



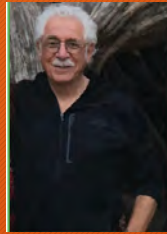
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Building Relationships for Effective Collective Action

Story/SkillShare video/teleconference
November 6, 2019

Agenda

1. Opening
2. Introduction to Indigenous Environmental Network, movement protocols and principles - BJ McManama (20 mins)
3. Relationship building as part of organizing and campaigns (30 mins)
 - Liana Nichols: one-to-ones
 - Sarait Martinez: strong coalitions
4. Building strong relationships in movements (20 mins)
 - Jemez Principles: Bill Gallegos & Melissa Lin Perrella
5. Q/A, Dialogue (15 mins)
6. Offerings & requests (10 mins)
7. Evaluation, Closing



Source: Sogorea Te' Land Trust,
an Urban Indigenous Women-Led Land Trust in California's East Bay

The Shuumi Land Tax is a **voluntary annual financial contribution** that non-Indigenous people living on traditional Chochenyo and Karkin Ohlone territory make to support the critical work of the Sogorea Te' Land Trust.

The Shuumi Land Tax directly supports Sogorea Te's work to acquire and preserve land, establish a cemetery to reinter stolen Ohlone ancestral remains and build urban gardens, community centers, and sacred arbors so current and future generations of Indigenous people can thrive in the Bay Area.

www.sogoreate-landtrust.com



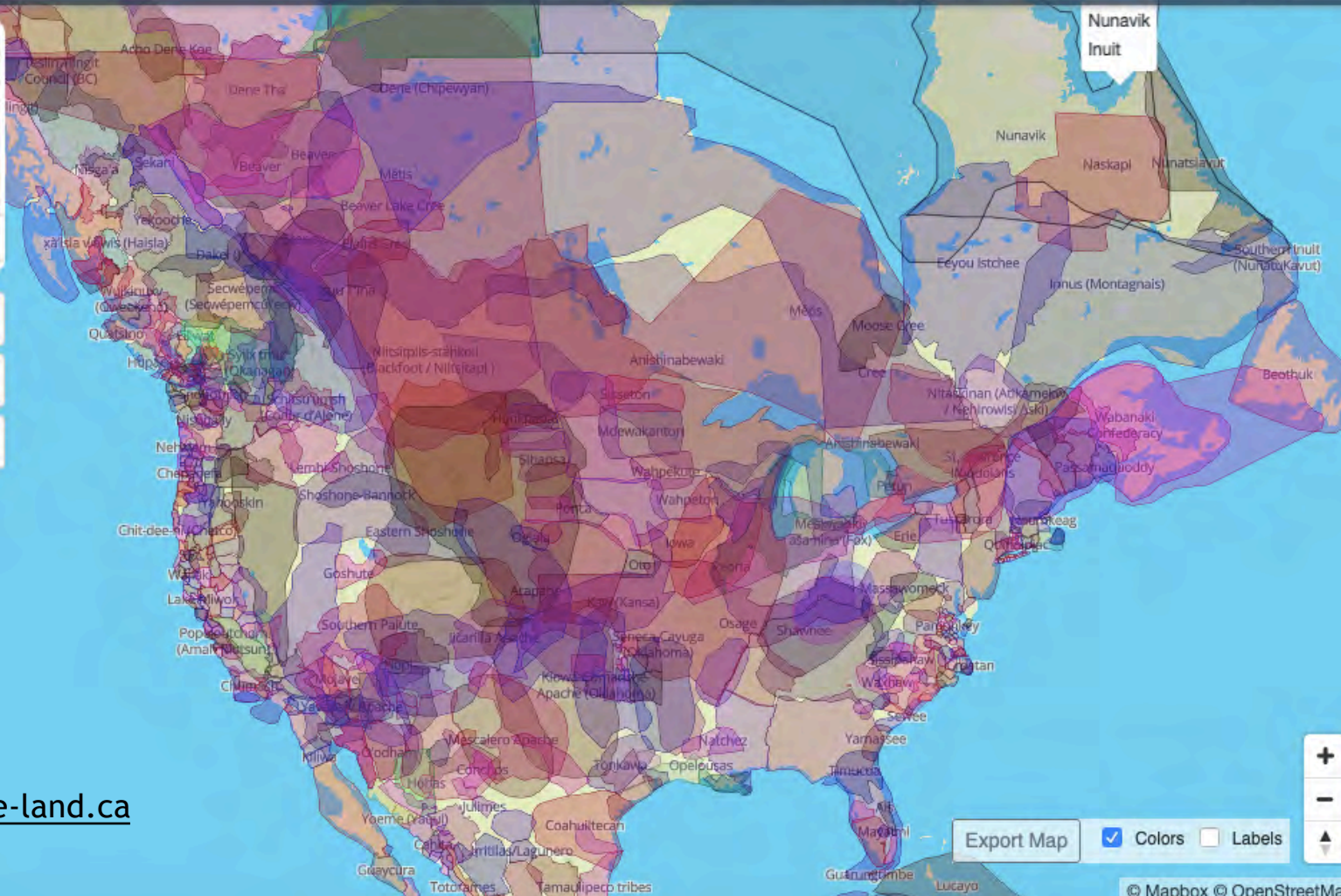
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Source: <https://native-land.ca>

Q/A & Dialogue

-Please introduce yourself - Name, organization, place - when you ask your question

How to jump in:

- Use chat box - we will track and create a list of questions
- “Raise Your Hand” if on video zoom
- Unmute and ask, if on the phone!

Offerings & Requests (10 mins)

- Share an offering - a resource, tool, upcoming event that you are willing to go deeper on with others - use chat box - we will record; or jump in!
- Make a request - for something related to this Story/Skillshare that could strengthen your work

Evaluation & Closing

[Evaluation Form](#) (online)

Next Story/SkillShare:

Increasing Civic Engagement and Building Political Power

Thursday, December 12, 2019

10am - 12 pm (Hawai'i)/12 pm - 2 pm (pacific)

2 pm - 4 pm (central)/3 pm - 5 pm (eastern)



Indigenous Environmental Network

History

Protocols

Process



Accountability in Movement Building



The Indigenous Peoples of the Americas have lived for over 500 years in confrontation with an immigrant society that holds an opposing world view. As a result we are now facing an environmental crisis which threatens the survival of all natural life.



The Circle of Life



Educate
Empower
Develop



**Strategies and mechanisms to protect cultures,
environment, elders, youth, and health of all life**



Indigenous Traditional Knowledge



Culture, Respect and Adhere to Natural Laws



The members of IEN are unified in our recognition that the traditional teachings, lifestyles, spirituality, cultures and leadership of our people as well as the survival of our future generations, are entirely dependent upon our respectful relationship with the natural world and our responsibility to the sacred principles given to us by the creator.



Just Transition:



Building healthy, resilient, sustaining Indigenous communities

Promoting environmentally sound lifestyles



Ensuring equitable economic livelihoods



Intersectional Community and Capacity Building

IEN, since it's beginning in the mid-1990's, has been organizing campaigns, direct actions and public awareness, building the capacity of community and tribes to address EJ issues, development of initiatives to impact policy, and building alliances among Indigenous communities, tribes, inter-tribal and Indigenous organizations, people-of-color/ethnic organizations, faith-based and women groups, youth, labor, environmental organizations and others.

IEN convenes local, regional and national meetings on environmental and economic justice issues, and provides support, resources and referral to Indigenous communities and youth throughout primarily North America – and in recent years – globally.

2020

30-Year Anniversary Celebration & 18th Protecting Mother Earth Conference

MAP of SE Minnesota Soil Health Farmers



Rice

Goodhue

Lake City

Wabasha

Olmsted

52

35

90

Don Hannaman
Faribault
NT, CC

Mike Ludwig
Northfield
NT, CC

John Becker
Dundas
NT, CC

Bob Sommer
Faribault
MT, CC

Tim Little
Faribault
NT, LC

Matt Mangano
Kenyon
NT, CC

Ed McNamara
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I, ST

Kaleb Anderson
Goodhue
NT, CC, RG

Jon Jared
Luhman
Goodhue
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Paul Basballe
Lake City
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Jeremy Holst
Lake City
CC, RG

Matt Kruger
Wabasha
CC, I

Jack Stamschror
Kellogg
RG, CC

Duane Hager
Kellogg
RG, GCC

Rick Sommer
field
St, CC

Jess Chad
Hufschuere
Zumbro Falls
RG, CC

Aaron Welti
Plainview
NT, CC

Eddie Alan
Jortock
Hannibal
MT, CC, RG

Tom Pyle
Pine Island
NT, CC

Waseca

Steele

Dodge

Dwight Burkholder
Byron
MT, RG

Elaine Dietzer
Dodge Center
NT, CC

Daryn McGowan
Hayfield
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Hannah Tveit
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Eric Ann
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Altura
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Rory Beyer
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CC, RG

Carmene Dale
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Utica
RG, CC

Nelson Family
Altura
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Mike Jennifer
Rupprecht
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RG, CC

Robt Miller
Lewiston
MT, CC

Everett Rolfing
Winona
CC, NT

Winona

Carolyn Metzger
Dakota
CC, CCG, RG

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Committee

Sylling, Rony, Curt Tvedt, Erpelding, Javel Luffman
Mierau, Kalch Anderson, (Kim Olson, Bettke (Amunda), Rachelle Meyer
Kelley Kahnes)

Farm Crisis

Luke Bergler, Mike + Joan Gilles, Everett Roffing, Sylling,
Haugens, Burtress, Martin Larsen, Snyders, Amy Cordry

Racial Justice

Jon Jovaag, Rony Beyer, Alma Lotter

St & Cl. Policy

Tom Cotter, Sylling, Chris Grunderson, Scott Lightsey,
Martin Larsen, Chris Himebaugh, The Johnsons, Olaf
Clifford Reich

BUILDING RELATIONSHIPS FOR EFFECTIVE COLLECTIVE ACTION

Powerful relationships in coalition – practices, protocols, and stories

Sarait Martinez, Organizing Director



Outlin

- Building local power/coalition
- Engaging communities, organizations and labor
 - Relationships look different
- State level work and power
 - Working with diverse groups across the state
 - Build shared goals
 - Make it easy to participate
 - Get commitment

Pesticide Reform (CPR)

is a 20 year old statewide network of 200 social justice organizations fighting to reduce pesticide harms and move to a regenerative and sustainable agricultural system



- I'm based in Salinas CA, and for the past two years coordinated the Safe Ag Safe School (SASS) coalition
- CPR has organizing bases on seven

STRUGGLE AGAINST PESTICIDE TRIAL







One of the several **Sacramento Action Days**

BAN
Chlorpyrifos

#BanChlorpyrifos

Chlorpyrifos







restrictions at the state level

- After our Nov 8th Sacramento protest, DPR recommended 24/7 1/4-mile setbacks and end to aerial applications.
- Assemblymember Stone and Senator Monning signed chlorpyrifos ban



Governor Newsom Announces Cancellation of Brain-harming Pesticide Chlorpyrifos

MAY 2 2019

heard ... People will now have a safer future."



Cancellation Announcement!

Jemez Principles for Democratic Organizing

Bill Gallegos & Melissa Lin Perrella

Building Effective Relationships for Effective
Collective Action



BEA Goals



- 1) **Break down historic barriers** between big green, grassroots and funding sectors, building authentic relationships toward greater **alignment and solidarity**;
- 2) Transform the culture within philanthropy toward a **base-building, bottom-up, collaborative approach** and away from a top-down, funder-driven approach;
- 3) **Expand the pool of resources** available to the environment and progressive issues and shift those resources to more **equitably service the grassroots organizing sector**

Jemez Principles for Democratic Organizing

Meeting hosted by Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice (SNEEJ), Jemez, New Mexico, Dec. 1996.

Activists meet on Globalization

On December 6-8, 1996, forty people of color and European American representatives met in Jemez, New Mexico, for the "Working Group Meeting on Globalization and Trade." The Jemez meeting was hosted by the Southwest Network for Environmental and Economic Justice with the intention of learning out common understandings between participants from different cultures, politics and organizations. The following "**Jemez Principles**" for democratic organizing were adopted by the participants.

#1 Be Inclusive

If we hope to achieve just societies that include all people in decision-making and assure that all people have an equitable share of the wealth and the work of this world, then we must work to build that kind of inclusiveness into our own movement in order to develop alternative policies and institutions to the treaties policies under neoliberalism.

This requires more than tokenism, it cannot be achieved without diversity at the planning table, in staffing, and in coordination. It may delay achievement of other important goals, it will require discussion, hard work, patience, and advance planning. It may involve conflict, but through this conflict, we can learn better ways of working together. It's about building alternative institutions, movement building, and not compromising out in order to be accepted into the anti-globalization club.

#2 Emphasis on Bottom-Up Organizing

To succeed, it is important to reach out into new constituencies, and to reach within all levels of leadership and membership base of the organizations that are already involved in our networks. We must be continually building and strengthening a base which provides our credibility, our strategies, mobilizations, leadership development, and the energy for the work we must do daily.

#3 Let People Speak for Themselves

We must be sure that relevant voices of people directly affected are heard. Ways must be provided for spokespersons to represent and be responsible to the affected constituencies. It is important for organizations to clarify their roles, and who they represent, and to assure accountability within our structures.

#4 Work Together in Solidarity and Mutuality

Groups working on similar issues with compatible visions should consciously act in solidarity, mutuality and support each other's work. In the long run, a more significant step is to incorporate the goals and values of other groups with your own work, in order to build strong relationships. For instance, in the long run, it is more important that labor unions and community economic development projects include the issue of environmental sustainability in their own strategies, rather than just lending support to the environmental organizations. So communications, strategies and resource sharing is critical, to help us see our connections and build on these.

#5 Build Just Relationships Among Ourselves

We need to treat each other with justice and respect, both on an individual and an organizational level, in this country and across borders. Defining and developing "just relationships" will be a process that won't happen overnight. It must include clarity about decision-making, sharing strategies, and resource distribution. There are clearly many skills necessary to succeed, and we need to determine the ways for those with different skills to coordinate and be accountable to one another.

#6 Commitment to Self-Transformation

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This and other environmental justice documents can be downloaded from: www.enet.org/ej/



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Questions & Discussion

- How can the Jemez Principles apply to your organizations and movements?
- What opportunities exist for adopting the Jemez Principles?
- What challenges do you encounter when practicing the Jemez Principles? What can we learn from each other?

