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Portrait of Curley, a Crow Indian Scout with the Seventh Cavalry at the Battle of the Little Bighorn. National Archives.

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Colorado Native Communities

A general search for Colorado Native Communities in the National Archives Online Catalog is quite challenging. This is primarily due to the frequent use of Colorado as a surname or given name, various Indian Affairs offices having “Colorado” in their name, such as the “Colorado River Agency” in Arizona, and the wide use of “Colorado” in non-Native records. As a result, you should keep in mind that any search using Colorado as a search term will return very mixed results. An Advanced Search using the search phrase Colorado NOT Arizona AND NOT “Colorado River” AND NOT Phoenix the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs) returns moderately successful results. Searching specific communities in the Historic and Modern sections below should return more accurate results.

There are several resources available for general information and material for children about the Native People of Colorado, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Colorado into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Colorado State Archives and “History Colorado.”

Historic Colorado Native Communities

Federally Recognized Native Communities in Colorado (2018)

Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation, Colorado
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## Historic Colorado Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Colorado, see [Native Languages](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities).

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The Indian Art Market, part of the annual Indian Arts and Western Culture Festival held in Mesa Verde Country (Colorado), features 40 Native American artists. This artist is painting details on pots ready to sell. Ca.1991-2013. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/7722490](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/7722490)

Sand Creek Massacre National Historic Site Territory Map (project years 2004-2012). National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/33754702](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/33754702)

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Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation, Colorado

**Southern Ute (Mouache and Caputa Bands)**
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Ignacio, Colorado

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT360
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Southern Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Colorado Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Suggested Search Terms: "Southern Ute" Indian / "Capote Ute"
Related Searches: "La Plata County" Colorado / "Archuleta County" Colorado / "Montezuma County" Colorado
This community may also have been recorded as: Southern Ute / Southern Ute Indian Tribe / Muache Ute / Capote Ute / Southern Ute Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

- Southern Ute Tribe website: https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/
- Also see: Extensive history of all three federally recognized Ute tribes at https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/history/ and an extensive-Ute chronology at https://www.southernute-nsn.gov/history/chronology/
- Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/tribes/
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

Although important, the BIA is only one of many Federal agencies containing important records of Native Communities. For various reasons there are often periods of time where BIA records are not available for individual tribes. Other techniques should be used for these periods, such as searching by geographic area and/or time-period and widening the search to include ALL Federal agencies.

Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Southern Ute Tribe records follow:


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Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

Southern Ute (Weeminuche Band)
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Current Community Headquarters: Towaoc, Colorado

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Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community's other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Ute Mountain" Indian NOT "Master File" / Weeminuche

Related Searches: "Montezuma County" Colorado / "Las Plata County" Colorado / "San Juan County" New Mexico / "San Juan County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: Ute Mountain Tribe of the Ute Mountain Reservation, Colorado, New Mexico & Utah / Weeminuche Band of Ute / Ute Mountain Ute / Weeminuche / Ute Mountain Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Ute Mountain Ute website: http://www.utemountainutetribe.com/
Also see: Chronology at http://www.utemountainutetribe.com/culturechronology.html
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
   Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
   Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
   National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
   American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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Idaho Native Communities

To perform a search of more general records of Idaho’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog, use Advanced Search. Enter Idaho in the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Additional records can be found using a general search with the search phrase “Idaho Indian.”

There are several resources available for general information and material for children about the Native People of Idaho, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Idaho into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Idaho State Archives, the Idaho Department of Indian Education, and the Idaho Bureau of Indian Education.

Historic Idaho Native Communities

Federally Recognized Native Communities in Idaho (2018)

- Coeur D'Alene Tribe
- Kootenai Tribe of Idaho
- Nez Perce Tribe
- Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation
- Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Nevada

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## Historic Idaho Native Communities

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Coeur D'Alene Tribe

Coeur d'Alene

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Current Community Headquarters: Plummer, Idaho

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT368
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Coeur D'Alene Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Idaho Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Coeur D'Alene Tribe website: http://www.cdatribe-nsn.gov/
Also see: Historical overview on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/coeur-dalene-tribe/Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
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Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

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Northern Plateau Region

Kootenai Tribe of Idaho

Lower Kootenai
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Current Community Headquarters: Bonners Ferry, Idaho

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT367
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Suggested Search Terms: Kootenai Idaho (advanced search using Record Group 75) / Kutenai (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: “Boundary County” Idaho
This community may also have been recorded as: Idaho Kootenai / Idaho Ksanka / Ktunaxa / Kutenai / Kootenay / St. Michaels Mission / Kootenai Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Kootenai Tribe of Idaho website: http://www.kootenai.org/
Also see: Historical overview on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/kootenai-tribe/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Kootenai Tribe of Idaho records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Idaho (2018)  Northern Plateau Region

Nez Perce Tribe

Nez Perce (Nimi’ipuu)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Lapwai, Idaho

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT369

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Nez Perce Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Fort Worth (fortworth.archives@nara.gov), the Oklahoma Historical Society (research@okhistory.org), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Idaho Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Nez Perce” Tribe NOT Commerce / "Nez Pierce” Tribe / Idaho Nez (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Nez Perce County" Idaho / "Clearwater County" Idaho / "Idaho County" Idaho / "Latah County" Idaho / "Lewis County" Idaho

This community may also have been recorded as: Nez Perce Tribe of Idaho / Nez Perce / Niimíipuu / Nimi’ipuu / Nez Pierce Tribe (misspelling) / Nez Perce Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Nez Perce Tribe website: http://www.nezperce.org/
Also see: Historical overview on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/nezperce/, a note at the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission at http://www.critfc.org/member_tribes_overview/nez-perce-tribe/, and a description of their name at http://www.nezperce.org/Official/Nimiipuu.htm
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation

Eastern and western bands of the Northern Shoshone (including the Sheepeater Band) and the Bannock

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Fort Hall, Idaho

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT370

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Fort Hall Shoshone-Bannock community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Idaho Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Shoshone-Bannock" / "Fort Hall Reservation"

Related Searches: "Bank County" Idaho / "Bingham County" Idaho / "Caribou County" Idaho / "Power County" Idaho

This community may also have been recorded as: Shoshone-Bannock / Fort Hall / Shoshone-Bannock Tribe / Shoshone-Bannock Tribes, Inc./ Fort Hall Reservation / Tukudeka / Sheepeaters

Additional Resources:

The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Fort Hall Shoshone-Bannock website: http://www2.sbtribes.com/
Also see: Historical overview on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/shoshone-bannock-tribes/.
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Nevada

Western Shoshone and Northern Paiute
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Owyhee, Nevada
Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT449a
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the "Tags" box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Duck Lake Shoshone-Paiute community, email the archivists at the National Archives at San Francisco (sanbruno.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Idaho Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Duck Lake Shoshone-Paiute website: https://shopaitribes.org/spt/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
To perform a search of more general records of Montana’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog, use Advanced Search. Enter Montana in the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Additional records can be found using a general search with the search phrase “Montana Indian.”

There are several resources available for general information and material for children about the Native People of Montana, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Montana into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Montana.gov Online Collections and Finding Aids Search Engines, the Montana State Indian Education for All Program, and the Montana Governors Office of Indian Affairs. For a map of Montana’s Native Communities see http://tribalnations.mt.gov/tribalnations.

Historic Montana Native Communities

Federally Recognized Native Communities in Montana (2018)

- Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana
- Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana
- Chippewa Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy’s Reservation, Montana
- Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation
- Crow Tribe of Montana
- Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana
- Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana
- Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota

Sample Document

## Historic Montana Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Montana, see [Native Languages](#).

**Instructions:** Slashes separate search terms and phrases. Copy and paste exact phrase into the [Online Catalog](#), including quotation marks, if present. Always be willing to experiment with search terms. Quoted phrases return very different results than non-quoted phrases. Using the geographic location or most relevant word(s) from the tribal name with one of the following words may also prove beneficial: Indian (most useful), Native, Tribe, Reservation, or Village. Be sure to link to modern tribal pages. They contain current information and more possible search terms.

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Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, Montana

Sisseton Dakota, Wahpeton Dakota, Yanktonai Nakota (Assiniboine), Hunkpapa Lakota, Canoe Paddler Assiniboine, and Red Bottom Assiniboine

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Poplar, Montana

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT407

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Fort Peck Indian" / "Fort Peck" (advanced search using Record Group 75) / "Assiniboine and Sioux"

Related Searches: "Roosevelt County" Montana / "Daniels County" Montana / "Valley County" Montana / "Sheridan County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as: Assiniboine and Sioux / Fort Peck / Assiniboine & Sioux Tribes of the Fort Peck Indian Reservation, MT / Lakota Dakota / Poplar River Agency / Fort Peck Community College (tribally owned) / Fort Peck Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Also see: Montana Governor's Office of Indian Affairs at http://tribalnations.mt.gov/fortpeck.
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
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Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Fort Peck Assiniboine and Sioux Tribes records follow:


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Blackfeet Tribe of the Blackfeet Indian Reservation of Montana

Southern Piegan (Piegan Blackfeet)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Browning, Montana

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT406

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Blackfeet Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Blackfeet Tribe" / Peigan / Kainah NOT "Puerto Rican" / "Blackfeet Nation"

Related Searches: "Glacier County" Montana / "Pondera County" Montana /

This community may also have been recorded as:
Blackfeet / Blackfeet Nation / Niitsitapi / the real people / Siksika Nation / Kainai (Blood) Nation / Pikanii (Pikuni or Peigan) Nation / Blackfeet Nation / Blackfeet Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Blackfeet Tribe website: http://blackfeetnation.com/
Also see: Montana Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs at http://tribalnations.mt.gov/blackfeet.
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Chippewa Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana

Chippewa (Ojibwe), Cree (Nēhiyaw), and some Métis
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Box Elder, Montana

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT410
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Chippewa Cree of Rocky Boy's, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
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Suggested Search Terms: "Chippewa-Cree" / "Rocky Boy's" NOT Commerce

Related Searches: "Chouteau County" Montana / "Hill County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as:
Chippewa-Cree / Chippewa-Cree Indians of the Rocky Boy's Reservation, Montana / Chippewa and Cree / Rocky Boy's / Ne Hiyawak / those who speak the same language / Chippewa / Ojibwa / Ojibway / Ojibwe / Saulteaux / Anishinabe / Nēhiyaw / Métis / Rocky Boy's Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Chippewa Cree of Rocky Boy's website: https://www.facebook.com/ChippewaCree/
Also see: Montana Governor's Office of Indian Affairs at https://tribalnations.mt.gov/chippewacree.

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Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Reservation

Bitterroot Salish, Kootenai (Ktunaxa), and Pend d'Oreilles
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Current Community Headquarters: Pablo, Montana
Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT404
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Salish and Kootenai, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Suggested Search Terms: "Salish and Kootenai" / "Flathead Reservation" / Flathead Salish Kootenai (advanced search using Record Group 75)
Related Searches: "Lake County" Montana / "Sanders County" Montana / "Missoula County" Montana / "Flathead County" Montana
This community may also have been recorded as: Salish and Kootenai / Confederated Salish / Flathead (a common misnomer) / Selis Qlispe / Kootenai / Flathead Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Salish and Kootenai website: http://www.csktribes.org/
Also see: Additional tribal information at http://therezweliveon.com (especially the "myth busting" videos) and the Montana Governor's Office of Indian Affairs at http://tribalnations.mt.gov/cskt
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Salish and Kootenai records follow:

Crow Tribe of Montana

Crow (Apsáalooke)

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Current Community Headquarters: Crow Agency, Montana

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT409
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Crow Tribe Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Kansas City (kansascity.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Crow Indian" / Crow Montana (advanced search using Record Group 75) / "Crow Tribe" / "Crow Nation"

Related Searches: "Big Horn County" Montana / "Yellowstone County" Montana / "Treasure County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as: Crow / Crow Nation / Apsáalooke / Absaroka / Apsaalooké / children of the large-beaked bird / Crow Tribe / Crow Agency / Crow Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Crow Tribe website: http://www.crow-nsn.gov/
Also see: Montana Governor's Office of Indian Affairs at https://tribalnations.mt.gov/crow
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
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Fort Belknap Indian Community of the Fort Belknap Reservation of Montana

Gros Ventre (Aaniiih) and Assiniboine (Nakoda)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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**Current Community Headquarters:** Harlem, Montana

**Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag:** NT408

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**Personal archival assistance:**

For additional help in finding records of the Fort Belknap Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Kansas City (kansascity.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

**Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog**

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**Suggested Search Terms:** "Fort Belknap” (advanced search using Record Group 75) / "Fort Belknap Indian"

**Related Searches:** "Blaine County" Montana / "Phillips County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as: Fort Belknap Indian Community / Fort Belknap / (Gros Ventre:) Blackfeet Confederacy / AH-AH-NE-NIN / white clay people / (Assiniboine Nation:) Nakoda / Nakota / generous ones or one who cooks with stones / Stoney (in Canada) / Fort Belknap Reservation

**Additional Resources:** The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Fort Belknap Community website: https://ftbelknap.org/ and https://ftbelknap.org/history


Also see: Montana Governor’s Office of Indian Affairs at http://tribalnations.mt.gov/fortbelknap.

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):

- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

To focus on BIA records in the Online Catalog, use “advanced search” and enter 75 into the Record Group field.

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana

Northern Plateau Region

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Current Community Headquarters: Lame Deer, Montana

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT405

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To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Northern Cheyenne, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Northern Cheyenne" Montana / "Northern Cheyenne" Tribe / "Northern Cheyenne" (advanced search using Record Group 75)

Related Searches: "Big Horn County" Montana / "Rosebud County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as:
Northern Cheyenne / Tsis tis'tas / the beautiful people / Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation

Additional Resources:
The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.


Also see: Montana Governor's Office of Indian Affairs at http://tribalnations.mt.gov/northerncheyenne

Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://tribalnations.mt.gov/northerncheyenne

Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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1889-1985 Northern Cheyenne Agency, 1903-1974 Billings Area Office

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians of North Dakota

Pembina Band of Ojibwe (Chippewa) and Metis
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Belcourt, North Dakota

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT412a
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Turtle Mountain Chippewa Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Kansas City (kansascity.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Montana Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
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Suggested Search Terms: "Turtle Mountain Chippewa" / "Turtle Mountain" (advanced search using Record Group 75) / Related Searches: "Rolette County" "North Dakota" / "Williams County" "North Dakota" / "Divide County" "North Dakota" / "McKenzie County" "North Dakota" / "Sheridan County" Montana / "Richland County" Montana / "Roosevelt County" Montana

This community may also have been recorded as: Turtle Mountain Chippewa / Mikinaakwajiwing / Anishinabe / the original people / Chippewa / Ojibwa / Ojibway / Ojibwe / Saulteaux / Anishinabe / Turtle Mountain Reservation / Trenton Indian Service Area

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Turtle Mountain Chippewa website: https://tmchippewa.com/
Also see: Additional tribal information at http://tmbci.kkbold.com/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
To perform a search of more general records of Utah’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog, use Advanced Search. Enter Utah NOT Alaska in the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Additional records can be found using a general search with the search phrase "Utah Indian."

There are several resources available for general information and material for children about the Native People of Utah, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Utah into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Utah Division of Archives and Records Service, the Utah State Board of Indian Education, and the Brigham Young University Museum of Peoples and Cultures.

**Historic Utah Native Communities**

**Federally Recognized Native Communities in Utah (2018)**

- Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation, Nevada and Utah
- Navajo Nation, Arizona, New Mexico & Utah
- Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation
- Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians of Utah
- Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
- Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah & Ouray Reservation, Utah
- Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

**Sample Document**

Newspaper Rock, in Indian Creek Historic State Park (Now Newspaper Rock Historic Monument), is remarkable for the clarity and number of its ancient Indian pictographs. Taken in May 1972. National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/545679](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/545679)
Historic Utah Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Utah, see Native Languages.

Instructions: Slashes separate search terms and phrases. Copy and paste exact phrase into the Online Catalog, including quotation marks, if present. Always be willing to experiment with search terms. Quoted phrases return very different results than non-quoted phrases. Using the geographic location or most relevant word(s) from the tribal name with one of the following words may also prove beneficial: Indian (most useful), Native, Tribe, Reservation, or Village. Be sure to link to modern tribal pages. They contain current information and more possible search terms.

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Sample Documents


Excerpt from Correspondence, Reports, and Other Records relating to American Indians serving with the American Expeditionary Forces, 1917-1919. National Archives. [https://catalog.archives.gov/id/34392177](https://catalog.archives.gov/id/34392177)
Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation, Nevada and Utah

Pagayuat Goshute (Otter Creek), Pierruiat Goshute (Deep Creek), Torountogoat Goshute (Egan Canyon), Tuwurint Goshute (Snake Creek), Unkagarit Goshute (Skull Valley)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Ibapah, Utah

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT460a

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Confederated Goshute Tribes, email the archivists at the National Archives at San Francisco (sanbruno.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Goshute Reservation" / Goshute Utah NOT Puerto Rican

Related Searches: "White Pine County" Nevada / "Juab County" Utah / "Tooele County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: Goshute / Confederated Goshute / Pagayuats / Pierruias / Torountogoats / Tuwurints / Unkagarits / Deep Creek Reservation / Skull Valley Reservation / Goshute Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Confederated Goshute Tribes website: None found
Also see: Utah American Indian Digital Archives https://utahindians.org/archives/ctgr.html
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Navajo Nation, Arizona, New Mexico & Utah

Navajo

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Current Community Headquarters: Ramah, New Mexico

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT251a

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Navajo Nation, email the archivists at he National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

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Suggested Search Terms: "Navajo Nation" / Diné / Navajo Arizona / Navajo "New Mexico" / Navajo Utah / Navaho Arizona / Navaho "New Mexico" / Navaho Utah / Navajo "Code Talkers" / "Bosque Redondo"

Related Searches: "Apache County " Arizona / "Coconino County " Arizona / "Navajo County " Arizona / "Bernalillo County " "New Mexico" / "Cibolo County " "New Mexico" / "McKinley County " "New Mexico" / "Rio Arriba County " "New Mexico" / "Sandoval County " "New Mexico" / "San Juan County " "New Mexico" / "Socorro County " "New Mexico" / "San Juan County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: Navajo / Navaho / Naabeehó Bináhásdzo / Diné / the People / Naabeehó / Navajo Indian Reservation / Navajo Reservation / Alamo Reservation / Cononcio Reservation

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Navajo Nation website: http://www.navajo-nsn.gov/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/tribalpolicy/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

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Community records could also be “buried” in BIA agency files not described in the Online Catalog in great enough detail to be searched directly by community name. Doing an advanced search using one or two words from the BIA office name or the entire office name in quotes, along with Record Group 75, may be beneficial. Some BIA offices known to hold Navajo Nation records follow:


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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation

Shoshone

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Brigham City, Utah

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT539

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Northwestern Band" Shoshoni / "Northwestern Band" Shoshone / Northwestern Shoshone (advanced search using Record Group 75) / Related Searches: "Box Elder County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as:

Northwestern Band of Shoshoni Nation / Northwestern Band of Shoshoni Nation of Utah / Northwestern Band of Shoshoni Indians / So-so-goi / those who travel on foot / Washakie Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Also see: Historical overview on Northwest Portland Area Indian Health Board website at http://www.npaihb.org/member-tribes/nw-band-of-shoshone/
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
  - Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  - Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  - National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  - American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  - Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Utah (2018) Northern Plateau Region

Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah

Southern Paiute and Ute
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Cedar City, Utah

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT537
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Paiute Tribe of Utah, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah" / "Cedar Band" / Paiute Utah (advanced search using Record Group 75 … returns some mixed results)

Related Searches: "Iron County" Utah / "Millard County" Utah / "Sevier County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: Paiute Tribe / PITU / Cedar Band / Cedar City Band / Kanosh Band / Koosharem Band / Indian Peaks / Shivwits Band / Paiute Reservation / Shivwits Reservation / Cedar City Reservation / Kanosh Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Paiute Tribe of Utah website: http://www.utahpaiutes.org/
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):
  Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
  Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
  National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
  American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
  Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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1969-1969 Southern Paiute Field Station

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians of Utah

Goshute

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Grantsville, Utah

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT538
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Skull Valley Goshute community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Seattle (seattle.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Skull Valley" Goshute / "Skull Valley" Indian NOT "Master File"

Related Searches: "Tooele County" Utah
This community may also have been recorded as: Skull Valley Goshute / Skull Valley / Skull Valley Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Skull Valley Goshute website: None found
Also see: Utah Education Network short history of Nuclear waste disposal controversy at https://www.uen.org/lessonplan/download/34234?lessonId=27644&segmentTypeld=2
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
- Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
- Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
- National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
- American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
- Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Utah (2018)  
Northern Plateau Region

Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah & Ouray Reservation, Utah

Northern Ute (Tabeguache, Grand, Yampa and Uintah bands)  
and Timpanogas (Utah Ute) and Northern Ute

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

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Current Community Headquarters: Ft. Duchesne, Utah

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT540
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Ute Indian Tribe, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog
Slashes (/) separate individual search strings. Copy and paste or type exactly, including quotation marks if present. Also, try using a word from each of the community’s other names and locations. See associated video for more detailed instructions.

Suggested Search Terms: "Ute Indian Tribe" / "Fort Duchesne" Indian NOT "Master file" / "Ouray Reservation" / "Uintah Reservation"

Related Searches: "Uintah County" Utah / "Duchesne County" Utah / "Wasatch County" Utah / "Grand County" Utah / "Carbon County" Utah / "Utah County" Utah / "Emery County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: 
Northern Ute / (Modern: White River, Uintah, and Uncompahgre Bands) / Fort Duchesne / Uintah and Ouray Ute Tribal Business Committee / Uintah and Ouray Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Also see: Colorado Encyclopedia at https://coloradoencyclopedia.org/article/northern-ute-people-uintah-and-ouray-reservation
Links to additional information (search each by tribe name): 
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):
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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Federally Recognized Native Communities in Utah (2018)  Northern Plateau Region

Ute Mountain Ute Tribe

Southern Ute (Weeminuche Band)

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Towaoc, Colorado

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT361b

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Ute Mountain Ute Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov), the National Archives at Riverside (riverside.archives@nara.gov), or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Utah Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Ute Mountain" Indian NOT "Master File" / Weeminuche

Related Searches: "Montezuma County" Colorado / "La Plata County" Colorado / "San Juan County" "New Mexico" / "San Juan County" Utah

This community may also have been recorded as: Ute Mountain Tribe of the Ute Mountain Reservation, Colorado, New Mexico & Utah / Weeminuche Band of Ute / Ute Mountain Ute / Weeminuche / Ute Mountain Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Ute Mountain Ute website: http://www.utemountainutetribe.com/
Also see: Chronology at http://www.utemountainutetribe.com/culturechronology.html and the Colorado Encyclopedia at https://coloradoencyclopedia.org/article/ute-history-and-ute-mountain-ute-tribe
Links to additional Information (search each by tribe name):
Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/
Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org
National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/
American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search
Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) Records (Record Group 75):

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Wyoming Native Communities

To perform a search of more general records of Wyoming’s Native People in the National Archives Online Catalog, use Advanced Search. Enter Wyoming NOT Alaska in the search box and 75 in the Record Group box (Bureau of Indian Affairs). Additional records can be found using a general search with the search phrase "Wyoming Indian."

There are several resources available for general information and material for children about the Native People of Wyoming, such as the Native Languages and National Museum of the American Indian websites. Type Wyoming into the main search box for both.

Related state agencies and universities may also hold records or information about these communities. Examples might include the Wyoming Department of Indian Education and the Wyoming State History page.

Historic Wyoming Native Communities

Federally Recognized Native Communities in Wyoming (2018)

- Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming
- Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming

Sample Document

Shoshone Indians at Fort Washakie, Wyoming, Indian Reservation (now Wind River). Chief Washakie (at left) extends his right arm. 1892. https://catalog.archives.gov/id/530919
### Historic Wyoming Native Communities

For a map of historic language areas in Wyoming, see [Native Languages](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities).

**Instructions:** Slashes separate search terms and phrases. **Copy and paste exact phrase** into the [Online Catalog](https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities), including quotation marks, if present. Always be willing to experiment with search terms. Quoted phrases return very different results than non-quoted phrases. Using the geographic location or most relevant word(s) from the tribal name with one of the following words may also prove beneficial: Indian (most useful), Native, Tribe, Reservation, or Village. Be sure to link to modern tribal pages. They contain current information and more possible search terms.

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| Bannock        | "Bannock Indian" / "Bannock Tribe" / "Shoshone-Bannock" | Idaho: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation |
| Cheyenne       | "Cheyenne Indian" NOT River / "Northern Cheyenne" / Cheyenne Arapaho Indian | Montana: Northern Cheyenne Tribe of the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation, Montana  
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| Crow           | Crow Indian NOT Creek / "Crow Tribe"  | Montana: Crow Tribe of Montana |
| Eastern Shoshone | "Eastern Shoshone" / Tukudeka (Sheepeaters) / Lemhi Shoshone | Wyoming: Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming  
                 |                      | Idaho: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation |
| Northern Shoshone | "Northwestern Shoshone" / "Northern Shoshone" / Shoshone-Bannock / Shoshone-Paiute | Idaho: Shoshone-Bannock Tribes of the Fort Hall Reservation  
                |                      | Nevada: Shoshone-Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Reservation, Nevada (See Home Page – California-Nevada)  
                |                      | Utah: Northwestern Band of the Shoshone Nation |
| Ute            | "Ute Indian" / "Southern Ute" / "Ute Mountain" | Colorado: Southern Ute Indian Tribe of the Southern Ute Reservation, Colorado  
                |                      | Colorado, New Mexico, Utah: Ute Mountain Ute Tribe  
                |                      | Utah: Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah & Ouray Reservation, Utah |

National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Sample Documents


This image documents life at the Wind River Indian Agency in Wyoming ca 1898-1953. Established originally as the Shoshone Reservation in 1868, ten years later the Northern Band of Arapahoe Indians were also moved to the reservation. National Archives. https://catalog.archives.gov/id/293379


National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Arapaho Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming

Northern Arapaho

To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Fort Washakie, Wyoming

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT584

To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:

For additional help in finding records of the Wind River Arapaho community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Wyoming Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Wind River Reservation" / "Wind River" Arapaho NOT "Data Center" / Fort Washakie NOT County

Related Searches: "Fremont County" Wyoming / "Hot Springs County" Wyoming

This community may also have been recorded as:
Arapahoe or Arrapahoe / Fort Washakie / Inuna-Ina (Hinono'ino) / Gens de Vache / Dog Eaters / Hitanwo'iv / Saretika / Ita-Ildi / and Kanenavish / and alternate spellings of these various names include Arapahoe / Arrapaho / Arrapahoe / Inunaina / Inu Ina-na / Hinono'ino / Hinanaeina / Hinonoe'tili / Hetanevoeo / Hetanevo'eo'o / Saretika / Wind River Reservation

Additional Resources:

The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Wind River Arapaho website: http://www.northernarapaho.com/


Also see: Jackson Hole Historical Museum description of the Wind River tribes at http://jacksonholehistory.org/an-introduction-to-the-wind-river-indian-reservation-of-wyoming/

Links to additional information (search each by tribe name):

Federal Register (recent rulings and issues): https://www.federalregister.gov/

Native Languages: http://www.native-languages.org

National Indian Law Library: http://www.narf.org/nill/tribes/

American Philosophical Society Indigenous Subject Guide: https://search.amphilsoc.org/natam/search

Library of Congress: https://www.loc.gov/

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National Archives Native Communities Research Guides. https://www.archives.gov/education/native-communities
Eastern Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming

Eastern Shoshone
To hear modern Native Community names spoken aloud, see National Indian Law Library.

Always consult the Native People themselves for most accurate information, either through their website or in person.

Current Community Headquarters: Fort Washakie, Wyoming

Citizen Archivist Catalog Tag: NT585
To find documents already tagged, copy and paste this tag into the Advanced Online Catalog Search Form in the “Tags” box. If documents are not tagged or you wish to contribute, see the Citizen Archivist Program.

Personal archival assistance:
For additional help in finding records of the Wind River Shoshone Community, email the archivists at the National Archives at Denver (denver.archives@nara.gov) or contact the National Archives in Washington D.C. Organizations listed on the Wyoming Native Communities page may also provide research assistance.

Searching in the National Archives Online Catalog

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Suggested Search Terms: "Wind River Reservation" "Wind River" Shoshone NOT "Data File" AND NOT Alaska / Fort Washakie NOT County

Related Searches: "Fremont County" Wyoming / "Hot Springs County" Wyoming

This community may also have been recorded as: Shoshone Tribe of the Wind River Reservation, Wyoming / Shoshoni / Shoshone / Newe / Fort Washakie / Wind River Reservation

Additional Resources: The following sources may provide important background information and ideas for additional search terms.

Wind River Shoshone website: http://easternshoshone.org/
Also see: Jackson Hole Historical Museum description of the Wind River tribes at http://jacksonholehistory.org/an-introduction-to-the-wind-river-indian-reservation-of-wyoming/

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