

# Cultural Survival

## Indigenous Peoples' Rights

**<https://www.culturalsurvival.org/news/traditional-dineh-navajo-elders-under-attack-federal-law-enforcement>**

## Campaign and Advocacy

Traditional Dineh (Navajo) elders are under attack by federal law enforcement! There have been multiple arrests and approx. 200 of their sheep and goats have been confiscated.

For over 40 years they have resisted federal relocation policies and the overreach of corporations like Peabody Coal from exploiting their sovereign land for extraction.

Black Mesa Indigenous Support has issued a solidarity call to action to stop these attacks. Click to LIKE their page and TAKE ACTION below.

The sheep are more than just livestock to the Dineh elders. "The sheep sustain the vitality of the people and the land, and traditional grazing practices need to be supported not severed. Impoundments are nothing less than harassment and human rights violations."

READ more here: <http://www.indigenouaction.org/statement-on-recent-aggressive-confiscation-of-dineh-resisters-sheep-herds-by-nabahe-katenay-keedihiihii/>

TAKE ACTION!

Call the Bureau of Indian Affairs, the Hopi Rangers, and the Department of Interior. Ask they stop impounding sheep on the HPL [Hopi-Partitioned Land]. This is current day colonialism, our food sovereignty is being attacked and ask that they stop the unjust impoundments.--Louise Benally

Take 1 minute to MAKE A CALL:

-->The BIA superintendent Wendel Honanie at (928-738-2228),  
-->Hopi Chairman Herman G. Honanie, Email: [hehonanie@hopi.nsn.us](mailto:hehonanie@hopi.nsn.us), Phone: (928) 734-3102  
-->The Hopi Rangers Clayton Honyumptewa at (928-734-3601),  
---->The Department of Interior at (602-379-6600)

Write a COMMENT on this post and let us know how your calls went. Thanks for responding to this urgent call for solidarity.

You can learn more here: <http://us4.campaign-archive1.com/?u=bb9ecfdb5d711f67f04ee3551&id=b4bf977851>

I disapprove of the impoundments. They really affect the elderly. Ever since I was a baby I was carried on a horse to herd sheep. I have herded all my life and I am in my eighties. You have the livestock in your heart, and they want to take that away.--Jack Woody, Black Mesa Elder 10/25/14

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