



## *Fall/Winter 2018* *Frontlines of Environmental Justice*

### **Big Progress in Hunters Point Shipyard Superfund Site Fight for Better Cleanup and to Stop Gentrification**

Greenaction's tireless work to expose the radioactive and toxic scandal at the Shipyard Superfund site in Bayview Hunters Point, San Francisco, is paying off. We have forced the Navy, USEPA and the state to conduct more testing due to federal contractor Tetra Tech's fraud. We demand comprehensive sampling of the entire site, including parcels already transferred for housing, and adjacent areas. We are challenging plans to leave radioactive and toxic waste buried at the San Francisco Bay waterfront, where rising sea levels threaten to inundate contamination. We are fighting for improved cleanup, and to stop plans by mega-developer Lennar/Five Points to build thousands of upscale homes that would gentrify the low income people of color neighborhood and expose residents to harmful contamination. Thanks to our resistance, Lennar/Five Points' project is set back and in big trouble!

### **Greenaction Supports Winnemem Wintu Tribe's Run4Salmon**

Greenaction joined the Winnemem Wintu Tribe on their two week, 300-mile, prayerful journey that follows the path of the salmon upstream along the Sacramento River watershed. The journey raised awareness about the importance of protecting the waters, defending sacred sites, restoring endangered salmon runs, and revitalizing indigenous lifeways in the face of climate change and ecological destruction.

Hundreds of people gathered for the journey beginning with the Ohlone/Lisjan nation at Sogorea Te, a sacred site, walking, boating, biking, running, paddling and horseback riding all the way to the McCloud watershed where the salmon spawned for thousands of years before the Shasta Dam was installed. The journey included gatherings, educational panels, direct actions, concerts, and ceremonies to raise awareness about policies that threaten indigenous lifeways.



**Help Greenaction celebrate another year of epic campaigns and victories, and to honor our environmental justice hero, Greenaction Board member, and Bayview Hunters Point community leader MARIE HARRISON!**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 15, 2018, 5-8 PM**  
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### **Greenaction & El Pueblo of Kettleman City Launch New Projects for Health and Justice**

With new energy from Kettleman City youth and young adults, Greenaction and El Pueblo are launching exciting new projects to protect the health of this overburdened community. With the long awaited replacement of the town's toxic water supply just months away, youth are helping start a community garden project. Local farmers are donating equipment, fencing, and labor to plow the land. As the nearest grocery store is over 30 miles away, the garden will bring healthy and free food to residents.

We are also starting a major Community Air Monitoring project, funded with a grant from the California Air Resources Board. The project will educate residents about air quality through outreach and education, including an intensive youth leadership academy. We will be holding two annual health fairs, and training residents in using portable air monitors.

## Rise for Climate, Jobs and Justice!

On September 8<sup>th</sup> over 30,000 people marched in San Francisco for the largest climate march the West Coast has ever seen! Together we made our voices heard demanding Climate and Environmental Justice as part of a global day of action to demand our elected leaders commit to no new fossil fuels and a just and fair transition to 100% renewable energy. Greenaction and the California Environmental Justice Coalition had big contingents in this powerful, diverse and large event including residents of Bayview Hunters Point, the Imperial Valley, Modesto, Mohave Elders of the Colorado River Indian Tribes, and youth from Kettleman City and the Salinas Valley.



## In Memory of Wailaki Tribal Chairman Louis Hoaglin, Greenaction Vows to Continue the Fight at Toxic Contaminated Laytonville Rancheria

Our friend and warrior for justice Louis Hoaglin, Chairman of the Wailaki Tribe and longtime resident of the contaminated Laytonville Rancheria, has passed away after a heroic fight against cancer. Dozens of tribal members have died from exposure to the old leaking waste landfills that Mendocino County operated next to the reservation. Greenaction helped tribal members conduct a community health survey that has documented cancer rates more than four times the state average. We continue to work with tribal members and other residents in the struggle to get residents relocated from the contaminated land.



## Want to Live With Radioactive Waste in Your Backyard? Greenaction Conducts Toxic Tour of Treasure Island and Bayview Hunters Point for Government Officials

After years of claiming residents are not at risk living on contaminated Treasure Island in San Francisco, state and regional government officials got to see the truth during a “toxic tour” conducted by Greenaction on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Many officials seemed shocked to see radioactive waste signs in the backyards of residents, and took pictures of uncovered piles of “dirt” in a radioactive “cleanup” area. The bus tour then proceeded to Bayview Hunters Point, stopping near the Shipyard, sewage treatment plant and going past a concrete recycling facility next to public housing. The bus was engulfed in a cloud of dust caused by trucks going to and from the recycling plant. Imagine how the people who live there feel!

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