

# UDALL CENTER *UPDATE*

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## new survey reveals needs of U.S. -Mexico border groups

**R**esults of a new survey by the Udall Center's Anne Browning-Aiken, Allison Davis, and Denise Moreno suggest that for U.S.-

Mexico border activist groups to be more effective in improving environmental, health, and economic conditions, they need to build long-lasting alliances among them. The conclusion is based on a review of cross-border work since the early 1990s.

The "Survey of Organizational Goals, Strategies, and Practices," conducted with the support of the Center for Latin American Studies at the University of Arizona, was administered to representatives of Mexican and U.S. nongovernmental organizations and community action groups participating in the May 2003 Meeting on the Border Environment in Tijuana, Mexico.

A report of the survey is published on the website of the America's Program of the Interhemispheric Resource Center at <[www.americaspolicy.org/reports/2003/0310survey.html](http://www.americaspolicy.org/reports/2003/0310survey.html)>. For more information, contact Anne Browning-Aiken at the Udall Center at 520.884.4393 or <[browning@u.arizona.edu](mailto:browning@u.arizona.edu)>.

## ANOTHER GREAT SUMMER FOR YOUNG ENTREPRENEURS

**A**nother successful series of the Native Nations Institute's Native American Youth Entrepreneur Camps (NAYEC) concluded in July 2003. The camps are intended to encourage private-sector development on reservations. This summer NNI brought 27 students to the University of Arizona's campus to learn the basics of economics, computer skills, strategies for success, and business plan preparation. NNI is pleased to note that this year marked the first participation by students from outside the U.S.

Students represented the White Mountain Apache Tribe, Cowichan Tribes

(Canada), Tohono O'odham Nation, San Carlos Apache Tribe, and Navajo Nation. NAYEC's 2003 sponsors included the Cowichan Tribes, Desert Diamond Casino,

Morris K. Udall Foundation, Salt River Learning Center, Tohono O'odham Nation Economic Development Department, Tohono O'odham Nation Employment and Training Program, and the UA American Indian Studies Program.

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Entrepreneur camp participants visit Nogales, AZ.

## B I N A T I O N A L   D I A L O G U E   M E E T I N G S

**O**N NOVEMBER 6, 2003, a small group of community members, along with municipal, state, and federal officials from the U.S. and Mexico, met in Cananea, Sonora, to discuss the possibility of establishing an informal, binational, coordinated water management group in the Upper San Pedro Basin.

The meeting was part of a series of dialogues intended to enhance binational cooperation on water and climate issues in the basin. Municipal, state, and federal water agencies, such as the Mexican National Water Commission, the Sonoran COAPAES (water and wastewater treatment agency), the Arizona Department of Water Resources, the Arizona Department of Water Quality, and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, attended the meeting. The gathering was held at the requests of the mayors of Cananea and Sierra Vista, as well as the U.S.-based Upper San Pedro Partnership and Asociación Regional Ambiental de Sonora y Arizona (ARASA). This meeting was chaired by Cananea Mayor Francisco García Gómez, who welcomed the binational group. The discussion, which was translated simultaneously, centered on potential projects and sources of financial and technical support.

The meetings are being organized by Udall Center researchers Anne Browning-Aiken, Denise Moreno, Robert Merideth, and Emily Dellinger, with Barbara Morehouse of the Institute for the Study of Planet Earth, Margaret Wilder of the Center for Latin American Studies, and Nicolas Peña from the Colegio de Sonora. The project is supported by a grant from the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. For more information, please contact Anne Browning-Aiken at 520.884.4393 or <browning@u.arizona.edu>.

## **N**ative Nations Respond to Proposed Cal/EPA Policy

Tribal and agency representatives sounded off at the April 2003 workshop, "Native Nations, the Environment, and the State of California: Tribal-State Relationships and Environmental Quality," organized by the Udall Center's Native Nations Institute and co-sponsored by the Morris K. Udall Foundation and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. The workshop was created to provide a venue for the California Environmental Protection Agency (Cal/EPA) to receive comments on the agency's proposed "Policy for Working with Tribes along the California-Baja California Border."

The policy in question sketched out Cal/EPA's guidelines for cooperating with southern California border tribes in resolving environmental issues affecting the California and Baja California border regions. Ninety participants and twenty presenters, representing a range of nations and agencies, attended the event to express their questions and concerns to Cal/EPA and to contribute to the formation of the final policy.

Cal/EPA plans to distribute and present an update of the policy in early November at the EPA Region 9 All Tribes Environmental Conference. A report from the April conference is now available from the Udall Center or online at the Center's website, <udallcenter.arizona.edu> (see page 4 for more information).

## **E C O S T A R T** receives EPA grant

In October 2003, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) awarded a grant of \$17,800 to the Udall Center's ECOSTART Program. ECOSTART works in southeastern Arizona's San Pedro River watershed to improve local students' understanding of ecology in the riparian habitat, and to educate students about the need to conserve water. The program will link the Arizona Sonoran Desert Museum, Tucson Audubon Society, and other resources to support elementary school teachers' curricula through workshops and student/teacher field trips.

For more information about this grant, visit the ECOSTART website at <udallcenter.arizona.edu/ecostart>, or contact Anne Browning-Aiken at 520.884.4393 or <browning@u.arizona.edu>.

## Meet the 2003-04 Fellows

The Udall Center, with support from the University of Arizona's Institute for the Study of Planet Earth and the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, is pleased to welcome four UA faculty members into its Fellows Program for the 2003-04 academic year. Initiated in 1990, this scholars-in-residence program allows each Fellow to spend a semester at the Center engaging in public policy research.

During her fall semester as a Udall fellow, **Kathy Powers**, assistant professor of political science, is analyzing the security structure of regional trade agreements (RTAs) surrounding interstate war, intrastate war, and terrorism in relation to African RTAs and countries from 1950-2000.

Three UA faculty members will be Fellows in the spring of 2004. **Therese Markow**, regents' professor of ecology and evolutionary biology and director of the Center for Insect Science, will examine the human dimensions of the associations between insect diversity and abundance and land use in the Sonoran Desert. **Beth Mitchneck**, associate professor of geography and regional development, associate dean for academic affairs for the College of Social and Behavioral Sciences, and interim vice provost for academic affairs, will explore the nature of spatially variable governance and local economic development in Russia.

**Charles Ragin**, professor of sociology and political science, will extend fuzzy-set methods for the analysis of social data to key policy arenas and questions, involving both individual- and aggregate-level data.

Including the 2003-04 class, more than one hundred faculty members and researchers have come to the Center as fellows. A report documenting the program, *Udall Center Fellows: A Decade of Policy Scholarship*, is available at no cost from the Center, and is online at [udallcenter.arizona.edu/publications/pdf/FellowsReport.pdf](http://udallcenter.arizona.edu/publications/pdf/FellowsReport.pdf).

For more information about the Fellows program, please contact Kim Abraham at 520.884.4393 or [kabraham@u.arizona.edu](mailto:kabraham@u.arizona.edu).

## STAFF UPDATE

The Udall Center has welcomed several new staff members in recent months. **Senior Receptionist Estee Begaye** is a college senior studying political science and sociology who would like to pursue a career in social science research with emphasis on the political behavior of individuals and groups. **Senior Office Specialist Rose Chischillie**, who was an undergraduate assistant at the Center from May 2002 to October 2003, will receive a B.S. in agricultural resource economics in December, and plans to continue her studies for an M.S. in the same field. **Associate Editor Kim Leeder** has an M.A. in english (literature and environment) from the University of Nevada, Reno; she spent several years as assistant editor at the environmental journal *Orion*, and has edited for a number of other organizations, including Tucson's Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. **Senior Receptionist Jason Maarsingh** is currently pursuing a B.S. in biochemistry with the ambitions of continuing on for both a Ph.D. and an M.D. and, with those credentials, becoming an oncology researcher/lab director. Meanwhile, Center **Deputy Director Robert Varady** is spending a year's sabbatical in Paris, France, where he is working on a history of global water initiatives.

The Udall Center would also like to congratulate **Ferlin Clark**, senior program coordinator for the **Nation Nations Institute**, who is presently on leave after accepting the position of interim president at Diné College (Navajo Nation).

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### Executive Education Seminars

**November:**  
Strategic Analysis for the  
Taos Pueblo, New Mexico

**November 13-14 (tentative):**  
San Ildefonso  
Pueblo Executive Education

**December 12-13:**  
Fort Mojave Tribal Council  
Executive Education

# publications

## RECENTLY RELEASED

### **Native Nations, the Environment, and the State of California: Tribal-State Relationships and Environmental Quality**

*edited by Stephanie Carroll Rainie, Joan Timeche, Kylie Dickman, and Robert Merideth*

Provides an overview of the April 2003 workshop of the same name, where representatives of Native nations and agencies discussed and responded to the California Environmental Protection Agency's "Policy for Working with Tribes along the California-Baja California Border."

2003 68pp. Free in PDF

### **Alaska Native Self-Government and Service Delivery: What Works?**

*by Stephen Cornell and Joseph P. Kalt*

Reviews examples of innovative Native self-governance initiatives underway in Alaska, examines the applicability to Alaska of research on indigenous self-governance in the lower forty-eight states and Canada, and considers implications for policymakers.

2003 39pp. Free in PDF

### **...to the Sea of Cortes: Nature, Water, Culture, and Livelihood in the Lower Colorado River Basin and Delta: Symposium and Workshop Digest**

*by Robert G. Varady, Andrea Kaus, Robert Merideth, and Katherine Hankins*

Provides a comprehensive review of a 2000 conference held in Riverside, California, in which over 200 participants debated the roles and responsibilities of various stakeholders and laid a groundwork for future policy and research agendas in this area.

2003 44pp. ISBN 1-931143-25-0 \$7.00

### **Saving the Sierra: Alternative Mechanisms for Conserving Northern Mexico's Last Wild Places**

*by Mich Coker (Co-winner of 2002 Lillian S. Fisher Prize in Environmental Law and Policy)*

Assesses the current state of biodiversity conservation in Mexico and explores several mechanisms for securing permanent conservation status for Mexican lands.

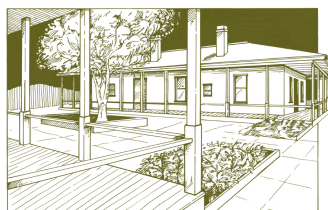
2003 20pp. ISBN 1-931143-22-6 \$6.00

### **Udall Center Report of Activities, July 2001-December 2002**

Summarizes research and outreach work completed by each of the Udall Center's program areas, and describes funding sources, publications, and other achievements of the Center between July 2001 and December 2002.

2003 31pp. Free

*Many of these items are offered free on the Udall Center's website, <[udallcenter.arizona.edu](http://udallcenter.arizona.edu)>. To order paper copies of any of these publications, or to request the current Catalogue of Udall Center Publications, please contact Kim Leeder at 520.884.4393 or <[leederk@u.arizona.edu](mailto:leederk@u.arizona.edu)>.*



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