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One of the potential appointees for the Royalty Policy Committee Tribes was quoted in this article from this morning , which I've shared below. Natalie recommended I pass it along

The Navajo Nation has vowed to challenge the decision in court, along with other tribes and conservation and outdoor industry groups.

“We will stand and fight all the way,” said Russell Begaye, president of the Navajo Nation, adding that the United States government had already taken “millions of acres of my people’s land.”

From The New York Times:

President Trump Expected to Shrink Bears Ears by as Much as 90 Percent

The drastic cuts to the protected area of the national monument in Utah are expected to touch off a legal battle that could alter the course of American land conservation.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2017/12/04/us/trump-bears-ears.html>