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2021 Presidential Inauguration of President Joe **Biden and Vice President Kamala Harris**



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Joe Biden takes Oath of Office as President of the United States as wife Jill Biden looks on



Second Gentleman Douglas Emhoff, Vice President Kamala Harris, First Lady Jill Biden and President Joe Biden



Kamala Harris sworn in as U.S. Vice President as husband Douglas Emhoff looks on

Televised 2021 Biden/Harris Inauguration

Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts. Vice President Kamala Harris was sworn in by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Sonia Sotomayor on January 20.

Forty-eight years ago, President Biden first entered South Asian American and unity for a deeply divided Congress as a Junior Senator from Delaware. Years later, he served as VP to daughter of an Indian moth- bring people together after two-term President Barack Obama and after a third father. attempt at the presidency, stood at the U.S. Capitol reciting the oath of office as written in the Constitu-

Joe Biden was inaugurated tion - the same words spo- This is democracy's day." as the 46th President of the ken by past Presidents as He went on to say, "Today, United States, sworn in by far back as President we celebrate the triumph, George Washington.

> Lawyer, District Attorney, people has been heard." Senator from California, and a 2020 candidate Biden, hopeful in his adfor Presidency made histo- dress to the people, repeatry as the first woman, edly hit on the theme of first Black American to nation. The President said hold the office. Harris is the he is invested in trying to er (India) and Jamaican the bitterly fought election.

> President Biden began his can sound like a foolish

not of a candidate, but a cause of democracy, the Vice President Harris, a people, the word of the

"I know speaking of unity inaugural remarks by say- fantasy these days. I know and the challenge of vac-ing, "This is America's day. the forces that divide us are cinating millions of people. Others in attendance were

deep and are real, " Biden He also takes the helm less lawmakers, members of the they are not new."

The President called for a "fresh start" in Washington. a raging fire destroying American leadership. everything in its path,' be a cause for total war."

Biden comes into office as the nation continues to struggle with the deadly coronavirus pandemic that has claimed the lives of over 400,000 Americans ris were also present.

continued. "But I also know than two weeks after insurrectionists stormed and vandalized the U.S. Capitol. Other immediate challenges include the econom-"Politics doesn't have to be ic turmoil and divisions in

Biden said. "Every disa- First Lady Dr. Jill Biden greement doesn't have to stood alongside President Biden during the inaugural ceremony and Douglas Breaking with over 150 Emhoff, Second Gentle- years of tradition, President man, stood with wife Vice President Harris. Children, grandchildren and family members of Biden and Har-

Supreme Court and former presidents; including: Vice President Mike Pence, Presidents Bill Clinton, George W. Bush, Barack Obama and their spouses. Biden said he spoke to former President Jimmy Carter, who was unable to attend the ceremony.

Trump did not to attend the event and left for Florida earlier in the morning. A sitting president would generally attend the inauguration of a successor, as a peaceful transfer of power.

Long lines form outside Hopi Health Care patients wait to receive Phizer-BioNTech Vaccine



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Long lines formed outside the Ho- als must now wait in their vehicle pi Health Care Center as clinical until called upon to enter the staff began administering the building to receive their vaccines. Coronavirus Phizer BioN-Tech Vaccine.

Vaccines were first administered to essential personnel, elderly 65 years+, School personnel and on down by age category.

For the safety of everyone and to follow safety protocols, individu-

Everyone is encouraged to follow all safety measures and guidelines.

- Wear a Mask
- Maintain 6' Distance
- No hugging or shaking hands
- If sick, call in and stay at home

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Business Development Needed on Hopi Reservation

"Hisatsinom instructed us to occupy and develop our lands"

By Ivan Sidney

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Administrator

told that at the beginning of our migrations, each clan took a different route to come to our designated Promised Land.

Hisatsinom, our ancestors, left evidence of sacred sites and ruins throughout North America. This migration bypassed forest lands, streams, rivers and fertile land to reach our designated homeland. The Creator, we are told, was waiting for each Clan's arrival. Each Clan had to demonstrate what they would contribute to society in order to occupy this land. Each clan was then assigned areas of land to use which we now call Clan Lands. Only the Clan has rights to these lands assigned by the Creator.

The settlement of this chosen land was to protect us from future migrations and greed for prime lands. Our ancestors were told that people would come seeking fertile lands for their own purposes.

rivers and forests, would be hard and difficult to plant and grow crops for food. This hardship would require hum- Mesa Traditional Leaders became bleness and reverence (faith & belief) in stewards of First Mesa lands with a our Hopi Religion. Only thru this hardship, humbleness and faith would we be continual knowledge of our village al Leaders and elders for years have blessed with abundance of rain.

abundance of minerals in this area that Leaders approved the land for the Hopi someday, we could use as a resource. BIA Agency Office in Keams Canyon, foreigners occupy our lands."

violated by not being the true beneficiary. Our pristine water was used to slurry coal, only to benefit the states of Nevada and California.

We were instructed to occupy and develop our lands to protect from outside intrusion. Our village styles have allowed these intrusions supported by the United States Government.

Most of our aboriginal lands in northern Arizona, was forcefully taken from us since we were not living on the land. Today, Ownership of land is supported by law that states "9/10ths of ownership is determined by possession". That is basically how the Navajo gained control of our ancestral lands by moving onto the land and establishing ownership. This was how they gained the approvals of the United States Government.

This desolate and isolated land, with no Our Traditional Leaders, today and in the past, knew the instructions of developing and occupying our lands. First pact with the creator. This resulted in land use boundaries.

We were also told that there was an This was the reason our Traditional

Through oral Hopi teachings, we are An example is the years of coal min- to serve all Hopi Villages and People. The Hopi Tribe, during the Taylor Ading on our lands in which Hopi was Later came the approval of land for schools, the hospital, high school, etc.

> Our leaders followed the instruction to make land available to serve our people. Most of these occupations and use of our lands were without compensation and some land leases called for a payment of only, one dollar.

The Hopi Administration used funds allocated for village people to develop tribal offices at TawaOvi in Hardrock, without Tribal Council approval. The distance for people to travel for direct services, is a hinderance. They contin- Unfortunately, ue to state the unavailability of land in have tribal funding to accomplish this the Hopi Villages as the reason for going outside. Prior to this development, First Mesa sent a letter to the Tribal Council informing them we had land set aside for development.

Another instruction for development was due to the threat of losing our lands to the hands of our Trustee, the Federal Government. In the laws of the Government, our reservation is trust land owned by the United States Government. We can not sell our land our Hopi ways for the future. without their approval. Our Traditioninstructed and reminded us that if we do not develop and occupy our lands, "someday we will be sitting from our mesa, with our feet dangling watching

ministration, used the Navajo/Hopi Relocation Settlement Allocation funds from the Federal Government to purchase and start businesses and ranches off the reservation.

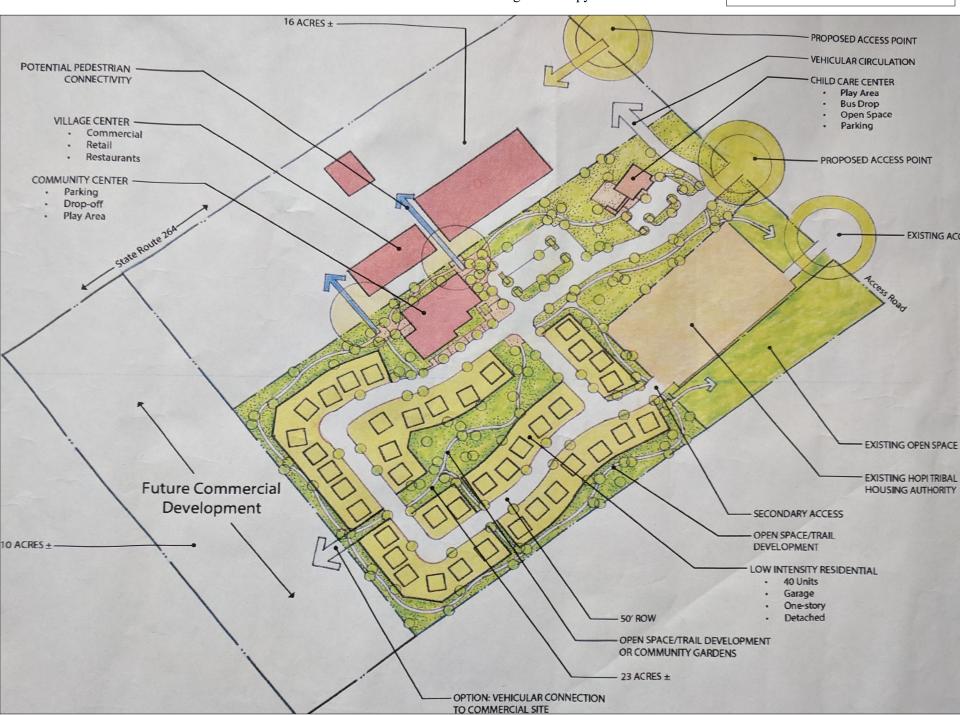
Where are village developments today? Especially businesses to provide services and employment and lastly the much needed village revenues. Since 1985, FMCV set aside 30 acres with archeological clearances and all required hookups at a business enterprise location.

FMCV does not necessary development. Schematic drawings and business plans were developed and can be viewed at our office.

In a past article, I stated business development is necessary to attract the best Health and Educational Professionals to our reservation. Also, it remains important to attract our people working off reservation to come home. We need our own people to help educate, provide healthy living and direct

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Below, FMCV Conceptual Framework Plan for future Business Development (April, 2016)



First Mesa Tribal Council Representative's Reports

Pandemic impacts on Tribal Council

By Albert Sinquah, Sr. First Mesa Tribal Council Representative

difficult for Council meetings. Be- February 1, at 5:00 a.m. cause of the Covid situation, the Council was forced to cease a meeting at the beginning of the spread of this virus I encourage that we all the month.

The Chairman's office ple by following safety and better tomorrow. issued an Extension of guidelines in our homes.

This month has been the Reservation wide It is sad to see the im-Tribal Lockdown, ending on

> We must continue to protect ourselves from and continue to be vigi-

pacts this situation has had on our cultural activities; however, I know we will prevail!

continue to pray each lant to protect our peo- morning, for a healthy The Gaming Committee Tribe General Counsel The report cannot be dis-

was given by Hopi

meeting scheduled for Fred Lomayesva, to the closed at this time due to Jan. 21, was cancelled two members present: confidentiality measures. due to lack of a quorum. First Mesa Rep. Wallace Lomayesva was told to Youvella, Sr. and Bacavi provide the report to A short report, however, Rep. & Committee Chair Tribal Council the week Dewayne Secakuku.

Hopi Gaming Committee

By Wallace Youvella, Sr.

First Mesa Tribal Council Representative

of January, 25.

Kwahkway

Hopi Route 60 Project Meeting Update Dirt Road between Polacca and Low Mountain

First Mesa Village Crier Staff

date Meeting was held via teleconfer- cannot currently provide funding and ence on Jan. 13. The meeting was, must look to the outside for resources. hosted by Hopi Tribal Council Representative/Transportation member Wallace Youvella, Jr -First ment of Transportation Director said Mesa Consolidated Villages and Navajo Nation Council Delegate Kee Al- identified asap. Once a ROW is aplen Begay, Jr, Low Mountain commu- proved, there is an expiration period. nity.

H60 is the 13 mile stretch of dirt road that connects the Polacca community with Low Mountain.

Begay reported that an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the Hopi Tribe, Navajo Nation and Navajo County, for the H60 Project has been drafted and forwarded to Hopi for review and concurrence.

Begay said \$1.5 million has been appropriated for this project with plans administer funds once all preliminary work is complete. The 1.5 mil is allo- lack of funding, has not become reali- based on education, health care, law cated for the main road Project; however, before the Project starts, drainage improvement is needed in two specific locations. A Right of Way (ROW) is necessary for this.

Committee Garrett Silversmith, Navajo Departfunds for maintenance needs to be After the IGA is executed and approved by all 3 governments and all ROW documents are complete, the \$1.5 will be move to Navajo County.

> ROW issues was discussed in length as well as items needing to be resolved before the grant process is in effect.

The County remains committed to this Project with engineering and procurement functions and said a Project of this magnitude requires a lot of admin- FMCV Administrator and former Hopi istrative work.

as the neutral party to facilitate and nakhongva said "there has been many He said consideration of H60 fits Navajo County with southern Navajo

amount. Teller announced they have thank the Legislators, and everyone introduced House Bill 2215 asking for involved in this Project, for their ef-\$35 million to appropriate to Trans- forts. portation, of which H60 is a part of. Tsosie said they are talking to members on the other side of the aisle for their support.

NOTE: Through an update email dated January 21, Representative Teller wrote, "HB2215 Appropriations H60 will be heard at the next Transportation Committee meeting, scheduled for January 27."

office said he wants to connect with tribal leadership and asks for contact Priority for this project includes advoinformation to keep Kelly updated.

Chairman Ivan Sidney emphasized the Nez also posed a question asking if it importance of the H60 project and the was time for Navajo County to considto transfer to Navajo County District 2 Hopi Vice Chairman Clark Te- need for Hopi's financial contribution. er a State Route connecting northern approaches to this Project, but due to clearly into the use of CARES funding enforcement and emergency services.

A Hopi Route 60 (H-60) Project Up- of Projects; however, the Hopi Tribe are concerned about the funding leadership of First Mesa, I wish to

Navajo Nation President Johnathan Nez said he looks forward to moving priorities forward in partnership with the Hopi Tribe.

"A lot of our focus has been on the pandemic," said Nez. "With vaccines, there is light at the end of the tunnel as we bring projects back into focus. Hopi 60 is a major artery and is priority that we get this area paved. I look Luther Lee from Senator Mark Kelly's forward to advocating with Hopi, for resources, to complete this project. cating at the state and federal level and with the new administration."

County (Kayenta to Pinon to H60).

All participating agencies have been asked to contribute to the ROW maintenance/improvement project.

Youvella stated the H60 Project is in- tives Arlando Teller and Myron Tsosie tween the Hopi Reservation and Navacluded in the Hopi Tribe's Inventory said they support the H60 Project and

ty. This is my last term in Office, and I commit that Hopi will be involved in this Project. The lack of involvement from Hopi has been mainly because of politics. Legislation needs to be introduced by First Mesa Council Representatives to push the Project forward."

District 7 AZ House of Representa-

"Years ago, the Traditional Leadership of FMCV consented and approved improvements to 13 miles of the Low Mountain Road," said Sidney. "Individuals from First Mesa, the Hopi Tsosie, Luther Lee from Senator Tribe, Navajo Nation and Navajo Mark Kelly's office and Ivan Sidney County have worked tirelessly all First Mesa Consolidated Villages Adthese years to get the road paved be- ministrator. jo Nation. On behalf of the traditional

Project Partners attending the meeting Hopi DOT/Hopi Vice included: Chairman/Hopi BIA Agency Navajo DOT/Navajo Nation President/Navajo BIA, Navajo County, AZ State Legislators Arlando Teller and Myron

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Hopi Health Care Vaccines from Page 1



A patient receives first dose of the Phizer-BioNTech Vaccine—now available at the Hopi Health Care Center.

Important Information about the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine. **Read Carefully!**

Fact Sheet for Recipients and Caregivers Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) of the **Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent** coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) in individuals 16 years of age and older

You are being offered the Pfizer- The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vac-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to pre- cine may not protect everyone. vent Coronavirus Disease 2019 (COVID-19) caused by SARS-CoV-2. This Fact Sheet contains information to help you understand the risks and benefits of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW BEFORE -19 Vaccine, which you may receive YOU GET THIS VACCINE. because there is currently a pandemic of COVID-19.

This Fact Sheet may have been updated. For the most recent Fact Sheet, please see www.cvdvaccine.com.

Business Development from Page 2

ongoing Our challenges COVID19 brings is a reminder that our villages are not developed and prepared to provide the essential services to our people in time of need.

We struggle with the need for a grocery store with reasonable prices to provide fresh vegetables, meat, and choices of other food products. We suffer the distance to travel for gasoline, parts, service and repair needs.

Our young people should have fast food services readily available. We also have to travel to nearby towns and Navajo communities to use banking services. Our only service is our bank of America ATM which needs to be upgraded to take deposits. These are only some of the services we lack which is a given at other reservations.

Most Villages for their safety, adhere to and take seriously the "Stay Home Order" issued by the Tribal Chairman. If businesses were established, most of our needs would be available locally. Currently, essential needs require a trip off the reservation. Without our self-sustaining business services, off reservation is a dire necessity.

We are now threatened by roadblocks by Tribal Police and residents are asking, "what are the penalties if you are cited?" No one seems to know since the passage of the Law was without knowledge and consultation of the people.

I mentioned that the lack of funding is our obstacle. This lack of funding is slowly becoming a major obstacle for all villages and our people.

Since the closure of Peabody, the revenue supporting the annual tribal budget is dangerously depleting. From information obtained, it appears that the past two years of tribal budgets may have been supplemented by withdrawing from our investment funds.

It will be soon that our government will have to take devasting budget cuts and it is assumed villages will suffer the first cuts to save critical and necessary tribal programs. This will create havoc in our villages when people are without jobs.

with Where is the implementation of campaign promises from the last campaign? We now assume business plans with marketing studies, land assignments, and construction funds do not exist. We heard of a possible Casino; but where is the money coming from and another business off our reservation?

> It is time our people's need are placed at the forefront. I encourage all of you to seek and demand information of our tribe's financial future. We lack reports from our Tribal Leaders, Tribal Council and this must immediately change.

> FMCV Traditional Leaders, having foresight, already identified land and directed the completion of our Business Plans. Again, it is our lack of funding and especially no support from the Hopi Administration, that has allowed for our present hardship and a bleak future for our children and grandchildren. Our Traditional Leaders along with our Kikmongwi have already approved some of the business plans and will approve other developments for our village.

> Along with the lack of funds is the ongoing non inter- village relations, resulting in non-support for these developments. In my opinion, it is the lack of cooperation and understandings that have resulted in our lack of business developments. This comes as an enjoyment for the tribe to take developments to other areas. The only village that benefited from tribal financial support for a hotel and other business development is Upper Moencopi Village.

> Our continued annual village allocation to support community services is the cause for our division. We are only concerned for our own allocations and not a consolidated village with Kikmongwi as our Leader.

> I take the quote of one of our late and famous President, John F. Kennedy. 'Ask not what your Country can do for you, ask what you can do for your Country".

> We have an ancient, but true history which includes instructions for the future. Our future is in our hands.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is a vaccine and may prevent you from getting COVID-19. There is no U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

Read this Fact Sheet for information about the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine.

Talk to the vaccination provider if you have questions. It is your choice to receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is administered as a 2-dose series, 3 weeks apart, into the muscle.

WHAT IS COVID-19?

COVID-19 disease is caused by a coronavirus called SARS-CoV-2. This type of coronavirus has not been seen before. You can get COVID-19 through contact with another person who has the virus. It is predominantly a respiratory illness that can affect other organs. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported, ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness. Symptoms may appear 2 to 14 days after exposure to the virus. Symptoms may include: fever or chills; cough; shortness of breath; fatigue; muscle or body aches; headache; new loss of taste or smell; sore throat; congestion or runny nose;

nausea or vomiting; diarrhea.

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FMCV ENTERPRISE ZONE

Conceptual framework plan for future Business Development (Laundromat, Shopping Center, Fast food, Post Office)

Supporting Economic Development at First Mesa Villages

Old Man Winter powders First Mesa with snow

FIRST MESA CONSOLIDATED VILLAGES

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Leo Lacapa, Jr. Soyal Mongwi

Sam Tenakhongva Katsin Mongwi

Dickson Silas Kikmongwi Spokesman

Albert Singuah



A beautiful sunset as clouds begin to form the day before the snowfall — Nuva tukwi Ovi (SanFrancisco Peaks) in the background



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fall of fresh snow, as farmers have been concerned about the lack of moisture and drought like conditions of dry, parched lands.

Old man winter; however, did not bring as much moisture as everyone would have liked, but blew in a slight powder of snow.

Dryland farming, a farming method practiced by Hopi Farmers for generations, requires moisture in the form of rain or snow

First Mesa residents happily anticipated the during the winter months. During cool But as most can agree, we live in times that months, the moisture does not easily evaporate but seeps deep into the ground. This gives the earth drink and prepares it for warmer months when the planting season begins.

> In past generations, moisture was more abundant and Hopi farmers enjoyed bountiful harvests of their crop. Today, it is rare to see crops harvested in quantities due to lack of moisture and poor soil.

have changed drastically; including changes to the environment, land and weather.

The land, quality, of air and water, the environment, weather, etc. are all intertwined with life on earth and people must do their parts as "stewards of the earth," to care for the land.

Encourage healthy lives by keeping the land free of clutter, trash and hazardous materials.

Hopi Arsenic Mitigation (HAMP) Update

First Mesa Village Crier Staff

Hopi Utility Corporation (HUC) Manager Tim Bodell, gave an update report on the Hopi Arsenic Mitigation Project (HAMP) at a meeting held on Jan. 19 at the First Mesa Consolidated Villages (FMCV). Bodell said progress is being made on the Project and is

specifications and scope of work for a metering Project. HUC is the utility corporation familiar with the necessary specifications for a metering system. This has been done in the past for other villages.

of HUC to prepare and put together FMCV Administrator Ivan Sidney said it is the intent of the traditional leaders to turn the Polacca water system over to HUC as soon as HAMP water comes in and the Project is complete.

> Sidney also said FMCV quarterly arsenic reports have been submit ted to EPA and will now include Bodell's update HAMP report. Bodell said there has been considerable movement made, even during COVID19.

HUC has a good model to look at including the use of Telemetry on mesa tanks. This will allow easy access and reading of meters. Other areas to be looked at is new piping, rehab or replacing water tanks and the sewer lagoon.

Electrical engineer decisions will be made through change orders. More information will be obtained from radio and satellite signal sites for data collections through telemetry devices.

Kikmongwi Spokesman

Albert Silas Kikmongwi Spokesman

TRIBAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES

Albert Singuah

Dale Singuah

Wallace Youvella, Sr.

Wallace Youvella, Jr.

on schedule.

Bodell also reported that the application for water meters was resubmitted to the CARES Committee and was approved. An initial application had been submitted, but Bodell said a bid will need to be due to time constraints and the CARES deadline, the first application was not approved. After the CARES Act extension, the application was reviewed by the Committee and approved.

Bodell said with the new water project, meters will be important and essential to any water operation.

"With the extension we now have the opportunity to order the water meters and do it right," said Bodell. "First Mesa is the largest unmetered water operation on Hopi and is a priority project."

FMCV will request the assistance

A mapping system was already completed last year along with an asset management plan. This can be used to put together a plan for the meters.

put out on fast track, most likely to the top three water meter businesses in the area since they are more familiar with the area. The work needs to be completed by the end of December and work will commence once the Assistance Request from First Mesa is received and a Representative from First Mesa is identified as the front line worker.

At present, it is assumed that Lead Water Operator Alphonso Sakeva, Jr, who is familiar and knowledgeable of the waterline layout and mapping of the area, will be in front outlining the work. He knows all the customers and mapping of the pipes.

Jim Hess, from Indian Health Service (IHS) Office of Environmental Health, said hearing directly on the development was exciting. He said they did the asset inventory of the Polacca water system and can help do a write up.

Wallace Youvella, Sr., FMCV Hopi Tribal Council Water Committee Chairperson, said the Tribe is allowed to do contracts on the water meters. The well on the mesa has an automatic pump system that comes on automatically when water is low. When HUC takes over they will look into a metering system for the wells and also chlorinating of the wells.

After an informative report and much discussion, Bodell reminded the group that the next step is a formal letter from FMCV requesting assistance for metering and include scope of work and prv's. HUC is responsible for all procurement, as determined by the Engineer.

It is interesting and exciting that, What the village has right now will be integrated with the future.

At the end of the meeting, Bodell said to Sidney, "Ivan you're really the founder of HUC. You gave me the guidance and information."

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WHAT IS THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE? • tiredness

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is an unap- • headache proved vaccine that may prevent COVID-19. There • muscle pain is no FDA-approved vaccine to prevent COVID-19.

The FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine to prevent COVID-19 in individuals 16 years of age and older under an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA).

For more information on EUA, see the "What is an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA)?" section at the end of this Fact Sheet.

WHAT SHOULD YOU MENTION TO YOUR VACCINA-TION PROVIDER BEFORE YOU GET THE PFIZER-**BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

Tell the vaccination provider about all of your medical conditions, including if you:

- have any allergies
- have a fever
- have a bleeding disorder or are on a blood thinner
- are immunocompromised or are on a medicine
- that affects your immune system
- are pregnant or plan to become pregnant
- are breastfeeding
- have received another COVID-19 vaccine

WHO SHOULD GET THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-**19 VACCINE?**

FDA has authorized the emergency use of the Pfizer -BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine in individuals 16 years of age and older.

WHO SHOULD NOT GET THE PFIZER-BIONTECH **COVID-19 VACCINE?**

You should not get the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine if you:

- had a severe allergic reaction after a previous dose of this vaccine
- had a severe allergic reaction to any ingredient of this vaccine.

WHAT ARE THE INGREDIENTS IN THE PFIZER-**BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine includes the following ingredients: mRNA, lipids ((4-ydroxybutyl) azanediyl)bis(hexane-6,1-diyl)bis(2-exyldecanoate), [(polyethylene glycol)-2000]-N,N-ditetradecylace tamide, 1,2-Distearoyl-sn-glycero-3-phosphocholine and cholesterol), potassium chloride, monobasic potassium phosphate, sodium chloride, dibasic sodium phosphate dihydrate, and sucrose.

HOW IS THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE GIVEN?

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine will be given to you as an injection into the muscle.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine vaccination series is 2 doses given 3 weeks apart.

If you receive one dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine, you should receive a second dose of this same vaccine 3 weeks later to complete the vaccination series.

HAS THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE

- chills
- joint pain
- fever
- injection site swelling
- injection site redness
- nausea
- feeling unwell
- swollen lymph nodes (lymphadenopathy)

There is a remote chance that the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine could cause a severe allergic reaction. A severe allergic reaction would usually occur within a few minutes to one hour after getting a dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. For this reason, your vaccination provider may ask you to stay at the place where you received your vaccine for monitoring after vaccination. Signs of a severe allergic reaction can include:

- Difficulty breathing
- Swelling of your face and throat
- A fast heartbeat
- A bad rash all over your body
- Dizziness and weakness

These may not be all the possible side effects of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. Serious and unexpected side effects may occur. Pfizer-BioNTech COVID -19 Vaccine is still being studied in clinical trials.

WHAT SHOULD I DO ABOUT SIDE EFFECTS? If you experience a severe allergic reaction, call 9-1-1, or go to the nearest hospital.

Call the vaccination provider or your healthcare provider if you have any side effects that bother you or do not go away.

Complete and submit reports to VAERS online at https://vaers.hhs.gov/reportevent.html. For further assistance with reporting to VAERS call 1-800-822-7967. Please include "Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine EUA" in the first line of box #18 of the report form.

In addition, you can report side effects to Pfizer Inc. at the contact information provided below. Website: www.pfizersafetyreporting.com Fax number: 1-866-635-8337 Telephone number: 1-800-438-1985

You may also be given an option to enroll in v-safe. V-safe is a new voluntary smartphone-based tool that uses text messaging and web surveys to check in with people who have been vaccinated to identify potential side effects after COVID-19 vaccination. V-safe asks questions that help CDC monitor the safety of COVID-19 vaccines. V-safe also provides second-dose reminders if needed and live telephone follow-up by CDC if participants report a significant health impact following COVID-19 vaccination. For more information on how to sign up, visit: www.cdc.gov/vsafe.

options with your healthcare provider.

WILL THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE **GIVE ME COVID-19?**

No. The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine does not contain SARS-CoV-2 and cannot give you COVID-19.

KEEP YOUR VACCINATION CARD

When you get your first dose, you will get a vaccination card to show you when toreturn for your second dose of Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. Remember to bring your card when you return.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

If you have questions, visit the website or call the telephone number provided below.

To access the most recent Fact Sheets, please scan the QR code provided below.

Global website: www.cvdvaccine.com Telephone #: 1-877-829-2619 (1-877-VAX-CO19)

HOW CAN I LEARN MORE?

- Ask the vaccination provider.
- Visit CDC at https://www.cdc.gov/
- coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html.

 Visit FDA at https://www.fda.gov/emergencypreparedness-and-response/mcm-legal-regulatoryand-policy-framework/emergency-use-authorization

Contact your local or state public health department.

WHERE WILL MY VACCINATION INFORMATION BE **RECORDED?**

The vaccination provider may include your vaccination information in your state/local jurisdiction's Immunization Information System (IIS) or other designated system. This will ensure that you receive the same vaccine when you return for the second dose. For more information about IISs visit: https:// www.cdc.gov/vaccines/programs/iis/about.html.

WHAT IS THE COUNTERMEASURES INJURY COM-**PENSATION PROGRAM?**

The Countermeasures Injury Compensation Program (CICP) is a federal program that may help pay for costs of medical care and other specific expenses of certain people who have been seriously injured by certain medicines or vaccines, including this vaccine. Generally, a claim must be submitted to the CICP within one (1) year from the date of receiving the vaccine. To learn more about this program, visit www.hrsa.gov/cicp/ or call 1-855-266-2427.

WHAT IS AN EMERGENCY USE AUTHORIZATION (EUA)? The United States FDA has made the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine available under an emergency access mechanism called an EUA. The EUA is supported by a Secretary of Health and Human Services (HHS) declaration that circumstances exist to justify the emergency use of drugs and biological products during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine has not undergone the same type of review as an FDAapproved or cleared product. FDA may issue an EUA when certain criteria are met, which includes that there are no adequate, approved, available alternatives. In addition, the FDA decision is based on the totality of scientific evidence available showing that the product may be effective to prevent COVID-19 during the COVID-19 pandemic and that the known and potential benefits of the product outweigh the known and potential risks of the product. All of these criteria must be met to allow for the product to be used in the treatment of patients during the COVID-19 pandemic.

BEEN USED BEFORE?

The Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is an unapproved vaccine. In clinical trials, approximately 20,000 individuals 16 years of age and older have received at least 1 dose of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine.

WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE PFIZER-**BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

In an ongoing clinical trial, the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine has been shown to prevent COVID-19 following 2 doses given 3 weeks apart. The duration of protection against COVID-19 is currently unknown.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS OF THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?

Side effects that have been reported with the Pfizer -BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine include:

injection site pain

WHAT IF I DECIDE NOT TO GET THE PFIZER-**BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE?**

It is your choice to receive or not receive the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine. Should you decide not to receive it, it will not change your standard medical care.

ARE OTHER CHOICES AVAILABLE FOR PREVENTING **COVID-19 BESIDES PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19** VACCINE?

Currently, there is no approved alternative vaccine available for prevention of COVID-19. Other vaccines to prevent COVID-19 may be available under **Emergency Use Authorization.**

CAN I RECEIVE THE PFIZER-BIONTECH COVID-19 VACCINE WITH OTHER VACCINES?

There is no information on the use of the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine with other vaccines.

WHAT IF I AM PREGNANT OR BREASTFEEDING?

If you are pregnant or breastfeeding, discuss your

The EUA for the Pfizer-BioNTech COVID-19 Vaccine is in effect for the duration of the COVID-19 EUA declaration justifying emergency use of these products, unless terminated or revoked (after which the products may no longer be used).

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Hopi Tribe Department of Health Services COVID-19 Report

KYKOTSMOVI, AZ – January 6, 2021 — The United States registered its highest deaths yet from the coronavirus on the day a mob attacked the U.S. Capitol. On Wednesday, the nation recorded nearly 3,900 deaths. The virus is surging in nearly every state. California is particularly hard hit, with skyrocketing deaths and infections threatening to force hospitals to ration care. Arizona had the highest rate of new coronavirus infections. Arizona's rate of 121.8 cases per 100,000 people over the last week is the highest rate in the country. Arizona is also the only state with a rate higher than 100 per 100,000 people.

Community mitigation efforts aim to reduce the rate at which someone infected comes in contact with someone not infected, or reduce the probability of infection if there is contact. The more a person interacts with different people, and the longer and closer the interaction, the higher the risk of COVID-19 spread. As communities adjust mitigation strategies, they should ensure that the healthcare system capacity will not be exceeded. Precautions should be taken to protect health care professionals and other critical infrastructure workers. Communities need to assure healthcare systems have adequate staffing, a surplus of inpatient and ICU beds, and critical medical equipment and supplies such as PPE. The Hopi community needs every individual citizen to take responsibility with helping the efforts of mitigating the community wide spread. We are seeing continued increases in cases in every single village on the reservation.

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

As of this date - January 6, 2021

The United Sates now has approximately 21.26million confirmed positive cases with 299,904 new cases and over 359,849 deaths reported.

Over 584,593 confirmed positive cases now exist in Arizona. Of those, close to 12,086 are in Navajo County alone.

The Hopi Health Care Center has tested over 7,552 patients to this date. Over 1,051 of those tests at Hopi Health Care Center came back positive with 729 from Hopi Tribal members. Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation reported 152 positives for Hopi Villages with a combined number of 881 positive Hopi Tribal members.

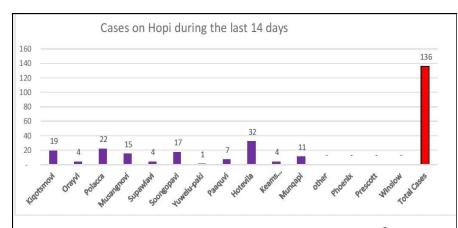
The information below provides a glimpse of the current numbers in those respective villages.

Hopi COVID-19 Reported Cases by Hopi Health Care Center Cases* January 6, 2021

Number Tested Today	Cumulative Number Positive	Cumulative Number Negative	Total Number in Process	Total Tested
44	1,051	6,409	49	7,552

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

Number of Cases per Village as of January 6, 2021	Reported by HHCC	Reported by Tuba City Regional Healthcare Corporation	Total	
Kiqötsmovi	52	11	63	1
Orayvi	15		15	
Polacca				
(Walpi-Sitsom'ovi-	233	7	240+	
Tewa)				
Musangnuvi	78		78	
Supawlavi	41		41+	
Söngoopavi	171		171+	
Yuwelu-paki	11		11	
Paaqavi	21		21	
Hotvela	78	20	98(+)	1
Keams Canyon	22	9	31	l
Munqapi	1	105*	106*	
Phoenix	1		1	
Winslow	4		4	
Prescott	1		1	
TOTAL	729	152	881	



This graph demonstrates the active cases and is stratified by village. Currently there are **136** active cases 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 demonstrates that majority of the active cases reside inside of Hotvela, and Polacca; however, due to all villages having cases there is widespread community transmission. This graph is useful in isolating where the virus is most active at the current moment.



Prevention:

Watch for symptoms. People with COVID-19 have had a wide range of symptoms reported – ranging from mild symptoms to severe illness.

Symptoms may appear 2-14 days after exposure to the virus. People with these symptoms or combinations of symptoms may have COVID-19:

- Cough
 - Shortness of breath or difficulty breathing
 - Or at least two of these symptoms:
- Fever
 Chills

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- Chills
- Repeated shaking with chills
- Muscle pain
- Headache
- Sore throat
- Congestion or runny noseNausea or vomiting
- Diarrhea
- New loss of taste or smell

Children have similar symptoms to adults and generally have mild illness.

This list is not all inclusive. Please consult your medical provider for any other symptoms that are severe or concerning to you.

* 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.

** A total of 881+ individuals who tested positive are members of the Hopi Tribe.

+ Includes Village member(s) retested positive





COVID-19 MEMORIAL

TUESDAY, JANUARY 19 AT 5:30 PM EST



A national COVID-19 Memorial Ceremony was held on Jan. 19, honoring and remembering those who succumbed to the coronavirus.

The first-ever lighting ceremony at the Lincoln Memorial Reflecting Pool was led by President elect and Vice President elect, Joe Biden and Kamala Harris. The following day on Jan. 20, Biden and Harris were sworn in as President and Vice President of the United States.

Tt is important that we honor and never forget those we have lost to this deadly coronavirus.

Many families are still grieving over their losses and suffering from the tragic, direct impact this pandemic has placed them in. We must continue to pray for the survivors and all the relatives who continue with their pain and the devastating lasting affects.

We pray for continued healing, health, safety, peace, hope, love and unity.

As the saying goes "it takes a village to raise a child." We must now come together as a village in spirit, mind and our physical being to help raise those out of their fragile state of sadness and weakness.

Keep that Light of Love and Hope alive by praying for someone today. Your prayer is powerful; but imagine how much more powerful if we all stop and say a prayer for someone today.

Suminangwa, Naminangwa.

MENTAL HEALTH AND COPING DURING CORONAVIRUS

REACTIONS YOU MAY FEEL INCLUDE:

ar and worry about your own health status and

TAKING CARE OF YOUR WELLBEING:

First Mesa Consolidated Villages Hours of Operation

Due to the continued cal Contact with Cus- AZ 86042. No personday-Friday, from 9am- assist you via intercom. 4pm (closed 12-1).

Business Services and made by telephone using Staff hours are limited. a debit or credit card. No copy service and No Payments may also be fax service.

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> Water Payments may be made by Money Order mailed and to: PO Box 260, Polacca,

Water Operations are a high priority and Operators are on-call 24//7. There will be No Porta-Pumping during this time and No Portable toilets available for rent.

For information call the office Monday-Friday between the hours of 9am-12n and 1pm-4pm.

2021 Year of Transformation

America is a place where *anything* is possible. It is ultimately up to us to define those possibilities.

Each of us has a role to play in making our community more perfect. This is a task that demands something from all of us.

Let us all do our part to make this a better, safer and healthier New Year.

Please help to stop the spread of the coronavirus. Follow all safety measures in place and adhere to all protocols.

2021 is a Year of Transformation

This Month in Hopi History

AD— Hopi ancestors built houses in dry caves in the Four Corners Region.

- that of your loved ones.
- Changes in sleep or eating patterns.
- Difficulty concentrating.
- Worsening of chronic health problems.
- Increased use of alcohol, tobacco, or other drugs.

THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SUPPORT YOURSELF:

- Avoid excessive exposure to media coverage of Coronavirus.
- Take care of your body. Take deep breaths, stretch or meditate. Try to eat healthy, well-balanced meals, exercise regularly, get plenty of sleep and avoid alcohol and drugs.
- Make time to unwind and remind yourself that strong feelings will fade.
- Connect with others and share your concerns and how you are feeling with friends or family members.
- Maintain healthy relationships.
- Maintain a sense of hope and positive thinking.

- Connect with people
- Decide on your routine
- Try to keep active
- Keep your mind stimulated
- Take care with news and information
- Find ways to relax and be creative

AD 1260-1300— Betatakin and Keet Seel occupied by Hopi Clans.

1895— Hopi Leaders imprisoned at Alcatraz for 8 mos

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