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LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR Ethan Aumack This year has been like no other. For me, it has been one of new beginnings, with the birth of a daughter in January. I also stepped into the role of executive director with a deep and abiding love for this organization—my second home and family—the Grand Canyon Trust.

For the Colorado Plateau, it has been a year of unprecedented threats. Mounting industry pressures, paired with an administration that prioritizes energy development over protecting public lands, has forced us to dig in our heels, scale up our work, and expand our team to meet the challenges facing the places we love.

Since our last annual report, we celebrated two big wins for the Grand Canyon. First, the Navajo Nation voted down the long-proposed tramway development at the confluence of the Colorado and Little Colorado rivers. Second, the Supreme Court refused to hear an appeal from the mining industry challenging the 20-year ban on new uranium claims around Grand Canyon National Park. These victories came after years of diligence, strategizing, partnerships, and on-the-ground work. And while we're savoring our successes, many of which are highlighted in the following pages, we remain vigilant and strive to permanently protect these still-vulnerable landscapes in the years to come.

Elsewhere—in the courts, in Blanding and Escalante, Salt Lake City, and Washington D.C., with tribal allies and so many others—we have continued to counter President Trump's attempts to dismantle Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante national monuments. We will continue to do so until we restore both monuments in their entirety.

As is the case with much of our work, we cannot simply play defense. We have supported the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition since its inception, along with its vision for conservation across the Bears Ears landscape that interweaves traditional knowledge with Western science.

We are proud of our work in Bears Ears, Grand Staircase, the Grand Canyon, and all of the named and unnamed places in between. We are equally proud of our forward-looking work that seeks sustainable economic development in Native America, forest restoration in Arizona, climate solutions across the plateau, and so much more.

With immense gratitude, thank you for standing tall and looking forward with us.



# **PROTECTING THE GRAND CANYON FROM URANIUM MINING**

Despite attempts by industry and the administration to increase access to uranium deposits, we've continued to protect the Grand Canyon—the heart of the Colorado Plateau—from uranium mining. Here's how you helped ramp up the Trust's efforts in 2018 to protect the 20-year ban on new uranium mines on 1 million acres of public lands around the canyon.

22 meetings with congressional and agency leaders in the capital

4,700 3,400

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comments and petition signatures collected in support of stopping uranium mining near the Grand Canyon

people alerted to comment and oppose proposed uranium quotas

### Active Mining Claims within the Grand Canyon Withdrawal Area

Over 800 of the claims are still active, and 93

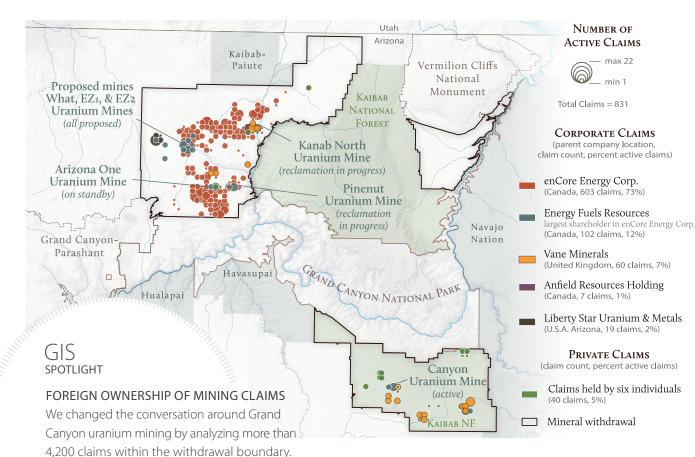
percent of those are held by U.S. subsidiaries of

foreign companies. By sharing this information

with lawmakers in Washington D.C., we coun-

tered the fallacy that domestic uranium mining

is crucial to national security.

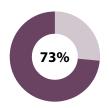


### BIG WIN! SUPREME COURT TURNS DOWN MINING INDUSTRY APPEAL

Our nation's highest court refused to review the mining industry's case challenging the Grand Canyon uranium ban. With Earthjustice at the helm, we successfully defended the ban in the lower courts, alongside the Havasupai Tribe and conservation partners.

### THE RESULTS ARE IN

We asked, and the results are clear: Arizonans love the Grand Canyon. You helped commission a poll this year surveying voters' attitudes about mining near the park to show our elected officials what matters to people living in the Grand Canyon state.



Arizona voters say outdoor recreation and tourism are more important to the state's economy than mining.



Arizona voters say keeping our public lands and waters healthy benefits our economy and quality of life.



3 of 5 Arizona voters support continuing the ban on new uranium mining on public lands near Grand Canyon National Park.



Final vote against Escalade legislation

#### **ESCALADE TURNING POINTS**

#### **JANUARY 2009**

Phoenix developers start scheming to build a gondola from rim to river

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#### SEPTEMBER 2012

Save the Confluence invites the Trust to join in opposition

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#### **AUGUST 2016**

Bill drops before Navajo Nation Council seeking funding and approval

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#### OCTOBER 2017

Navajo Nation Council slams the door on Escalade legislation

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#### FEBRUARY 2018

Bodaway/Gap chapter rescinds 2012 resolution that greenlighted development

# KEEPING THE CANYON GRAND

In October 2017, the proposed Grand Canyon Escalade suffered a fatal blow when the Navajo Nation Council voted down legislation that would have paved the way for developers to build a mega resort and tramway at the confluence of the Colorado and Little Colorado rivers.

The Trust has been supporting Save the Confluence, the local families opposed to Escalade, since 2012. This year, the group shifted from defense to offense, taking on the longer-term task of permanently protecting the confluence from commercial development. We continue to support the families as they work to protect their sacred lands and develop economic alternatives.

That's what sustains me—that I participated in protecting the confluence. And now we're working to preserve those spaces that contribute to our cultural identity and explain me to myself as a Diné woman, as a five fingered person.

— Renae Yellowhorse, Save the Confluence

NATIONAL GEOGRAPHIC LIVE! TOUR BRINGS GRAND CANYON STORIES TO MAJOR CITIES

13,000 people learned about

people learned about threats to the Grand Canyon 4,000+

To shine a spotlight on the canyon, the Trust toured the country with National Geographic photographer Pete McBride and author Kevin Fedarko. As the pair shared stories of their 800-mile trek through the heart of the Grand Canyon, they revealed threats they discovered along the way and urged audiences to take action.

#### MISSED SEEING THE DUO?

We're bringing Pete and Kevin's epic journey to select cities in 2019.



Kevin Fedarko (left) and Pete McBride (center) on assignment for National Geographic during their section-hike of the Grand Canyon.



# SUPPORTING TRIBALLY-DRIVEN INITIATIVES ACROSS NATIVE LANDS

# STOPPING URANIUM MINING IN COLLABORATION WITH TRIBES

Songs, prayers, and dances floated through the air at the base of Red Butte near the south rim of the Grand Canyon this October as tribes united to protect water and their sacred homelands. We assisted the Havasupai Tribe in organizing and convening a four-day event to oppose uranium mining and build support for the ban on new uranium mines around the canyon. OPPOSITE: 2018 Red Butte Gathering. The Havasupai Tribe is concerned that Canyon uranium mine could contaminate the water in their village. DEIDRA PEACHES

### Providing Support to Native Entrepreneurs

From a sushi food truck to a new corner store, businesses across the Navajo Nation are getting a boost thanks to the Trust's Native American Business Incubator Network (NABIN). We are helping build local economies by providing direct support to Native entrepreneurs, hosting marketing events, and organizing conferences to bring change makers together to share ideas, tools, and creativity. 13 businesses received over

6550 hours of group and individual business coaching in 2018

500 businesses to be featured on

ousinesses to be featured or our new networking app





Solar entrepreneur Brett Isaac. BRIAN LEDDY

### Helping Communities Harness Solar Power

With support from donors like you, we are running workshops across the western Navajo Nation to help community members learn about solar technology and the economic opportunities it can bring to Navajo communities. The future of commercial-scale solar energy projects on the Navajo Nation is sunny, and we're working to ensure that local communities have all the information, strategies, and tools they need to drive those projects forward in a way that aligns with their cultural values and meets the needs of their people.

NABIN legitimatized us. They gave us confidence that we were not crazy. They helped us troubleshoot when we ran into obstacles, helped us relaunch with a professional web presence and logo, and were always there to answer questions and provide advice. Now we're often booked several months in advance, with guests coming from across the country and Europe.

- Baya and Paul Meehan, owners and operators, Shash Diné Eco-Retreat

# Giving Back to the Colorado Plateau

With your support, we're growing our community of volunteers and putting boots and shovels to the ground for conservation.

### Project Update: Stream Restoration in Arizona

We're helping the Forest Service restore streamside habitats along the Mogollon Rim. This year, we installed rock dams in streambeds to slow the flow of water, reduce erosion, and provide opportunities for native plants to take root.



### GIS spotlight

### **BUILDING A DATA COLLECTION APP**

Your support helps us use technology to advance conservation on the Colorado Plateau. This year, we built a survey application for citizen scientists to use to document conditions of grazed and non-grazed lands. The data we collect will help us advocate for improved grazing management across our public lands.

Volunteers identify plants in a meadow where cows and elk have been fenced out.



### MEET OUR OLDEST AND YOUNGEST VOLUNTEERS



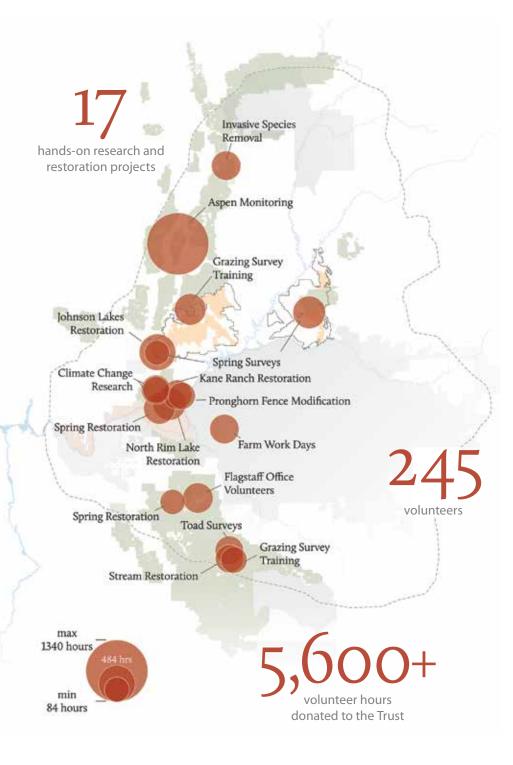
# Youngest volunteer Alex Chambers, 7

I thought it would be boring, but it's actually pretty exciting. There's an ATV, and I get to dig in the mud, and there's frogs, and it's actually pretty cool out here.



# Oldest volunteer Donnette Atiyah, 86

I appreciate going out with the Trust because you show that we can be winners—that we can protect the land and our cultural heritage. I want to keep doing these things. I am not going to slow down.



PROTECTING PLANTS AND ANIMALS THAT CALL THE PLATEAU HOME

> You make it possible for the Trust to protect the habitats, water, and space native plants and animals need to thrive. Here's what you did for wildlife in 2018.

### Studying Bees, Ants, and Small Critters

Johnson Lakes Canyon, a private inholding in Grand Staircase, is a cattle-free oasis compared to the surrounding national monument lands. This year, volunteers and scientists surveyed plants, birds, insects, and mammals, pulled invasive species, and installed weather stations.

332 plant species documented in Johnson Lakes Canyon

(11 added in 2018)



The data we collected on springs in Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante national monuments, with the help of volunteers, is helping us advocate for better land management and protection of these fragile water sources.



### Fence Modification for Pronghorn

Pronghorn are among the fastest sprinters in the animal kingdom. But hurdles like fences stop them in their tracks. Volunteers modified 2.7 miles of barbed-wire fences in House Rock Valley so that pronghorn can roam freely across North Rim Ranches.



# **190,000** ft<sup>2</sup>

of wetland habitat protected in Arizona



Motion-activated cameras capture critters, like this bighorn, drinking from springs we've worked to restore.

### PROTECTING SPRINGS AND SMALL LAKES IN ARIZONA

You're helping us restore precious waters for the plants and wildlife that depend on them. In 2018, volunteers built fences around two natural lakes and two springs on the Kaibab National Forest.

# Reducing Impacts of Livestock Grazing Across the Colorado Plateau



Left Fork of Huntington Creek.

### Weeding in Manti La-Sal National Forest

We've been pulling weeds in the cattle-free Left Fork of Huntington Creek Reference Area for five years. This July, we saw fewer invasive plants than ever before, proving our weeding efforts are helping shift the balance in favor of native species.

Decline of invasive plants in 2018

Houndstongue

### Musk Thistle



58%



### **DROUGHT IMPACTS NORTH RIM RANCHES**

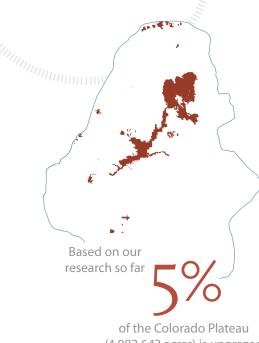
Marginal snowpack caused seasonal watering holes to wither across the North Rim Ranches, so our ranching partner voluntarily reduced his herd.

14%

reduction in cattle because of drought

### GIS SPOTLIGHT

MAPPING WHERE COWS DON'T GRAZE You helped launch a three-year project to map the locations of all areas formally closed to livestock grazing on the Colorado Plateau.



(4,082,643 acres) is ungrazed

This project has the ability to be a great education tool for the general public and can gain support for grazing reform. — Dave Blahnik, volunteer

Defending Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monuments

In December 2017, the president unlawfully slashed the boundaries of Bears Ears and Grand Staircase. We filed lawsuits challenging the cutbacks, and, thanks to your support, we are committed to the long legal road ahead.

85%

reduction of Bears Ears

47%

reduction of Grand Staircase

The courts may take years to rule on our case. In the meantime, here's how you're helping us prevent new mining, oil and gas development, and irresponsible off-road vehicle use from damaging our imperiled monuments.

### **COMMENTS ON NEW MANAGEMENT PLANS**

The federal government has to figure out how to protect cliff dwellings, dinosaur fossils, dark skies, and other resources in the shrunken monuments. But the plans it has developed appear harmful. Throughout the environmental review process, we've submitted substantive comments, laid the groundwork for challenging the plans, advocated for better protections for our natural and cultural resources, and directed thousands of our supporters to take action. SPOTLIGHT MAPPING NEW MINING CLAIMS Your support helps us track new mining claims on lands that have lost national monument status. Together, we'll work to ensure that a Canadian company doesn't dig for copper and cobalt in Grand Staircase and that hundreds of uranium claims in Bears Fars remain unmined.

#### Canyonland National Park Bears Ears original boundary Grand Staircase-Escalante original boundary 4 NEW CLAIMS . Bryce Canyon Escalante National Park Canyons Unit Daneros COLT MESA NEW Mine **36 NEW CLAIMS** CLAIMS Natural Grand 20 NEW Glen Canyon 4 NEW Bridges National Staircase National Monument CLAIMS CLAIMS Unit Recreation Area Kaiparowits Unit Linke Pa UTAH New mining claims since ARIZONA monuments were shrunk Existing mining claims in Bears Ears before monument designation

Original monument

Trump's changes

boundary

NATIONAL MONUMENTS LEFT TO CHANCE

New Mining Claims in Grand Staircase-Escalante and Bears Ears

### PREVENTING MINING NEAR SHRUNKEN MONUMENTS

When the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) approved an expansion of Daneros uranium mine on the doorstep of Bears Ears, we appealed the decision. We're asking the BLM to better study the potential impacts of the expanded mine and require stricter stormwater controls and monitoring.

> We continue to support the five tribes of the Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition-Hopi, Navajo, Ute, Ute Mountain Ute, and Zuni— in their efforts to restore their sovereign authority and input on land management.

monuments

Existing claims outside the

Proposed uranium haul route

lation Park

Indian

Creek

Unit

White Mesa Mill

NUMBER OF

ACTIVE CLAIMS

(as of July 27, 2018)

Source: BLM LRaooo mining claims

max 60 () min 1

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Unit



# **Restoring our National Forests**

### PROTECTING PONDEROSA PINE FORESTS IN ARIZONA

For nearly a decade, you've helped reduce the risk of severe wildfire in northern Arizona by contributing to the Four Forest Restoration Initiative (4FRI), a partnership between the Forest Service, contractors, and dozens of partners.

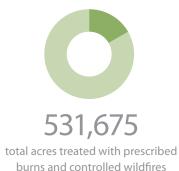
**RESTORATION PROGRESS:** 

**11,137** acres thinned this year



total acres thinned

88,723 acres treated with fire this year



To speed up restoration, we're leaning on the Forest Service to open up more opportunities for industry partners to thin small trees within the project footprint.



### PROTECTING THE WORLD'S LARGEST LIVING ORGANISM

The Pando aspen stand is the largest organism in the world, but deer and cattle chomping off new shoots mean it's gradually dying. You've helped us monitor regrowth and pull weeds in a fenced section of the stand for five years.

In July, volunteers pulled over 3,770 invasive plants and took repeat photos at 30 points, documenting inspiring aspen recovery in the fenced area.

### Forest Plans Get Makeovers

The Trust took the lead developing a conservation-based proposal for the Forest Service to consider in revising the 32-year-old Manti La-Sal National Forest plan. We'll do the same in 2019 when Dixie National Forest begins its forest plan revision process.





9 high school students met with elected officials to advocate for public lands

4 interns gained **1,200+** hours of professional experience

students worked with the Trust to conduct undergraduate research

high school artists worked collaboratively to design and paint a mural

# Building Advocates for the Colorado Plateau

You're investing in bright, passionate, and hardworking young people who will lead the way into the next era of conservation on the Colorado Plateau. Your support helps teach students advocacy skills, provides internship opportunities, introduces up-and-coming scholars to research and restoration projects across the plateau, and gathers young people to address climate change.





Working with the Trust has been amazing. Having support allowed me to confidently lead my school's environmental coalition and further my passion for environmental justice.

— Katie Giovale, student at Flagstaff Arts and Leadership Academy

### **UPLIFT CLIMATE CONFERENCE**

Approximately 150 young leaders gathered in New Mexico's Cibola National Forest east of Albuquerque for the fourth annual Uplift Climate Conference in September 2018.

The mostly twentysomethings brought fresh perspectives on climate change by delving into issues like social justice, water scarcity, and extractive industries across the Colorado Plateau. The weekend of speakers, workshops, and panels culminated with a rally in downtown Albuquerque protesting fracking in Chaco Canyon.

10 young leaders spent

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1,300

hours organizing the 2018 Uplift Climate Conference

# WHAT'S AHEAD: TWO INITIATIVES YOU ARE HELPING ADVANCE IN 2019

### GRAND CANYON CENTENNIAL Planning with Tribes

Grand Canyon National Park turns 100 in 2019—a historic moment to acknowledge the past exclusion of tribes from the park and redefine future relationships. This year we convened seven meetings, where leaders from the Havasupai, Hopi, San Juan Southern Paiute, Hualapai, Navajo, and Zuni communities discussed their visions and priorities for the Grand Canyon region.

### WHAT'S COME OUT OF THE CENTENNIAL CONVERSATIONS?

COMMITMENT by the National Park Service to support dozens of intertribal initiatives in the centennial year and beyond.

NEW PARTNERSHIPS between tribes, the park service, Grand Canyon Association, and others.

ACTION LIST of more than 30 educational, economic, and stewardship opportunities for tribes to pursue.

Grand Canyon National Park Centennial

2/26/2019



Centennial Gathering member Ophelia Corliss-Watahomigie. JAKE HOYUNGOWA

In the next 100 years, I'd like to see the incorporation of Native American park rangers. I'd like to see signs when you enter the park in Native American languages. And I'd like to see an immersion of our history in public places for everyone to read and respect.

— Ophelia Watahomigie-Corliss, Havasupai, Centennial Gathering member





### LAUNCHING THE TUBA CITY PROJECT

Building on the Native American Business Incubator Network (NABIN)'s tried and true mentorship program, we are scaling up support services to Native entrepreneurs by launching The Tuba City Project—a brick and mortar location in the largest community on the Navajo Nation and on the border of the Hopi reservation.





From providing desk space and software access to classes in website design and financial planning, The Tuba City Project will help Native entrepreneurs build businesses and local economies on the Navajo and Hopi nations.

2018 NABIN entrepreneurs: Carlos Deal, AlterNativEats; Nicholas Smith, Nicks Print Shop; Lester Littleman, Arrowhead Campground and Navajo Wagon Tour; Georgina and Jack Pongyesva, Rezcycling; TOP LEFT: DEIDRA PEACHES. ALL OTHERS JAKE HOYUNGOWA

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Turquoise Circle members provide the cornerstone of support to protect and restore the Colorado Plateau. Thank you for your dedication!

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**CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION** as of December 31, 2017

ASSETS	2017
Current Assets:	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$5,908,809
Contributions receivable	662,049
Account receivable	26,350
Note receivable	23,019
Livestock inventory	27,005
Prepaid expenses	94,654
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS	6,741,886
Non-Current Assets:	
Breeding herd	64,870
Property and equipment	1,452,936
Investments	11,036,219
Conservation easement	2,295,000
Beneficial interest in remainder trust	43,318
Note receivable, net of current portion	12,297
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS	14,904,640
TOTAL ASSETS	\$21,646,526

### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

Current Liabilities: Account payable Accrued expenses TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES	\$90,354 126,544 <b>216,898</b>
Net Assets: Unrestricted Temporarily restricted Permanently restricted TOTAL	15,780,673 2,903,678 2,795,000 <b>21,479,351</b>
Non-controlling interest TOTAL NET ASSETS	(49,723) <b>21,429,628</b>

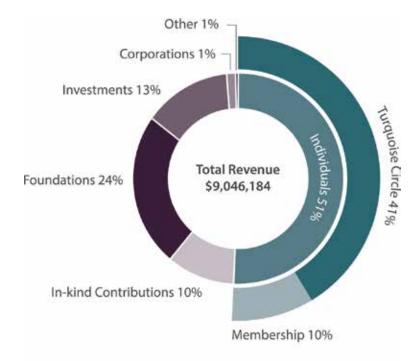
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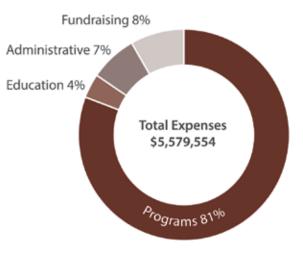
### **Consolidated Statement of Activities**

for the year ended December 31, 2017

#### **Revenues:**

Grants and contributions In-kind contributions Membership income Investment income Cattle revenue Change in value of beneficial interest in remainder trust	\$6,001,224 961,999 847,722 1,197,695 31,402 2,134	
Other income	4,008	
TOTAL REVENUES	9,046,184	
Expenses: Program services Education TOTAL PROGRAM SERVICES	4,509,251 207,265 <b>4,716,516</b>	
Development and membership General and administrative <b>TOTAL SUPPORT SERVICES</b>	459,394 403,644 <b>863,038</b>	
TOTAL EXPENSES	5,579,554	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> Changes in net assets before	5,579,554	
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES</b> Changes in net assets before non-controlling interest Less: change in net assets attributable to	<b>5,579,554</b> 3,466,630	
TOTAL EXPENSES Changes in net assets before non-controlling interest Less: change in net assets attributable to non-controlling interest CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR	<b>5,579,554</b> 3,466,630 16,149	
<ul> <li>TOTAL EXPENSES</li> <li>Changes in net assets before non-controlling interest</li> <li>Less: change in net assets attributable to non-controlling interest</li> <li>CHANGES IN NET ASSETS FOR CONTROLLING ENTITIES</li> </ul>	<b>5,579,554</b> 3,466,630 16,149 <b>\$3,482,779</b>	
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# Get Involved

Advocate for the Colorado Plateau anytime, anywhere.

#### CONNECT

Get insider updates on issues impacting the plateau. Our emails and alerts keep you up-to-date on the latest conservation news.

#### DONATE

Sustain the Trust with monthly gifts; donate stocks, bonds, or mutual funds; or support the Trust through workplace giving.

#### HIKE

To know the Colorado Plateau is to love it. Sign up for our hiking newsletter, the Colorado Plateau Explorer, and get out there.

#### **TAKE ACTION**

Speak up, sign petitions, and submit comments. We rely on supporters to protect places like the Grand Canyon and Bears Ears.

**VOLUNTEER** Roll up your sleeves in the name of conservation. Join us in the field.

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# MEET THE NEW FACES AT THE TRUST

Increased threats to public and tribal lands across the Colorado Plateau call for more hands on deck.



# **AMBER BENALLY**

### Youth Leadership Program Associate

I came to the Trust for the opportunity to connect with underrepresented populations, especially the Native American peoples of the Colorado Plateau. Environmental advocacy at the grassroots level is alive in Native America, but large-scale advocacy needs to be developed on tribal lands. I really believe that is what the Trust brings—a localized approach to combating direct environmental discrimination.



# SINGER HORSE CAPTURE

### Native America Program Associate

This summer I took a leap and moved from Montana to Flagstaff. I am grateful to join the Trust's work uplifting Native peoples and communities across the Colorado Plateau and be contributing to positive change. As a young person early in my career, I am thrilled to be part of such a grounded, passionate, and driven organization. I am inspired by my colleagues every day.



### **MEGAN KELLY**

### ENERGY PROGRAM ASSOCIATE

During grad school, I was outraged as I watched the current administration attack our public lands. I couldn't wait to use my skills to contribute to protecting the land, resources, and communities that were and have yet to be affected. I am excited and proud to join the Trust in working to prevent harm from uranium mining, while also combating climate change and promoting environmental justice.



### **MATISS BATARAGS**

### Communications Associate

I first visited the Colorado Plateau during a family vacation to southern Colorado. Bright-eyed, bushy-tailed, and completely unaware of past injustices and future threats to the region, I simply enjoyed the landscape. Now I care for and worry about the American Southwest in ways I never could have imagined. At the Trust, I've found the combination of conservation and communication I've been seeking.

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