



Happy Holidays

The Village Crier

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HOPI CALENDAR

Kyaamayaw

The Moon of Respect
(Beginning of the New Year)

- Dec Kyaamayaw
- Jan Tömö'Paamayaw
- Feb Powamuya
- Mar Ösömuyaw
- Apr Kwiyamuyaw
- May Hakitonmuyaw
- June Woko'uyis
- July Tala'Kyelmuya
- Aug Tala'Paamayaw
- Sep Nasanmuyaw
- Oct Angakmuyaw
- Nov TömöKyelmuyaw

THIS MONTH IN HOPI HISTORYS

- 1780, 1840, 1853-54, 1897-98: Smallpox decimated Hopi population
- 1882: President Chester A. Arthur signed Executive Order designating the Hopi Reservation.
- 1890: Hopi children captured and sent to school..
- 1936: The Hopi Constitution was adopted which established the Hopi Tribal Council.

The FMCV Office will be closed on Dec. 24 and re-open Dec. 27. For emergencies, call 928-737-2670 and leave detailed message. Your call will be returned upon receipt of message

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First Mesa Consolidated Villages
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Timothy Nuvangyaoma and Craig Andrews Take Oath of Office as Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Hopi Tribe



Honorable Chief Judge Mark Roy administers Oath of Office to re-elect Chairman Timothy Nuvangyaoma and newly elected Vice Chairman Craig Andrews

Louella N Furcap, the Village Crier Editor

After the Hopi people re-elected Timothy Nuvangyaoma as Chairman and elected Craig Andrews as Vice Chairman of the Hopi Tribe on Nov. 11, the Hopi Elections Board on Nov. 17 officially certified and announced that Hopi voters re-elected Nuvangyaoma with 841 votes cast over opponent David

Talayumptewa who had 587 votes. Andrews was elected Vice Chairman with 802 votes over VC Clark Tenakhongva who had 628 votes. The two leaders were sworn into Office at the beginning of the Hopi Tribal Council's first Quarter Session on Dec. 1, 2021. Honorable Chief Judge

Marc Roy administered the Oath of Office after which Nuvangyaoma was seated as Tribal Council Chairman and Andrews as Vice Chairman. The Chairman immediately called the Council meeting to order and proceeded with the first item on the agenda: Certification of Council Representatives.

A letter from the Kikmongwi of First Mesa Consolidated Villages was read into record re-appointing and certifying the Reqs (see story below). Council Secretary Judith Youvella administered the Oath and the Legislators took their seats on Council. Following First Mesa, a letter from the Village of

Bacavi certifying Marilyn Fredericks as their elected representative was also read into record, after which she was sworn in and seated. Two representatives from Kykotsmovi Village were also present; however no Certification letter nor Village Official was present to certify, as required, per the constitution.

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Representatives Re-appointed and Sworn in to Serve on Tribal Council

Louella N Furcap
Village Crier Editor

Albert T. Siquah, Dale Siquah, Wallace Youvella, Jr and Ivan L. Sidney were re-appointed and certified by the First Mesa Kikmongwi James Tewayguna, for a period of one year, Dec. 1, 2021 to Nov. 30, 2022.

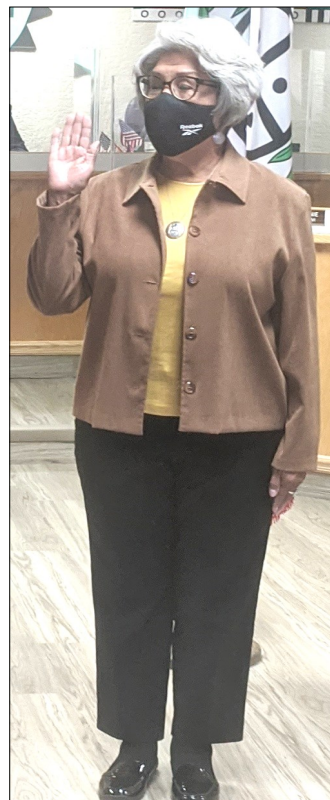
According to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Hopi Tribe, the First Mesa Consolidated Villages is a consolidation of three villages: Walpi, Sichomovi and Tewa and remains under the Hopi Traditional Self-Government with Kikmongwi as the Leader.

In the Constitution, Article IV- Hopi Tribal Council, Section 4: requires Hopi Tribal Council Representatives be certified by the Kikmongwi and be recognized by the Hopi Tribal Council.



L-R: AT Siquah, Ivan Sidney, Dale Siquah, Wallace Youvella, Jr.

Fredericks Elected to represent Bacavi Village



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Soyal Mongwi

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Katsin Mongwi

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Dickson Silas
Albert T. Siquah, Sr.
Albert Silas

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Ivan L. Sidney
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or placed in Drop Box located next to the door at the FMCV Office from 8am to 5pm Monday-Friday

No Cash Payments Accepted

FMCV Administrator's Report

By: Ivan Sidney, Sr.
First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator

The long-awaited replacement of our village drinking water having high levels of arsenic is almost here.

Facing considerable critics and comments throughout the years have assisted our Administrations commitment to accomplish its goal to obtain a grant entitled Hopi Arsenic Mediation Project (HAMP).

The initial project drew the idea of the former Indian Health Sanitation Engineer, Mr. Pete Mitchel who first drew the conceptional design of the system to bring the N Aquifer water from Hard Rock Area to First Mesa.

This pristine water was used by Peabody Coal to slurry coal to Laughlin, Nevada. Today, our well fields will supply the precious water to our people.

This project has gained the prioritized support of the Environmental Protection Agency along with the Indian Health Service, Water and Sanitation Engineer Services to continue discussions and eventually the design of the water line.

The major challenge was seeking the funding for the project. The funding was largely from EPA and additional funding from the Indian Health Service. A loan was originally required which would have passed on its payment to the customer but the grant covered all the costs.

During this period, EPA Laws required strict compliance for use of water for public use having arsenic. This not only created all testing requirements but it added on the cost of water operations.

FMCV was required to develop a "Compliance Plan" to be approved by EPA. Our village water services managed to comply with the strict requirements

with the dedication of our village water operators.

It was not until the Hopi Tribal Council created the Hopi Utility Corporation that the project progressed. Mr. Tim Bodell was retained as its first Manager and jump started the project by finalizing the design and administering the grant funds to award contracts for the construction.

Because the Second Mesa Villages also were faced with arsenic in their water wells, they were included into the project.

The project was designed to pump water from three wells into large storage tanks at the well field site, flow into two water pipelines. One line to First Mesa and the other to Second Mesa.

The project was able to secure electrical power from the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority (NTUA). Since the elevation is higher up north, the line is designed to allow the water to flow to the villages by gravity, thereby eliminating the costly pumping.

The west Polacca water storage tank is under construction and is near completion. The water line has already been connected to the east 500,000 gallon water storage tank. With the water lines completed, it will now deliver water scheduled sometime in early spring. The required testing must also be completed before the delivery of water for use.

Along with the HAMP Water Project was the meter installations at all water sites. This project was completed on December 9, 2021 and the final inspections was complete. This project was funded by the Federal CARES Act and by the efforts of the former HUC Director, Tim Bodell.

The payment by use of water meters will have customers pay for water on actual water usage.

This allows for water conservation and is now a requirement to obtain federal grants. The FMCV staff had training on the use of the metering equipment and producing water billings.

The start date for billings by use of meters depends on when the Hopi Utility Corporation will establish its cost for water delivery to our village.

FMCV plans to commence use of the meters and provide each customer how much water is used at their home. This will allow each customer an accurate gallon use of water each month and encourage proper maintenance of water lines to the home to avoid water use by leaking pipes.

This system is not only new but will take some time for the customer and water service operators to get accustomed to the meter use operations.

FMCV plans to work gradually into full operation and will inform the customers when the billing system will start and especially the cost per gallon.

This cost will start with the cost to purchase the water from the Hopi Utility Corporation. The plans to convert the First Mesa Water System to Hopi Utility Corporation is still in discussion but must wait on the corporation's complete administrative establishment and its own Board of Directors.

HUC is currently temporarily under the HTI Board which is primarily experienced and focused on communications. This board needs persons with all utility services to work into the future of the Hopi Villages.

Skeletal Remains Found During Missing Person Search on Nov. 19

Louella Nahsonhoya-Furcap
the Village Crier

During a second Search Operation for missing person Ambrose "Moe" Siquah, search volunteers on horseback discovered what appeared to be skeletal human remains in the outlying areas of First Mesa Consolidated Villages (FMCV).

The findings were reported around 11am on Nov. 19. The Incident Command was immediately notified as well as Hopi Law Enforcement Services and the BIA Criminal Investigator. The Incident Commander remained on scene until Hopi Law Enforcement and the BIA CI Unit arrived, at which point BIA took over. No specifics about the findings have been released pending forensic DNA analysis and positive identification.

One year after the first search for missing person Ambrose Siquah, and No resolution, the family enlisted the assistance of the First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator Ivan Sidney and engaged the

services of Honwungsi Consulting Services, to launch a second more organized search.

Hongwungsi, a private Hopi owned business and a Missing Persons & Trafficking Recovery Team, assists families of missing persons and assists in searches, coordinating with families and law enforcement.

A day before the Search, approximately 25 volunteers participated in a Search & Rescue/Recovery training conducted by Hongwungsi and BIA CIU.

On Nov. 18, the second search was launched with volunteers combing an area previously searched, and where items of interest had been found.

On Nov. 19, Searchers honed in on a new location, where the remains were found.

Hopi police and BIA did not assist in the actual search, although Hopi LES assistants were present throughout the search.



HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The FMCV Office will be closed Dec. 23 at noon for the Christmas Holiday and re-open Dec. 27.

The Office will also be closed on Dec. 31 in observance of the New Year and re-open Jan 3, 2022

In case of emergencies, you may call 928-737-2670 and leave a detailed message. Your call will be returned upon receipt of message. Water Operators will be on-call.

FMCV Tribal Council Representatives and the Village Administrator are required to make monthly reports and updates to the First mesa Community. However, due to meeting and gathering restrictions, Reports are published in the Village Crier. Below is a recap of reports submitted by your Representatives.

REPORTS RECEIVED	Ivan Sidney	Albert Siquah	Dale Siquah	Wallace Youvella Jr
January	✓	✓	✓	✓
February	✓	✓	0	✓
March	✓	0	✓	✓
April	✓	✓	0	✓
May	✓	✓	0	0
June	✓	✓	✓	✓
July	✓	✓	✓	✓
August	✓/✓	✓	0	✓
September	✓/✓	✓	0	✓
October	✓/✓	✓	✓	✓
November	✓	✓	0	0
December	✓		✓	✓

We are happy to report that all water meters have been placed in areas to accommodate the new water system for the Polacca/Keams Canyon areas. All water payment fees will remain at the rate of \$35, until further notice. Business rates will also remain at the same rate, until further notice is given.

You will not see an increase in water payment fees, until the Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP) gives us approval that the entire water system has been installed and upgraded and is ready to go.

During these times, you may call 928-737-2670 and leave a brief message on the nature of your call. Someone will return your call.

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL REPORT

BY: Council Representative

Ivan L. Sidney

The past four months participation on the Hopi Tribal Council have been very experiencing. Especially, to have firsthand information on the legislative issues both confronting the tribe and the state of affairs of our villages.

COVID-19 certainly had an impact at all governmental levels. My first experience was to become aware of the current operations of the Tribal Council.

Apparently because of COVID, meetings continue to be virtual and is broadcast live on KUYI Radio. This is good on one respect, but it does not allow for full presentation of material to the Council Representatives. Legislative material is emailed but there must be actual visual presentations on legislative materials for proper understanding to cast a vote.

Actual debates prior to legislation are most effective one-on-one and visual contact. In my opinion, the present council sessions are more to the advantage of the Presiding Officers and tribal administration.

In comparison, U.S. Congress, State legislators and most Tribal Councils have been onsite sessions with the COVID protection in place.

Another experience was to observe a difference in the council meeting sessions. The Chairman is in total control of the meeting as if executive authority was included in the Tribal Constitution. Representatives would be allowed to speak but is frequently interrupted by the Presiding Officer and almost reprimanded for their comments. This is noticeable by the tone of voice and total disrespect of the Council's authority, especially when respect is always extended to legislators.

I also quickly noticed that each representative is only allow two times to be recognized, why? The use of parliamentary procedures for effective meetings is not properly followed. The use of radio seems to encourage certain representatives to speak for almost half an hour on issues.

The Tribal Council needs to schedule a workshop to discuss its meeting procedures and/or review and update guidelines developed in the past. The council currently has numerous tasks teams, different from the past established Standing Committees structured for orderly processing of legislative action items reviews and recommendations prior to Council's action.

Tribal Council's meetings must adhere to the Constitutional mandate that all authority of the council is delegated from the Tribal Council during its council meetings. That is the reason it is called a Tribal Council Meeting and not a meeting of the administration. Our Tribal Government only has a Legislative Branch and through its "Powers of Council," in the constitution, created the Judicial Branch. Our government does not have an Executive Branch with authority, again, all authority is from the Tribal Council at a session with a quorum.

The constitutional mandate of its first meeting in December was held at the Tribal Council Chambers to have the Hopi Chief Judge administer the Oath of Office to the newly elected Chairman and Vice Chairman. After which the newly certified Tribal Council Representatives were given the Oath of Office by the Tribal Secretary. The Chairman immediately declared a recess until Monday, December 6, to continue the meeting of the council.

At the December 6th meeting, was a presentation by the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office Director Stewart Koyiyumptewa introducing a grant prepared by his

office and the Former Vice Chairman Clark Tenakhongva. The presentation was to have the Tribal Council accept an award of \$82,609.00 from the American Rescue Plan Act, Emergency Native Language Funding for the purpose of exploring alternative educational methods in combating Hopi Language loss within the Hopi Villages and communities.

This drew immediate support from the Tribal Council Representatives, and it was interesting and overwhelming that during this presentation, all discussions were with use of Hopi language. This also drew support for the continuation and preservation of our language. This should create more discussion on the introduction of possibly eliminating the Hopi language from the Hopi Constitution to be eligible to seek the offices of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Tribal Council Representative and Officers of the Tribal Council.

We all realize that our language is the fundamental foundation for the respect for our sovereignty which the Federal Government must respect. Also, continuance of religious ceremonies is contingent on use of our Hopi language. I admire our tribal members who have earned college degrees. If they are able to master learning skills, I do not doubt they can master our language. Rather that we eliminate our language requirements to have them meet the challenge.

I voiced my compliments to our Hopi Jr./Sr. High School's Hopi Language class dedicated instruction by our village member, Ms. Anita Poleahla. After the comments mostly on support, the Action Item was approved by unanimous vote.

Chairman Nuvangyaoma proposed the renewal of a contract for the services of Clause Law PLLC, Lobbyist. The payment of services would be for one year at \$10,000 per month (\$120,000) This action item drew a lot of comments from the tribal council representatives, but the Chairman was moving in haste to approve the contract. The contract for lobbying purposes and especially reporting issues to the Tribal Council would have been most appropriate to be presented by the firm. This would have allowed direct questions from the representatives on the contract as well as current issues at Washington D.C. It is a concern that the contract was approved without an approved FY2022 Budget. This a violation of the financial policies by the Tribal Council. FMCV Representatives along with others voted No which resulted in a tie vote.


The Vice Chairman broke the tie, voting favorably to award the contract. This voiced immediate attention to question the authorized vote of the Vice Chairman. This will result in a legal question and will be taken up at a later session of Council to discuss the opinion of General Counsel.

First Mesa Representative Wallace Youvella Jr. sponsored a presentation by Basalt World Corporation to manufacture Rock Rebar, Rock Stirrups, Rock Mesh and Rock Staples in a joint venture with the Hopi Tribe. The project is proposed to be housed in the former YA Hat Factory in Winslow. The discussion drew a lot of support, especially when this is the first such business proposal ever been submitted. It was a result of some Tribal Council Representatives and not the administration of the Tribal Government. It was interesting to hear the no vote of the newly elected Vice Chairman. Our appreciation to the continued efforts of Representative Youvella Jr. and the involvement of our late Representative Mr. Wallace Youvella, Sr.

HOPI TRIBAL COUNCIL—FIRST QUARTER SESSION
DECEMBER 01, 2021 AGENDA

1. Oath of Office
Chairman Elect Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Vice Chairman Elect Craig Andrews
- II. Roll Call
- III. Certification of Tribal Council Reps.
First Mesa Consolidated Villages
Village of Sipaulovi
Village of Kykotsmovi
Village of Bacavi
Upper Village of Moenkopi
- IV. Invocation/Pledge of Allegiance
- V. Announcements
- VI. Correspondence
- VII. Calendar Planning
- VIII. Approval of Minutes
- IX. Approval of Agenda
- X. Unfinished Business
 1. Discussion/Possible Action: Letter dated July 30, 2021 re: Request to rescind Executive Order #011-2021 and direct the Drought Task Team to reach out to Hopi ranchers and Navajo Accommodation Agreement signers to work on identifying alternatives for addressing drought issues on Hopi lands. Letter dated August 16, 2021 Re: Executive Order #011-2021 Range Mitigation and Livestock Reduction. By Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages. TABLED UNTIL DEC.2021.
- XI. New Business
 1. Action Item #001-2022: To accept Grant Funds awarded to the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office in the amount of \$82,609.00 from the American Rescue Plan Act Emergency Native Language Funding to explore alternative educational methods in combating Hopi language loss within the Hopi villages and communities. Author, Stewart B. Koyiyumptewa, Program Manager, Hopi Cultural Preservation Office.
 2. Action Item #002-2022: To obtain Hopi Tribal Council authorization to accept funds from the U.S. Department of Treasury to support a Homeowner Assistance Fund (HAF) Program and authorize the CARES Act Committee and the Office of the Executive Director to develop and administer the program. Author, Jamie B. Navenma, Chairman, CARES Act Committee.
 3. Action Item #003-2022: To approve Clause Law PLLC, as the Hopi Tribe's Lobbyist for one (1) year. Author, Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma, Chairman
 4. Letter dated November 3, 2021 Re: Presentation of a potential partnership and project for the Hopi Tribe. Wallace Youvella, Jr, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages. Time Certain, December 7, 2021 @ 1:00 pm.
5. Interviews for the following positions:
Sergeant-at-Arms (1 candidate)
December 8, 2021, 9:45 am.
Treasurer (2 candidates)
December 8, 2021, 10:00-11:15 am.
Chief Revenue Officer (3 candidates)
December 8, 2021, 1:00-2:50 pm.
Deputy Revenue Officer (3 candidates)
December 8, 2021, 3:00-3:35 pm.
6. Memorandum dated October 27, 2021 from Priscilla Pavatea, Acting Director, Department of Natural Resources and Clark W. Tenakhongva, Chairman, Drought Task Team; Re: Request for Extension on Drought Mitigation meeting with ranchers. Albert T. Siquah, Tribal Council Representative, First Mesa Consolidated Villages
7. Letter dated October 5, 2021 Re: Walpi Housing Management. Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma, Chairman, The Hopi Tribe
8. Letter dated November 3, 2021 to Mr. Virgil Pinto, Chief of Police, Hopi Law Enforcement Services. Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi
9. Interviews for Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Board of Commissioners: Five (5) candidates. December 20, 2021, 9:15 am-2pm.
10. XII. REPORTS
 1. Office of the Chairman – Trip to Washington, D.C.
 2. Office of the Vice Chairman
 3. Office of Tribal Secretary
 4. Office of the Treasurer
 5. Office of the Executive Director
 6. Office of the General Counsel
 7. Land Commission
 8. Water/Energy Committee
 9. Transportation Committee
 10. Law & Order Committee
 11. Investment Committee
 12. Health/Education Committee
 13. Report from Chief Virgil Pinto, Hopi Law Enforcement Services and Jamie Navenma, Director, Department of Public Safety & Emergency Services; Re: Hopi Tribe's Letter of Intent to the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) to take over Hopi Law Enforcement Services (HLES). Mervin Yoyetewa, Tribal Council Representative, Village of Mishongnovi
 14. Report– 2021 Year-End Review: Significant Accomplishments by the Hopi Tribal Housing Authority Interim Board of Commissioners (Written)
9. XIII. ADJOURNMENT

TO: HOPI TRIBAL DEPARTMENTS/PROGRAMS, REGULATED ENTITIES AND HOPI VILLAGES

FROM: 
Judith Youvella, Tribal Secretary
Office of the Tribal Secretary

DATE: December 2, 2021

SUBJECT: CHANGE IN ADMINISTRATION

On behalf of the Hopi Tribal government, it is with great honor we announce a momentous occasion held on December 1, 2021 at the Hopi Tribal Council Chambers. Performed by the Hopi Tribe's Chief Judge Marc Roy, Honorable Chairman Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Honorable Vice Chairman Craig Andrews took Oath of Office and seated in their respective positions.

Chairman Nuvangyaoma and Vice Chairman Andrews begun to serve a four year term which commenced on December 1, 2021 ending November 30, 2025.

You are welcome to contact the offices of the Chairman at (928) 734-3102 and Vice Chairman at (928) 734-3113 for information and assistance. Their offices are located in the Hopi Tribe's Legislative Building.

Please share this information with your business associates, we appreciate your time.

c: Office of the Chairman
Office of the Vice Chairman
Office of the Treasurer
Office of Financial Management
Office of the General Counsel
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Hopi Tribal Council Representatives Report Wallace Youvella, Jr.

Summary of the Hopi Tribe's Water Rights Litigation and Settlement By: Council Representative Dale Siquah

The Hopi Tribe's Litigation

The Hopi Tribe has pursued its water rights through both litigation and settlement. Litigation is a formal court process where the parties present evidence and arguments to the Court and the Court makes a final decision. The Tribe has been litigating its water rights in the Little Colorado River General Stream Adjudication. The Adjudication is a complex legal proceeding that began in the 1980s to determine the water rights of all water users in the entire Little Colorado River Basin. The United States Congress waived sovereign immunity for the federal government and the Hopi Tribe when it enacted the McCarran Amendment. With the passage of the McCarran Amendment, the Hopi Tribe had no choice but to participate in the LCR Adjudication. The Hopi Tribe is the first of many claimants in the LCR Basin to have its water rights determined by this process.

In this litigation, the Hopi Tribe and the United States, as trustee for the Hopi Tribe, are the claimants. They are limited to asserting water rights claims for water located within the boundaries of the Little Colorado River watershed for use on the Hopi Reservation. A number of parties intervened in the litigation as objectors to oppose all or part of the Hopi Tribe's federal reserved water rights claims. The active objectors are the Arizona State Land Department, the City of Flagstaff, the Navajo Nation, the Salt River Project, and the LCR Coalition, which is a group of farmers, ranchers, irrigation districts, cities, and towns located in the Little Colorado River Basin.

From 2008 to 2016, the Hopi Tribe litigated its priority rights—its place in line to receive water. The Court concluded that the Hopi Tribe had time immemorial priority within District 6 on the 1882 Reservation, a priority date of December 16, 1882 on the Hopi Partition Lands within the 1882 Reservation, and a priority date of June 14, 1934 on the 1934 Reservation (*i.e.*, *Moenkopi*). *The Tribe may still appeal these rulings.*

Three years ago, on September 11, 2018, the Court began the next stage of the litigation: a two-part trial to quantify the amount of the Hopi Tribe's federal reserved water rights for the Hopi Reservation. Phase 1 addressed past and present water uses on the Hopi Reservation. The past and present trial took place from September 11, 2018 to December 18, 2018. Phase 2 addressed future water uses on the Hopi Reservation. Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, the Phase 2 trial was a "virtual" trial from September 14, 2020, to February 16, 2021. Closing arguments were held on September 30, 2021 and October 1, 2021.

In the litigation, the Hopi Tribe is claiming:

DCMI (domestic, municipal, commercial, & light industrial)	9,322 acre-feet per year ("afy")
Agriculture (three alternatives)	(a) All Natural Flow of the Northern Washes; (b) 91,282 afy; or (c) 26,687 afy
Ceremonial and Subsistence Gardens	9,471 afy
Livestock	1,067 afy
Economic Development	27,600 afy
Cultural and Ecological Flows	329.39 afy (Non-Diversionary)
Recreation	26 afy + Continuous Fill
Water Storage	3,572 afy + Continuous Fill
Springs	378 springs (Natural Flow)
Wells	253
Impoundments	1,051

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

In previous reports, it was mentioned that work was being done to bring in new opportunities of revenue to the Hopi Tribe. For over a year, there have been collaborative efforts with various Hopi Tribal Council Representatives (Dale Siquah, A.T. Siquah, Rosa Honani, Raymond Namoki, David Talayumptewa, Phillip Quochytewa, and the late Wallace Youvella, Sr.) to explore and bring to Hopi, proposals that could possibly benefit the Hopi Tribe for generations to come.

A project mentioned before was a proposed partnership with the Basalt World Corporation. This partnership would make the Hopi Tribe a 51% owner of a company that would manufacture basalt rebar, a green energy product. Manufacturing of this product could take place at the Winslow Industrial Park and possibly share the plant with a plastics manufacturer previously approved by Hopi Tribal Council. This endeavor, in four to five years could employ 75 to 100 of our people and bring in a Net Revenue of possibly \$50+ million per year, far exceeding what the Hopi Tribe received from Peabody.

This partnership can be a step in the right direction for Hopi to control its future and not rely on grants and the federal government, making Hopi self-sufficient. The revenue would be more than enough to fund the Hopi Tribe's budget so that services to the Hopi Sinom and Tewa Towa are not diminished. The possible revenue could also be used to expand on other potential means of revenue for the Hopi Tribe.

In the month of December, Rep. Youvella, Jr. will be making a presentation, along with Terry Schrubbs of Basalt World Corporation, to the Hopi Tribal Council with the goal that the Hopi Tribe will work expeditiously to partner with BWC and make this partnership a reality. Should the Hopi Tribe begin serious negotiations with BWC, a press release will be forthcoming in the very near future.

Thank you for taking the time to read my report. I would like to thank everyone for their encouragement, constructive criticism, comments and input. It truly has been an honor to serve my people. As always, please take care and do all necessary to protect yourselves and your families in this pandemic. Respectfully,
W. Youvella, Jr.

INVESTMENT OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE:

* A subcommittee within the Investment Oversight Committee (IOC) is continuing work with the Moenkopi Development Corporation (MDC) to find a way to assist MDC in their loan payments to the Hopi Tribe. The current COVID pandemic has placed unforeseen challenges upon the MDC which directly affects their ability to make their loan payments to the Hopi Tribe. Another challenge for the MDC is that another, separate loan is outstanding which needs to be factored into negotiations. This second loan was unknown to the IOC and the Hopi Tribe; however, it needs to be taken into consideration in further discussions. It is our hope that a solution is found within the next month or two.

* It was proposed by IOC Chair, Wallace Youvella, Jr., to update the Investment Policies to reflect the current and future financial outlook. Updating the policies could potentially open new paths for additional revenue for the Hopi Tribe. Mr. Raymond Wareham of Rockefeller, a financial partner to the Hopi Tribe, has provided to the IOC, a draft proposal to be considered by the IOC. A consensus vote was taken and the committee is unanimously in agreement to begin updating the Hopi Tribe's Investment Policy, to be presented to the Hopi Tribal Council for review and possible approval.

* The Village of Orayvi's request on their potential payout is about completed. In the month of December, there should be official communication with the Village of Orayvi, via the Hopi Tribe's Treasurer, regarding the specific information regarding their request.

TRANSPORTATION TASK TEAM:

*No meeting during month of November.

*Although no meeting took place in the month of November, it should be noted that with the support of First Mesa, an initiative brought forth by Representative Youvella, Jr., to change the name of Route H-60 from the "Low Mountain Rd" to the "Upper Polacca Rd", was formally changed in the Hopi Department of Transportation's inventory. The Navajo Tribe and Navajo County were officially notified of the name change. I'd like to thank the members of the Hopi Transportation Task Team and the HDOT Director, Michael Lomayaktewa, for their support.

The Court must make the final determination of how much water is needed to make the Hopi Reservation "a permanent homeland." The Special Master has not yet made a final ruling for the Hopi Reservation. There is no indication yet as to when she will issue her decision.

The Hopi Tribe's Settlement Efforts

Settlement is a more flexible, less formal process where the interested parties meet and negotiate with each other, without a judge or courtroom. A wider scope of water rights are available through settlement than litigation. The parties can agree to water uses off the Reservation and outside the LCR watershed (including the Colorado River). The parties can also make trades for water. Final settlement agreements must be approved by the United States Congress.

Efforts to settle the Hopi Tribe's water rights claims have been ongoing for decades. In 2010, a years' long settlement effort based on a pipeline from Lake Powell collapsed when then Senator Kyl told the parties (after years of negotiation) that he would not support the proposed settlement because of its expense. In 2012, the Hopi Tribal Council approved an LCR-only settlement; the settlement did not include Colorado River water or infrastructure. The 2012 settlement effort collapsed when the Navajo Nation Council rejected the settlement. In 2016, Hopi and Navajo recommenced settlement talks, but no progress was made. In 2018, the United States launched the present settlement effort. The present effort seeks a comprehensive settlement of all water claims of Hopi and Navajo in Arizona, including claims to Upper Basin Colorado River water. In 2019, by A.I #043-2019 - H-033-2019, the Hopi Tribal Council established the Hopi Water Rights Negotiation Team—comprised of Water Energy Committee members (including the Chairman), plus the Vice Chairman—and formally authorized the current, ongoing settlement effort.

The Navajo Nation's Litigation

The Navajo Nation is the next tribe to have its water rights in the LCR Basin litigated in the Little Colorado River General Stream Adjudication. The Navajo Nation and the United States, as trustee for the Navajo Nation, are now the claimants. The Hopi Tribe is participating as an objector, along with many of the same objectors from the Hopi case and some new objectors, with the addition of the Arizona Public Service, Atkinson Trading Company, and the San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe. The Navajo case will proceed in three phases.

The parties are currently litigating Phase I of the Navajo case, which will address past, present, and future DCMI water use, livestock use, and stock ponds and impoundments on the Navajo Reservation, within the LCR watershed. Depositions of all the parties' witnesses and experts will begin in late January 2022 and continue through the end of July 2022. After the depositions conclude at the end of July, the parties will engage in pre-trial briefing over the last few months of 2022. The trial is currently scheduled to begin in February 2023.

Phase II will address past, present, and future water use for cultural, unique tribal, recreational, fish and wildlife and conservation, mining, and heavy industry purposes. Navajo and the United States filed their respective amended statements of claimant for Navajo's Phase II claims on October 7, 2020. Phase III will address past, present, and future agricultural/irrigation use. Navajo and the United States filed their respective amended statements of claimant for Navajo's Phase III claims on December 1, 2021.

These amended statements of claimants start the process for the Arizona Department of Water Resources to issue a hydrographic survey report (HSR) on Navajo's Phase II and Phase III claims. It will take ADWR up to three full growing seasons to investigate Navajo's agriculture claims. This means that it will likely take at least three years for ADWR to issue the HSR on these claims. The parties will then have an opportunity to comment on and object to the HSR. Phase II and III claims will not be litigated until that that process is complete.

Merry Christmas



Vice Chairman Tenakhongva's 2017-2021 Transition and Close Out Report to Hopi Tribal Council

Submitted by: Clark W. Tenakhongva, Vice Chairman SCOPE OF DELEGATIONS

ARTICLE I- Duties and Qualifications of Officers, Section 2. *The Vice Chairman shall help the Chairman in his duties when called upon to do so and in the absence of the chairman shall act as Chairman with all the attendant powers and duties.*

ARTICLE VI- Powers of the Tribal Council, Section 1 (l) *To delegate any of the powers of the Council or committees or officers, keeping the right to review any action taken.*

In exercising the powers granted to the Hopi Tribal Council in the articles above, the Office of the Vice-Chairman was delegated as the point of contact for the programs, committees, programs, teams, and departments indicated below by the Hopi Tribal Council at various points throughout the four-year administration of Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva. What follows is intended to summarize the activities of the office in relation to these Hopi Tribal Council delegations and is in no way exhaustive.

Bears Ears Commission

Since Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva's appointment as the Commissioner for the Hopi Tribe to the Bears Ears Commission near the start of his administration, the Office of the Vice-Chairman has participated in weekly conference calls and various meetings throughout the Fourth Quarter which included receiving updates regarding the Bears Ears litigation as well as updates on the drafting of the Bears Ears Land Management Plan.

Throughout the entirety of the Hopi Tribe's involvement with the Bears Ears Commission the Office of the Vice-Chairman has been engaged in public advocacy and has continually expressed the tribe's support for the Obama Monument Proclamation and the continued desire to remain engaged in the lawsuit entitled the *Hopi Tribe et al vs. Donald J. Trump et al.*

Restoration of the Bears Ears National Monument

On October 8, 2021, President Joe Biden signed a proclamation restoring the Bears Ears National Monument to 1.36 million acres in San Juan County, Utah effectively reinstating environmental protections to an expansive, and varied landscape.

Hopi Chairman Timothy L. Nuvangyaoma and Vice-Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva were present at the signing of the proclamation along with other federal, state, and tribal leaders.

This move came four years after former President Donald Trump stripped protections away from the Bears Ears National Monument, a place sacred to surrounding Native Nations, reducing the area by 82%.

The Bears Ears National Monument was originally established in December of 2016 by the Obama Administration following a multi-year effort by indigenous-led organizations to protect the public lands. The creation of the Bears Ears National Monument was significant, in that for the first time in history, Native Nations were given a powerful voice in managing a national monument as the proclamation called for the establishment of a Bears Ears Commission, staffed by a representative of each of the tribes comprising the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition, namely the Hopi Tribe, the Pueblo of Zuni, the Navajo Nation, the Ute Indian Tribe (of the Uintah and Ouray), and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe.

Upon assuming office December of 2017, Vice-Chairman Clark W. Tenakhongva was appointed, via Hopi Tribal Council Resolution, to the Bear Ears Commission, replacing outgoing Hopi Vice-Chairman Alfred Lomahquahu, who along with the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, played a key role in establishing the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition and in ensuring Bears Ears was declared a national monument.

As an extension of his office's priorities around the Preservation of Hopi culture, history and language, Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva, as co-chair of Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition, continued ongoing efforts to protect the Bears Ears National Monument from rescission, vandalism, commercial development and contraction while also endeavoring to keep the area accessible for the traditional and cultural practices of the tribes.

In April 2021, Secretary of the Interior Deb Haaland toured Bears Ears National Monument as part of her executive-ordered review of the Utah monument for President Biden. Hopi Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva and other tribal leaders met with Haaland voicing their support for the restoration of the monument to its original boundaries. To Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva, meeting with Secretary Haaland was a valuable opportunity to share the true significance that Bears Ears—*Honmuru*—has for the Hopi people. This landscape is an ancestral home to many Hopi clans who, in the past, migrated throughout the Four-corners region, and the responsibility to educate and impart to others the value and history of the Bears Ears National Monument was not one that the Office of the Vice-Chairman took lightly.

Following the signing of the Proclamation, President Biden was gifted a hat, Hopi Tribal Flag, and Hopi Veteran's lapel pin, by Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva to which President Biden reportedly responded, "Clark you are one man who has worked so hard on this matter, and I have so much respect for you. You never gave up. Please continue the work of the Nation, your people and the World."

Yet despite the restoration of the Bears Ears National Monument via Presidential Proclamation, the legal battles surrounding the monument will likely continue and require Hopi tribal involvement.

Following President Trump's action to revoke and replace the Bears Ears National Monument in 2017, the Native American Rights Fund (NARF), representing the Hopi Tribe, the Pueblo of Zuni, and the Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, filed a lawsuit against the Trump Administration, claiming such action was not only an attack on the five sovereign nations with deep ties to the Bears Ears region, but a complete violation of the separation of powers enshrined in the United States Constitution, and asserting that no president had ever revoked and replaced a national monument before because it is illegal to do so; only Congress may alter a monument. However, this lawsuit has been on hold since Biden issued an executive order in January of 2021 to look further into the matter. Regardless, President Biden's decision may not prevent future lawsuits, with Utah Gov. Spencer Cox, already having stated that he would sue Biden if he restored the monument unilaterally.

Bears Ears Land Management Plan

While the Drafting of Bears Ears Land Management Plan was originally to be managed by Logan Simpson, a specialized environmental Planning firm, due to the lack of progress and failure to produce substantial material over a period of four months the Bears Ears Coalition leadership determined that it was in the best interest of the component tribes that various sections of the Land Management Plan should be drafted by the respective tribes using subcontractors.

To this end staff for the Office of the Vice-Chairman who were part of the Bear Ears Cultural Sub-committee worked diligent with the Hopi Tribe's sub-contractor Maren Hopkins to conducted work sessions with the Program Managers of Hopi's Department of Natural Resources to review the management goals and objectives in

the existing BLM and USFS Monument Management Plans for BENM and modify them as needed to conform to Hopi tribal perspectives on preservation. On September 20–24, 2021. Maren Hopkins, Daryn Melvin, Chief of staff for the office of the Vice-Chairman, and five Hopi DNR staff members conducted site visits to various locations within BENM. Trip participants included: Priscilla Pavatea (DNR Director), Norman Honie (Mining), Robbie Honani (Grazing), Max Taylor (Water), and Georgiana Pongyesva (Cultural Preservation). The group was accompanied by Brandy Hurt of the BEITC, and Ryan Pelizzoni of Friends of Cedar Mesa. The purpose of the site visits was to familiarize Hopi DNR staff with the various types of resources and their locations within BENM that require management, including cultural sites, grazing allotments, water sources, Special Use Areas, recreation sites, and other locations.

In addition to conducting work sessions, interviews, and site visits, Hopi contributions to the BENM LMP included an extensive review of Hopi ethnographic literature. For the past 30 years, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office has conducted ethnographic studies across the Four Corners region to document Hopi connections to their ancestral homeland. These studies have resulted in a rich body of reports and archives describing Hopi history and values for resources, much of which is relevant to the BENM region

The goal of the report that was ultimately produced, is to present the Hopi Tribe's contributions to a land management plan developed by the BEITC. This report includes six fundamental components that describe Hopi needs and priorities for management, including: (1)Hopi connections to the BENM, (2) Hopi stewardship values, (3) Hopi perceptions of threats and impacts to BENM, (4) knowledge gaps, (5) management actions to reduce threats, and (6)plan implementation and programs. Information presented in this report will be integrated into a comprehensive land management plan soon that includes inputs from all five of the BEITC member tribes.

HOPi DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT HOPi Education Code

Following the adoption of the Hopi Education Code by the Hopi Tribal Council in August, 2019, which officially created a unified school district under which all local Hopi schools would be required to operate and report to new Hopi board of education, the Office of the Vice-Chairman has participated in various meetings throughout the last two years including meetings with the newly formed Transition Team whose focus it is to address various school operation issues during the transition from numerous Hopi school districts to a unified school district.

HOPi Education Endowment Fund

As Ex-Officio to the Hopi Education Endowment Fund (HEEF) the Office of the Vice-Chairman attended a number of meetings with HEEF's Executive and Nominating Committees via telephone throughout the four-year administration of Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva.

HOPi proficiency exam

In the 2002 *Hopit pötskwani'at*, The Hopi Tribal Council directed the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office and the Hopi Office of Education and Workforce Development "to promote and preserve the Hopi language by developing a total cultural immersion program". While the dream of a total cultural immersion program has not yet been realized, one of the key aspects of this directive was the teaching of the Hopi language and the assurance that "instruction in the language would be made available to students of all grade lev-

els, in all Hopi schools serving the Hopi nation." Additionally, in resolution H-010-2006, The Hopi Tribal Council recognized a series of Language survival goals drawn from the *Hopit pötskwani'at*, which included "Teacher training and certification in Hopi language and culture." To this end the Hopi Department of Education and Workforce Development, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, and the Hopi Office of the Vice-Chairman, in 2018 made substantial progress toward fulfilling these two particular directives by developing a Hopi Language Proficiency Exam. The exam, administered for the first time on December 7, 2018, to a pilot group of 13 Hopi educators seeking certification, was intended to be conducted on a quarterly basis. In order to ultimately provide instruction in the Hopi language to students of all grade levels, in all Hopi schools serving the Hopi reservation, we must first ensure that we have educators certified to teach the Hopi language. Impetus to create such an exam also came from a 2012 State Board of Education ruling regarding Native American Language Certification in which a certificate would be "issued to individuals qualified to teach only a Native American language in Grades Pre-K-12." However, one particular requirement of this certification was that "proficiency shall be verified on official letter head by a person, persons, or entity designated by the appropriate tribe." Therefore, as the manner in which Hopi language proficiency is verified is left to the Tribe's discretion, the Hopi Department of Education, the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office, and the Hopi Office of the Vice-Chairman aimed to develop a proficiency exam that would serve as an unbiased yet quantifiable measure of one's linguistic abilities. To do this the Hopi Proficiency Exam was structured to assess one's proficiency in four fundamental areas: Comprehension, Reading, Speaking and Grammar. These four fundamental areas were meant to correspond with the Hopi language instruction requirements also set forth by the Hopi Tribal Council Resolution H-010-2006, which stated that "Hopi language instruction shall include to the greatest extent practicable...speaking, comprehension, reading and writing skills and study of the formal grammar of the language". One of the biggest misconceptions regarding language is that fluency is purely about speaking the language, when in reality, learning how to speak is only part of the process. In academic terms, Linguistic Proficiency is the ability of an individual to demonstrate adequate mastery of the language in a range of skills and applications, which is why we endeavored to develop an assessment that took into consideration as many of the key areas of language as possible. It is important to understand that Language is a living thing and it always takes place within a relative context. Fluency is not an absolute status, and the use of language constantly changes, matures, and grows, and while this exam is meant to be a tool for assessing one's language proficiency, it can also be a great motivator for Hopi people to perfect their language abilities and take their Hopi language skills to the next level. Being able to teach and utilize a language in an academic setting is often very different from the casual everyday use of the language, even for a fluent Hopi speaker. So, it is unfair to place teachers or paraprofessionals, without proper assessment and excellent preparation, in situations where teaching conventions and students' expectations may be quite different from their earlier experiences. Ensuring a quality education for Hopi students and promoting the use of the Hopi Language have been top priorities for the Office of

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the Vice-Chairman and have been priorities that he and his staff have worked on diligently with other tribal programs and departments since the start of the current administration. By establishing consistent protocols to test language proficiency, we are not only being considerate of the welfare of both the teachers and the students that will learn from them. It was the intention of the Office of the Vice-Chairman to establish a foundation on upon which we can build a comprehensive Hopi language program and curriculum in the future.

REPATRIATION

On September 13, a coalition of tribes including the Hopi Tribe, the Pueblo of Acoma, the Pueblo of Zia, and the Pueblo of Zuni repatriated and reinterred ancestors and associated funerary objects at the Mesa Verde National Park. The National Museum of Finland returned the human remains of 20 ancestors pursuant to a joint agreement with the sovereign tribes who claim cultural affiliation to the Mesa Verde Area. The U.S. Ambassador to Finland, Robert Pence, and representatives from both the Finnish government and the National Museum of Finland escorted the remains back to America.

HOPi LANGUAGE GRANT

The Hopi Cultural Preservation Office (HCPO) and the Hopi Office of the Vice-Chairman in September of 2021 began work on a new Hopi Language project, made possible through funding from the American Rescue Plan, and distributed through the Administration for Native Americans.

The project will see the development of new instructional material which will focus on a common core of words and grammatical structures to attain proficiency in the Hopi Language and help Hopi individuals to better understand and grasp the language. Historical audio recordings of Hopi speakers currently housed at the American Philosophical Society (APS) in Philadelphia will be used in this Hopi Language project and new recordings of current Hopi speakers will also be created as necessary. Recordings will then be paired with an introductory language-learning curriculum designed to ensure that learners have good control of the high-frequency vocabulary and grammatical conversions. Upon completion this instructional material will then be made accessible to the Hopi community.

Hopilavayi is at a crossroads. There is

less transmission of the language within families and homes, across all Hopi villages. Despite the dedicated and tireless work of the Hopi Cultural Preservation Office staff, the Hopi Department of Education, and Hopilavayi teachers in the school settings, older and younger generations are sometimes unable to converse with each other in Hopi.

It is the Hopi of the Office of the Vice-Chairman that the instructional materials developed through this grant, will enhance, and provide much needed support for the ongoing efforts to increase transmission of our language.

HOPi RETURN TO WORK GUIDELINES

In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Hopi Tribe instituted widespread community mitigation and prevention efforts that included closing much of the tribal government. These efforts, combined with ongoing containment activities, served as an effective intervention for limiting the spread of COVID-19, but at the same time, have become a stressor to the economic well-being of Hopi communities. However, during that shutdown of the Hopi Tribal Government, executive leadership, in partnership with Hopi Tribal Department Directors, reviewed federal guidelines and recommendations from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and developed guidelines for the purpose of achieving Return to Work preparedness.

As circumstances surrounding the COVID-19 pandemic continue to change, a flexible phased Reopening Plan for a new operational norm was necessary. To that end, *Return to Work Guidelines* were prepared by Staff from the Office of the Vice-Chairman and various other Hopi Tribal Department Directors. This document is to serve as a guiding document to aid in understanding the impact of COVID-19 on our workplaces, standardizing hygiene practices and reinforcing the shared responsibility that each of us have for the collective health and safety of the Hopi Nation.

Again, during its Government Shutdown, the Hopi Tribal Government established a Hopi Government Re-Opening Task Group (RTG), in which the Office of the Vice-Chairman played a vital role, to assess the various facilities of the Tribal Government and with technical assistance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), to implement key mitigation measures necessary to safely continue the essential operations of the Tribal Government. **Cont'd on Page 7**

DHHS COVID-19 Update Report

Here is information on the Omicron Variant- The Omicron variant has been detected in the United States. CDC and its public health partners are closely monitoring the emergence of this variant of concern.

Information about Variants: Viruses constantly change through mutation and sometimes these mutations result in a new variant of the virus. Some variants emerge and disappear while others persist. New variants will continue to emerge. CDC and other public health organizations monitor all variants of the virus that causes COVID-19 in the United States and globally. The Delta variant causes more infections and spreads faster than the original SARS-CoV-2 strain of the virus that cause COVID-19. Vaccines remain the best way to reduce your risk of severe illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19.

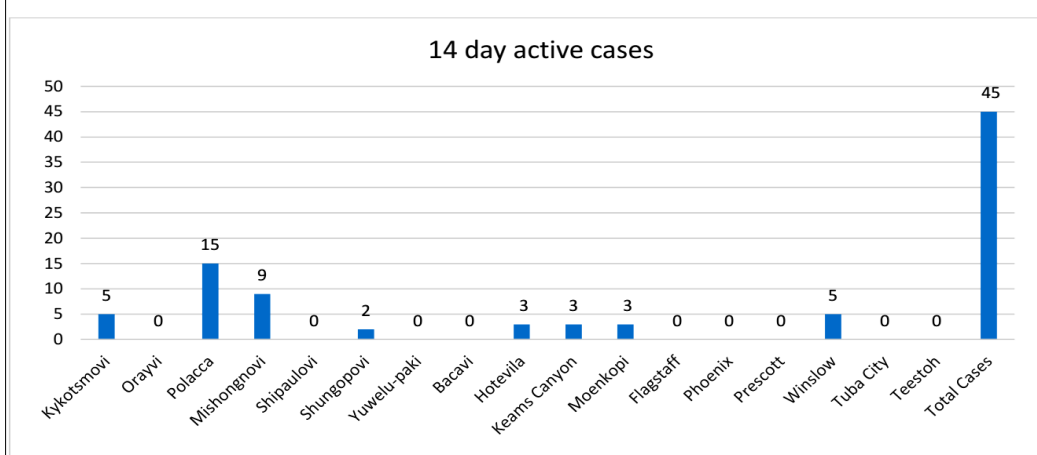
Things You Need to Know- New variants of the virus are expected to occur. Taking measures to reduce the spread of infection, including getting a COVID-19 vaccine,

are the best ways to slow the emergence of new variants. Vaccines reduce your risk of severe illness, hospitalization, and death from COVID-19. COVID-19 booster doses are recommended for individuals who are 18 years or older. (source [CDC.GOV](https://www.cdc.gov))

Washing your hands remains as important as ever. From the time most people were children, parents and teachers stressed the importance of washing our hands. In the nearly two years since COVID-19 appeared, health officials around the world have repeated the same good advice. As we recognize National Handwashing Awareness Week, with holiday gatherings underway and COVID-19 still very active in on Hopi throughout Arizona and the country, removing germs from your hands with soap and water is as important as ever. Be safe continue to mask, WASH YOUR HANDS, and social distance!

Royce M Jenkins, Director/Public Health Authority, Dep. of Health & Human Services

Education:



This graph demonstrates the active cases and is stratified by village (includes tribal residing off-reservation). Currently there are 45 active cases that are defined as persons that have had a positive test result or symptom onset in the last 14 days. In this graph, the Total cases bar is all villages combined and should be excluded from the remainder of the graph. This graph is useful in isolating where the virus is most active at the current moment.

	COVID-19 Positive last 14-Days	Total Cumulative COVID-19 Positives
Kiyotsmovi	5	171
Orayvi	0	33
Polacca (Walpi,Sitsomovi,Tewa)	15	400
Mishongnovi	9	130
Supawlavi	0	76
Songòopavi	2	258
Yuwelu-paki	0	12
Bacavi	0	71
Hotevilla	3	200
Keams Canyon	3	78
Flagstaff	0	3
Munqapi	3	225
Phoenix	0	2
Winslow	5	12
Prescott	0	1
Tuba City	0	2
Teestoh	0	2
TOTAL	45	1676

Get vaccinated to protect against serious illness

You should get a COVID-19 vaccine regardless of whether you already had COVID-19. That's because experts do not yet know how long you are protected from getting sick again after recovering from COVID-19. Studies have shown that vaccination provides a strong boost in protection in people who have recovered from COVID-19. Learn more about why getting vaccinated is a safer way to build protection than getting infected.

If you were treated for COVID-19 with monoclonal antibodies or convalescent plasma, you should wait 90 days before getting a COVID-19 vaccine. Talk to your healthcare professional if you are unsure what treatments you received or if you have more questions about getting a COVID-19 vaccine.

Vaccination Data as of December 1, 2021

Village	Population Estimate	Number Vaccinated*	Percent of population vaccinated	Vaccine Ranking Highest=1
Bacavi	337	226	67.06%	7
Hotevilla	871	604	69.34%	5
Kykotsmovi	709	608	85.75%	2
Mushongovi	679	338	49.77%	9
Moenkopi	1,146	815	71.11%	4
Orayvi	103	131	127.18%	1
Shungopavi	1,013	751	74.13%	3
Sipalwavi	371	220	59.29%	8
Polacca	1,908	1,310	68.65%	6
Total*	7137**	5003	70%	

This Table looks at both cases per capita for the Tribe and persons that have received at a least one dose of the vaccine since the beginning of the pandemic. The village populations were calculated from the enrolment data from the tribe and is simply a rough estimate.

*Excludes the vaccines from Keams Canyon, Spider Mound, and those calculated as Second Mesa. The three groups combine for another 500 Hopi Tribal members who have received at least the first dose of the vaccine.

Total reservation percent vaccinated ~77.10%

Eligible population vaccinated ** ~85.49%





Health Choice Arizona/Blue Cross Blue Shield Tribal Program invites you to be trained as a

Youth Mental Health First Aider

Youth Mental Health First Aid is designed to teach parents, family members, caregivers, teachers, school staff, peers, neighbors, health and human services workers, and other caring citizens how to help an adolescent (age 12-18) who is experiencing a mental health or addictions challenge or is in crisis. Youth Mental Health First Aid is primarily designed for adults who regularly interact with young people. The course introduces common mental health challenges for youth, reviews typical adolescent development, and teaches a 5-step action plan for how to help young people in both crisis and non-crisis situations. Topics covered include anxiety, depression, substance use, disorders in which psychosis may occur, disruptive behavior disorders (including AD/HD), and eating disorders.

Date: December 14, 2021

Time: 8:30 AM - 5:00 PM

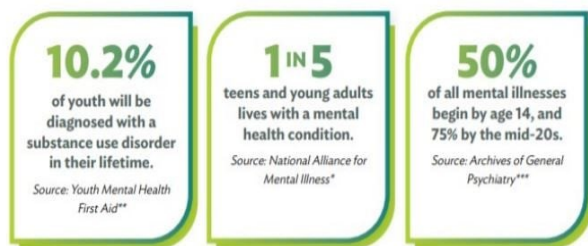
Location: Hopi Wellness Center

RSVP: BScott@hopi.nsn.us or (928)-675-8056

MUST SHOW PROOF OF COVID-19 VACCINATION CARD TO ATTEND!

For more information contact:

Holly Figueroa
(928) 214-2169



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BUDGET OVERSIGHT TEAM

Since the delegation of the Budget Oversight Team (BOT) to the Office of the Vice-Chairman, the Office has worked diligently over the last four years, as a part of the BOT to develop a functional Annual General Fund budget, as well as put forth feasible cost-cutting recommendations for the consideration of Hopi Tribal Council.

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 6-8 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 NGS), which resulted in several annual budget totals, the amount of which was dependent on the number of years the Hopi Tribal Government was to function. The longer the Tribe was to be in operation the smaller the budget would ultimately have to be. Throughout the four years of Vice-Chairman Tenakhongva's Administration, the Budget Oversight Team put forth several cost cutting recommendations each year, the most notable of which were: 1.) the recommendation to reduce to a 32-hour work week, 2.) Ending the payout of Excess annual leave and 3) Using the Revolving accounts of various programs who have them, to off-set that particular program's general fund allocation. While the work of putting forth a workable Annual General Fund budget is taxing, it is important and will become even more important in the future.

VETERANS AFFAIRS

The Hopi Office of the Vice-Chairman met with the Hopi Office of Veteran Affairs various times throughout the last four-years and collaborated with the Office of Veterans Affairs on a number of events and celebrations including the Annual Hopi Code Talkers Day, Hopi Post 80, and the Hopi Honor Riders Event. Yet, one of the most significant events that the Office of the Vice-Chairman was able to lend its support to with the Office of Veterans Affairs, was the renaming of four sections of Arizona highways in honor of the 10 Hopi Code Talkers that served During World War II. While the Legislation was drafted during the Honanie administration, when Honanie's term ended, the Office of the Vice-Chairman continued the work through completion.

**LAW & ORDER COMMITTEE
Hopi tribal detention center**

While the previous administration was active in requesting that the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) take immediate action on the need for a modular detention center on the Hopi reservation, after the construction of this facility was met with a number of delays and set-backs, the Hopi Office of the Vice-Chairman became vigorously engaged in numerous lobbying efforts on both the state and national level to address these issues and sited that the closure of the lone detention center on the reservation, in Keams Canyon, continues to create a hardship for the officers, extra wear and tear on official vehicles and negatively impacts public safety.

Native HOPE is a youth curriculum, focusing on suicide prevention and related risk factors such as substance abuse, violence, trauma, and depression. This is a strengths-based approach incorporating culture, spirituality, and humor, as well as awareness and education of the warning signs of suicide.

Open to Youth, ages 9-24 years old.
Lunch will be served
PROOF OF COVID VACCINATION REQUIRED!

To reserve a spot call
(928) 675-8056 or email Bscott@hopi.nsn.us

Terra 2022, the 13th World Congress on Earthen Architectural Heritage

Terra 2022, the 13th World Congress on Earthen Architectural Heritage, will take place in Santa Fe, New Mexico, June 7-10, 2022. A scholarship is available to cover attendance, accommodation, and travel costs for the Congress for speakers and participants from tribes and pueblos of the Southwest and representatives from Northern Mexico.

Terra 2022 is an educational opportunity for those working with or studying earthen architecture. Hundreds of specialists will attend from fields including building and construction, site management, conservation, anthropology, architecture, and sustainable development. Workshops, presentations, posters, and digital media will illuminate contemporary research and teach best practices in conserving earthen heritage across the world. To learn more about Terra, visit terra2022.org.

Information about Terra, the Scholarship, and application is available on the Cornerstones' website, <https://www.cstones.org/terra-2022>.

Applications for the scholarship include a letter of intent, a letter of recommendation, and a resume. **Application Deadline is January 16.** Eligibility will be determined largely based on demonstrated experience or interest in earthen architecture in addition to applicants being part of the communities this scholarship is for. This scholarship program is organized by Cornerstones Community Partnerships and the Getty Conservation Institute with funding from the Getty Foundation and Chamiza Foundation.

Any questions about Terra or the scholarship, may be directed to Lucas Burdick, Special Projects Manager, Cornerstones Community Partnerships at: lburdick@cstones.org.

2021-22 Hopi High School Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Times
Tue. 11/23	Red Mesa	Hopi	VB-7:30, VG-6:00, JVG-4:30,
Tue. 11/30	Tuba City	Tuba City	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Thu. 12/2	Route 66 Invite	Williams	VB-12:00 & VG-11:00
Fri. 12/3	Route 66 Invite	Williams	VB-TBD & VG-TBD
Sat. 12/4	Route 66 Invite	Williams or AshFork	VB-TBD & VG-TBD
Tue. 12/7	St. Johns*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Thu. 12/9	Choice Wireless Holiday Invite	Chinle	VB-TBD & VG-TBD
Fri. 12/10	Choice Wireless Holiday Invite	Chinle	VB-TBD & VG-TBD
Sat. 12/11	Choice Wireless Holiday Invite	Chinle	VB-TBD & VG-TBD
Tue. 12/14	Many Farms*	Many Farms	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 12/16	Valley*	Sanders	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 1/6	Pinon* (Senior Night)	Hopi	B-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Sat. 1/8	Ganado*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Mon. 1/10	Northland Prep	Flagstaff	FB-6:00 (Freshman Boys Only)
Tue. 1/11	Greyhills*	Tuba City	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 1/13	Tuba City	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Sat. 1/15	Round Valley*	Eagar	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-3:00, VG-6:00, JVG-4:30, FG-3:00
Tue. 1/18	Many Farms*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 1/20	St. Johns*	St. Johns	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-6:00, VG-6:00, JVG-4:30, FG-7:30
Tue. 1/25	Pinon*	Pinon	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 1/27	Alchesay	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Sat. 1/29	Valley*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Tue. 2/1	Greyhills*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00
Thu. 2/3	Round Valley*	Hopi	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Sat. 2/5	Ganado*	Ganado	VB-7:30, JVB-4:30, FB-1:30, VG-6:00, JVG-3:00, FG-12:00
Tue. 2/8	Regionals-1st Round Girls	High Seed	VG-TBD
Wed. 2/9	Regionals-1st Round Boys	High Seed	VB-TBD
Fri. 2/11	Regionals-Semifinals	Ganado	VG-TBD, VB-TBD
Sat. 2/12	Regionals-Finals	Ganado	VG-TBD, VB-TBD
Tue. 2/15	State Play-In Game (Girls)	High Seed	VG-TBD
Wed. 2/16	State Play-In Game (Boys)	High Seed	VB-TBD
Fri. 2/18	State-Round of 16	Prescott	VG-TBD, VB-TBD
Sat. 2/19	State-Quarterfinals	Prescott	VG-TBD, VB-TBD
Fri. 2/25	State-Semifinals	Phoenix	VG-TBD, VB-TBD
Sat. 2/26	State-Finals	Phoenix	VG-TBD, VB-TBD

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2021-22 Hopi High School Wrestling Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location	Times
Wed. 12/1	Winslow Round Robin	Winslow	Weigh-In – 1:00pm (Div. IV, Sec. II Teams) Wrestle – 2:00pm
Fri. 12/3	Pat Kenny Wrestling Invite	Holbrook	Weigh-In – 9:00 am Wrestle – 11:00 am
Sat. 12/4	Pat Kenny Wrestling Invite	Holbrook	Weigh-In – 8:00 am Wrestle – 9:00 am
Wed. 12/8	Monument Valley Multi-Meet	Kayenta	Weigh-In – 1:00 pm Wrestle – 2:00 pm
Fri. 12/17	Veteran's Memorial Wrestling Invite	Window Rock	Weigh-In – 8:00 am Wrestle – 10:00 am
Sat. 12/18	Veteran's Memorial Wrestling Invite	Window Rock	Weigh-In – 7:00 am Wrestle – 9:00 am
Wed. 1/5	St. Johns Cross-Section Round Robin	St. Johns	Weigh-In – 3:00 pm (Div. III & IV Teams) Wrestle – 4:30pm
Fri. 1/7	Joseph City Wrestling Invite	Joseph City	Weigh-In – 9:00am Wrestle – 11:00 am
Sat. 1/8 J	oseph City Wrestling Invite	Joseph City	Weigh-In – 8:00 am Wrestle – 10:00 am
Wed. 1/12	Monument Valley Round Robin	Kayenta	Weigh-In – 1:00 pm (Div. IV, Sec. II Teams) Wrestle – 2:00pm
Fri. 1/14	Winslow "Doc Wright" Wrestling Invite	Winslow	Weigh-In – 9:00 am Wrestle – 11:00 am
Sat. 1/15	Winslow "Doc Wright" Wrestling Invite	Winslow	Weigh-In – 7:00 am Wrestle – 9:00 am
Fri. 1/28	Mogollon "Rocky Nelson" Wrestling Invite	Heber	Weigh-In – 9:00 am Wrestle – 11:00 am
Sat. 1/29	Mogollon "Rocky Nelson) Wrestling Invite	Heber	Weigh-In – 7:00 am Wrestle – 9:00 am
Sat. 2/5	Div. I, Sec. IV All-Girls Sectional Meet	Winslow	Weigh-In – TBD Wrestle – TBD
Sat. 2/12	Div. IV, Sec. II Sectional Meet	Winslow	Weigh-In – TBD Wrestle – TBD
Fri. 2/18	State Meet– Session I	Veterans Memorial Coliseum	Weigh-In – TBD (Boys & All-Girls) (Phoenix) Wrestle – TBD
Sat. 2/19	State Meet-Session II	Veterans Memorial Coliseum	Weigh-In – TBD (Boys & All-Girls) (Phoenix) Wrestle – TBD
Sat. 2/19	State Meet-Medal Rounds	Veterans Memorial Coliseum	Weigh-In – TBD (Boys & All-Girls) (Phoenix) Wrestle – TBD

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Date: December 8, 2021

To: Hopi Jr./Sr. High School Parents/Guardians

From: Alban Naha, Interim Superintendent/JHS Principal

Re: Social Media Concern and Request for Assistance

Hopi Jr/Sr, High School would like to share some important information regarding a situation that has recently come to our attention.

There is a social media challenge going around where students create Instagram pages with a handle using the school's name. Students take pictures of other students and/or staff then post to the various Instagram pages.

Also, other Instagram pages post items that include gossip/rumors about other students that hurts their reputations. The Instagram page names include: hopi.exposed, hopihigh_9th_10thgrd_tea, hjsHSgetsno-sleep, hjsHS_eating, and others. Similar Instagram accounts regarding other northern region schools are also being created. Those respective schools are having to address the situation as well.

We have contacted Instagram and reported all pages of this nature pertaining to Hopi. Unfortunately, the reporting process takes time and Instagram often reacts slowly.

We are asking all parents/guardians for help. Please assist us in combating these social media challenges. This national trend has made its way to our Hopi schools and it will take all of us to curb it. Please communicate with your child and look at their social media accounts. Even if they are only liking or following these pages, it is inappropriate and they shouldn't support such activity. We also ask that you take time to discuss the seriousness of using social media in such negative ways that hurts others. This includes the severity of taking and posting pictures of people without their knowledge and/or permission.

The school will be addressing cell phone use on campus and tightening our restrictions. We will also work with our local Governing Board in making possible amendments to our Student-Parent Handbook. Once approved, we will communicate any and all changes.

Please be aware that any unauthorized cell phone use in classrooms and on campus will result in disciplinary action including the phone being confiscated. Any student taking pictures of other students and/or staff members without permission will also result in disciplinary action along with the phone being confiscated. This includes posting unauthorized photos to social media accounts. It is our hope that we all consider these behaviors as unacceptable and support the resulting disciplinary action.

Please know that HJSHS takes these situations seriously and will do everything to combat the social media challenges to the best of our ability. If you or your child has any information that will help us with these matters, we would appreciate your support by contacting your student's respective office.

We greatly appreciate the opportunity to work in partnership in providing the most effective and safe educational experience for all our students.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS

The First Mesa Consolidated Villages Office will be closed Dec. 23 at noon for the Christmas Holiday and re-open Dec. 27.

The Office will also be closed on Dec. 31 in observance of the New Year and re-open Jan 3, 2022

We wish each and everyone a happy and safe holiday with your families. This year has been hard with many challenges, and the loss of several of our family members. We ask that you keep safe with your families and enjoy the holiday festivities.

It is still not a good time to go without your masks, so make sure you have a mask for everyone.

Have a safe and Merry Christmas!