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A Letter from the General Manager, Christina Kuzmych

Happy March!

Spring is in the air, but not quite on the ground yet. We look forward to warmer temperatures and passable highways! [Continue reading](#).



BEHIND THE SCENES



Highway 287 Ramble on *Wyoming Sounds* [Wyoming Sounds](#) provides a platform for the growing music scene happening across the state and collaborates with many Wyoming artists, organizations and events. Bob Moore hosts the *Hwy 287 Ramble*, a program of Americana music and more that rambles the highways and back roads of our country every Sunday from 4-7pm.

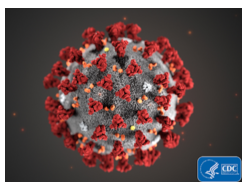


Scottish *HumanNature* Podcast Fan Thank you to our new listener Martyn, a great nature photographer from Scotland, for this feedback on our podcast!

"dreamfastphotography I recently discovered @humanaturepodcast I'm only on episode 35 but I've got to say a massive thank you for all the content! Connecting me with these stories is such a mass stress relief after a long day at work."



Celebrating Arts & Culture in Wyoming Christina Kuzmych, Ry Woody, and Dianne Burner attended the Wyoming Arts & Culture Reception in Cheyenne on Tuesday, February 11 at Little America. Governor Mark Gordon and many Wyoming patrons of the arts and legislators stopped by to view the cultural displays. The event was presented by Wyoming PBS, Wyoming Humanities and the Wyoming Arts Alliance.



Coronavirus Addressing the coronavirus issue, WPM implemented plans to ensure that the network will be on air for our listeners and our staff protected. As needed, some live elements will originate from remote locations, and many interviews will be recorded on phone. At this point, national broadcasters are also developing their alternative plans.



Chief Black Coal's headdress returns to Northern Arapaho Tribe

National Native News aired a story by Savannah Maher on February 3 about the return of a hand-sewn and beaded headdress with dozens of eagle feathers adorning it commemorating one of Chief Black Coal's greatest accomplishments. The headdress was returned to the Wind River Reservation by a Massachusetts man whose great grandfather, a dentist, had received it as a gift.



Eastern Shoshone Councilman to Focus on Hunting Rights

On February 4, National Native News featured a story by Savannah Maher about John St. Clair who was sworn in to the Eastern Shoshone Business Council. After taking his oath of office, St. Clair said protecting the tribe's treaty rights, including its newly affirmed right to off-reservation hunting, would be a priority during his nine month term on the council.



BLM Considers Ending Environmental Review on Land Use Plans

National Public Radio's Newscast aired a spot by Cooper McKim on February 5 & 6 about the BLM considering cutting off NEPA requirements for land-use plans. "The BLM is considering regulatory changes that would result in planning efforts that take less time, cost less money, and are more responsive to local need while continuing to meet the BLM's legal and resource stewardship responsibilities," wrote Padgett.



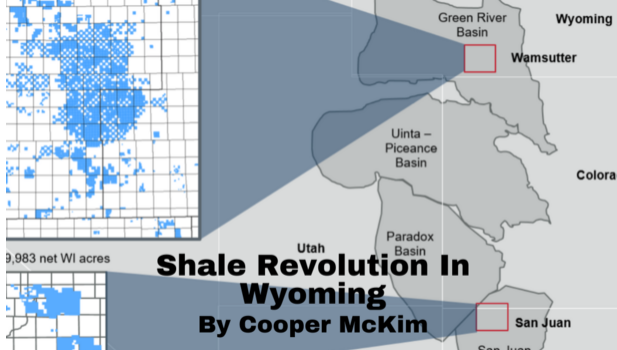
Donation Aims To Improve Recreational Opportunities On The Wind River

Reservation Savannah Maher's story about the \$4.85 million donation was featured by National Native News on February 18. The money has been placed in an endowment fund to be managed by the Community Foundation of Jackson Hole. Northern Arapaho Business Council Chairman Lee Spoonhunter said that arrangement will maximize the donation's impact.



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