok hiita navoti’yta, niikyang pay nu’ aw maatsi’yma, hin it tribal Secretary imuy Council amungem tumala’yyungniqat.”

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Nona Tuchawena new BIA Hopi Agency Superintendent

By: Louella Furcap
First Mesa Village Crier

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Leadership welcomes Nona Tuchawena as the new Hopi Agency Superintendent

After nearly 21 years of employment with the Bureau, serving in various capacities around the State, and most recently Agency Supt. at San Carlos for 14 years; then at Ft. Apache, Tuchawena was ready to retire in Dec. 2020 when she was offered a re-assignment to the Hopi Agency. Realizing the need for her services at Hopi, she accepted and cancelled her retirement three days before it became final.

FMCV Administrator Ivan Sidney said he is

happy that she accepted the position and said, “she is articulate and has a wealth of experience and knowledge with the Bureau and the Hopi governmental system. She will be an asset to the Hopi Tribe and the people. We look forward to a positive working relationship.”

Tuchawena said she recently met with Chairman Timothy Nuvangyaoma to discuss projects and to improve relationships and communication between the Tribe and the BIA.

One of the first things she would like to improve on is the Hopi Wildland Fire Program.

“Hopi use to have a big seasonal fire program and other agency fire crews have said the Hopi crews were very hardworking,” said Tuchawena. “This seasonal program brought income to Hopi families and I would like to bring it back.”

Another priority is to establish and/or re-establish partnerships and improve on projects with the Tribe, such as the Realty Program.

For more information, Tuchawena can be reached at 928-738-2228 or via email at: nona.tuchawena@bia.gov
Tuchawena is from the Village of Kykotsmovi.

National Navajo Code Talker Day an official State Holiday

By: Louella Furcap
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AZ Governor Doug Ducey signed legislation (SB 1802) into law on March 29, making National Navajo Code Talkers Day a state holiday on Aug. 14, honoring the courage of the Code Talkers and their role in the Allied victory of WWII.

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator Ivan Sidney said, “We are

happy the State Legislature recognized the Navajo Code Talkers for use of their language during World War II; however, we must not forget all the other Native American tribes who also served as Code Talkers during World War II, including the Hopi Code Talkers.”

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Hopi Tribe Phase 1 Re-Opening

The Hopi Tribe

By Executive Order #008-2021 dated April 1, 2021, Hopi Chairman Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Vice Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva ordered the Hopi Phase One Re-Opening of the Tribal Government and the Hopi business sector.

Executive Order cites:

“As recently as March 15, 2021, data reflects a downward trajectory or near zero percent (5.0%) of positive tests as a percentage of total tests over a 14-day period;” and “Based on an analysis of available data,

benchmarks have been reached in all thirteen Hopi Villages and Communities that meet the gating criteria recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) for Phase One Re-Opening;” and “While significant progress has been made to

achieve a flattening of the curve, there is still a need for vigilance moving forward with the Phase One Re-Opening, including the continuation of certain restrictions.”

Full transcript of Executive Order
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FMCV intends to apply for FCC grants to improve Internet Connections

By: Ivan L. Sidney
First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator

Our First Mesa Village Leaders have been receiving complaints by parents and schools having difficulties with online learning. Most of the home internet connections are provided by the Hopi Telecommunications, Inc. and the Wireless Hot Spots being provided by CellularOne. Both systems are faced with technical issues, especially CellularOne. CellularOne has use of wireless by microwave technology and not fiber optics which would allow for more bandwidth. Although HTI received a grant 10 years ago, CellularOne was unable to receive its connection to the fiber optics. No explanation was provided to CellularOne although they were to become a paying customer to HTI.

It has now become critical, since we continue to face the difficulties of COVID-19. The connections would have provided our village homes and schools better services. Because the commitment of Traditional Leaders to our children's education now and for the future, they directed that Mr. Dickson Silas, Spokesman for our Kikmongwi join me to request the need for improved internet services. On March 11, 2021, we were able to meet with Carroll Onsa, Chief Executive Officer of HTI to register the complaints and the need for immediate improvements to our school's communication systems. All schools, including Northland Pioneer and Hopi Health Care Center were notified of the request.

No response to date has been received from HTI and only from schools acknowledging their appreciation. The FMCV Tribal Council Representatives also requested the need to Onsa during a recent Council session. Onsa replied that he had the grant funding for the purpose but was unable to come to our village because of the COVID-19 closure. Our village office, the First Mesa Consolidated Villages, was never closed like other villages, due to State Highway 264. Our Representatives informed HTI they can began work at our village at any time.

It is now evident that our people are having repercussions of non-connections to fiber optics, which has been available for almost 8 years. With the upcoming American Rescue Plan, it will provide funds for investment in infrastructure, including water, sewer and broadband services. FMCV is now engaged in direct discussions with Mr. Matthew Duschesne, Chief, Office of Native Affairs and Policy, the Washington Office of Federal Communications Commission. FCC will be announcing grants that will expand and improve broadband and especially for schools. FMCV will prepare proposals to apply for the grants to assist our schools and families. Included will be to expand the use of internet for medical purposes.

FMCV has submitted grants in the past years only to be denied a resolution from the Hopi Tribal Chairman, reflecting his none support. As self-governing villages, we have the authority to seek grants to help our people. The constitution created a Tribal Council to convey the requests of villages. This dilemma also exemplifies that a single company can create a monopoly, especially when it is owned by the Hopi Tribe. Our village people must support our Leaders for this initiative for improved communications and technology for our schools. Any suggestions, contact our office at 928-737-2670.

FMCV Hopi Tribal Council Reports

HTC Report By: Wallace Youvella, Jr.
Hopi Tribal Council, representing First Mesa Consolidated Villages

Action Items:

#061-2020 - To approve the settlement agreement in the Hopi Tribe v. United States of America, No. 06-0941 (Fed. Ct of Claims) Held in Executive Session. TABLED to April 2021.

#010-2021 - To procure the 2021 Insurance Policies for the Hopi Tribe. PASSED.

#012-2021 - To approve the FY 2021 General Fund Budget and Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language. PASSED. (see full transcript on Page 3)

Investment Committee:

* The Committee discussed the Tribal Preferred Program Ranking and unanimously decided that the Investment Committee held no direct capacity related to the areas of ranking. Therefore, the ranking tool was not addressed, allowing the rankings of other committees to be more significant.

* Investments Report will be shared with the Investment Committee at a later date, as the report generated by the Hopi Tribal Treasurer, is still being compiled.

* The status update on the Village of Orayvi's interest earned, will continue to be research by the Hopi Tribal Treasurer and the Office of General Counsel, as well as the Rockefeller firm. Upon completion, a report will be delivered to the Investment Committee.

* Status update regarding issues with the Hopi Tribal Economic Development Corporation. Financial reports from the Hopi Tribal Economic Development Corporation, have yet to be received by the Investment Committee, as directed by Hopi Tribal Council. Considerations and concerns may be discussed regarding the HTEDC Charter. Unfortunately the OGC representative was not available for the meeting, so the matter has been tabled to the next meeting.

Transportation Task Team:

* Work regarding the formation of an interest bearing account continues.

* A new project for the future is being proposed, regarding a new entry way to the Hopi Courts off the road leading to Hopi Jr./Sr. High School.

* An Inter-Governmental Agreement has allowed funds to be received by Navajo County for rural communities. The amount of \$50,000 will be allocated to the

Hopi Tribe and used for the land-fill road.

* Navajo Department of Transportation requests to meet with the Hopi Transportation Task Team regarding the road project leading from Pinon to Hard Rock.

* Route 10 is complete with design. The FONSI has been forwarded to the Hopi BIA Agency as well as to the Hopi Office of Realty. According to the HDOT Director, Route 10 is shovel ready.

* Route 60 continues to be evaluated. Right of Way and Environmental Impact Assessments need to be updated. Funding for this particular project is being sought after through State and Federal Funding resources.

* It was reported by the Office of Community Planning and Economic Development, that Requests For Quote solicitations, regarding the Polacca Airport, are now out!. April 2, 2021 will be the cutoff date for such solicitations. Bids will be reviewed after the cutoff date and we look to have renovations and upgrades to the Polacca Airport in the near future.

Economic Development for Hopi:

As mentioned in last month's Village Crier Edition, an article regarding Economic Development would be within this report. There are many aspects that are in relation to economic development: there is infrastructure which includes the electrical grid, water/sewer, roads/transportation, communications, sanitation services, etc. We have schools, the various government offices, small businesses, health care facilities, tourism, artists, ranchers, independent entrepreneurs and many more, that help build and comprise the Hopi economy.

Today the Hopi Tribal government, Hopi's single largest employer, finds itself in financial distress. Approximately 80% of the Hopi Tribe's budget was dependent on revenue from the Peabody Coal Mine. With the coal revenue now gone, the Hopi Tribe currently only has funds to operate, at it's current levels, for maybe 4 more years. I'm sure many of our people know of the events leading up to this situation and just how unprepared the Hopi Tribe has been thus far. Simply put, the Hopi Tribal government needs tens of millions of dollars in revenue, annually, to continue to operate at the current

levels of 2021. If the Hopi Tribe is unable to achieve substantial revenue, the ripple effect will be felt by every aspect of the entire Hopi economy.

It has been talked about in Hopi Tribal Council (HTC) meetings, by various Representatives and Leadership, that HTC committees need to bring forth economic ideas and projects for consideration.

This way of promoting economic development through committees; however, has proven to be extremely ineffective and rarely worked in decades prior. So Why Advocate for a Practice that Does Not Work? Leadership and Tribal Council must realize that operating a government and fostering a free enterprise economy are not executed in the same manner.

I must also point out that various entities have proposed and presented economic development projects to the Hopi Tribal Council, as recently as 2019, only to be forgotten or dismissed, sometimes with little discussion, inquiry or analysis. Hopi Leadership and the Council must be prepared to commit long hours, sometimes into the night, to productively deliberate and discuss each and every proposal and give it it's due diligence.

There is a committee working on one specific aspect of economic development - that is the Gaming Committee.

Suggestions have been made as to how to proceed with gaming and there have been challenges too. Those who have been following this know there has been communication with the Tonto Apache Tribe, regarding their assistance and partnership, to start up Hopi gaming. Many questions have lingered, regarding details and any agreements with other tribes that Hopi may partner with in building a gaming establishment.

In March, 2021 there was a directive given to the Office of General Counsel, by the Council, to seek alternatives related to gaming where other tribes may be willing to compensate the Hopi Tribe to not develop gaming establishments, to avoid competition. Exactly how much revenue the Hopi Tribe would receive in these types of offers is relatively unknown. I'm sure there will be much more updates and the discussion of options regarding gaming, in April, 2021.

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**Council Report
By Rep. Albert T. Siquah**

American Rescue Plan Act of 2021

With the advent of the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 that was recently passed, by the U.S Congress, Tribes were invited to participate in Tribal Consultation on the of 20 Billion in Coronavirus State Fiscal Recovery Funds to Tribal Governments.

The Dept. of Treasury is requesting input on the following:

- 1.The formula the Department should use to determine each Tribe's share of funds.
- 2.Allowable expenditures for funds distributed to each Tribe.

Consultations were held during the period of March 31to April 1,2021.

Hopi CARES Act Funds Activity

The Tribal Council addressed the development at the Turquoise Well Site (Tawa Ovi). Discussions included:

- Approval to develop the site.
- Approval of programs to be relocated to the site.
- Potential wastewater system deficiencies.
- Potential electrical power supply deficiencies.

There is a concern that the development at Tawa Ovi (Turquoise Well Site) may have significant impacts on the Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP) with electrical power and wastewater deficiencies.

Hopi Housing Authority

The Hopi Housing Authority (HHA) is anticipating distribution of funds, via the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, which was recently passed. Upon notification, the Housing Authority will notify the Hopi public.

Presently, the HHA is concentrating on completing construction projects which were delayed, by approximately one year, due to the impact of the Coronavirus 19, along with repair and inspections of homes.

The board is also updating the bylaws of the organization.

The Hopi Tribe is presently advertising five Commissioner positions to serve on the HHA Board.

If you are interested in applying for one of the positions, submit a letter of interest to: Hopi Tribal Council P.O. Box 123, Kykotsmovi, AZ. 86039

**Tribal Secretary
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“Barbara and Berdella work on-site and are very knowledgeable in the day to day operations and workings of the

Tribal Council. They, and the off-site staff, will help transition me into my new role and responsibilities,” said Youvella. “Although I may not immediately *“know everything,”* the work experience and skills I bring to this office will give me the opportunity to provide administrative support to the Tribal Council, the Hopi people and the business associates of the Tribal government.”

**Wallace Youvella, Jr.
Council Report cont'd from P2**

In February 2020, several Council Representatives from various villages, including myself, took it upon ourselves to inquire, seek and make contacts with the possibility and intention of bringing economic ventures and projects to the Hopi Tribe. Progress and contacts were beginning to take place until the COVID-19 pandemic came upon us, thereby halting all efforts. In September 2020, the challenge of seeking economic development opportunities began once again, albeit a slow process.

There have been many goals and objectives discussed, but there are a few that are most notable.

One of the most important is jobs for our people, along with revenue for the Hopi Tribe and opportunities for our people to develop and build their own businesses. It is also my view that reliance upon the central Hopi Tribal government needs to gradually be reduced. The Hopi Tribal government is crucial to the Hopi Tribe, but becomes a financial burden when its need for excessive revenue is too great. To discontinue excessive dependence upon any government, whether it be Tribal, State or Federal, we must diversify our entire economy.

It would be ideal to bring projects to Hopi and build businesses within the main Hopi Reservation primarily. However, to attract major projects, it would most likely require being near a major interstate and/or railway. This important means of transportation, is along the I-40 corridor, and Hopi has the all important resource of land, along that corridor. This is not to

say that all economic development should be pursued along I-40, because it is necessary and a priority that the local economy continues to grow and strive to meet the needs of residents of all the villages and communities.

In the last 8 months of my term, it is a personal goal to work extensively and collaboratively with Hopi Tribal Council Representatives and Tribal Officials who share the same sense of urgency to develop our economy. Within the group of HTC Representatives who have taken on this economic task, we are currently following up on several projects and opportunities, with the goal of presenting economic opportunities to the Hopi Tribe and Hopi Tribal Council, in the next month or two.

Although, the Hopi Tribe finds itself in a financial predicament where we must act quickly, we must also proceed with caution, prudence and keeping in mind of what is best for our people and future.

In the approaching months, more articles on the progress in economic development will be given. I thank you for taking the time to read this report.

Although the pandemic seems to be regressing, please continue to be proactive in the safety of your health and well being.

Wallace Youvella, Jr.
Representing the First Mesa Consolidated Villages

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Code Talkers continued from P1

There were eight Hopi Code Talkers who served in the US Army with the 323rd Infantry Regiment, 81st Infantry Division, known as the “Wild Cat Division,” during World War II; and two Hopi Code Talkers served in the U.S. Army Air Force Bombardment Group.

The Hopi soldiers developed a code system using Hopi Lavayi to send highly sensitive radio communications while in combat.

The bill to recognize the Native American Code Talkers and make Aug. 14 a State Holiday, was sponsored by State Senator Jamescita Peshlakai. In accordance with the bill, if

National Navajo Code Talkers Day falls on a day other than Sunday, the Sunday following Aug. 14 is to be observed as the holiday. Navajo Code Talkers Day was established through a presidential proclamation by President Ronald Reagan on August 14, 1982. In 2014, Arizona passed legislation declaring Aug. 14 Navajo Code Talkers Day

Hopi Code Talkers who served in the United States Army:

- PFC Frank Chapella
First Mesa Tewa Village
- PFC Warren Kooyaquaptewa
First Mesa Tewa Village

Technical 5 Franklin Shupla

First Mesa Tewa Village

PFC Charles Lomakema
Shungopavy Village

PFC Percival Navenma
Mishungnovi Village

PFC Perry Honanie, Sr.
Shungopavy Village

PFC Travis S. Yaiva
Bacavi Village

Hopi Code Talkers who served in the United States Air Force:

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HOPI CHR NEWSLETTER



When You've Been Fully Vaccinated

COVID 19 vaccines are effective at protecting you from getting sick. Based on what we know about COVID-19 vaccines, people who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic.

After you've been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you should keep taking precautions in public places like wearing a mask, staying 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces until we know more.

WHAT HAS CHANGED

If you've been fully vaccinated:

- You can gather indoors with fully vaccinated people without wearing a mask.
- You can gather indoors with unvaccinated people from one other household (for example, visiting with relatives who all live together) without masks, unless any of those people or anyone they live with has an increased risk for severe illness from COVID-19.
- If you've been around someone who has COVID-19, you do not need to stay away from others or get tested unless you have symptoms.
 - However, if you live in a group setting (like a correctional or detention facility or group home) and are around someone who has COVID-19, you should still stay away from others for 14 days and get tested, even if you don't have symptoms.



What Hasn't Changed

For now, if you've been fully vaccinated:

- You should still take steps to protect yourself and others in many situations, like wearing a mask, staying at least 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces. Take these precautions whenever you are:
 - In public
 - Gathering with unvaccinated people or others not from your household
 - Visiting with a non-household member or who lives with a person at increased risk
- You should still avoid medium or large-sized gatherings.
- If you do travel off reservation, you'll still need to follow CDC requirements and recommendations.
- You should still watch out for symptoms of COVID-19, especially if you've been around someone who is sick. If you have symptoms of COVID-19, you should get tested and stay home and away from others.
- You will still need to follow guidance at your workplace.



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Navajo Department of Health
Health Advisory Notice (HAN)

First COVID-19 case of the B.1.1.7 (U.K.) Variant identified on the Navajo Nation



WINDOW ROCK, AZ – The Navajo Health Command Operations Center under the Navajo Department of Health confirmed the nation's first COVID-19 case of the B.1.1.7 variant. The B.1.1.7 variant also referred to as the U.K. variant and the Centers for Disease Prevention and Control (CDC) considers this variant a concern as it is highly transmissible. The case was detected through ongoing strain surveillance of COVID-19 positive samples collected from health facilities on the Navajo Nation. The Navajo Epidemiology Center (NEC) is leading the Navajo Nation SARS-CoV-2 Strain Surveillance (NNS3) Project under the Health Command Operations Center and in partnership with Navajo Area Indian Health Service and local Tribal Health Organizations (P.L. 93-638). The case was confirmed mid-March and is an elder and resides in the Western Agency of the Navajo Nation. The case is recovering and none of the contacts tested positive. Routine contact tracing was completed and no additional cases were found.

We recommend the following safety precautions:

- Daily COVID-19 prevention measures will prevent the spread of variants. Avoid crowds, ventilate indoor spaces and remember the "3 Ws":
 - Wear a mask
 - Watch your distance "Social/Physical distance"
 - Wash hands frequently
- Get vaccinated when you are eligible. COVID-19 vaccines prevent the occurrence of new variants. Studies suggest that the current COVID-19 vaccines will work well against the most common variants and will prevent severe disease.

For more information, including helpful prevention tips, and resources to help stop the spread of COVID-19, visit the Navajo Department of Health's COVID-19 website: <http://www.ndoh.navajo-nsn.gov/COVID-19> . For COVID-19 related questions and information, call (928) 871-7014.

HJSHS Cancels Spring Season of Sports

HJSHS Athletic Department
Ricky Greer, Activities Coordinator
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March 23, 2021— Out of an abundance of caution and based on Hopi Jr./Sr. High School (HJSHS) staying with its distance-learning format for the foreseeable future, the HJSHS Governing Board officially canceled the 2020-2021 spring athletic seasons during the regularly scheduled March board meeting.

Decisions to cancel activities and opportunities for our students, are extremely difficult. However, the direction became clear based on feedback from stakeholders, staff, tribal leadership, healthcare professionals, along with the lack of other area schools at both the High School and Jr. High levels participating in activities this spring.

Please know that the safety of our students and community are at the forefront of all decisions made by HJSHS.

Based on the decision, the entire HJSHS athletic calendar has been canceled for the 2020-2021 school year. This includes both the High School and Jr. High levels.

HJSHS will review data, continue discussions, and seek feedback from students, parents/guardians, staff, community members, and tribal leadership throughout the next couple of months as we evaluate the possibility of summer activities and prepare for the 2021 fall athletic seasons.

HJSHS reminds everyone to stay at home, mask up around all individuals that do not reside within your household, practice good hygiene procedures, and stay socially distant.

It takes all of us following these protocols faithfully to continue the recent reduction in spread within our communities.

Let's stay diligent Bruins!

Revised Hart Ranch Wood Harvest Schedule

Due to increased temperatures, potential for fire hazards, and decreased Tribal member participation. WEMP has revised the Hart Ranch Wood Harvest schedule.

The last weekend to take advantage of the wood harvest and stock pile your wood for the next winter, will be Saturday, April 17th and Sunday, 18th.

FMCV Hours

Open for Business by Telephone only:
Monday—Friday, 10am—3pm

Water payments may be made during these hours by Credit card only. Money Order payments can be sent US Mail or placed in the secure drop box outside the door. Telephone: 928-737-2670

Hopi Tribe Department of Health & Human Services COVID-19 Emergency Response, April 5 Report

KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – April 5, 2021 — For the COVID-19 vaccines, overall effectiveness has been reported in the range of 70% to 95%. That’s well above the average effectiveness of the flu vaccine, for example. Not only do these vaccines appear to lessen risk of developing COVID-19, but they also appear to lessen the risk of severe disease. In large clinical trials, most side effects have been minor. When side effects occur, they typically last just a few days. A side effect or reaction isn’t necessarily all bad, by the way; it may indicate that the body is building protection against the virus. Common side effects include: 1.) pain at the site of the injection; 2.) painful, swollen lymph nodes in the arm where the vaccine was injected; 3.) overall fatigue; 4.) headache. It’s normal to feel cautious about any new treatment. But two common misconceptions may encourage people to avoid getting a COVID vaccine. When health problems develop soon after vaccination, people tend to blame the vaccine. Yet cancer, strokes, heart attacks, blood disorders, and rare illnesses occurred before the pandemic, and will of course continue to happen. If a person develops COVID-19 soon after vaccination, it’s not due to the vaccine. No live SARS-CoV-2 virus is used in currently available vaccines or those in development.

When You’ve Been Fully Vaccinated - How to protect yourself and others.

COVID-19 vaccines are effective at protecting you from getting sick. Based on what we know about COVID-19 vaccines, people who have been fully vaccinated can start to do some things that they had stopped doing because of the pandemic.

We’re still learning how vaccines will affect the spread of COVID-19. After you’ve been fully vaccinated against COVID-19, you should keep taking precautions – like wearing a mask, staying 6 feet apart from others, and avoiding crowds and poorly ventilated spaces – in public places until we know more.

These recommendations can help you make decisions about daily activities after you are fully vaccinated. They are not intended for healthcare settings.

Here is a quick overview of the COVID-19 statistics on a national, state, and local level:

As of this date – April 5, 2021

The United States now has approximately 30.52million confirmed positive cases with 40,601 new cases and over 554,064 deaths reported.

Over 845,840 confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 15,746 are in Navajo County alone.

The Hopi Health Care Center has tested over 8,9267 patients to this date. Over 1,379 of those tests at Hopi Health Care Center came back positive with 999 from Hopi Tribal members. Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation reported 269 positives for Hopi Villages with a combined number of 1268 positive Hopi Tribal members.

The information below provides a glimpse of the current numbers in those respective villages.

Vaccine information					
Village	Population Estimate	Number Vaccinated*	Percent of population vaccinated	Percent relative to the average	Vaccine Ranking Highest=1
Bacavi	350	149	42.57%	91.84%	7
Hotevila	871	401	46.04%	99.33%	5
Kykotsmovi	709	441	62.2%	134.2%	1
Mushongovi	679	237	34.9%	75.29%	8
Moenkopi	1,146	543	47.38 %	102.22%	2
Oriyvi	260	81	31.2%	67.31%	9
Shungopavi	1,013	479	47.28%	102%	3
Sipalwavi	371	164	44.2%	95.36%	6
Polacca	1,908	891	46.69 %	100.73%	4
Total*	7304**	3,386	46.35%	100%	

This Table looks at both cases per capita for the Tribe and persons that have received at least one dose of the vaccine since the beginning of the pandemic. The village populations were calculated from the enrollment data fro the Tribe and is simply a rough estimate. The most important feature of the table is the percent relative to the average for vaccination to target our implementation. The table is color coded, with Red being greater than 5% below average, Yellow being within 5% of average and Green being greater than above average.

*Excludes the vaccines from Keams Canyon, Spider Mound and those calculated as Second Mesa. The three groups combine for another 320 Hopi Tribal members who have received at least the first dose of the vaccine.

Total Reservation percent vaccinated—50.74%
Eligible population vaccinated—57.87%

Hopi COVID-19 Reported Cases by Hopi Health Care Center Cases* April 5, 2021					
	Number Tested Today	Cumulative Number Positive	Cumulative Number Negative	Total Number in Process	Total Tested
	9	1,379	7526,	0	8,967
Number of Cases per Village as of April 5, 2021	Reported by HHCC	Reported by Tuba City Regional Healthcare Corporation	Total		
Kiqötsmovi	102	26	128		
Orayvi	27		27		
Polacca (Walpi-Sitsom'ovi-Tewa)	274	9	283+		
Musangnuvi	91	2	93		
Supawlavi	58	1	59+		
Söngoopavi	218	1	219+		
Yuwelu-paki	12		12		
Paaqavi	53		53		
Hotvela	120	45	165(+)		
Keams Canyon	37	10	47		
Flagstaff		1	1		
Munqapi	1	174*	175*		
Phoenix	1		1		
Winslow	4		4		
Prescott	1		1		
TOTAL	999	269	1268		

The information by villages presented above is released by the Hopi Department of Health & Human Services, and the data shown reflects patients tested at the Hopi Health Care Center and at the Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation specifically on Hopi tribal members. The data from Lower and Upper Munqapi is consolidated until specific data can be re-verified. (+) number decreased due to individual being identified from another village. The community of residence for one Hopi Tribal member who tested positive at HHCC is in the Phoenix metropolitan area. The community of residence for four Hopi Tribal members who tested positive at HHCC is in Winslow. The data here does not include all state-wide data from other facilities such as Flagstaff, Winslow, Phoenix or other hospitals.

*Note: These data include newly added testing results from the Abbott ID NOW machine since April 20, 2020

**A total of 1268+ individuals who tested positive are members of the Hopi Tribe

+ Includes Village member(s) retested positive.



PREVENTION:		
Watch for symptoms. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported –ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness.	2. Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing	11. Nausea or vomiting
Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19:	3. Or at least two of these symptoms:	12. Diarrhea
	4. Fever	13. New loss of taste or smell
	5. Chills	Children have similar symptoms to adults and generally have mild illness.
	6. Repeated shaking with chills	This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.
	7. Muscle pain	
	8. Headache	
	9. Sore throat	
1. Cough	10. Congestion or runny nose	

Hopi Tribe FY 2021 Budget & Appropriations Language

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INTRODUCTION

Tribal Fiscal Management Responsibility:

As the governing body of the Hopi Tribe, The Hopi Tribal Council holds the constitutional authority to manage the economic affairs of the Tribe through the raising and dispersing of Tribal funds for the welfare of the Tribe. (See Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe, ARTICLE VI, SECTION 1 (e) and (f)). All payments from the Tribal Council fund are a matter of public record.

General Fund Budget Development Process:

The Budget Oversight Team (BOT) is identified in Section IV of the Hopi Tribe's Fiscal Management Policy and consists of the following: A Chairman's Representative, the Vice Chairman, the Hopi Tribal Treasurer, the Hopi Tribal Secretary, the Executive Director (Tribal Director), the Finance Director, a Community Services Administrator Representative, a Regulated Entities representative, and a Hopi Tribal Court representative. Pursuant to Hopi Tribal Council resolution H-073-2011, the Vice Chairman was delegated to lead the General Fund Budget Development Process, with the goal of developing an overall annual budget with participation from the respective program managers and department directors.

For the Fiscal Years 2020 and 2021, The Hopi Tribal Council directed the BOT to develop an Annual General Fund Budget in the amount of \$19,080,887.00. This General Fund Budget Appropriations request for Fiscal Year 2021 is based on the following calculations:

- Given that the Hopi Tribe is faced with declining revenues, a cursory total of the Tribe's *Unrestricted Investments* was taken, which resulted in the sum of approximately \$107,657,142.72. This total was then prorated for 6 years. This time frame was based on reports that it would take *at least* 6 years for any economic venture of the Hopi Tribe to produce revenues comparable to those lost from the closure of Navajo Generating Station (NGS).
- Specific village, department and program target allowances were calculated using data taken from the expenditure and revenue reports for Fiscal Years 2017, 2018 and 2019 to produce a workable average.
- These specific target allowances were then adjusted using data taken from the Budget Call Documents submitted by each individual Department, Program, and Entity. The FY 2021 Budget Call Documents package consisted of:
 - Instruction sheet
 - Document Sign-off Sheet
 - Program Overview Sheet, referred to as *Attachment A*
 - Program Essential Services and Clientele Sheet, referred to as *Attachment B*
 - Goals & Measurable Objectives Sheet, referred to as *Attachment C*
 - Budget Justification Sheet, referred to as *Attachment D*
 - Salary Sheet, referred to as *Attachment E*
 - Consolidated Budget Summary Sheet, referred to as *Attachment F*
 - Updated Chart of Accounts, referred to as *Attachment G*
- However, given that several supplemental funds were added to the approved FY 2020

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Budget, following the onset of the COVID-19 Pandemic, in addition to program budget increases, and new budget submissions for the 2021 Fiscal Year, the Hopi Tribe Annual General Fund Budget stands at \$19,377,055.90.

Expenditure Authorization & Appropriations Language and the Hopi Tribal Fiscal Management Policy:

The FY 2021 Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language establishes the following fundamental guidelines that are intended to ensure prudent use of the Hopi Tribe's financial resources.

The Hopi Tribal Council hereby mandates all Tribal Programs, Villages, Communities, Boards and personnel to practice sound fiscal responsibility and accountability by adhering to the approved Hopi Tribal Fiscal Management Policy and the approved FY 2021 Expenditure Authorization & Appropriations Language.

Implementation of FY 2021 General Fund Budget:

The FY 2021 General Fund Budget shall be implemented on **January 1, 2021**, upon approval by the Hopi Tribal Council. Prior to **January 1, 2021**, the Director of the Office of Financial Management shall issue a Chart of Accounts to the respective programs, villages, and communities.

Budget Modification Procedures:

Budget Modifications shall undergo a review and approval process in accordance with the approved Fiscal Management Policy, Section IV: Budget Implementation.

- All Budget Modifications must be supported with a **detailed** justification. Managers and Directors shall be responsible and held accountable for keeping the number of modifications to a minimum.
- Supplemental Funding requests shall be considered on a case-by-case basis by the Hopi Tribal Council in FY 2021. Requests must be done via resolution and include a budget and detailed justification. Supplemental funding increases to the approved FY 2021 Budget will be noted by the Office of the Tribal Secretary and the Office of the Tribal Treasurer.**
- All Budget Modifications for Capital Asset Purchases and Budget Modifications creating new line items not originally approved will require prior approval by the Executive Director.
- Savings from Salaries and Fringe may be reprogrammed into other line items.

Contingency Account:

The FY 2021 Contingency Account is intended for exigent costs. Any salary savings not reprogrammed after the Second Quarter (*i.e.* July 16, 2021) will be used to fund the Contingency fund. The Office of Financial Management (OFM) will be responsible for the calculation and transfer of such savings, without notice, following this date. **Contracts/Grants Programs, revolving accounts, special allocation accounts and Villages/Communities are exempt from this Fringe/Salary savings transfer.**

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Hopi Tribal Annual Audit:

It is the responsibility of the **Tribal Treasurer** and the **Office of Financial Management** to ensure that audits are completed by the deadlines mandated within the **2 CFR, Part 200, Sub-part F** (Super Circular). All financial transactions based on the budget appropriations are subject to an annual audit in accordance with the Fiscal Management Policy of the Hopi Tribe. **It is the responsibility of the Treasurer, the Director of the Office of Financial Management and the respective department directors to ensure that all audit findings and recommendations are resolved. The Director of the Office of Financial Management or his/her designee shall be responsible for follow up regarding the Annual Audit findings and ensure that the corrective action plans are satisfactorily completed.** Special Allocations authorized by the Hopi Tribal Council for the Annual Audit may be carried forward until the audit is completed. The Hopi Tribal Treasurer and Director of the Office of Financial Management shall provide a summary report on the FY 2020 audit with repeat findings, new audit findings, corrective action plans, and the status of the tribe as high risk or low risk.

Payroll:

The Hopi Tribal Fiscal Year for payroll begins January 1 (Pay Period#1) and ends December 31 (Pay Period #26).

Fiscal Year 2021 reconciliation close-out process:

The Hopi Tribal Fiscal Year begins January 1 and ends December 31. To allow for account reconciliation and tracking of all fiscal activities of the year, a closing process will be implemented within the final week of December. This process is necessary for the Hopi Tribe's Annual Audit.

The Hopi Tribal Treasurer and Director of The Office of Financial Management shall provide a year-end closeout financial report to the Hopi Tribal Council by February 28, 2022 detailing all programs that were allocated from the general fund for FY 2021, the amount appropriated, the amount expended, and the program balance as of December 1, 2021.

The Office of Financial Management will process requisitions stamped and receive by the OFM by the close of business on November 15, 2021. The Director of the Office of Financial Management, in collaboration with the Executive Director, will have final approval on all emergency requests received after the requisition cutoff date (November 15). Goods and services not received or invoiced by December 31, 2021 will be paid for using the following year's budget (FY 2022).

All Departments: General Fund, Contract and Grant Programs, and Entities
This Section applies to all Tribal Departments: General Fund, Contract/Grant programs and Regulated Entities

1. Cost of Living Allowance, Merit Increases, Bonuses and Incentives:

- Cost of Living Allowance (COLA):** For FY 2021 the Hopi Tribal Council shall not approve COLAs for any employee due to declining revenues.
- Merit Increases:** Due to declining revenues and to maintain parity among employees,

Programs shall not be permitted to process merit increases.

- Bonuses:** Due to declining revenues and to maintain parity among employees, Programs shall not be permitted to process bonuses¹ of any type.
- Incentives:** Due to declining revenues and to maintain parity among employees, Programs shall not be permitted to procure promotional items (excluding clothing) to reward employees.

- Tires:** All programs must go through Motor-Pool for the purchase of non-specialized tires for all vehicles.
- Vehicle Maintenance:** Motor-pool shall provide routine maintenance for General Fund program vehicles free of charge, and for Contract and Grant Program Vehicles at cost. This will support the implementation of a tribal-wide fleet management program.
- Uniforms/Clothing²:** Programs are **prohibited** from purchasing personal clothing. Uniforms and necessary **safety items** as outlined in the Safety Plans for each respective program, are permitted. However, Safety Plans **must** be approved by the Office of Facilities and Risk Management Services (OFRMS).
- Requisition Cut-off Date:** The Requisition cut-off date shall be **November 15, 2021**, *except* for exigent circumstances related to health and safety. The Director of the Office of Financial Management shall be delegated the authority to determine this exception with concurrence from the Executive Director.
- Acquisition of Capital Assets:** Adherence to The Hopi Tribe's Fiscal Management Policy, and the Super Circular, shall be observed in the procurement of goods, and services for the operation of the Hopi Tribe. This requirement ensures that cost effective price negotiations and purchases meet uniform standards of quality, capability, durability and accountability. Purchases and leases shall be processed through General Services Administration (GSA) vendors whenever possible. All purchases and leases *not* processed through GSA contracts shall be based on quality and best available price. **This provision applies to ALL entities and villages utilizing the Hopi Tribe's accounting system. The deadline for Capital Item purchases is August 31, 2021. Approval from the Executive Director is required prior to the encumbrance of funds for Capital Items.**
- Carryover Funds:** All General Fund allocations are not permitted for use after **December 31, 2021**. The Hopi Tribal Treasurer and the Director of the Office of Financial Management shall provide a report regarding the carry over funds to the Hopi Tribal Council by February 28, 2022.
- Special Allocations:** Special allocations, if approved by Tribal Council, will be available until depleted. All programs provided "special allocations" shall provide quarterly financial and narrative reports to the Hopi Tribal Treasurer within fifteen (15) days of the end of the quarter.
- Compensation for Boards and Committees:** Compensation for all established Boards and Committees shall be set at \$10 dollars per hour unless otherwise established by Ordinance or Resolution. Hopi Tribal Council Representatives appointed to boards and committees on an interim basis shall not receive compensation, only per diem.
- Hopi Assisted Living Facility (HALF):** The Hopi Assisted Living Facility staff shall provide a

¹ Monetary values in the form of Gift Cards or one-time payments are considered Bonuses.

² Assuming uniforms are purchased for optical uniformity, recommend having a dress code to create this effect.

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FY 2021 budget for the amount allocated from the General Fund and shall provide quarterly financial and narrative reports on the use of these funds.

General Fund: Villages and Communities
This section applies villages and communities *only*:

1. Village/Community Presentations: As required by the Fiscal Management Policy, the BOT conducted two presentations to the public, however due to the ongoing COVID-19 situation throughout the Hopi Reservation, the FY 2021 General Fund presentations were done via Zoom. The presentations were done to solicit public comments and recommendations on the proposed FY 2021 General Fund Budget. The presentations were scheduled and conducted on the dates and times indicated below:

Date and Time	Method
February 18, 2021 at 6:00 P.M	Virtual Presentation via Zoom
February 22, 2021 at 6:00 P.M	Virtual Presentation via Zoom

2. Comments/Recommendations: The public comments were acquired from individual submission of statements and from all Village/Community presentations held. The Hopi Tribal Council is to consider the public comments within the framework provided in the Budget Administration Section of the Fiscal Management Policy.

3. Funding Allocations: The Hopi Tribal Council has provided funding to the following Hopi Villages and Communities for FY 2021:

- a. Upper Moenkopi
- b. Lower Moenkopi
- c. Hotevilla
- d. Bacavi
- e. Oraibi
- f. Kykotsmovi
- g. Shungopavi
- h. Mishongnovi
- i. Sipaulovi
- j. Walpi
- k. Sichomovi
- l. Tewa
- m. Yu-weh-Loo-Pahki

4. Public Village/Community Budget Development and Approval: The opportunity for budget review by Village and Community members is required and must be evidenced by a copy of the following:

- a. Public Meeting Notice on the proposed Village/Community budget; this notice shall indicate the meeting date, time and location.

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- b. Public Meeting Sign In sheet.
- c. A **certification endorsed by the governing authority of the village or community** showing the required meeting was held, and that the members were given an opportunity to review and comment on the proposed budget.

Approved budgets must be submitted with the required documents (noted above) on or before **March 1, 2021** to the Office of the Tribal Treasurer and the Office of Financial Management.

5. Funding Drawdowns: Release of Village/Community funding is contingent upon the submittal of an Annual Budget for FY 2021 and the completion of an independent audit, as required by the Fiscal Management Policy.

- a. The First drawdown allocation shall be one-half of the total allocation minus what is required for salaries and fringe benefits provided that the salaries and fringe benefits are processed through the Tribe. The village shall process the first drawdown requisition on or before **January 11, 2021**.
- b. Villages that utilize their own payroll system shall be given the full amount of the first drawdown allocation.
- c. The second drawdown will be dispersed upon receipt of an approved Village/Community budget and all required supporting documents (see conditions listed under *Public Village/Community Budget Reviews* above), as well as the information requested in the Budget Call Documents Package. The deadline for the submission of all these documents to the Hopi Tribal Treasurer is **June 1, 2021**.
- d. FY 2021 drawdowns will be determined by the submittal of an annual audit for FY 2020. (see *Audit* below)

6. Reporting: All Villages/Communities will submit quarterly expenditure reports to the Office of the Tribal Treasurer and the Office of Financial Management. Reports shall be due on the last day of the month following the end of the previous quarter.

- 1st Quarterly Report is due **April 30**
- 2nd Quarterly Report is due **July 31**
- 3rd Quarterly Report is due **October 31**
- 4th Quarterly Final Report is due **January 31**

7. Audit Requirements: All Villages/Communities shall complete an **independent** audit of all Funds held by the Village/Community. If a Village/Community received an award from the Corona Virus Relief Fund in FY 2020 a **single** audit³ must also be completed. The respective Village/Community Governing Board shall approve the audit. The costs of said audits shall be the responsibility of each respective Village/Community. Completed audit reports shall be submitted to the Office of the Tribal Treasurer and the Office of Financial Management no later than September 30 of each fiscal year.

8. Audit Extension: Audit extensions may be requested no later than **August 13, 2021**. The Office of the Tribal Treasurer and the Office of Financial Management shall provide necessary guidance regarding audit compliance when requested.

9. Audit Standards: Village/Community independent audits shall be done in accordance with

the Generally Accepted Governmental Auditing Standards (GAGAS), Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) and the **Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)** and performed by a Certified Accounting Firm selected by the respective Village/Community. Villages under the auspices of the Office of the Chairman shall be included in the Hopi Tribal Annual Audit and shall submit an amount equal to the average of all other village independent audits. This amount shall serve as a contribution to the Hopi Tribe's Annual Audit cost.

10. Employer Identification Number:

- a. Villages/Communities shall utilize their own Employer Identification Number (EIN) and shall be responsible for any and all tax liability arising from any audit, including past Village/Community audits. Any penalties and interest resulting from any and all violations shall be the responsibility of the Village/Community.
- b. Villages/Communities shall be responsible for completing the tax exemption forms associated with their EIN.

11. Carry over funds: Carry over funds will be recognized after FY 2021.

- a. Upon completion of the required Annual Audits, Villages/Communities will be allowed to access their carry over funds.
- b. Access to prior-year-carry over funds shall require Hopi Tribal Council Approval.
- c. Carry over funds will not include interest, only the amount due to the villages.

12. Village/Community Allocations: The intent of the annual village/community allocations is to promote *Self-sufficiency and Self-governance* at the local level. Furthermore, the allocation of funds is intended to aid in the delivery of goods and services to the **entire** constituency of each village/community and **shall NOT be used to litigate against the Hopi Tribe**. All allocations for Villages/Communities under the auspices of the Office of the Chairman shall be included in the Hopi Tribal Annual Audit and shall submit an amount equal to the average of all other village independent audits. This amount shall serve as a contribution to the Hopi Tribe's Annual Audit cost. Villages/Communities will also be required to submit completed financial audits for funds held independently.

Contract/Grant Programs

This section applies to Contract/Grant funded programs *only*:

- 1. Contract/Grant Fund Management:** All Contract/Grant funds shall be expended before General Fund allocations.
- 2. Contract/Grant Fund Compliance:** All Contract/Grant funded programs shall comply first and foremost with the Financial Policies and Procedures of the Hopi Tribe, as well as the regulations and policies stipulated within their respective contract or grant.
- 3. New Contracts/Grants:** Any new contract or grant **must include all costs** required to fully meet the scope of the contract or grant.
- 4. Contract/Grant and Third-Party Billing Program Liability:** Contract and Grant and Third-Party Billing Programs **shall NOT obligate the tribe to assume any cost liability** for programs whose Contract or Grant has ended.
- 5. Indirect Cost Rate:** All third-party billing and contract related revolving account expenditures

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shall be subject to the current approved indirect cost rate (IDC). The IDC revenues will be included in the General Fund revenue projections for the subsequent years. The Indirect Cost Rate shall **NOT** be waived or reduced with the exception of the Hopi Head Start Program.

- 6. Acquisition of Capital Assets:** Programs shall adhere to the Hopi Tribe's Fiscal Management Policy in the procurement of goods, leases, consultant, and other services. The Fiscal Management Policies are intended to ensure prudent management practices, accountability and cost-effective price negotiations that meet uniform standards of quality, capability, and durability. Purchases and leases shall be processed through General Services Administration (GSA) vendors whenever possible. All purchases and leases not processed through GSA contracts shall be based on optimal quality and price. **Upon contract termination or expiration, all property acquired by a Contract/Grant program will become common property, to be utilized as necessary by the Hopi Tribal Government.**

Enterprise/Special Revenue Programs/Third-Party Billing (Revolving Account)

This section applies to Programs/Entities that have Revolving/Enterprise Accounts *only*:

- 1. Revolving Accounts:** Revolving accounts must be approved by Hopi Tribal Council resolution(s). The utilization of funds within the Revolving Account(s) shall be subject to the Financial Management Policy as well as the authorizing Appropriations Language.

- a. Resolutions shall include a Budget and Scope of Work for expenditures.
- b. Revenues earned in 2020 will not be available for expenditure until FY 2022.
- c. Any revolving account funds accumulated two years or more prior to the current fiscal year shall be applied to a program's proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year before any other funds are budgeted for that particular program.

- 2. Revolving Account Fund Management:** All Revolving Account funds shall be expended before General Fund allocations.

- 3. Indirect Cost Rate:** All Third-Party billing and contract related revolving account expenditures shall be subject to the current approved Indirect Cost Rate. The IDC revenues will be included in the General Fund revenue projections for the subsequent years. The indirect cost rate shall not be waived or reduced.

Regulated Entities

This section applies to Regulated Entities *only*:

- 1. Progress Reports:** All regulated entities, committees and boards shall be required to present a quarterly financial and narrative report to the Hopi Tribal Council.

******Nothing in this document supersedes the current Financial Management Policy, if there are any inconsistencies or discrepancies between the two documents, the FY 2021 Expenditure Authorization and Appropriations Language will govern.**

³ This provision applies to Subrecipients who expended \$750,000 or more of Federal Funds.

Hopi Tribe Phase 1 Re-opening Executive Order (Cont'd from P1)

Itam So'osoyam qale'ykini

WHEREAS, the Constitution and By-laws of the Hopi Tribe, ARTICLE VI POWERS OF THE TRIBAL COUNCIL, SECTION 1 (a) and (b) respectively, authorizes the Hopi Tribal Council to represent and speak for the Hopi Tribe in all matters for the welfare of the tribe; and

WHEREAS, the Tribe is a sovereign tribal nation, responsible to its villages, citizens and members and charged with providing direction for the health and safety of all during a public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 23, 2020, in response to COVID-19, the Hopi Tribe implemented a Stay at Home Executive Order, which was extended by subsequent Executive Orders to be effective through March 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, as recently as March 15, 2021, data reflects a downward trajectory or near zero percent (5.0%) of positive tests as a percentage of total tests over a 14-day period; and

WHEREAS, based on an analysis of available data, benchmarks have been reached in all thirteen Hopi Villages and Communities that meet the gating criteria recommended by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) for Phase One Re-Opening; and

WHEREAS, the Hopi Tribe is continuing to face the COVID-19 pandemic with limited resources to respond to the public health emergency and is fully aware of the danger of prematurely opening the community; and

WHEREAS, while significant progress has been made to achieve a flattening

of the curve, there is still a need for vigilance moving forward with the Phase One Re-Opening, including the continuation of certain restrictions.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Hopi Tribe authorizes the Phase One Re-Opening of Hopi, subject to the following:

The use of face coverings is required inside all public facilities and buildings, common areas, and outdoor locations where physical distancing is not possible.

The Hopi Law Enforcement Services will coordinate with village leaders and village security officers to allow for welfare checks.

Hopi Villages and regions that satisfy baseline CDC gating criteria are eligible to begin Phase One. In recognition

of village sovereignty, re-opening of the various Hopi villages and communities will be left to the administration of each respective village.

It is recommended that the Hopi business sector adhere to the following guidelines, in addition to those listed above for Phase One Re-opening:

Limit capacity with adherence to the maximum capacity restrictions for Covid-19 and social distancing protocols.

Implement screening, and temperature checks for customers, clients and staff.

Implement strict Intervention, Prevention, and Control (IPC), cleaning and disinfecting protocols.

Implement mechanisms to control flow of traffic within the facility to the extent feasible.

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

Hello, my name is Alan Chavez and I am a member of the Hopi village of Walpi. I would like to speak to the amount of trash, solid waste, and organic waste that has seemed to plague our Mesa.

Over the past years of existence I have witnessed the growing concern of waste and inorganic particles that have amassed on and around the First Mesa region, and Polacca not just on one side of the Mesa, but all of the Tewa and Sichomovi villages included.

I have learned that individuals are responsible for purchasing trash reclamation via trash bins. However, as the Mesa is one land, the people and the price of trash should be shared among the Mesa. I ask that an effort be made to create a one trash program where no one pays for trash, and the villages bind together to rid the Mesa of this plague of concern.

Walpi being the village that received less of the Cares Act Funds require help from adjacent villages, where seemingly they have received more of the funds.

An effort has been made to keep the area safe for living; however, there still is no effort among the people, nor the Hopi government to address the growing issue of trash and waste. As, "We have reverence for all that is Hopi: the land, the sky, the rocks, the soil, the streams, the springs, the plants and the animals."

To protect our people and the land, there needs to be a concentrated effort to bring multiple offices/agencies together. In example: Solid Waste Management, Environmental Protection office, Land Operations, Wildlife and Ecosystem, and the community.

Maasaw saw it fit for us to be stewards of not just our land but the earth, and with starting a concentrated effort on our home we can still accomplish this task. As my move back to the reservation is imminent, I want my voice heard and my disappointment addressed. With help of the tribal government I fullheartedly believe we can make our mesa shine the way our Hisat sinom seen as a golden shrine and benevolent beauty.

Thank you for listening,
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Show that you care about their future!

"When the world says, 'Give up,' Hope whispers, 'Try it one more time.'"
-Unknown



ANYONE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

Earth Day 2021 Virtual Cleanup Challenge

Everyone is welcome to join in the Virtual Cleanup Challenge whether you live near or far! Designate a day between, April 19th-25th to clean around your home, garden/fields, or your favorite walking/running trails using Covid-19 precautionary measures.

1. Submit **before** and **after** photos of the area you decide to clean and post to our FaceBook Page, **Tutskwat Oqawtoynani**. You may use hashtags **#virtualcleanupchallenge #cleanupourmesas #manyhandsgettheworkdone #thehealingisinthedoing #cleanourearth**. You also have the option of submitting photos to h3h3imana@gmail.com.
2. Photos must be submitted to our page no later than 5 p.m. on April 25, 2021.
3. Once your photos are submitted you will be entered into a drawing for some great prizes. Drawing will be held the following day, April 26, 2021 and winners will be announced on Tutskwat Oqawtoynani's Facebook Page.

For more information you may call (928)737-2272.

Email: h3h3imana@gmail.com



Continue wearing a mask after getting the vaccine.

Masks are an important first step to stop COVID-19. Wearing a mask decreases the spread of germs, keeping us safe from COVID-19 and other illness.

