

Tribal Profile

Due Date:

Report: 10 October 2024

Presentation: 10 October 2024

Recommended report length: two or more pages (single-spaced), plus any relevant maps

Humans have maintained relationships with the Grand Canyon since time immemorial, as described by many voices, including [tribal representatives](#) and author [Kevin Fedarko](#). Those relationships have shaped the Canyon in complex ways that we do not fully understand. They continue to shape the present and alternative futures for the Canyon in even more profound ways (Fedarko 2024). Relationships of Indigenous peoples in particular are particularly formative in past, present, and future timeframes. Those relationships were impacted profoundly by colonization, with consequences that persist now and that will shape the future. Some of these impacts stem from injustices repeated throughout our nation's designation of national parks and other public lands. Other impacts pre-date or follow after federal interventions.

Any honest consideration of the Canyon must include Indigenous relationships past, present, and future. For this assignment, select one of the 12 Indigenous groups listed below and provide concise summaries for the following items. You may find the maps below helpful. For your selected tribe, you will need to consult and cite sources beyond those linked in the course web site or provided in Canvas. Please be prepared to share your profile in class on October 10.

- (1) Describe the people's historic relationship with the Grand Canyon and the Colorado River.
- (2) Summarize the Tribe's origin story and describe their origin site.
- (3) Summarize impacts on the people of colonization, designation of Grand Canyon National Park and other public lands, and subsequent "resource" development and management.
- (4) Summarize the Tribe's current access to the Grand Canyon and the Colorado River.
- (5) Summarize contemporary Tribal interests and priorities for the Grand Canyon or the Colorado River.
- (6) State how and why the Tribe matters to the past, present, and future of the Grand Canyon or the Colorado River.

Tribes associated with Grand Canyon

Havasupai Tribe
Hopi Tribe
Hualapai Tribe
Kaibab Band of Paiute Indians
Las Vegas Tribe of Paiutes
Moapa band of Paiutes
Navajo (Diné) Nation
Paiute Indian Tribe of Utah
San Juan Southern Paiute Tribe
Shivwits Band of Paiutes
Yavapai-Apache Nation
Zuni Tribe

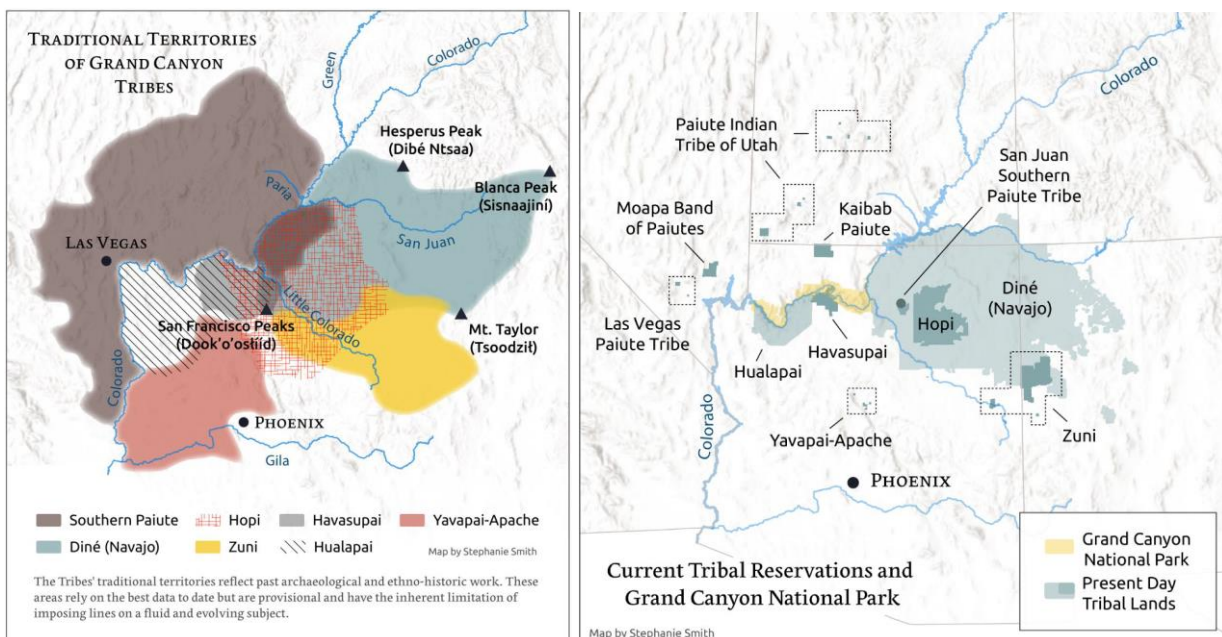
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Maps from Krakoff (2020).