

# Climate Change and Indigenous Resistance

Montgomery Community College Rockville Campus

**November 28, 2016**

11:00-12:30 Gudelsky building, room 222

Free and open to the public

*What is the science of climate change? Why are indigenous communities being violently attacked in attempts to steal their land for fossil fuel companies? Join us for a panel discussion featuring:*

**David Goodrich** Former Director of the Climate Observations Division for the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and former Director of the Global Climate Observing System at the World Meteorological Organization in Geneva, Switzerland. David spent two years on a NOAA research vessel in the Chesapeake Bay, logging over 150 dives. After retirement in 2011, David rode by bicycle from Delaware to Oregon, talking to groups about climate change along the way. He is writing a book about the ride across to Oregon titled *A Hole in the Wind*.

**Mark Charles** Dynamic and thought-provoking public speaker, writer, and consultant. The son of an American woman (of Dutch heritage) and a Navajo man, he speaks with insight into the complexities of American history regarding race, culture, and faith in order to help forge a path of healing and conciliation for the nation. Mark will discuss how the use of dogs, tear gas, and other forms of violence against indigenous people protesting the Dakota Access Pipeline is a continuation of the Doctrine of Discovery and the US Constitution. Mark serves as the Washington DC correspondent and regular columnist for Native News Online and is the author of the popular blog "Reflections from the Hogan."

**Palmer Legare** Co-founder of the Guatemala Solidarity Project. Palmer has been accused by Guatemalan prosecutors of arming and training peasant communities to violently invade plantations. He says the accusations are lies intended to intimidate those who organize for indigenous rights. Following the nonviolent organizing principles of Martin Luther King and Gandhi, he has been arrested numerous times for civil disobedience. In 2002 he spent three months in prison for participating in a die-in protesting against the US Army School of the Americas.