Nez Perce Tribe Recycling Program Newsletter—Nov. 2019

'apaqa’ánno’ ‘ee kaa ’epeqíícxnú’ wéetesne
- Respect and take care of the earth.

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America Recycles Day

November 15th

America Recycles Day is the only nationally recognized day dedicated to encouraging Americans to recycle and buy recycled products.

In celebration of America Recycles Day, our program would like to thank each of you who use our recycling services, both through the Tribal government office collections and in the community. We applaud your efforts to respect and take care of the earth and the steps each of you take to do that. Thank you!!

Qe’ciyéw’yew’

“Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; Indeed, It’s the only thing that ever has.”
-Margaret Mead

“Talkin’ Trash”

The Real Role of Recycling

Negative headlines about recycling have become the norm in the last year, but many of those articles have been based on a fundamental misunderstanding – that materials recovery (recycling) should make money for communities. Recycling, like trash, is an essential service all municipalities need to provide to their residents, regardless of market conditions.

—The Recycling Partnership

Alaska Airlines—#FillBeforeYouFly

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That is huge—and that is if only 10% of Alaska flyers do it. Imagine if everyone did it! Every airline! Every day!

Nez Perce Tribe—On our way to zero waste!

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In the Spotlight

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