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NEWS RELEASE

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Native Community Action is sponsoring a Native American Ethnohistory Gathering at the UNLV Barrick Museum of Art theater, April 28th, 2018 from 3 pm – 7 pm. The event is to provide engagement with Native American tribal communities throughout the Great Basin. *“The 10,000 year old stories and songs of the Shoshone people are literally, the unwritten history of the west”* said, Ian Zabarte, Secretary of Native Community Action.

Native Community Action is a collaborative effort begun with tribal community and researchers from Clark University in the mid-1990s. The Nuclear Risk Management for Native Communities Project is one of the first research projects studying radiation exposure pathways. The mission of the Native Community Action is: *“To preserve traditional histories, rights and benefits for Native Americans of the Great Basin pursuant to our customs and traditions by understanding, educating and managing nuclear risks threatening the people.”*

Native American oral history of continuing tribal life-ways provided the basis for legal contentions filed by Native Community Action at the Atomic Safety Licensing Board in Yucca Mountain licensing by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission arguing that, tribal exposure is excessive and the proposed nuclear waste repository should not go forward.

Other events planned include a Water Conference, Cultural Mapping, Winter Stories, Yucca Mountain Gathering, Fallon Cultural Sharing and a gathering at the University of Nevada Reno.

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