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Further coverage of ALPP's report authored by our former Food & Climate Policy Fellow Helen Harwatt, which sets out for the first time Paris-compliant GHG reduction targets and trajectories for the livestock sector across high-income, middle-income, and low-income countries:

*Sentient Media*, March 26
**Plans to Curb Meat and Dairy Emissions Have a Deadline, and It’s Sooner Than You Think**

*Food Bev Media*, March 26
**Research: Emissions from livestock sector must decline by 50% this decade, experts warn**

*Food Manufacture*, March 26
**Livestock emissions must decline 61% by 2036, researchers claim**

Further coverage in *The Guardian* and elsewhere of ALPP Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl's comment published by *Nature*, which stated that the UN’s roadmap for ending hunger while aligning food systems with a 1.5°C climate trajectory omits the biggest avenue for curbing emissions: reducing the production and consumption of animal-sourced foods. You can read the comment and our press release below. Coverage from Sentient Media and E&E News expected soon.

*Mirage*, March 22
**UN Plan Overlooks Opportunities to Curb Hunger, Warming**

*MSN Brasil*, March 20
**Deputado Cásio Gois lidera diálogo crucial para setor cafetiro em Rondônia na luta contra os nematóides**

*Environmental Health News*, March 20
**Rethinking meat’s role in climate and health strategies**
Green Queen, March 19
Why Won’t the FAO Talk About Meat? It’s What Climate Experts are Asking the UN Body

The Guardian, March 18 (syndicated by The Daily Climate, USA News Hub, Head Topics
‘Bewildering’ to omit meat-eating reduction from UN climate plan

Sentient Media, March 18
UN Climate Plan Fails to Tackle Emissions from Meat, Researchers Warn

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News

On Monday April 1, ALPC Staff Attorney Rebecca Garverman will give oral testimony in the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals in our tule elk case, which will be livestreamed via this link (time TBD): https://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/media/live-oral-arguments.

The Animal Law & Policy Clinic received further coverage of its NOI to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service that it intends to sue the agency for failing to act on its client’s request to strengthen protections for manatees in Florida and Puerto Rico by not responding to a November 2022 petition to reclassify manatees as endangered under federal law.

HLS Animal Law Clinic Announces Intent to Sue Over Manatee Protection

E&E News by Politico, March 22
Enviros push feds to strengthen manatee protections in suit threat

South Central Florida Life, March 22
Lawsuit launched over federal failure to protect manatees

Tag24, March 22
Legal Action Threatened If Dying Manatees Kept Off Endangered List

On April 24, ALPC Staff Attorney Rebecca Garverman will present “Oh Deer! The Case of the Trapped Tomales Point Tule Elk” to the HLSA Animal Law & Policy Network and the Harvard Alumni in Animal Health via Zoom. Register here.

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- On April 5, ALPP Visiting Fellow Alex Blanchette will give a keynote address titled “The Biology of Dignity” at the University of Chicago Graduate Symposium on American Empire, Extraction, and the Environment. His talk will examine unexpected overlaps between animals and workers, arguing that strong labor unions in slaughterhouses before the 1980s acted as a blockade to the genetic remaking of pigs and factory farming.

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NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

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*Environmental Health News*, March 22
Meat and dairy’s looming climate deadline

*Vox*, March 20
The next big deadline is for meat and dairy

*Devex*, March 20
Is it time for rich countries to reduce meat consumption?

*Vegconomist*, March 21
Groundbreaking Harvard Study Outlines Clear Path to Reducing Global Livestock Sector’s Emissions by 61%

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Press release:
UN’s roadmap for a climate-compatible food system omits potential of meat reduction, raises health concerns, experts say

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Press release:
Lawsuit Launched Over Federal Failure to Protect Manatees in Florida, Puerto Rico

Coverage:
Politic0, March 22
SEA COWS — Groups threaten to sue feds over manatee classification (scroll down for item)

ABC7, March 22
Lawsuit launched over federal failure to protect manatees in Florida, Puerto Rico

CBS News, March 22
Advocates threaten lawsuit to get Florida manatees reclassified as endangered species

Florida Weekly, March 22
After devastating die-offs, conditions for manatees are improving. But is it enough to save the species?

Orlando Weekly, March 22
Wildlife advocates threaten lawsuit to get Florida manatees reclassified as an endangered species

NPR, March 21
Environmental groups ready a lawsuit to declare manatees an endangered species

NBC, March 21
Delays on whether manatees will be classified as endangered could spur lawsuit

Creating Loafing, Tampa Bay, March 21
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On February 29, Visiting Scholar Peter Li had an opinion piece published in the South China Morning Post, the premier English-language newspaper in Hong Kong. In the piece, Peter urges the Chinese government to join the African Union in stopping donkey skin exports: Opinion | In Africa, China needs ‘donkey diplomacy’ | South China Morning Post


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Animal Law Society News

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The event will bring together experts and policymakers in a dialogue focused on:

- The impacts of unsustainable animal agriculture and its contribution to the triple planetary crises.
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ALPP FRIDAY FORECAST – February 9, 2024

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are enjoying a productive start to the semester and are delighted to welcome three new Visiting Fellows this week: Alex Blanchette, Dinesh Wadiwel, and Peter Li. Alex Blanchette an Associate Professor of Anthropology and Environmental Studies at Tufts University. Alex’s ethnographic research explores the politics of labor in altered environments. He is the author of *Porkopolis: American Animality, Standardized Life, and the Factory Farm*. Dinesh Wadiwel is an Associate Professor in human rights and socio-legal studies in the School of Social and Political Sciences at The University of Sydney. Dinesh has a background in social and political theory and is an expert in human animal studies and disability rights. He is the author of *The War against Animals and Animals and Capital*. Peter Li is an Associate Professor of East Asian Politics and Animal Policy and Law at the University of Houston-Downtown. Peter’s research focuses on animal policy of the People’s
Republic of China. His most recent book is *Animal Welfare in China: Politics, Culture and Crisis*. Please find more information about ALPP’s events and activities below.

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**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

**Animal Law & Policy Program News:**

ALPP Visiting Fellow Silvina Pezzetta co-authored a paper with Jan Deckers entitled *The ethics of pigeon racing*, which has been [summarized in this Faunalytics article](#). Please note, ALPP [Visiting Fellowship applications](#) for the academic year 2024-2025 closes on February 15.

**Harvard Animal Law Society News:**

*Lla Anderson* (pictured center in a purple jacket) recently spoke at Unity Farm Sanctuary to a group of high schoolers in the Leaders for Ethics, Animals, and the Planet program (LEAP). LEAP is a humane education program providing high school students across the nation with a compassionate alternative to traditional agriculture programs like 4H and FFA.
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ALPP FRIDAY FORECAST – February 2, 2024

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

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Ann Linder was featured in a podcast produced by SolPods Studios that aired this week discussing her work on ALPP's U.S. Animal Markets and Zoonotic Disease report. Here is a link to the audio recording of her interview; the video version can be found here.” Ann was also a source for a series in Fortune Magazine that was published over the weekend looking at illegal smuggling of macaque monkeys into biomedical supply chains.

Big Pharma’s great lab monkey shortage: A crackdown on smuggling is causing chaos in America's vital drug development pipeline
Fortune – January 27, 2024
https://fortune.com/2024/01/27/big-pharma-lab-monkey-shortage-crackdown-cambodian-long-tailed-macaque/?bypass
**Is Big Pharma’s favorite lab monkey endangered?**
*Fortune – January 27, 2024*
[https://fortune.com/2024/01/27/lab-monkey-endangered-long-tailed-macaque-big-pharma/?bypass](https://fortune.com/2024/01/27/lab-monkey-endangered-long-tailed-macaque-big-pharma/?bypass)

**Why Big Pharma can’t quit the lab monkey business**
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**Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:**

On January 31, former Clinic Director Kathy Meyer was quoted about the duality and hypocrisy of split listings under the ESA, which allows the same species to be protected if in the wild but exploited if captive.

**The US uses endangered monkeys to test drugs. This law could free them**
*Vox Magazine – January 31, 2024*

**Clinic Talks Manatees at Tufts Vet School**

On January 25, Animal Law & Policy Clinic Research Assistant Savannah Bergeron (3L), supported by Clinical Instructor Rachel Mathews, gave a presentation at the Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine on the Clinic’s legal advocacy for manatees under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). In 2022, the Clinic submitted a petition alongside the Center for Biological Diversity, Miami Waterkeeper, Save the Manatee Club, and Frank S. González García, urging the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) to reclassify the West Indian manatee from threatened to endangered under the ESA. The Service subsequently issued a finding that the petition presented substantial scientific evidence that reclassification may be warranted, an important procedural step necessary for manatees to receive full protection under the ESA. A final decision on whether to increase the species’ protections has not been made, though one was due on November 21, 2023. The talk included an overview of the ESA’s protections, with a special focus on the process of petitioning the FWS to add a species to the list of endangered or threatened species. It also detailed the myriad threats to manatees that have contributed to their dramatic population decline over the last few years, including habitat loss due to the destruction of seagrass meadows, boat strikes, and climate change. The presentation, which was hosted by the Tufts Wildlife, Aquatics, Zoo, and Exotics Club, was followed by a lively Q&A with veterinary students.

**Visiting Fellows News:**

On November 29, 2023, Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes was interviewed on the podcast *Conversations with Animals* hosted by Juliana Roth. The podcast episode was published on January 27, 2024.
On February 5, Visiting Fellow Pamela Frasch will be a guest speaker at the Yale Law School Animal Law Reading Course on the animal protection implications of the US Supreme Court case of US v. Stevens.

On February 8, Pamela will co-lead, with Professor David Dockterman, the first of three discussions at the Harvard Graduate School of Education (HGSE) on the history, laws, and policies of humane education in the United States.

In March, Visiting Fellow Carlos Contreras will speak in Pune, India as a panelist in the Global Symposium for Animal Liberation, a significant event co-organized by the Animal Liberation Committee at Symbiosis Law School in Pune, India, and the Animal Law Society at the University of Bristol in the UK. The symposium is designed to foster an international and constructive dialogue on key issues within Animal Rights Law.

On April 19, Carlos will attend the second meeting of the Spanish Animal Advocacy Network, which serves as a meeting point for all animal rights lawyers. This body, created by lawyers for lawyers, intends to unify various perspectives within animal law to further advance the protection and recognition of animal rights. Topics to be discussed include the proposed octopus farm in the Canary Islands, strategies for the abolition of bullfighting in Spain, and issues related to animal experimentation.

On April 24, Visiting Fellow Carlos Contreras will speak at a conference co-hosted by the Barcelona Bar Association and Pompeu Fabra University – Centre for Animal Ethics. Carlos is the President of the Commission for Animal Rights of the Barcelona Bar Association. The title of the talk is “Animalization and Dehumanization Concerns: Another Psychological Barrier to Animal Law Reform.”

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Oral argument for tule elk case
The oral argument for our Ninth Circuit tule elk case is scheduled for April 1, 2024, at 9:00 AM PT in San Francisco. The argument will be livestreamed on https://www.ca9.uscourts.gov/ and Staff Attorney Rebecca Garverman will be presenting the oral argument to the panel.

November 15-17, 2024
The Endangered Species Act, The Next 50 Years

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, January 26, 2024
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

ALPP FRIDAY FORECAST – January 26, 2024
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:
On January 28, 60 Minutes will be airing a segment about the US Department of Justice's effort to shut down the Zoo Mayaguez in Puerto Rico after many years of Animal Welfare Act violations, and the relocation of the animals by Pat Craig, founder of The Wild Animal Sanctuary in Colorado. 60 Minutes' producers relied on the contributions of ALPP research fellow Carney Anne Nasser in the research and preparation of the episode.

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Visiting Fellows News:
An interview of Visiting Fellow Yi Jian was published on Our Hen House podcast. Jian Yi is an independent filmmaker, food activist, and founder and president of Good Food Fund, a leading initiative in China's food systems transformation. Mama Kitchen project was named one of the ten global Top Visionaries by the Rockefeller Foundation 2050 Food Systems Prize. In 2021, Jian served on the Core Leadership Team of Action Track 2/Food Environments of the United Nations Food Systems Summit, led the China Vegan Society in 2021, and is one of the leaders of China's plant-based movement.

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

In November, ALPP Professor Kristen Stilt, Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini, and Associate Director of Policy and Research, Ann Linder, spoke at The Law, Ethics & Animals Program at Yale Law School. We want to share with you the following recordings recently posted on Yale Law School’s YouTube channel.

**Rights of Nature and Rights of Animals**

Gratefully,
The ALPP Team

**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

**Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:**
The appointment of Mary Hollingsworth, our new Clinical Director, was mentioned

Mary Hollingsworth named director of Harvard Law School’s Animal Law & Policy Clinic  
*Practice Source — January 13, 2024*  

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Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We have exciting news to share. It is our pleasure to welcome Mary Hollingsworth as the new Clinical Director.

“Mary brings extraordinary leadership to the Clinic and, along with our strong Clinic team, will provide students with an unparalleled opportunity to work on the most impactful animal law cases and projects of our times. She was a star at the Department of Justice and will continue to light up and inspire everyone around her at HLS. We are grateful to Kathy Meyer, now of counsel, for leading our Clinic in its founding years, and to Rachel Mathews, Clinical Instructor, for leading the Clinic during the search for Mary.”

-Professor Kristen Stilt

Mary was most recently a senior trial attorney in the U.S. Department of Justice’s Environmental and Natural Resources Division, Wildlife and Marine Resources Section where she spent over a decade litigating cases arising under the Endangered Species Act. Mary twice received the John Marshall Award – the DOJ’s highest award offered to attorneys for their contributions and excellence in specialized areas of legal performance. Please join us in welcoming Mary to our team.

Gratefully,
The ALPP Team
On January 10, an article regarding Proposition 12 cited a 50-page report on the EATS Act published by the Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School. The report is titled "California fully implements Prop 12 pork measure." 

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, January 5, 2024
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

**ALPP FRIDAY FORECAST – January 5, 2024**

Dear Friends and Colleagues,
Happy New Year from the Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School. We hope you enjoyed a restful and restorative winter break. We ask you to kindly save the dates for an upcoming major conference dedicated to the Endangered Species Act as it is celebrating its 50th anniversary. More information is to come but the dates are planned for November 15–17, 2024, at Harvard Law School. The conference will be jointly hosted by Harvard Law School’s Animal Law & Policy Clinic, the Emmett Environmental Law and Policy Clinic, and the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program. We are grateful to the Brooks Institute for Animal Rights Law & Policy for sponsoring the conference.

Happy 2024!

The ALPP Team

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

ALPP's Associate Director of Policy and Research, Ann Linder, authored the forward to a report prepared by London Politica and the International Chamber of Commerce that aims to assess and anticipate potential health and disease risks and challenges that may significantly impact commerce and trade globally. The report will be distributed to ICC members as a briefing document to inform them about threats from pandemics to climate change, that have the potential to cause serious economic disruptions both to industries and to global trade writ large. Ann also served as a reviewer for this report.

On January 4, Professor Kristen Stilt is quoted on the “necessity defense” and states, “Existing California law supports our intuition that animals can suffer and be harmed.” She is further quoted saying that actions taken to rescue animals should be “treated the same as actions taken to rescue humans from immediate harm and suffering.”

From Big Law to jail, animal rights activists seek to break new legal ground
On January 3, an article referenced ALPP’s 50-page legislative report on the EATS Act:

**CA farm animal cruelty law takes full effect**
*Public New Service* - January 3, 2024
https://www.publicnewsservice.org/2024-01-03/animal-welfare/ca-farm-animal-cruelty-law-takes-full-effect/a88052-1

On January 3, an article references the letter written by 30 university professors including ALPP Professor Kristen Stilt:

**Prop 12 ban on food from animals in ‘extreme confinement’ goes into effect despite ongoing pushback**
*Food Navigator* – January 3, 2024
https://www.foodnavigator-usa.com/Article/2024/01/03/major-food-industry-players-agree-to-comply-with-proposition-12

On December 29, the Sierra Sun Times, in anticipation of the January 1, 2024, effective date of CA Proposition 12, referred to Harvard Animal Law & Policy’s report on the EATS Act which “provided a snapshot of over 1,000 state and local laws across the country that could be negated if the EATS Act becomes law.” The same article discusses a letter written by 30 law professors including Professor Kristen Stilt of Harvard Law School’s Animal & Policy Program. The letter was sent to leaders of the House and Senate Agriculture Committees on November 13, and expressed concern regarding the EATS Act.

**Humane Society of the United States Says California’s Proposition 12 to be Fully Implemented on January 1, 2024 – The Law Sets Higher Standards for Treatment of Farm Animals**
*Sierra Sun Times* - December 29, 2023

**Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:**

On December 22, Harvard’s Animal Law & Policy Clinic submitted a detailed written comment to the NIH. The comments were joined by eight other organizations and eight cephalopod experts,
including many who signed a petition that the Clinic submitted to the NIH in 2020, and reiterated our call for the NIH to amend its policy governing the use of animals in research to include cephalopods. The comments also outlined ways to strengthen and expand the proposed guidance. Our clinicians Hallie Aylesworth (JD’24) and Jonathan Smith (JD’25) worked on the comments with Kelley McGill, alongside the Humane Society of the United States and the Humane Society Legislative Fund.

The Clinic’s petition to the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (FWS) to list the West Indian manatee as “endangered” was mentioned recently in two news outlets. The petition—submitted in November 2022 along with the Center for Biological Diversity, Miami Waterkeeper, Save the Manatee Club, and Frank S. González García—prompted the FWS to issue a finding that there is “substantial” scientific evidence to conclude that the species may be in danger of extinction. Several clinic students worked on the petition, including Max Hantel (JD’23), Ben Rankin (JD ’23) (now a legal fellow at the Center), Max Hantel (JD ’23), and Research Assistant Savannah Bergeron (JD ’24).

After Historic Die-Off, Drop in Manatee Deaths Sparks "Guarded" Optimism
Miami New Times – January 3, 2024

Florida Manatees’ Health Improves, but Beloved Species Still Faces Threats
Wall Street Journal – December 27, 2023

Visiting Fellows News:

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ALPP Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Polina Bochenkova presented their mindful plates for the last day of 2023 in the Good Food Earth Relay, an event whose live streaming attracted a total of 450k+ views this year. The Earth Relay is organized by the Good Food China Action Hub, founded by ALPP Visiting Fellow Jian Yi, to feature amazing possibilities of mindful plant-based foods on our plates across the world’s time zones at the turn of each year. Its 2021 inaugural launch started in New Zealand and ended in Hawaii, featuring dozens of presenters including Peter Singer in Australia and Nirva Patel, then ALPP Senior Fellow, in Boston.
On November 29, 2023, Visiting Fellow Silvina Pezzetta, was quoted in the *New Scientist*:

**Killing pigeons ‘not in their best interests,’ find pigeon ethicists**

*New Scientist* – November 29, 2023


**CAREERS & OPPORTUNITIES**

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, December 19, 2023
Subject: ALPP End-of-Year Forecast 2023

ALPP FORECAST - DECEMBER 19, 2023
END-OF-YEAR EDITION

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

With Cambridge now in the depths of winter, we want to extend our warmest wishes to each of you for a joyous and restful winter break. Whether you are traveling to new destinations, diving into a new book, spending time with family and friends, or simply relishing the beauty of stillness, we hope you find solace and happiness at this time of year.
This is also a time for us to reflect upon our work for animals in the year that is now almost over, and to plan for an even greater impact in the year to come. Your support enables us to carry out this vital work, and we have highlighted our efforts and achievements in our weekly Friday Forecast and described them in more depth on our website.

As we look forward to the coming year, our goals are ambitious, and we need your help. We invite you to deepen your ties to the Animal Law & Policy Clinic and the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program through financial support. As many of you know, we do not receive funding from Harvard Law School and rely on the generosity of our donors. If you are able to contribute any amount, large or small, or want to learn more about supporting us in general, please send an email to our Executive Director, Nirva Patel, or kindly donate by check to Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program; Harvard Law School, 1585 Massachusetts Avenue; Cambridge, MA 02138. Your donations are tax-deductible, and we will thank you in our Annual Report (unless you prefer to remain anonymous).

We look forward to telling you in our first Forecast of the new year about what we have planned for 2024, including announcing our new Clinic Director, publicizing a major conference we will hold in Fall 2024, and sharing the details of a new initiative of the Program.

With gratitude and determination,

The ALPP team

HARVARD LAW SCHOOL

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Harvard Animal Law Society, a student-run organization at Harvard Law School encourages you to support the film, “The Smell of Money” which is now on demand and available for preorder. The documentary is a “story about the power of love for one’s family and community to triumph over even the largest forces of injustice...and calls upon viewers to see the people behind what’s on our plates – and join the fight for a better future for us all.” As you begin your winter break, please consider learning about the story of Elsie Herring and her decision to fight back against Big Pork.

On December 15, Karthik Palakodeti interviewed ALPP’s Executive Director for the Effective Altruism Forum:

Nirva Patel on the Ahimsa philosophy, producing films, promoting veganism, and animal law at Harvard: https://forum.effectivealtruism.org/posts/yjbjv4Sq2xBEcgPjBc/nirva-patel-on-the-ahimsa-philosophy-producing-films
Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

On December 13, a press release mentions a lawsuit against Alderfer Family Farm LLC. The Harvard Law School Animal Law & Policy Clinic students, led by Clinic Director Katherine Meyer, assisted Animal Outlook and Richmond Law & Policy in drafting a complaint alleging misleading and deceptive marketing claims that its eggs are laid by “Free Roaming” hens. Many of the hens have no access to the outdoors and will never touch dirt or grass. Rather, they are confined to crowded indoor barns for their entire lives and unable to express natural chicken behaviors.

Animal Protection Organization Cracks the Truth on Alderfer Eggs
[Press Release], MBO Media – December 13, 2023

On December 12, former Clinic Director, Katherine Meyer was quoted in Esquire for her prior work in 2000 when she alleged that the Ringling Bros. Circus violated the Endangered Species Act.

What’s a Circus with No Animals? Esquire.com – December 13, 2023
https://www.esquire.com/entertainment/a45712502/ringling-circus-with-no-animals/

Visiting Fellows News:
Professor Kristen Stilt along with Visiting Fellows Macarena Montes and Carlos A. Contreras Lopez submitted an amicus brief to the Inter-American Court of Human Rights. The brief was prompted by Chile and Colombia asking the Court for an advisory opinion to clarify the scope of State obligations to respond to the climate emergency with a focus on individuals, nature, and human survival on our planet. Attached is the brief (original Spanish version).

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, December 8, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. We also would like to encourage HLS alums to join the Harvard Law School Association (HLSA) Animal Law & Policy Network, which is co-chaired by Tom Bilello JD ’90 and Alicia Rodriguez JD ’15. Please also share with others who might not be aware of this wonderful association.

Wishing you a great weekend!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – December 8, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

On November 30, Sen. Josh Hawley, R-Mo., introduced the Protecting Interstate Commerce for Livestock Producers Act to combat California’s Proposition 12. The article below refers to ALPP’s report on the EATS (Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression) Act, which argued that if it passed it could put hundreds of other state laws, including those governing public health and safety, in jeopardy.

Another bill takes aim at California Prop 12
Farm Progress – December 4, 2023
https://www.farmprogress.com/farm-policy/another-bill-takes-aim-at-california-prop-12-
Animal Law & Policy Clinic news:

On December 5, the Animal Law & Policy Clinic filed its responsive brief in the government’s Fourth Circuit appeal of our case challenging the USDA’s denial of its clients’ petition to improve the standards for the psychological wellbeing of nonhuman primates used in research. Student clinicians Allyson Gambardella and Aimee Cicchiello did excellent work on the brief with the support of Rebecca Garverman and Katherine Meyer. You can read more on ALPP’s website:

**Clinic Fourth Circuit Response Brief Highlights USDA’s False Statement in Primate Standards Case**
ALPP website – December 6, 2023  
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/usda-false-statement/

Visiting Fellows news:

ALPP Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl was co-lead for the UNEP (United Nations Environment Programme) report *What’s Cooking? An assessment of potential impacts of selected novel alternatives to conventional animal products* published to coincide with COP28. The report focuses on the potential environmental, health, social, and animal welfare implications of novel meat and dairy alternatives, particularly novel plant-based, fermentation-derived, and cultivated products. Below are two pieces of coverage on the report from today and you also can read the report on UNEP’s website.

**Lower emissions and improve health by reducing meat consumption, says UN**
*The Independent* – December 8, 2023  

**'What's cooking?': UN calls for more support for meat and dairy alternatives**
*Business Green* – December 8, 2023  

**UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES**

**Friday, December 8, 2023**
– *Climate & Sustainability Graduate Student Gathering*
  - The Salata Institute for Climate and Sustainability is hosting a gathering, which is open to all graduate students and Ph.D. students at Harvard.
  - 4-6:00 pm at the Harvard University Center for the Environment (Room 440).
  - Register for the event.
Sunday, December 10, 2023

– COP28 event: Food Systems Day: Cultivating change: Pioneering financial innovations and technical solutions for food systems transformation

Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl will be a panelist and talk about her latest report What's Cooking? An assessment of potential impacts of selected novel alternatives to conventional animal products.

Sunday, December 10, 2023

– COP28 event: Unpacking the Emirates Declaration: Is Industrial Farming Overlooked

• ALPP Food & Climate Policy Fellow Helen Harwatt will be talking about a forthcoming report she wrote during her time with ALPP.
• Hosted by World Animal Protection

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Wednesday, December 13, 2023

– Future Food Utrecht’s Annual Symposium

• ALPP Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl will be dialing in to give remarks at the event, which is organized by the University of Utrecht.

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Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events, which also includes items leading up to the Thanksgiving break. We also would like to share that we have a small but growing library of books on our floor relating to animal law, activism, plant-based cooking, and more. If you would like to donate or borrow a book you are most welcome. Books can be checked out using the simple card system and donated books can be sent to or given to ALPP’s Program Administrator Ceallaigh Reddy.
With gratitude for you all,

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – December 1, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Coverage that references a letter opposing the EATS (Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression) Act, saying the act could invalidate hundreds of state laws, from 30 professors led by ALPP Faculty Director Kristen Stilt:

Despite Supreme Court ruling, state regulation of food production remains a big question
NPR – November 29, 2023

Opinion piece referencing ALPP’s report on the potential harms of the EATS Act:

Opinion: Don’t let Congress overturn California's animal welfare law
The Mercury News – November 20, 2023

RECENT PAPERS & TALKS BY STAFF & VISITING FELLOWS

On Thursday, November 30, ALPC Acting Director Rachel Mathews joined former ALPP Visiting Fellow Martha Smith-Blackmore’s Law and Veterinary Medicine class at Tufts Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine to discuss the legal status of animals.

On Wednesday, November 29, Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini participated in a podcast episode to discuss animal personhood. The podcast is called Conversations with Animals and is hosted by Juliana Roth (NYU), a writer, filmmaker, educator, and performer. We will share the podcast in the FF and on our website once it is available.
On Friday, November 17, Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes responded to the paper *Are there any animal rights?* by John Adenitire in the Talk Series *Fundamental Rights for Non-Humans: Foundations, Faults, and Future* organized at Queen Mary University of London.

An article co-authored by former Visiting Fellow Danielle Diamond, which she wrote during her time with ALPP, *Agricultural Exceptionalism, Environmental Injustice, and U.S. Right-To-Farm Laws* has been selected for inclusion in the list of Top 20 articles selected for the 2023 *Environmental Law and Policy Annual Review (ELPAR)*, a joint publication of the Environmental Law Institute’s (ELI) Environmental Law Reporter and Vanderbilt University Law School. The list of Top 20 articles selected is available here. The objective of ELPAR is to make some of the year’s best environmental law and policy ideas more accessible to policymakers and practitioners. Here is the list of all 20 articles.

On Sunday, November 12, ALPP Executive Director Nirva Patel interviewed Bruce Friedrich at the MIT Media Lab as part of the TEDx Boston planetary stewardship conference. Bruce discussed global meat consumption, Paris climate goals, and alternative proteins. Here is a picture from the event:

![Image](image.png)

**UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES**

**Tuesday, December 5**

– *Visiting Fellow Workshop*

  - Carlos Contreras Lopez: The Whistleblower
  - 3-4:30pm

**Thursday, December 7**

– *Workshop*
Visa Kurki: What Is Animal Dignity in Law?
12-1:30pm

Friday, December 8
– *Climate & Sustainability Graduate Student Gathering*

- The Salata Institute for Climate and Sustainability is hosting a gathering, which is open to all graduate students and Ph.D. students at Harvard.
- 4-6:00 pm at the Harvard University Center for the Environment (Room 440).
- [Register for the event.](#)

[![Sustainability Institute for Climate and Sustainability](#)](#)

**Climate & Sustainability Graduate Student Gathering**

Join the Salata Institute for Climate and Sustainability for a gathering of graduate students from across campus engaged in research on climate change issues.

The first hour of the event will include a series of five-minute "speed talks" by students on their research, which will be followed by a reception with food, beverages, and the opportunity to connect. The event is part of the Institute's ongoing efforts to convene students to foster collaboration and identify ways to support their academic goals.

**FRIDAY, DEC 8, 4:00 - 6:00PM**
**HUCE Seminar Room 440, MCZ**
26 Oxford Street, Cambridge

[Register now!](#)

Questions? salatainstitute@harvard.edu

Saturday, March 23, 2024 & Sunday, March 24, 2024
– *2024 National Animal Law Competitions*

- The competitions will be held at Harvard Law School and are sponsored by the Brooks Institute for Animal Rights Law & Policy, Harvard Law School, Lewis & Clark Law School, and Vermont Law School.

Here is a [link to prior Friday Forecasts](#).

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. In addition, today Visiting Fellow Jian Yi hosted the annual [China Vegan Summit](#), which featured speakers from around the
globe including ALPP’s Executive Director Nirva Kapasi Patel who presented “Strategies for High-Impact Films in the Vegan Movement.”

Wishing everyone a wonderful weekend!

The ALPP team

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, November 17, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

FRIDAY FORECAST – NOVEMBER 17, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

On Monday, 30 law professors from leading law schools across the country led by ALPP Faculty Director and Professor of Law Kristen Stilt wrote to Congress to express their joint concern regarding the Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression Act (“EATS Act”) (S. 2019/H.R. 4417). Below is our press release and coverage:

Thirty Law Professors Warn Congress of Harms of EATS Act
ALPP website—November 13, 2023
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/harms-of-eats-act/

30 Law Professors Urge Congress to Oppose the EATS Act
Food Processing – November 15, 2023

The News Center of the University of Las Vegas posted Cheryl Abbate's sixth Annual Tom Regan Memorial Lecture, which was co-hosted by the Culture & Animals Foundation and the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School:
RECENT PAPERS & TALKS BY STAFF & VISITING FELLOWS

Yesterday, ALPP’s Associate Director of Policy & Research Ann Linder presented *Animal Markets and Zoonotic Disease Risk in the United States* at Yale Law School in LEAP’s Annual Speaker Series.

On Wednesday, Visiting Fellow Amanda Hitt gave a guest lecture in the Animal Law & Policy Clinic seminar at Harvard Law School: *Working with Whistleblowers in the Public’s Interest*.

UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

**Wednesday, November 22**

*Multiple Perspectives, One Goal: Food System Transformation*
- Tony Gerrans, Executive Director of HSI Africa, will cover the work he did as a fellow with ALPP in an online seminar that will explore the ever-intensifying industrialized food system and the heavy toll it imparts through externalized costs on the environment, communities, human health, and animals used for food.
- [Registration link](#)

**Tuesday, November 28**

*Visiting Fellow Workshop*
- Cleo Verkuijl: Animal Welfare and UN Sustainable Development Policy

**Wednesday, November 29**

*The Smell of Money*
- Harvard Animal Law Society will host a screening of “The Smell of Money” documentary
- 7pm to 9pm in WCC 1019

**Tuesday, December 5**

*Visiting Fellow Workshop*
- Carlos Contreras Lopez: The Whistleblower

**Thursday, December 7**

*Workshop*
- Visa Kurki: What Is Animal Dignity in Law?
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Here is a link to prior Friday Forecasts.

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
Date: Friday, November 10, 2023  
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. In addition, on Wednesday, ALPP’s Executive Director Nirva Kapasi Patel provided oral & written testimony to the Massachusetts State Environment and Natural Resources Committee. Five animal welfare bills were before the Massachusetts Legislature, and Nirva focused on the fur bill due to her successful activism, which helped restrict the sale of fur in Weston and Lexington. Please find more information on the bills at the links below:

- S. 550/H. 826/S. 549: banning the retail sale of dogs, cats, and rabbits in pet shops  
- S. 533: An Act to provide additional funding for animal welfare and safety programming  
- S. 1424/H. 850: An Act promoting humane cosmetics and other household products by limiting the use of animal testing  
- S. 590/H. 849: An Act prohibiting the sale of fur products  
- S. 519: An Act relative to ivory and rhinoceros horn trafficking

Wishing everyone a peaceful Veteran’s Day tomorrow. Our thanks to all who have served.

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – NOVEMBER 10, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Two articles about our report with New York University on Animal Markets and Zoonotic Disease in the United States quoting Ann Linder, ALPP’s Associate Director of Policy & Research and one of the report’s lead authors:

Harvard and NYU Report Reveals Risk for Zoonotic Disease in U.S. Animal Markets  
Food Tank – November 8, 2023  
Uncovering the Hidden Risks: Animal Markets and the Potential for Global Pandemics

Express Healthcare Management – November 8, 2023

An article about IBM developing a new artificial intelligence model for testing novel drugs and other substances rather than use living animals, which quotes former ALPP Visiting Fellow Larry Carbone from his time with us:

These IBM Researchers Want to Test AI, Not Lab Animals
Sentient Media – November 3, 2023
https://sentientmedia.org/ai-model-spare-animals-lab-testing/

On November 2, Jian Yi interviewed Frances Moore Lappé, author of Diet for a Small Planet, who is regarded by many as one of the founding figures of environmental vegetarianism, for a Chinese audience. On November 6 Jian Yi was interviewed for the Our Hen House podcast about the vegan movement in China. The episode will go live in early December.

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

Today (Thursday, November 9), Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine sent a letter to the incoming director of the National Institutes of Health, Dr. Bertagnolli, calling for a reduction in the agency’s use of animals in medical research. The letter was signed by 18 organizations and 246 scientists, physicians, and scholars, including our Animal Law & Policy Clinic. You can learn more here: https://www.pcrm.org/news/news-releases/18-organizations-246-scientists-and-scholars-send-letter-new-director-nih-urging.

RECENT PAPERS & TALKS BY STAFF & VISITING FELLOWS

The conference report was released this week for a D.C. roundtable event that Ann Linder, ALPP’s Associate Director of Policy & Research, participated in. The conference, which focused on pandemic prevention, was organized as a satellite session at the annual conference of the Consortium of Universities for Global Health (CUGH), which took place in Washington, DC on 13 April 2023. The roundtable was supported by partner organizations Born Free Foundation, Brighter Green, Phoenix Zones Initiative, The Global Initiative to End Wildlife Crime, Wildlife Conservation Society, World Animal Protection, and World Federation for Animals. Here is the position statement that resulted from the session and other helpful materials on the One Health approach and the Pandemic Instrument. Ann also contributed to the following study, which has now been released: From Science to Policy – How the Pandemic Instrument Can Prevent Pandemics and Enable Equity.

ALPP Visiting Fellow Pamela Frasch spoke at the 31st Annual Animal Law Conference in Los Angeles, CA the weekend of October 20th on the topic of “Animals at the United Nations: Sustainable Development and Climate Goals.” Her co-panelist was Daina Bray of Yale Law School. Lewis & Clark Law School Teaching Fellow Hira Jaleel was the moderator. Pamela also taught Professor Peter Li’s Political Science
and Public Policy Seminar at the University of Houston on October 4th. The class introduced students to the fundamentals of animal law and why legal protection of nonhuman animals is essential for a modern society. Using case studies, legislative review, and an exploration of evolving cultural norms, students had the opportunity to explore the many challenges and opportunities that exist to enhance the status of animals within our legal system.

UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

Tuesday, November 14
– Mandatory Visiting Fellow Meeting with Program Faculty and Staff

Thursday, November 16
– Animal Markets and Zoonotic Disease Risk in the United States
  - ALPP’s Associate Director of Research & Policy Ann Linder will present at Yale Law School in LEAP’s Annual Speaker Series.

Friday, November 17
– China Vegan Summit in Suzhou, China
  - Visiting Fellow Jian Yi will launch the second (and first in person) three-day summit organized by the China Vegan Society.
  - The event will feature speakers from China and across the globe, including ALPP’s Executive Director Nirva Patel who will talk about “Strategies for High Impact Films in the Vegan Movement.” Other speakers include Peter Singer, David Havelick from the Harvard Office for Sustainability, and Harvard students Navin Durbhakula and Sarah Wang.

Wednesday, November 22
– Multiple Perspectives, One Goal: Food System Transformation
  - Tony Gerrans, Executive Director of HSI Africa, will cover the work he did as a fellow with ALPP in an online seminar that will explore the ever-intensifying industrialized food system and the heavy toll it imparts through externalized costs on the environment, communities, human health, and animals used for food.
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Tuesday, November 28
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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, November 3, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. In addition, we’d like to share a few images from an HLS-wide event that our Visiting Fellows and staff took part in this week for Halloween. Our theme was The Nightmare Before ALPP and our office was full of visual stories about how our work makes a positive difference in the lives of animals. There also was lots of vegan candy and cool stickers that our fellows made.

Wishing everyone a great weekend!

The ALPP team
FRIDAY FORECAST – NOVEMBER 3, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

**Animal Law & Policy Program News:**

A television news segment about live baby chicks not being handled with care while transported by plane. “They’re not being treated as the living animals that they are,” said Professor Kristen A. Stilt, faculty director of the Brooks McCormick, Jr., Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School, in the broadcast.

7 Investigates: Handled with Care? Live Baby Chickens Shipped in the Mail

WHDH – October 30, 2023

**RECENT TALKS BY FACULTY & VISITING FELLOWS**

On November 2, Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini presented Rights of Nature and Rights of Animals as part of the Law, Ethics & Animals Program (LEAP)’s Fall 2023 Speaker Series at Yale Law School. Below is a brief description of what their talk covered:

The concept of rights has its skeptics. So does the concept of animal rights and even more so the rights of nature. So, what happens when these rights-based arguments are combined with indigenous world views to attempt to secure the basic interests and needs of one individual animal, a community of animals, or a species of animals? Is the result a stew of legal incomprehensibility? Or an ingenious and effective argument? Or something in between? In this talk, moderated by LEAP Student Fellow Eui Young Kim, Harvard Law School’s Kristen Stilt and Macarena Montes Franceschini addressed these questions and offered their views, using examples from Ecuador, Panama, Brazil, Argentina, Turkey, and others.

On November 1, Visiting Fellow Amanda Hitt participated in a career panel at the University of Arkansas School of Law and talked about her work with ALPP. The title of the presentation was “Explore Career Opportunities in Food and Agriculture Antitrust Law.” Amanda’s fellow panelists were Andy Green, Senior Advisor for Fair and Competitive Markets at the USDA and Sarah Mackey-Barr, Deputy Director or Policy and Planning at the FTC.
UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

Saturday, November 5
– *The Anthropocene: Delusion, Loss, and Immeasurable Joy*
  • Bonnie Nadzam, American Writer, Zen Buddhist Priest, and ALPP Fellow, to present as part of the Smithsonian Institution’s Human Origins Program Broader Social Impacts Committee Annual Public Program
  • 1:30pm – National Museum of Natural History, 1000 Madison Drive NW, Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, November 7
– *Visiting Fellow Workshop*
  • Sarah Pickering: Media training

Thursday, November 16
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  • ALPP’s Associate Director of Research and Policy Ann Linder will present at Yale Law School in LEAP’s Annual Speaker Series.

Tuesday, December 5
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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, October 27, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. In addition, on Wednesday an investigative news piece will air on 7 News Boston at 9pm that includes an interview with ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt. The segment is about the live transport of animals. We also would like to share that last weekend ALPP’s Executive Director Nirva Patel was at a private meeting with the Chief Justice of the Indian Supreme Court at a private roundtable at Harvard Law School. The
roundtable was followed by a larger reception hosted by the Lakshmi Mittal and Family South Asia Institute at Harvard University.

Wishing everyone a peaceful weekend,

The ALPP team
Our Clinic Research Fellow Carney Anne Nasser appeared in a News 8 Las Vegas segment about Dirk Arthur’s death last week:

**Where do the last exotic performance cats on the Las Vegas Strip go after magician’s death?**

*News 8 Las Vegas – October 20, 2023*


**RECENT TALKS BY VISITING FELLOWS**

On October 26, Visiting Fellow Carlos Contreras gave a virtual guest lecture for the students at Symbiosis Law School in Pune, India, entitled "Exploring Animal Law and Advocacy: Personal Experiences, Challenges, and Career Opportunities."

On October 25, ALPP Visiting Fellow Amanda Hitt gave a guest lecture entitled “Exposing Pain without Exploiting It” to Professor David Dana’s Animal Law class at Northwestern Pritzker School of Law.

On October 20-21, Visiting Fellow Yi Jian chaired the 7th Good Food Summit themed “Turning Crisis into Opportunity: Co-creating a Blue Ocean for the Food System.” He also gave a keynote speech as did Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl. Spanning two days with two forums and three roundtables, the virtual summit featured 70 food systems thought leaders and practitioners from around the globe.

**UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES**

**Saturday, October 28**

– *China Vegan Action Fellowship Launch*
  - ALPP Visiting Fellow Yi Jian will give a live-streamed virtual presentation. The fellowship is the first of its kind in China’s vegan community and aims to find the most talented vegan movers in the Chinese-speaking world. Applications are being accepted and a formal pitch interview will be carried out during the 2nd China Vegan Summit, which will be held November 17-19, 2023.

**Sunday, October 29**

– *Climate Tables Sunday Brunch*
  - ALPP Visiting Fellow Yi Jian and Dr. Binbin Wang feature as special guests
  - 11:30am-12:30pm – Mather House Dining Hall, The Salata Institute for Climate and Sustainability at Harvard University

**Thursday, November 2**

– *Rights of Nature and Rights of Animals*
  - Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini will present at Yale Law School in the Law, Ethics & Animals (LEAP) Annual Speaker Series.

**Saturday, November 5**

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**Sent:** Friday, October 20, 2023  
**Subject:** ALPP Friday Forecast

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. In addition to the below, ALPP’s Executive Director Nirva Kapasi Patel attended an alt-protein meeting with the Governor of Massachusetts Maura Healey and business leaders this Thursday. The meeting centered on how the state can best support the critically important and burgeoning alt-protein sector. This morning, our Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl was the keynote speaker (online) at the Good Food Conference on sustainable development, food systems, and animal welfare, which took place in Beijing.

Wishing everyone a great weekend!

The ALPP team
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Coverage of our Clinic’s lawsuit against the National Park Service for its failure to protect the imperiled Tule elk at Point Reyes National Seashore in California:

Can Point Reyes National Seashore Support Wildlife and Ranching Amid Climate Change?
Civil Eats – October 17, 2023

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

Today, our Clinic Research Fellow Carney Anne Nasser will do a television interview with News 8 Las Vegas about Dirk Arthur’s death this week. Dirk Arthur was the last of the big cat-using magicians in Vegas and Carney Anne worked for many years on enforcement against him, and on getting his contracts canceled. We will share the link in next week’s Friday Forecast and on our website once it is live.

There also has been further coverage of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s response to our petition to protect the imperiled Florida manatees:

Manatees could again be classified as endangered
Anna Marie Island Sun Journal – October 18, 2023

Florida Manatees Move Toward Restored Endangered Species Act Protection After Dramatic Decline in Their Population
World Animal News – October 13, 2023
UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

Tuesday, October 24, 2023
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Rebecca Shen: Sanctuary State: California’s Cowscape in Transition
  • 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

Tuesday, October 24, 2023
– Food in the Global Stocktake
  • Online event with Humane Society for Animals, Mercy for Animals, Columbia Law School, and Lewis and Clark Law School featuring ALPP Visiting Fellow Cleo Verkuijl.
  • 10:00-11:30am

Thursday, November 2, 2023
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Date: Friday, October 13, 2023
Subject: Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. We would like to highlight the fantastic work of our Animal Law & Policy Clinic that led to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service this week issuing a positive 90-day finding on our manatee Endangered Species Act (ESA) petition.

The Petition, which required a detailed analysis of both the science and the relevant legal framework, was prepared by students over two semesters, under the leadership of our former Clinic Director Katherine
Meyer (now Of Counsel), and clinician Ben Rankin (now a fellow at the Center for Biological Diversity), with assistance from current and former student clinicians Max Hantel, Babs Tsao, Max Lupin, and Savannah Bergeron.

In other news, for those of you in town this Saturday, ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Yi Jian will be speaking at these weekends Boston Veg Food Fest. Yi will speak at 1pm and Professor Stilt at 3pm. We hope to see some of you there!

Wishing everyone a great weekend!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – OCTOBER 13, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

Coverage of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service’s announcement in response to our petition to protect the imperiled Florida manatees, below. More coverage is expected, and you also can read our media release on the ALPP website.

Will Florida manatees be listed as an endangered species again? Feds to review data.
*Tampa Bay Times* – October 13, 2023

Syndicated by *Phys.org*

Wildlife officials will consider listing manatees as endangered species again.
*Orlando Weekly* – October 12, 2023

Experts speak to growing support to ‘uplist’ manatees as endangered.
‘Starting to get worse’: U.S. Fish and Wildlife considering more manatee protections.
FOX 35 Orlando – October 12, 2023

Syndicated by Yahoo News

US Fish and Wildlife will consider restoring manatees’ endangered status.
WFSU Public Media – October 12, 2023

Florida manatees considered being added to endangered species list.
WFTV 9 – October 12, 2023

Manatees may be restored to endangered species protection.
Lake Okeechobee News – October 12, 2023

Feds to Review Manatee Protections
Law.com – October 12, 2023
https://www.law.com/dailybusinessreview/2023/10/12/feds-to-review-manatee-protections/?slreturn=20230913124353

Should manatees continue to enjoy endangered species protection? Feds to review classification.
CBS News 4 Miami – October 11, 2023

Fish and Wildlife Service to Consider Restoring Manatee’s Endangered Status
Inside Climate News – October 11, 2023

Feds say endangered species protections may return for manatee.
Courthouse News Service – October 11, 2023

Save the Manatee club leading the charge for enhanced manatee protections.
WESH2 – October 11, 2023
Coverage of how the work of the Animal Law & Policy Clinic and others led to the National Institutes of Health taking a major step toward better protections for cephalopods:

**What Do We Owe the Octopus?**  
*Wired* – October 6, 2023  

**UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES**

**Saturday, October 14 & Sunday, October 15**  
– *Boston Veg Fest*  
  * ALPP Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Yi Jian will present at this year’s annual Boston Veg Fest in the Media Arts Center, across the street from the Reggie Lewis Center on **Saturday, October 14**:  
  * 1:00pm – Yi Jian: A Global Approach to Fighting Climate Change  
  * 3:00pm – Kristen Stilt: Family Ties: How the Law Is Failing Animals and What You Can Do About It

**Tuesday, October 17**  
– *ALPP Workshop Series*  
  * Informal Meeting of ALPP Fellows  
  * 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, October 6
Subject: Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

As we approach the long weekend, we are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. We would like to thank everyone who joined us for a wonderful Annual Tom Regan Memorial Lecture that took place yesterday on campus in a packed lecture theater with more than 90 people also attending via Zoom. We were proud to host the lecture – this year’s talk was given by Cheryl Abbate with Dale Jamieson as respondent – in collaboration with the Culture & Animals Foundation, and support from the Harvard Animal Law Society.

Wishing everyone a peaceful weekend and Indigenous Peoples' Day on Monday.

The ALPP team

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NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

An article about the conference “New Legal Perspectives: The Synergy of Law and Science to Protect the Rights of Nature” hosted by the Michigan State University College of Law, which featured ALPP Visiting Fellows Carlos Contreras Lopez and Macarena Montes Franceschini as panelists:

Rights of Nature Conference emphasizes that Earth’s future is now
Legal News – September 29, 2023
Coverage of the EATS Act, which mentions ALPP’s report and quotes our former executive director Chris Green who worked on the report with its author, ALPP’s Regulatory Policy Fellow Kelley McGill:

**Congress takes aim at state animal welfare laws**

*Iowa Capital Dispatch* – September 28, 2023


The article, which originally ran in *Forbes*, also was syndicated by KTTN, *The Louisiana Illuminator*, the *New Hampshire Bulletin*, the *Joplin Globe*, the *Franklin Observer*, and the *Laconia Daily Sun*.

**PUBLICATIONS**

Two books by former Visiting Fellows Danielle Diamond and Martha Smith-Blackmore, in part written during their time with ALPP, are now available for purchase:

- **Empty Fields, Empty Promises: A State-by-State Guide to Understanding and Transforming the Right to Farm** by Loka Ashwood, Aimee Imlay, Lindsay Kuehn, Allen Franco, and Danielle Diamond. This book summarizes every state’s right-to-farm laws to help readers track and navigate their local and regional legal landscape. The book concludes by offering paths forward for a more distributed and democratic agri-food system that achieves agricultural, rural, and environmental justice.

- **Investigating Animal Abuse Crime Scenes: A Field Guide** by Virginia M. Maxwell and Martha Smith-Blackmore. The book is designed for first responders—such as animal control officers and police officers—as well as forensic scientists and other criminal justice professionals who are tasked with processing and analyzing animal crime scenes and evidence. The book serves equally as a useful resource for those in the field and laboratory, in addition to those professionals who are further along in the investigative and judicial process.
UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

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ALPP Workshop Series
- Bonnie Nadzam: Delusion, Loss, and Immeasurable Joy
- 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

Saturday, Oct 14 & Sunday, Oct 15
- Boston Veg Fest
  - ALPP Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt and Visiting Fellow Yi Jian will present at this year’s annual Boston Veg Fest in the Media Arts Center, across the street from the Reggie Lewis Center on Saturday October 14:
    - 1:00pm – Yi Jian: A Global Approach to Fighting Climate Change
    - 3:00pm – Kristen Stilt: Family Ties: How the Law Is Failing Animals and What You Can Do About It

Thursday, November 2
- Rights of Nature and Rights of Animals
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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, September 29
Subject: Forbes addition to Friday Forecast!

Dear All,

One additional great piece in Forbes just published about our EATS Act report, which Chris Green worked with the journalist on while still Executive Director of the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program:

The EATS Act Jeopardizes Animal Welfare and Human Health
Forbes – September 29, 2023

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, September 29
Subject: Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

As the week draws to a close, we are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events.

We also invite you to join us in person or via Zoom for the Annual Tom Regan Memorial Lecture this coming Thursday, October 5, which we are proud to host in collaboration with the Culture & Animals Foundation. If you would like to help promote this event, you could re-tweet this post, share it on Facebook or via LinkedIn.

Finally, a reminder that the deadline to register for the 2024 National Animal Law Competitions is tomorrow (September 30).

Wishing everyone a pleasant weekend!
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Coverage of the EATS Act, which mentions ALPP’s report:

Congress takes aim at state animal welfare laws
Stateline – September 28, 2023

Article by Trenton Morton, a staff attorney for Mercy for Animals, referencing ALPP’s Live Animal Markets Report:

IndyBar: Ag-Gag Days of Summer: Zoonotic Disease Risk at Factory Farms is Yet Another Reason to Protect Free Expression
The Indiana Lawyer – September 27, 2023

Further coverage of the appointment of Nirva as ALPP’s Executive Director:

INDIA New England News – September 25, 2023

Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

On Monday, the Animal Law & Policy Clinic submitted public comments to the National Park Service, which supports the agency’s proposal to remove a fence that has prevented Tule elk in Tomales Point...
from accessing adequate food and water. The primary authors were student clinicians Hallie Aylesworth and R. Elliot DeRiso, both quoted in the piece below.

**Animal Law & Policy Clinic Submits Public Comments on Park Service’s Tule Elk Plan**
ALPP website – September 27, 2023
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/public-comments-tule-elk-plan/

The Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine report on how its work with our Animal Law & Policy Clinic, Dr. Jennifer Mather, and others, led to the National Institutes of Health taking a major step toward better protections for cephalopods.

**Winning Protections for Cephalopods**
*Good Science Digest* – September 25, 2023

**UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES**

**Tuesday, October 3**
– *ALPP Workshop Series*
  * Polina Bochenkova: An archive about animals during the Russian invasion of Ukraine
  * 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

**Thursday, October 5**
– *Tom Regan Memorial Lecture*
  * Cheryl Abbate, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, co-director of the Society for the Study of Ethics and Animals, founder of the Animal Ethics from the Margins Project, and an associate editor of Between the Species. The respondent will be Dale Jamieson Professor Emeritus of Environmental Studies; Director, Center for Environmental and Animal Protection; Affiliated Professor of Law, Medical Ethics, and Bioethics; Founding Director of Environmental Studies Program; and former Chair of the Environmental Studies Department, and Professor of Philosophy at NYU.
  * 12:30 PM – WCC 1015

**Thursday, October 5**
– *Protecting the World’s Penguins*
  * In this free hybrid public lecture Dr. Pablo Borboroglu, the 2023 Indianapolis Prize Winner for animal conservation, will recount his lifelong journey to save penguins.
  * 6-7 PM – Geological Lecture Hall, 24 Oxford Street
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**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

**Animal Law & Policy Program News:**

ALPP Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt and ALPP Fellow Bonnie Nadzam explore the health risks of animal commerce, how it's linked to animal welfare, and what advocates can do about it:

*Zoonotic Disease and Animal Welfare in The U.S.*
Faunalytics website – September 20, 2023
Landscape designer and researcher Rebecca Shen, one of several cross-registrants who took Professor Kristen Stilt’s animal law class this year, writes about how the class helped inform her master's thesis project design, which is to turn feedlots in California into cow sanctuaries:

“The class gave me hope and optimism... about how we can collectively seek justice for animals, which I translated into ideas for my design proposal.”

ALPP website – September 18, 2023
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/sanctuary-state-design-proposal/

Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

Along with the Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine and a dozen other organizations, ALPC this week signed a letter urging Congress to remove $30 million in funding that would expand the use of monkeys in NIH research:

14 Organizations Send Letter Urging Congress to Remove $30 Million in Funding Bill That Would Expand Use of Monkeys in NIH Research
PCRM website – September 20, 2023

PRESENTATIONS

Visiting Fellows:

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- Sept. 12, 2023. Macarena Montes and Carlos Contreras were guest lecturers at the Animal Law Class at Michigan State University College of Law.

UPCOMING EVENTS & LECTURES

Tuesday, September 26
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • M.H. Tse, Predation: A Legal Architecture of Human Systems of Violence
• 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

Tuesday, September 26
– Environmental & Energy Law Open House
• 4:00-6:00pm – Wasserstein 2nd Floor Terrace
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**From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program**

**Date:** Friday, September 15
**Subject:** Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

At the end of a wonderful first week with Nirva Kapasi Patel as the new Executive Director of the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School, we are delighted to share news of our upcoming events and recent media coverage below. We also would like to announce that registration is now open for the *2024 National Animal Law Competitions!* The competitions will be held March 23-24, 2024, at Harvard Law School, and are sponsored by the Brooks Institute for Animal Rights Law & Policy, Harvard Law School, Lewis & Clark Law School, and Vermont Law School. The competitions provide law students with an opportunity to develop knowledge in animal law and to hone their written and oral advocacy skills. The competitions are open to full or part-time students seeking a J.D. at an ABA-approved school, as well as master’s students for the Legislative Drafting & Lobbying Competition. Please share within your network with those who may be interested. In addition, we hope you can join us in person or by Zoom webinar for this year’s *Annual Tom Regan Memorial Lecture* on October 5, which we are proud to host.

Wishing everyone a good weekend.

The ALPP team
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

Yesterday, ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt recorded a broadcast interview about the long-distance transport of animals into Boston Logan Airport. A link to the interview will be live soon and we will share it on our website and in next week’s Friday Forecast.

A letter by Robert A. Rieck Jr., Lincoln referencing ALPP’s EATS Act Report authored by Legislative Policy Fellow Kelley McGill:

Letter: Act would remove rights from states
Lincoln Journal Star – September 14, 2023
https://journalstar.com/opinion/letters/letter-act-would-remove-rights-from-states/article_7ff0a89c-4b64-11ee-98ab-0f5b0c8130a4.html

Further coverage of Nirva’s appointment as Executive Director of ALPP:

Local Advocate Nirva Kapasi Patel Takes Helm as Executive Director of Harvard's Animal Law & Policy Program
Newsbreak – September 8, 2023

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

Further coverage of the Clinic’s contributions to successfully shutting down the Kanaloa Octopus Farm in Hawaii, also quoting Acting Clinic Director Rachel Mathews:

Hawaii Octopus Zoo/Farm is No Longer in Operation
Vegan FTA website – September 13, 2023
We also are pleased to announce that the National Institutes of Health (NIH) has taken its first step toward closing the gap that allows researchers to experiment on cephalopods—including octopuses, squid, cuttlefish, and nautiluses—without any federal oversight. You can read more in a blog on our website, which quotes Acting Clinic Director Rachel Mathews:

**Progress in the Fight to Protect Cephalopods Used in Research in the U.S.**
ALPP – September 11, 2023
[https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/progress-for-cephalopods/](https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/progress-for-cephalopods/)

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– **ALPP Workshop Series**
  - Research Librarian Catherine Biondo will give a tutorial on Westlaw, Lexis, and Bloomberg Law.
  - 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

**Tuesday, September 26**
– **Environmental & Energy Law Open House**
  - 4:00-6:00pm – Wasserstein 2nd Floor Terrace
Please RSVP here: [https://forms.gle/5N1KWYyxSp3TnwgPA](https://forms.gle/5N1KWYyxSp3TnwgPA) and contact Sara Levy at slevy@law.harvard.edu with questions.
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  - 12:30 PM – WCC 1015

**From:** HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program

**Date:** Friday, September 8, 2023

**Subject:** Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

We are thrilled to announce Nirva Kapasi Patel as the new Executive Director of the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School. Nirva previously was a Global Policy Fellow with the Program and is an attorney with a background in science, communications, and animal policy. She brings decades of experience inspiring positive change for animals as an animal rights campaigner, non-profit board member, and executive producer of documentaries such as *Meat Me Halfway*, *The End of Medicine*, and *The Game Changers*—one of the most watched documentaries on Netflix. Nirva spent the past five years serving on the board of Farm Sanctuary, most recently as its Chair. We are thrilled to have Nirva transition into this role and know that you will join us in congratulating her. Please also feel free to share or comment on our LinkedIn post, Facebook post, or re-tweet the news.

Nirva Kapasi Patel named executive director of Animal Law & Policy Program

*Harvard Law Today* – September 8, 2023

Today we also are thinking of Direct Action Everywhere activists Wayne Hsiung and Priya Sawhney who stand trial for rescuing sick chickens from two farms where these animals were left to die amid others already deceased & rotting. Last week, ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt submitted a compelling amicus brief in the case, which you can read more about on Twitter from Marina Bolotnikova, an editor at Vox, and Wayne who wrote: “Stilt weaved together a tapestry of legal sources to show that animals, because they can suffer "bodily injury," are entitled to protection under the necessity defense—even if their "owner" is the one who is hurting them. The argumentation is sophisticated and elegant—and convinced our local counsel, including one of the most famous criminal lawyers in CA, that her argument was (to their surprise) legally correct: Animals are persons, not things.” The charges against a third activist Cassie King were dismissed by the prosecution at the last minute yesterday. A gag order has been put in place prohibiting the defendants from speaking to the media, but you can follow the case on Twitter via @SonomaTrial.

Thinking of Wayne, Priya, and Cassie, and wishing you every success in your new role, Nirva!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – SEPTEMBER 8, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• Coverage so far of Nirva’s appointment as Executive Director of the Animal Law & Policy Program:

  Nirva Kapasi Patel named executive director of Animal Law & Policy Program
  Harvard Law Today – September 8, 2023

  Weston Resident Will Lead Harvard’s Animal Law, Policy Program
  Patch – September 8, 2023
  https://patch.com/massachusetts/weston/weston-resident-will-lead-harvards-animal-law-policy-program
Nirva Kapasi Patel Named Executive Director of Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard
The Weston Owl – September 7, 2023

You also can read the media release announcing Nirva’s appointment on our website:

ALPP Website – September 8, 2023
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/new-executive-director/

Professor Stilt’s amicus brief in the DxE case is discussed in detail in this piece by Berkeley’s The Daily Californian:

Activists receive amended charges, gag order in trespassing case
The Daily Californian – September 6, 2023

Our Associate Director of Research & Policy Ann Linder and Policy Fellow Bonnie Nadzam published a compelling piece asking: Could an H5N1 pandemic from poultry lead to human extinction?

A Dangerous Game of Chicken
Orion Magazine – September 6, 2023
https://orionmagazine.org/article/bird-flu-chicken-pandemic/

Our outgoing Executive Director Chris Green was quoted in a piece about the language of the EATS Act being far too broad, which also talks about ALPP’s EATS Act report authored by our Regulatory Policy Fellow Kelley McGill:

200+ Members of Congress Now Oppose the EATS Act
Sentient Media – September 5, 2023
https://sentientmedia.org/eats-act-opposition/

Chris also is listed in the story below as an attendee of the Food Tank Educational Summit held recently at Niman Ranch:

From Farm to Planet, Lessons on Building Multigenerational Farming and Food Systems
Swine Web – September 4, 2023

Visiting Fellows News:

• Outgoing Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz and former Visiting Fellow Matthew Hayek discuss false climate claims on food labeling:
The B.S. Behind the USDA’s New “Climate-Friendly Beef” Label
*The New Republic* – September 5, 2023

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Tuesday, September 12**
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  • 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

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– *Environmental & Energy Law Open House*
  • 4:00-6:00pm – Wasserstein 2nd Floor Terrace
Please RSVP here: https://forms.gle/5N1KWYyxSp3TnwgPA and contact Sara Levy at slevy@law.harvard.edu with questions.

**Environmental & Energy Law Welcome Reception**

Join us for food, drinks, and information!
Learn about environmental and energy law programs at HLS and meet EELP and clinic faculty, staff, and students focused on these issues.

**Thursday, October 5**
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  • Cheryl Abbate, Assistant Professor of Philosophy at the University of Nevada at Las Vegas, co-director of the Society for the Study of Ethics and Animals, founder of the Animal Ethics from the Margins Project, and an associate editor of *Between the Species*.
  • 1:00-2:30pm – WCC 1015

**From:** HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
**Date:** Friday, September 1, 2023,  
**Subject:** ALPP End of Summer Forecast!
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

It has been a highly productive summer for the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program at Harvard Law School. We released two major reports, one on *Animal Markets and Zoonotic Disease in the United States*, and the other a *Legislative Analysis of S.2019/H.R.4417: The “Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression Act”* (EATS Act) —both of which garnered significant media coverage in outlets ranging from *The New York Times* and *USA Today* to an Iowa ABC News affiliate and *National Hog Farmer*.

On Wednesday, ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt submitted an amicus brief in support of defendants charged with felonies for rescuing animals at a California egg producer who go on trial September 8. Here is DxE’s tweet about the amicus and below is a media release:

**Harvard Law Professor Submits Brief Declaring Necessity Defense Applies to the Rescue of Animals**
DxE Media Release – August 31
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/the-rescue-of-animals/

Today, it is our pleasure to welcome and introduce ALPP’s incoming Visiting Fellows: Pamela Frasch; Amanda Hitt; Silvina Pezzetta, and Cleo Verkuijl this year’s Harvard Animal Law Society Board: Co-Presidents, Naomi Jennings and Shashank Vura; Vice President, Allyson Gambardella; Communications Chair, Jeremiah Scanlan; Events Chair; Samantha Goerger; Nature Events Chair, Vinny Byju; Campus Advocacy Co-Chairs, Lla Anderson and Pacy Yan; Treasurer, Benson Beidler; and Internal Chair, Isabella Nilsson.

It also is with heavy but full hearts that we bid a fond farewell to ALPP’s inaugural outgoing Executive Director Chris Green. We will be announcing our new ALPP Executive Director next week but for now would like to take the opportunity to thank him for eight tremendous years of service. Chris will remain a close friend of the Program, and we know he will do important things for animals and those who work on their behalf at the Animal Legal Defense Fund.

**Outgoing Executive Director Chris Green’s Lasting Legacy**
“*I am so grateful to all the students, fellows, faculty, staff, and most importantly, Kristen and our ALPP team for making this the single most rewarding job I’ve ever had.*”
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/chris-greens-legacy/

Finally, we would like to share Chris’s recent tribute to beloved television presenter Bob Barker, friend to the animals and ardent supporter of our work, who passed away last weekend at the age of 99:

**In Memory of Bob Barker**
*Our Executive Director, Chris Green, reflects on Bob Barker’s kindness and tremendous legacy for animals*
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/bob-barker/

Below is a recap of all the coverage and work of our Program & Clinic from the second half of the summer. Next week we will return to our weekly Friday Forecasts, so stay tuned—the coming academic year already is shaping up to be an extraordinary one.
Have a wonderful holiday weekend!

The ALPP team

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**ALPP FORECAST – SEPTEMBER 1, 2023**

**END OF SUMMER EDITION**

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**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• A one-hour Our Hen House podcast with Chris Green about the EATS Act (starting at 12 mins in):

  *The EATS Act is a “Race to the Bottom”*
  *Our Hen House – August 21, 2023*
  *https://www.ourhenhouse.org/ep710/*

• Coverage of ALPP’s EATS Act report in *Reuters* quoting Chris Green:

  *US pork firms split over Congress bill to overturn California animal welfare law*
  *Reuters – August 2, 2023*

• More features mentioning our ALPP report on the EATS Act. You also can read our media release on the ALPP website.

  *Who Regulates the Food We Eat*
  *Flatland – August 31, 2023*

  *Bipartisan group of U.S. senators speak out against EATS Act*
  *Ag Daily – August 29, 2023*
  *https://www.agdaily.com/livestock/bipartisan-group-u-s-senators-speaks-eats-act/*

  *Vocal opponents aim to defeat EATS Act*
  *Successful Farming – August 22, 2023*
  *https://www.agriculture.com/vocal-opponents-aim-to-defeat-eats-act-7724772*
A GOP bill would ban California’s pig measure and others like it
*Route 50* – August 16, 2023

8 Key Laws Under Threat from the EATS Act
*Sentient Media* – August 7, 2023
https://sentientmedia.org/8-key-laws-threatened-by-eats-act/

Farm bill likely to include Prop. 12 nullification language
*National Hog Farmer* – August 2, 2023
https://www.nationalhogfarmer.com/farming-business-management/farm-bill-likely-to-include-prop-12-nullification-language

Ag groups take different stances on EATS Act
*12 News, Wichita* – August 3, 2023
https://www.kwch.com/2023/08/03/ag-groups-take-different-stances-eats-act/

Harvard report: EATS Act would eliminate state food, disease, pest regulations
*Tri-State Livestock News* – August 3, 2023

US pork firms split over bill to overturn California animal welfare law
*The Poultry Site* – August 3, 2023

Digging into the EATS Act
*Blue Book Services* – July 28, 2023

A new study says EATS Act could do a lot of damage, including to food safety
*Food Safety News* – July 27, 2023

‘Unintended consequences’ Harvard Law School says EATS Act could backfire on Iowa farmers
*ABC 9, KCRG Iowa* – July 26, 2023
The EATS Act could jeopardize over a thousand public health, safety, and welfare laws says new report from Harvard
YubaNet – July 2

Inside the Republican effort to force millions of farm animals back into cages
Vox – July 24, 2023

• Since our last forecast there also has also been tons of further coverage of our report Animal Markets & Zoonotic Disease in the United States, including a second full-page piece in the New York Times and front-page coverage in USA Today, which has the largest circulation of any newspaper in the United States. Internally, both the Harvard Gazette and Harvard Law Today published feature stories in our report as well.

The Hidden Pandemic Time Bomb: Zoonotic Disease Threats Uncovered in the United States
List 23 – August 22, 2023

The Hidden Pandemic Time Bomb: Zoonotic Disease Threats Uncovered in the US
Sci Tech Daily – August 21, 2023

Med Page Today – August 12, 2023
https://www.medpagetoday.com/opinion/second-opinions/105856?trw=no

Cutting off the hand to spite one’s disease
Meating Place – July 31, 2023
https://www.meatingplace.com/Industry/Blogs/Details/?blogId=862

UnDisciplined: The US is not prepared for the dangers of zoonotic diseases – Radio interview with Ann Linder
UPR – July 28, 2023
https://www.upr.org/show/undisciplined/2023-07-28/undisciplined

Could the Next Pandemic Start at the County Fair?
US Meat May Start the Next Pandemic
USA TODAY – July 22, 2023

COVID-19 came from animals. Why aren’t we working to prevent new scourge?
Harvard Gazette – July 19, 2023

COVID may not be the last zoonotic pandemic
Harvard Law Today – July 17, 2023

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:
• Acting Clinic Director Rachel Mathews quoted about the National Park Service’s comment period on whether to remove a fence that has blocked tule elk from accessing adequate food and water during historic drought:

  **Park seeks comments on Marin elk preserve fence plan**
  *Marin Independent Journal – August 30, 2023*

• In a win for our Animal Law & Policy Clinic and its clients For the Fishes and Mike Nakachi, as well as other activists from the movement, the Kanaloa Octopus Farm has been permanently shut down. Here is our media release and some media coverage below:

  **Kanaloa Octopus Farm no longer operating out of Hawai‘i Ocean Science Technology Park**
  *Big Island Now – August 26, 2023*

  **What Really Happened at That Controversial Octopus Farm in Hawaii**
  *Sentient Media – August 22, 2023*
  [https://sentientmedia.org/hawaii-octopus-farm-controversy/](https://sentientmedia.org/hawaii-octopus-farm-controversy/)

**Visiting Fellows News:**

• Visiting Fellow Carlos A. Contreras López recently gave two live television interviews in Colombia covering intensive livestock farming, animal experimentation, and the death of two dogs that were used by the police for rescue work or for explosive detection. He also took the opportunity to speak about the ALPP.

  **Televisión Regional del Oriente** (a Colombian regional public television network)
  [https://fb.watch/mMGJHbZtbU/](https://fb.watch/mMGJHbZtbU/)

  **‘Guanevisión’ in Piedecuesta, Santander, Colombia** (a regional television channel)
  [https://fb.watch/mMGT4eCPm8/](https://fb.watch/mMGT4eCPm8/)

**PRESENTATIONS**

• Last weekend ALPP’s Global Policy Fellow Nirva Patel gave a keynote address at the Ahimsa Vegan Conference: Jain Voices in Animal Advocacy, a virtual event with over 500 people in attendance that explored the common roots between the Jain philosophy and ethical veganism, animal rights, environmentalism, and social justice.

• On August 8, ALPP’s outgoing Executive Director Chris Green and Communications Director Sarah Pickering gave a presentation about aligning media and litigation strategies at this year’s Oxford Animal Ethics conference at the University of Oxford’s Merton College.
• On July 20, Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini presented to the Economic, Cultural, and Environmental Rights Commission of the Chilean Constitutional Assembly on the need to include the protection of animals as sentient beings in the new Constitution. The Commission voted to include animal protection in the draft.

• On July 19, Professor Kristen Stilt and Macarena Montes Franceschini gave a class on Animal Rights and the Rights of Nature to 800 students from around the globe at the Aspire Institute.

PUBLICATIONS

• You can now pre-order The Legal Recognition of Animal Sentience from Bloomsbury, which includes chapters written by Carlos A. Contreras López and Vanessa Gischkow Garbini while they were Visiting Fellows with ALPP:
  
  • *Perspectives on the Recognition of Animal Sentience in Spain*, Carlos Andrés Contreras (Harvard Law School, USA)
  
  • *All Roads Lead to Sentience: The Past, Present, and Future of Animal Legal Protection in Brazil*, Vanessa Gischkow Garbini (Harvard Law School, USA)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, September 6
– Animal Law & Policy Program Visiting Fellows Welcome Lunch & Orientation
  • 12:00-2:00pm – ALPP Office

Tuesday, September 26
– Environmental & Energy Law Open House
  • 4:00-6:00pm – Wasserstein 2nd Floor Terrace

Please RSVP here: https://forms.gle/5N1KWYyxSp3TnwgPA and contact Sara Levy at slevy@law.harvard.edu with questions.
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

This morning, *The New York Times* published an exclusive feature on our latest report *Animal Markets and Zoonotic Diseases in the United States*, which the Brooks McCormick Jr Animal Law & Policy Program produced in collaboration with NYU’s Center for Environment and Animal Protection. The report is the product of three years of tireless work by a phenomenal team led by our Research Fellow Ann Linder, and is just one portion of a much larger global animal markets report that we will be releasing later this year.

Later this month, we will be releasing another major report focusing on the potential dangers of the Ending Agricultural Trade Suppression Act (EATS Act), currently being drafted by ALPP Regulatory Policy Fellow Kelley McGill. That work builds on our Program’s 2018 King Amendment report, authored by Ann Linder and still generating coverage below. Two weeks ago, ALPP Executive Director Chris Green participated in congressional briefings on the EATS Act that helped ensure that neither the House nor Senate versions of the EATS Act were introduced with a single Democratic co-sponsor.

Hope you all are enjoying the summer so far and we will report back to you again next month. In the meantime, you can stay up to date with our work and coverage by visiting our website’s homepage and media section.

Cheers!

The ALPP team

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**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

The U.S. Animal Industries Pose Disease Risks to People, Report Says
The nation uses an enormous number of animals for commercial purposes, and regulations do not adequately protect against outbreaks, experts concluded.  
The New York Times – July 6, 2023

• Mention of the ALPP’s 2018 report on the King Amendment as it applies to the current EATS Act.

Congress Asked to Help Stop Ecosystem Collapse in the Farm Bill by Preserving Local Authority to Restrict Pesticides
Beyond Pesticides – June 26, 2023

• Coverage of ALPP Executive Director Chris Green participating in congressional briefings to House and Senate Agricultural Committee staff about potential perils of the EATS Act.

Experts Gather on Capitol Hill to Condemn Dangerous EATS Act
A Humane World – June 21, 2023

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• An interview with Clinical Fellow Rebecca Garverman about the National Park Services proposal to take down the fence at Point Reyes:

Inside the legal battle over elk and fences at Point Reyes  
Northern California Public Radio – July 3, 2023

• An interview with Katherine Meyer, the outgoing director of the Animal Law & Policy Clinic, regarding the Clinic’s lawsuit against the USDA over psychological enrichment for primates used in research:

Animal Law Podcast #97: The Case of the Miserable Monkeys and the Apathetic Agency  
Our Hen House – June 28, 2023
https://www.ourhenhouse.org/alp97/

• Coverage of the Animal Law & Policy Clinic’s request for Harvard University to include bird safety measures in its building standards. The project was led by Clinic Research Assistant Allyson Gambardella, and recent HLS honors graduate, Rachel Landry.

Harvard Law School Clinic Calls for New Bird Safety Measures in University Building Standards
The Harvard Crimson – June 28, 2023

OTHER NEWS
• Our reflection on Executive Director Chris Green’s impact on the Animal Law & Policy Program as he prepares for his next endeavor leading the Animal Legal Defense Fund in September.

Outgoing Executive Director Chris Green’s Lasting Legacy
“I am so grateful to all the students, fellows, faculty, staff, and most importantly, Kristen and our ALPP team for making this the single most rewarding job I’ve ever had.”

https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/chris-greens-legacy/

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, May 26, 2023
To: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast – Part Deux

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We earlier were remiss in mentioning some additional accolades by our wonderful graduating students this week.

Animal Law & Policy Clinic students Andrew Slottje, Ashton Macfarlane, and Rachel Landry each graduated with *Magna Cum Laude* honors, while Clinic student and Research Assistant Max Hantel earned *Cum Laude* honors—no small feat in this rarified environment.

Rachel Landry also won the 2022 Sears Prize for sharing the highest grades of any student her 2L year and a Harvard Law Review Fellowship. She further was recognized for performing over 1,000 hours of pro bono work at HLS. Rachel said at Commencement that meeting with ALPP Executive Director Chris Green during her Admitted Students Weekend and hearing about all the animal protection work of the Program & Clinic is what clinched her decision to attend Harvard Law School and she committed the very next day.

Ashton Macfarlane initially took both our Wildlife Law and Animal Law courses as a Harvard undergraduate student! When he returned to Cambridge to pursue a joint law degree and PhD in the History of Science, Ashton not only earned a place on the Harvard Law Review, but also still found time to serve as a Teaching Assistant for our Animal Law course and as a summer Research Assistant for the Animal Law & Policy Clinic—where he helped draft the Clinic’s Prop 12 Supreme Court amicus brief. Ashton separately was awarded the *Brooks Emerging Scholars Fellowship* for students who intend to pursue careers in academia.

And in addition to her Dean’s Award for Community Leadership, Noam Weiss also received the Judge Irving R. Kaufman Fellowship.

We could not be more fortunate to have such a wonderful cohort of talented, committed, and compassionate students.

Truly Blessed.

Have a pleasant holiday weekend.
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

After a wonderful week celebrating our graduating students, we are delighted to share our final weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events for this semester.

We also would like to take this opportunity to again congratulate this year’s award winners who worked with the Animal Law & Policy Clinic: Arlene Lopez (Dean’s Award for Community Leadership), Asha Ramakumar (ALPP Writing Prize), Barbara ‘Babs’ Tsao (David Westfall Memorial Award for Student Citizenship), Ben Rankin (Clinical Legal Education Association Clinical Student Award), and Noam Weiss (Dean’s Award for Community Leadership). Shashank Vura also received a Presidential Public Service Fellowship for his work at Earthjustice this summer.

During the summer, we will not send these forecast updates weekly, but we will keep you updated on important news and information as it arises.

We wish you a wonderful weekend and summer!

The ALPP team

**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

**Animal Law & Policy Program News:**

- Mention of ALPP Research Fellow Ann Linder and NYU Professor Dale Jamieson’s Op-Ed in *Science* calling warning that the United States has "blind spots," when it comes to research into biological threats and animal diseases:

  "USDA inaugurates new Kansas facility to study animal diseases"

  *UPI* – May 25
Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• HLS blogs featuring graduating students, which refer to their work with the Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

  A grounding legal education in the Food Law and Policy Clinic  
  HLS website – May 17  

  Katie Martinez and Ben Rankin receive 2023 CLEA Outstanding Clinical Student Awards  
  HLS website – May 11  

  ‘The legacy I hope to leave’  
  From alpaca farming to Harvard Law to a YouTube channel with national reach, Barbara Tsao has always tapped into her passion for building connection  
  Harvard Law Today – May 10  
  https://hls.harvard.edu/today/the-legacy-i-hope-to-leave/?utm_source=hltnewsletter&utm_campaign=17May2023

You also can find these stories and more in HLS’s commencement newsletter: https://hls.harvard.edu/clinical-commencement-newsletter-2023/

PRESENTATIONS

• Last week ALPP’s Faculty Director Professor Kristen Stilt gave a guest lecture on “Rights of Nature; Rights of Animals” to more than 40 students in Greece studying Animal Welfare, Ethics, and the Law:

  ALPP Faculty Director Guest Lectures to Greek MA Students  
  ALPP website – May 21  
  https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/professor-stilt-guest-lecture/

UPCOMING EVENTS

We look forward to sharing more events in September.

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
Date: Friday, May 19, 2023,  
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!
As we look forward to celebrating our graduating students next week, we are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events. We also would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Arlene Lopez ’23, the Harvard Animal Law Society’s Campus Advocacy Chair, who has been selected for the Dean’s Award for Community Leadership in recognition of her work to raise awareness of animal rights and increase plant-based eating on campus.

Have a wonderful weekend!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – MAY 19, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• ALPP Executive Director Chris Green comments on Animal Outlooks recent investigation into Tyson Foods:

  Undercover audio of a Tyson employee reveals “free-range” chicken is meaningless
  Vox – May 17

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• A feature story about graduating student Barbara “Babs” Tsao ’23, who worked with the Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

  ‘The legacy I hope to leave’
  Harvard Law Today – May 10
  https://hls.harvard.edu/today/the-legacy-i-hope-to-leave/?utm_source=hltnewsletter&utm_campaign=17May2023

• Coverage of the ALP Clinic announcing plans with the Center for Biological Diversity, Miami Waterkeeper, and Frank S. González García to collectively sue the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for its failure to protect the West Indian manatee under the Endangered Species Act:

  Groups Announce Intent to Sue Fish and Wildlife Service Over Failure to Protect Manatees
Beyond Pesticides – May 16

**ORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIP**

- Visiting Fellow Michelle Sinclair was a contributing author to the original research paper below, which was published overnight:

  **Use of “demonstration farm” videos to affect attitude change toward animal welfare on beef, egg, and fish farms in China**
  Sage Journals – May 19
  https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/00307270231173137

**PANEL RECORDING**

- *ReVista*, Harvard’s Review of Latin America Winter 2023 issue took a panoramic view of animals in the region and its launch event included a panel discussion, now live on YouTube, which features ALPP Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini You also can read a short write-up on the ALPP website:

  **ReVista Launch: Animals!**
  ALPP website – May 17
  https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/revista-launch-animals/

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Weds, May 24**
- **ALP Graduating Students & Fellows Reception**
  4:00-6:30pm – Professor Stilt’s Home

**Thurs, May 25**
- **Graduating Clinic Students & Families Open House**
  3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

**From:** HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
**Date:** Friday, May 12, 2023  
**Subject:** ALPP Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events, during a truly momentous week for the animal protection movement following yesterday’s news that the Supreme Court upheld California’s Proposition 12.

Even Harvard Law School is helping spread the word of the win from our posts on Twitter and LinkedIn.
We also are excited to announce that Animal Law & Policy Clinic student (and Harvard Animal Law Society Co-President) Ben Rankin ’23 has been named the winner of Harvard’s 2023 Clinical Legal Education Association Outstanding Clinical Student Award. Ben was nominated by Clinic Director Katherine Meyer and fellow students for his outstanding work on behalf of animals, and for his leadership. Congratulations, Ben!

In other news, if you are looking for a good movie this weekend, check out this recommendation from Vox: Guardians of the Galaxy Vol. 3 is somehow the best animal rights movie of the year. And if you are a fan of music and in town this weekend, our very own Ceallaigh Reddy is taking part in Porchfest in Somerville.

Wishing you a wonderful weekend and hope we all can make the time to reflect on this milestone victory for the animal law and policy field.

The ALPP team
Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• Our own analysis of the Supreme Court Prop 12 decision:

  The Supreme Court Upholds California’s Prop 12 Declaring It Serves “Moral Interests.”
  ALPP Website – May 11, 2023
  https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/prop12-serves-moral-interests/

• Sentient Media article Supreme Court ruling that mentions Program & Clinic’s contributions:

  Supreme Court Upholds Prop 12
  Sentient Media – May 11, 2023
  https://sentientmedia.org/supreme-court-upholds-prop-12/

• The Lancet Planetary Health published ALPP Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz and co-authors thesis that universities need to align on-campus dining with the latest research on the environmental impacts of food production.

  Universities should lead on the plant-based dietary transition
  The Lancet Planetary Health – May 11, 2023
  https://www.thelancet.com/journals/lanplh/article/PIIS2542-5196(23)00082-7/fulltext

ORIGINAL RESEARCH

• ALPP Visiting Fellow Michelle Sinclair and co-authors latest research publication:

  Animal welfare at slaughter: perceptions and knowledge across cultures
  Frontiers in Animal Science – May 12, 2023

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From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, May 5, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,
We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events, including our Animal Law & Policy Clinic and others announcing plans to sue federal wildlife officials for failing to protect the West Indian manatee following record death rates in recent years. Several pieces of coverage quote Clinic Students Ben Rankin and Savannah Bergeron who worked on the filing with Clinic Director Katherine Meyer.

Have a wonderful weekend!
The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – MAY 5, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• The Center for Biological Diversity released LEMIS data that it acquired because of a lawsuit filed on the Center’s behalf by the Animal Law & Policy Clinic back in 2020:

  **Wildlife Data: Massive U.S. Mammal Imports Threaten Biodiversity**
  Center for Biological Diversity website – May 3

• The Clinic, the Center for Biological Diversity, Miami Waterkeeper, and Frank S. González García announced plans to sue the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service for its failure to protect the West Indian manatee under the Endangered Species Act. You can read the media release on our website and below is coverage by Associated Press, ABC, CBS, and others.

  **Another group of conservationists plans to sue US government unless they save manatees**
  *Florida Today* – May 4

  **Conservation Groups to Sue Over Florida’s Starving Manatees**
  *Gizmodo* – May 3

  *Syndication of Gizmodo by Yahoo News:*
Conservation Groups to Sue Over Florida’s Starving Manatees
Yahoo News – May 3
https://news.yahoo.com/conservation-groups-sue-over-floridas-151300583.html

Lawsuit Launched Over Federal Failure to Protect Manatees After 2,000 Died In 2021 & 2022
World Animal News – May 3

Groups to sue federal officials over manatee protection
CBS News – May 2

Groups plan to sue federal wildlife officials over manatee protection
WFIN – May 2

Slew of manatee deaths leading to lawsuit against U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
WGCU – May 2

Groups to sue federal officials over manatee protection
Associated Press – May 2


• This week also saw further coverage of the Clinic’s recent appeal in the Tule elk case:

Harvard clinic appeals ruling in elk lawsuit
Point Reyes Light – May 3

Marin activists challenge dismissal of Point Reyes tule elk neglect case
Marin Independent Journal – April 28

UPCOMING EVENTS
Tues, May 9
– **ALPP Workshop Series**
  - Macarena Montes, “Solomonic Judgments: Against the Best Interest of the Chimp”
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Thurs, May 11
– **ALPP Workshop Series**
  - Carlos Andres Contreras Lopez, “Perspectives on the Recognition of Animal Sentience in Spain”
    and “Vivotecnia: The Laboratory of Horrors.”
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, May 24
– **ALP Graduating Students & Fellows Reception**
  - 4:00-6:00pm – Professor Stilt’s Home

Thurs, May 25
– **Graduating Clinic Students & Families Open House**
  - 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

**VIDEOS OF PAST EVENTS**

- Recording of April 20th talk on the U.S. Farm Bill is now available on the Videos section of the ALPP website and below:

  *Shifting the US Farm Bill: Opportunities to Impact Communities, Food Systems, Animals & the Environment*
  Alexandra Bookis, Senior Manager of U.S. Government Affairs at Farm Sanctuary;
  Christina Badaracco, Educator, Dietician, and Author of *The Farm Bill: A Citizen’s Guide*

**From:** HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
**Date:** Friday, April 28, 2023
**Subject:** ALPP Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events, which includes the Animal Law & Policy Clinic’s response to the FDA’s recent guidance on milk labelling and a picture of two of our Visiting Fellows at the UN General Assembly for the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day.

Have a wonderful weekend!

The ALPP team
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• Coverage of the Clinic’s appeal in the Tule elk case:

  Shocking Court Decision Allows Tule Elk to Continue to Die from Dehydration and Starvation; This Must End!
  World Animal News – April 25
  https://worldanimalnews.com/shocking-court-decision-allows-tule-elk-to-continue-to-die-from-dehydration-and-starvation-this-must-stop/

• The Clinic’s response to recent FDA guidance on milk labelling:

  Clinic Submits Further Comment on FDA Labeling of Plant-Based Milk Alternatives
  ALPP Website – April 24
  https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/milk-labeling/

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• ALPP Visiting Fellows Carlos Contreras Lopez and Macarena Montes Franceschini were invited to attend the UN General Assembly for the commemoration of International Mother Earth Day last Saturday at the United Nations headquarters in New York, which included an interactive dialogue with experts and ambassadors and a working meeting.
UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues, May 9
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Macarena Montes
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Thurs, May 11
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Carlos Andres Contreras Lopez
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, May 24
– ALP Graduating Students & Fellows Reception
  • 4:00-6:00pm – Professor Stilt’s Home

Thurs, May 25
– Graduating Clinic Students & Families Open House
  • 3:00-4:30pm – ALPP Offices

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, April 21, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are delighted to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events, which includes a wonderful cover story in *The Harvard Crimson* today about the work of our Animal Law & Policy Clinic.

The feature speaks to the tremendous leadership of Kathy Meyer who is stepping down after four years as our inaugural Clinic Director and was celebrated by faculty, staff, and students last night.

We also would like to take this opportunity to welcome back 2020 HLS graduate Kelley McGill who joins the team as Regulatory Policy Fellow to work on labeling and regulatory issues for cultivated and plant-based meat and dairy alternatives.

And for those of you on campus, please join us this Saturday morning for a bird-watching trip to Belle Isle Marsh organized by the Harvard Animal Law Society & Environmental Law Society.

Have a wonderful weekend!

The ALPP team

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**FRIDAY FORECAST – APRIL 21, 2023**

**NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• Cover story of the launch & work of the Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

  *Inside the Harvard Law School Clinic Advocating for Animal Rights*

  *Harvard Law School’s Animal Law & Policy Clinic will enter a new chapter after the departure of its director at the end of this semester.*

  _The Harvard Crimson – April 21_


Here are some images of the print version as well. Such great exposure for these issues and for clinical work at HLS:
COVER STORY

COMITAS
Inside the Clinic: Advancing Animal Rights
• Coverage of the Clinic appealing a recent decision in favor of the National Park Service, which it sued for its failure to protect the imperiled Tule elk:

  Tule elk advocates appeal court loss in challenge to NPS
  E&E News – April 20

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz’s latest for The New Republic

  Why Right-Wingers Are So Afraid of Men Eating Vegetables
  The New Republic – April 7
  https://newrepublic.com/article/171781/meat-culture-war-cricket

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sat, April 22
  – Bird Watching Study Break
  • Belle Isle Marsh Reservation
  • 9:00am – WCC (then carpooling)
Tues, May 9
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Macarena Montes
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Thurs, May 11
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Carlos Andres Contreras Lopez
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, May 24
– ALP Graduating Students & Fellows Reception
  • 4:00-6:00pm – Professor Stilt’s Home

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, April 14, 2023,
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

Please enjoy our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events.
We also look forward to seeing many of you this Thursday, April 20 for our final public event of the academic year on opportunities to shift the next U.S. Farm Bill to have positive impacts on communities, food systems, animals, and the environment.

Have a great weekend!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – APRIL 14, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

- On Monday, the Clinic filed comments on the USDA’s advanced notice of proposed rulemaking under the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) related to public contact with animals, staff training, and enrichment for all species. The comprehensive 29,000-word comments were drafted by students Elizabeth Duncan, Andrew Slottje, and Hallie Aylesworth under the supervision of Clinical Instructor Rachel Mathews.

  Clinic Submits Public Comments to USDA on Animal Handling, Enrichment, and Personnel Training
  ALPP website – April 10
  https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/aphis-comments/

- Coverage from The Harvard Crimson’s on the Clinic’s victory against the USDA for unlawfully denying a petition to improve the psychological well-being standards for primates used in research:

  District Court Judge Rules in Favor of HLS Animal Law Clinic in Suit Against USDA
  The Harvard Crimson – April 7

UPCOMING EVENTS

Weds, April 19
- Food 4 Thought Festival
  - A food festival featuring free plant-based offerings from local food vendors
  - 11:00-2:00pm – Belinda Sutton Quad
Weds, April 19
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Tony Gerrans
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices
  • Topic: “Does climate change litigation present legal and policy opportunities to challenge intensive animal agriculture – a review of global developments with specific attention to the South African context?”

Thurs, April 20
– Shifting the US Farm Bill: Opportunities to Impact Communities, Public Health, Animals, and the Planet
  • Alexandra Bookis, Senior Manager of U.S. Government Affairs at Farm Sanctuary; Christina Badaracco, Author, Educator, and Dietician.
  • 12:15-1:15pm – Pound 101
  • Zoom Registration Link

Thurs, April 20
– Celebration of Kathy Meyer
  • 6:00-11:00pm – Lizard Lounge

Weds, May 9
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Macarena Montes
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, May 11
– ALPP Workshop Series
  • Carlos Andres Contreras Lopez
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Thurs, May 25
– ALP Graduating Students & Fellows Reception
  • 4:00-6:00pm – Professor Stilt’s Home

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program
Date: Friday, April 7, 2023
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

We are pleased to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, and Events.

We also look forward to seeing many of you at our next event on Wednesday, April 12, when Peter Godfrey-Smith will discuss his book, Other Minds: The Octopus, the Sea, and the Deep Origins of Consciousness.

Have a wonderful weekend!

The ALPP team
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• ALPP Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz and Gabriel Rosenberg wrote an extremely moving article in *Vox* about the intersecting politics of animal agriculture, state overreach, and child indoctrination behind the police seizure of Cedar the 4-H goat:

  The Viral Story of a Girl and Her Goat Explains How the Meat Industry Indoctrinates Children
  *The slaughter of Cedar the goat shines a light on the ideology of 4-H*
  Vox – April 5, 2024
  https://www.vox.com/future-perfect/23669586/goat-girl-4-h-shasta-county-seizure

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• Erin Sharoni, Master of Bioethics student at Harvard Medical School, published a powerful opinion piece for *The Harvard Crimson* about the intersection of science, law, and morality regarding using non-human animals for biomedical research. She references the cruel experiments being done on monkeys at Harvard Medical School and the Clinic’s call for the NIH to stop funding such research:

  There’s Nothing Ethical About Experimenting on Monkeys
  *The Harvard Crimson* – April 6, 2024

UPCOMING EVENTS

Weds, April 12
– *Other Minds: The Octopus, the Sea, and the Deep Origins of Consciousness*
  • Peter Godfrey-Smith – Author, Professor at Univ. of Sydney
  • 12:15pm-1:15pm
  • Zoom Registration Link

Weds, April 19
– *International Food for Thought Festival*
  • A free festival featuring plant-based offerings from local food vendors
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**Weds, April 19**  
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**Weds, May 11**  
– *ALPP Workshop Series*  
  - Carlos Andres Contreras Lopez  
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Thurs, May 25**  
– *ALP Graduating Students Reception*  
  - 4:00-6:00pm – Location TBD

*From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
Date: Friday, March 31, 2023  
Subject: ALPP Friday Forecast!*

Dear Friends & Colleagues,

At the end of a successful week, which included a Clinic Fair and Open House that enabled us to connect with students who were interested to learn more about the Animal Law & Policy Clinic, we are pleased to share our weekly update of News, Media Coverage, Events.

We also would like to take this opportunity to congratulate our Global Policy Fellow Nirva Patel and her family for their wonderful advocacy work, which contributed to Lexington becoming the sixth Massachusetts community to ban the sale of fur in a near-unanimous vote (160:2)!

We hope you enjoy the weekend.

The ALPP team
NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

- Coverage of the Clinic’s victory in our lawsuit against the USDA for unlawfully denying a petition to improve the psychological well-being standards for primates used in research:

  Federal Judge Rules USDA Acted Unlawfully: Huge Win for Harvard Animal Law Clinic in Psychological Well-Being of Primates Case
  *One Green Planet* – March 31

  USDA Acted Unlawfully in Denying Petition to Improve Lab Primates’ Treatment, Judge Rules
  *IFL Science* – March 30

  USDA Must Revisit Decision Over Research Primates Care
  *Law360* – March 28

- Coverage of our lawsuit against the National Park Service for failing to protect the Tule elk at Point Reyes in California.

  **Point Reyes tule elk herds recover after die-off during drought**
  *Marin Independent Journal* – March 26

UPCOMING EVENTS

Weds, April 12
– *Other Minds Octopus Talk*
  - Peter Godfrey-Smith, Australian Philosopher and Author
  - 12:15pm-1:15pm
Weds, April 19
– *International Food for Thought Festival*
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– *Shifting the US Farm Bill: Opportunities to Impact Communities, Public Health, Animals, and the Planet*
  • Alexandra Bookis, Senior Manager of U.S. Government Affairs at Farm Sanctuary; Christina Badaracco, Author, Educator, and Dietician.
  • 12:15-1:15pm – Pound 101
  • Zoom Registration Link

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**VIDEOS OF PAST EVENTS**

– Recordings of the following Animal Law Week lectures are available on the Videos section of our website: [https://animal.law.harvard.edu/videos/](https://animal.law.harvard.edu/videos/)

**Harvard Animal Law Week 2023:**

– *Carceral Logics: Human Incarceration and Animal Captivity* – Book Talk
  • Prof. Lori Gruen & Prof. Justin Marceau

– *Animal Open Rescue on Trial in Rural America*
  • Wayne Hsiung

– *The Smell of Money* – Documentary Talk
  • Jamie Berger

– *Achieving Regulatory Approval for Cultivated Meat*
  • Deepti Kulkarni & Eric Schulze
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

Thanks to all of you who made our 9th annual Harvard Animal Law Week such a success these past few days. The interactions and exchanges spurred underscore the great community we have here.

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Have a pleasant weekend.

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – MARCH 24, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic News:

• USDA Primate Lawsuit Victory!

  – On Thursday, Judge Julie Rubin of the federal district court in Maryland ruled that the USDA acted unlawfully in denying a petition to improve the psychological well-being standards for primates used in research. In her 28-page decision, Judge Rubin ruled that the USDA not only acted unlawfully in denying the petition by Clinic clients Rise for Animals and the Animal Legal Defense Fund, but she also declared that the USDA’s secret policy to not annually inspect every research facility (discovered by Clinic student Brett Richey) is also illegal.

  – Notably, this case against the USDA was the very first lawsuit filed by the Animal Law & Policy Clinic in 2019. Several students worked on the case over the course of the last four years alongside Clinic Director Kathy Meyer and we are all delighted with the outcome. Stay tuned for an exclusive media feature about the decision next week.

• The Clinic submitted comments earlier this week on the proposed revisions to the 4(d) rule for African Elephants on behalf of the Clinic and the Performing Animal Welfare Society. The comments were prepared by Rachel Mathews, Rebecca Garverman, and student Jeremiah Scanlon. You can read the comments via a blog Rachel wrote for our website:
Clinic, PAWS Push Feds to End African Elephant Capture, Trophy Hunting

ALPP Website
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/end-elephant-capture/

Animal Law & Policy Program News:

• On Wednesday, Prof. Kristen Stilt and ALPP Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini presented on *The Estrellita Ruling and Animal Rights* for an event organized by the Pontifical Catholic University of Ecuador’s Law School and the NGO Victoria Animal. Their presentation focused on the amicus brief filed by ALPP and the NhRP to the Constitutional Court in 2021 and the positive effects of the ruling in Ecuador and other countries like Turkey.

• On Friday, Chris Green spoke about the *Rise, Fall, & Re-Birth of “Ag-Gag” Anti-Whistleblower Laws* for a panel about *Animal Law & the First Amendment* as part of Michigan State University’s Animal & Natural Resource Law Review annual symposium.

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**Weds, April 12**
– Other Minds Octopus Talk
  • Peter Godfrey-Smith, Australian Philosopher and Author
  • 12:15p-1:15pm

**Weds, April 19**
– International Food for Thought Festival
  • A free festival featuring plant-based offerings from local food vendors
  • 11:00-2:00pm – Belinda Sutton Quad

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Animal Law & Policy Clinic Coverage:

• The Harvard Crimson published both an article and editorial about the HMS primate experiments being opposed by the Clinic.
Dozens of Protesters Call on Harvard President Bacow to Shut Down HMS Lab Conducting Primate Experiments
*The Harvard Crimson* – March 8

The Fuzzy Boundaries of Animal Experimentation
*The Harvard Crimson* – March 7
https://www.thecrimson.com/article/2023/3/7/editorial-livingstone-animal-testing/

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**Fri & Sat, March 18-19**  
– *National Animal Law Competitions*  
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  • The competitions will be virtual this year.

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**Date:** Friday, March 3, 2023  
**Subject:** ALPP Friday Forecast!

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NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Program Coverage:

• Further coverage on ALPP Research Fellow Ann Linder’s editorial with Professor Dale Jamieson of NYU in *Science*

  The US may be vulnerable to zoonotic diseases, NYU, Harvard researchers say
  *Washington Square News* (NYU’s independent student newspaper) – March 2
  https://nyunews.com/news/2023/03/02/professors-warn-against-zoonotic-diseases/

Animal Law & Policy Clinic Coverage:

• Clinic Director Kathy Meyer responding to Judge Gilliam’s ruling that while the Plaintiffs in our Clinic’s tule elk case have standing, there is no mandatory duty for the National Park Service to revise its General Management Plan.

  National Park Service Plan for Northern California Tule Elk Cleared by Judge
  *Missoula Current* – February 28
  https://missoulacurrent.com/california-tule-elk/

• *Massmedia* (UMass Boston’s Independent student newspaper) story about our Clinic’s letter to the NIH to withdraw funding for cruel and unnecessary experiments involving monkeys and experiments at its sister school, UMass Amherst:

  Animal Testing Needs to End Immediately
  *The Mass Media* – February 23
  http://www.umassmedia.com/opinions/animal-testing-needs-to-end-immediately/article_e86b819a-b3d8-11ed-9de7-9f66bca8f306.html

UPCOMING EVENTS

**Tues, March 7**

– *Impact Litigation for Animal Welfare*
  • A Conversation and Q&A with Alene Anello ’16, President, and Founder of Legal Impact for Chickens, organized by HLS Effective Altruism student group
  • 12:30pm – WCC 3018 Offices,
• Registration Link

Weds, March 8
  • Discussion with *ALPP Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini* and Prof. Kristen Stilt
  • 12:00–1:15pm Online
  • Zoom Registration Link

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VIDEOS OF PAST EVENTS
• The recording of the Feb 28 panel on the commodification and exploitation of reproductive systems is now available on the Videos section of the ALPP website and below:

  Commodification and Exploitation of Reproductive Systems: The Intersection of Human and Nonhuman Reproductive Control  
  Panel discussion with Professor Kristen Stilt, Professor Michele Goodwin, and Dr. Kathryn Gillespie  
  Moderated by Harvard Animal Law Society Co-President, Asha Ramakumar

From: HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
Date: Friday, February 24, 2023  
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Note that TONIGHT @ 5pm two of our Visiting Fellows will be appearing on an International Animal Activism Panel at Harvard College, and next Tuesday 2/28 at 12:15pm we are co-hosting a panel on
“Commodification and Exploitation of Reproductive Systems: The Intersection of Human and Nonhuman Reproductive Control” featuring Professor Kristen Stilt and others. Both events will be streamed via Zoom as well. More information is below.

Have a great weekend!

The ALPP team

FRIDAY FORECAST – FEBRUARY 24, 2023

NEWS, MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE

Animal Law & Policy Clinic Coverage:

• *The Harvard Crimson* published a story about the Clinic’s letter to the NIH to withdraw funding for cruel and unnecessary experiments involving monkeys:

  **Researchers Call on NIH to Stop Funding Primate Experiments at Harvard Medical School**
  *The Harvard Crimson* – February 24

• The FDA announced a draft guidance that plant-based milk products continue to be sold and labeled as “milk” in marketing and packaging materials—a decision that follows policy recommendations Clinic students presented to the FDA at a 2019 public hearing and in the Clinic’s 10-page submitted comments:

  **FDA Says Plant-Based Milk Alternatives Can Be Labeled & Sold As “Milk”**
  ALPP website – February 23

• An article about the release of 13 manatees in Florida referenced the Clinic’s November petition to the United States Fish and Wildlife Service asking for the agency to restore the manatee’s endangered status:

  **Manatee releases bring cheer as an unprecedented die-off continues**
  *WUSF Public Media* – February 19
Animal Law & Policy Program Coverage:

- ALPP Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz quoted in Forbes about the media’s recent portrayal of plant-based and cell-cased meat:

  **Is The Media Biased Against Plant-Based and Cell-Cultured Meat?**  
  Forbes – February 20  

- Further coverage of an editorial published by the journal Science written by ALPP Research Fellow Ann Linder and Professor Dale Jamieson of NYU about the U.S. being unprepared for the future spread of animal-borne diseases:

  **The U.S. is not ready for another virus outbreak coming from animals, report explains**  
  Study Finds – February 21  
  https://studyfinds.org/us-not-ready-virus-from-animals/

  **U.S. Has ‘Blind Spots’ in Its Preparations for Zoonotic Diseases, Experts Warn**  
  Vigour Times – February 17  

  **Despite COVID-19, The US CDC Remains Unprepared for Zoonotic Diseases**  
  Science 2.0 – February 17  
  https://www.science20.com/hank_campbell/despite_covid19_the_us_cdc_remains_unprepared_for_zoonotic_diseases-256470

  **The U.S. is Alarmingly Unprepared for Zoonotic Diseases**  
  Earth.com – February 16  

- The print copy of the Harvard Law Bulletin with its 10-page cover feature on the Program and Clinic will be available on campus and mailed to 40,000 alumni worldwide.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Friday, February 24 – TODAY**
- **International Animal Activism Panel**
  - Featuring two ALPP Visiting Fellows, Yi Jian (China) and Tony Gerrans (South Africa), along with Earthling Ed (UK), Seb Alex (Lebanon) and Sparsha Saha (US)
  - 5:00–6:00pm – Harvard Yenching Auditorium
  - [Zoom Registration Link](#)

**Tuesday, February 28**
- **Commodification and Exploitation of Reproductive Systems: The Intersection of Human and Nonhuman Reproductive Control**
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• [Zoom Registration Link](#)

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  Moderated by Harvard Environmental Law Society Co-President, Kipper Berven

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**RECENT MEDIA & OTHER COVERAGE**

**Animal Law & Policy Program:**

On Tuesday, the *Harvard Law Bulletin* published a 10-page cover story on the work of the Program and Clinic, which will be available in print next month:

*All Creatures Great and Small*

*Harvard Law Bulletin* – February 14
[https://hls.harvard.edu/today/all-creatures-great-and-small/](https://hls.harvard.edu/today/all-creatures-great-and-small/)

The print copy cover features an illustrator’s rendition of the species of animals mentioned in the article:
On Wednesday, Faunalytics published an exclusive blog by ALPP Visiting Fellow Michelle Sinclair highlighting strategic opportunities to collaborate with egg producers on improving the lives of hens farmed for eggs:

**Egg Producers Open Their Minds to Opening Hen Cages**
Faunalytics website – February 15
https://faunalytics.org/egg-producers-open-their-minds-to-opening-hen-cages/

On Wednesday, Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz published a piece in The New Republic about China’s multistory pig farms, and on Thursday he was quoted in a Wired article about the avian flu outbreak:

**China’s Pig High-Rises Are Horrifying. So Are America’s Factory Farms.**
The New Republic – February 15
https://newrepublic.com/article/170594/pork-hubei-smithfield-factory-farming

**The Bird Flu Outbreak Has Taken an Ominous Turn**
Wired – February 16
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**Blind Spots in Biodefense**
Science – February 16
https://www.science.org/doi/10.1126/science.adg9237

**America is still ‘fundamentally unprepared’ for zoonotic diseases - the biggest threat to humankind, says analysis by Harvard and NYU**
The Daily Mail – February 16

**US Still Unprepared to Handle Future Spread of Zoonotic Diseases with New Biodefense Strategy**
Revyuh – February 16

**U.S. has 'blind spots' in its preparations for zoonotic diseases, experts warn**
UPI – February 16

You also can read learn more via a media release on the ALPP website:
U.S. Unprepared for Dangers Posed by Zoonotic Diseases, New Analysis Concludes
Editorial in Science Calls for Integrating Multiple Agencies to Better Combat Threats
https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/zoonotic-diseases/

Animal Law & Policy Clinic:

On Thursday, the Center for Biological Diversity issued a media release regarding the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service receiving a petition signed by 18,000 people calling for increased protections for West Indian manatees who have been dying in record numbers in Florida waters. The petition asks the Service to move manatees from threatened to endangered status under the Endangered Species Act. It was filed in November by the Center for Biological Diversity, Harvard Animal Law & Policy Clinic, Miami Waterkeeper, Save the Manatee Club and Frank S. González García. The Service must respond by Feb. 20, 2023, with an initial determination.

18,000 People Urge Federal Officials to Boost Manatee Protections
CBD website – February 16

The petition was referenced in a story published by Inside Climate News today:

Nursing Florida’s Ailing Manatees Back to Health
Inside Climate News – February 17

From: Pickering, Sarah J.
Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023
Subject: Exciting pre-ALPP Friday Forecast

Hi All,

We could not wait until tomorrow to share the fantastic 10-page feature below on the work of the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program and the Animal Law & Policy Clinic in the Spring 2023 edition of Harvard Law Bulletin. Thank you so much to all who contributed to this wonderful piece by Rachel Reed. The feature is also the cover story for the edition, beautifully illustrated by Stuart Patience. Hard copies will be available next month.

Online article: https://hls.harvard.edu/today/all-creatures-great-and-small/

PDF: https://hls.harvard.edu/today/bulletin/spring-2023/

More soon!
Sarah
Hi All,

For those of you who are remote, below is a Zoom link to register for the event next Tuesday:

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  - 12:30-1:30pm – WCC 1023
  - [https://harvard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Jqdgyw5SSNKfGpMFLp_sog](https://harvard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_Jqdgyw5SSNKfGpMFLp_sog)

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ALPP Visiting Fellow Danielle Diamonds recently published Right to Farm study is cited in Compassion in World Farming’s latest blog about Utah bill SB113.

**Utah’s Pro-Cruelty Bill Must Be Stopped**
Compassion in World Farming’s blog – Feb 9  
[https://www.ciwf.com/blog/2023/02/utahs-pro-cruelty-bill-must-be-stopped](https://www.ciwf.com/blog/2023/02/utahs-pro-cruelty-bill-must-be-stopped)

**Animal Law & Policy Clinic Coverage:**

On Wednesday, the Animal Law & Policy Clinic along with the Wild Mind Labs at the University of St. Andrews in the UK sent letter to the National Institutes of Health calling on it to stop funding cruel experiments at Harvard Medical School. The letter was signed by more than 380 scientists, doctors, and academics from around the world, including Jane Goodall, Ian Redmond, and Richard Wrangham:

*Jane Goodall Among 380+ Scientists Demanding End to 'Cruel' Harvard Monkey Experiments*
*Common Dreams – February 8*

*380+ Scientists: NIH-Funded Experiments on Monkeys ‘Cruel’ and ‘Unethical’*
*The Defender – February 9*
[https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/nih-monkey-experiments-cd/?itm_term=home](https://childrenshealthdefense.org/defender/nih-monkey-experiments-cd/?itm_term=home)

You also can read our media release about the NIH letter on the ALPP website:  
[https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/cruel-monkey-experiments/](https://animal.law.harvard.edu/news-article/cruel-monkey-experiments/)

**PAST EVENT FOOTAGE**

Also, on Wednesday we hosted a panel on primates used in lab research. You can now watch a recording of the panel on our website and YouTube channel. This panel covered varied topics including bioethics, animal welfare, and medical necessity/applicability to enable audience members to learn more about the widely debated question: should we still be using nonhuman primates in medical research?

*Nonhuman Primates in Research: The Good, Bad, and Ugly*
[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fCPduVtfUsc](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fCPduVtfUsc)
Panelists: Christine Webb, Katherine Roe, Larry Carbone, Erin Sharoni  
Moderator: Katherine Meyer

**From:** HLS-Animal Law & Policy Program  
**Date:** Friday, February 3, 2023  
**Subject:** ALPP Friday Forecast
Dear Friends & Colleagues,

Please find below our weekly update of media coverage, events, and more.

Wishing you a great weekend!

The ALPP team

NEW TEAM MEMBERS

This week, we welcomed three wonderful new Visiting Fellows: Macarena Montes Franceschini, Carlos Contreras López, and Tony Gerrans. We also welcomed Bim to the office who is one of two dogs that ALPP Visiting Fellow Polina Bochnekova rescued from the war in Ukraine during her recent field work. Bim (pictured at the end of this email) has found a forever home with Polina and the second pup she rescued is now in a loving home in the UK.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Weds, February 8
• *Nonhuman Primates in Medical Research: The Good, Bad, and Ugly*
  • Panel Discussion with Christine Webb, Larry Carbone, Katherine Roe, and Erin Sharoni moderated by ALP Clinic Director Katherine Meyer
  • 12:15-1:15pm – WCC 2009
  • Zoom Link: [https://harvard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_kNDRU9oPQiqukK82Pbarag](https://harvard.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_kNDRU9oPQiqukK82Pbarag)

• ALPP Workshop Series
  • Che Gossett, The Genre of the Animal
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, February 15
• ALPP Workshop Series
  • Catherine Biondo, Zotero Research Training
  • 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

Weds, February 22
• ALPP Workshop Series
  • Jan Dutkiewicz, Publishing in the Popular Media
• 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Tuesday, February 28**

- *Commodification and Exploitation of Reproductive Systems: The Intersection of Human and Nonhuman Reproductive Control*
  - Panel Discussion with Prof. Kristen Stilt, Prof. Michele Goodwin, and Prof. Kathryn Gillespie
  - 12:15-1:15pm – WCC 1019

**Weds, March 1**

- ALPP Workshop Series
  - Shannon Sowards, Navigating the IRB Process
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Weds, March 8**

- ALPP Workshop Series
  - Jan Dutkiewicz, *An Industry Like Any Other* monograph
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Weds, March 22**

- ALPP Workshop Series
  - Yi Jian, *Zodiac 12* documentary project
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Mon-Fri March 20-24**

- 2023 Animal Law Week
  - This year’s event will feature a panel on animals in the Ukrainian conflict, Wayne Hsiung discussing his recent acquittal for an open rescue of two piglets, Lori Gruen & Justin Marceau talking about their new edited volume *Carceral Logics*, Jamie Berger hosting a screening of her recent film *The Smell of Money*, and a conversation with Deepti Kulkarni and Eric Schulze about the latest advances in cultivated meat regulation.

**Weds, March 22**

- ALPP Workshop Series
  - Yi Jian, *Zodiac 12* documentary project
  - 3:15-4:45pm – ALPP Offices

**Tues, March 28**

- HLS Clinic Fair
  - ALP Clinic Staff & Students will be on hand to talk to students about the Clinic’s work
  - 11:00am-1:30pm – Milstein East

**Wed, March 29**

- ALP Clinic Open House
  - Opportunity to learn more about the Clinic’s work and projects
  - 12:15p-1:15pm – ALPP Offices
RECENT MEDIA COVERAGE

Brooks McCormick Jr Animal Law & Policy Program Coverage:

• Article by Professor Kristen Stilt and ALPP Visiting Fellow Macarena Montes Franceschini in Harvard’s review of Latin America:

  Estrellita the Woolly Monkey and the Ecuadorian Constitutional Court
  Revista – February 2
  websites.harvard.edu/revista/estrellita-the-wooly-monkey

• ALPP Visiting Fellow Jan Dutkiewicz quoted on food and sustainability:

  Will 2023 be the year food plays a role in sustainability policy?
  Food Dive – January 31

• Interview with ALPP Global Policy Fellow Nirva Patel:

  Nirva Patel Shares Her Inspiring Journey as an Animal Rights Activist and Documentary Producer
  Women Who Win – January 30
  https://www.womenwhowin100.com/blog/nirva-patel-animal-rights

PUBLICATIONS

ALPP Visiting Fellow Yi Jian was a member of the steering committee for the scoping study below by the Food and Land Use Coalition and the Meridian Institute, which describes the necessary policy shifts and specific actions that decision-makers and government agencies, researchers and academics, businesses and investors, and civil society actors can take to engender a transition to healthy and sustainable diets in China.

  Published on the Food and Land Use Coalition website – February 1
  Accelerating a Shift to Health and Sustainable Diets in China

TOMMY RASKIN DAY OF GOOD DEEDS

On January 30, ALPP staff Chris Green, Sarah Pickering, and Rachel Mathews, along with Ben Rankin, Co-president of the Harvard Animal Law Society, volunteered with the MSPCA in memory of Tommy Raskin. Tommy was an HLS student who was very committed to animal protection and sadly passed away during his 2L year in 2020, having spent his 1L summer interning with Mercy for Animals. Tommy’s father is Congressman Jamie Raskin, and the family has designated his January 30th birthday as the Tommy Raskin Day of Good Deeds, asking people to perform acts of public service to honor his spirit. After a tour of the MSPCA, we went to Dorchester to distribute free dog and cat food, toys, treats, beds, and
other items to people in need. The day was an enormous success, and we look forward to making this a semi-annual event. Here are a few pictures from the day and one of Bim in our offices!

Chris helping load the MSPCA van with dog and cat food.

Ben and the MSPCA team in action in Dorchester.
A happy client enjoying her pup’s new coat with the MSPCA’s Kara Holmquist

And Bim begins his adventures in Boston!
Dear ALPP Affiliates,

This term we are starting a weekly email that includes information on upcoming events and news related to the Brooks McCormick Jr. Animal Law & Policy Program.

You can expect to receive these updates each Friday and we will use the same subject heading so that they all remain in one thread for you to easily search and refer to.

Please let us know if you have any other suggestions for things that might be helpful for us to include.

Thanks!
The ALPP Team

UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday, January 28
• Animal Law Student Summit – NYU

Monday, January 30
• Tommy Raskin Day of Good Deeds – MSPCA Public Service Project
  10.30am-1.30pm: 350 S Huntington Ave, Boston, MA 02130
  Reach out to Chris and Sarah if you are interested in attending but need a ride.

Weds, February 1
• 3:15-4:45pm – Visiting Fellows Orientation

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RECENT MEDIA COVERAGE

Harvard Animal Law & Policy Clinic Coverage:

• Coverage of the Clinic’s cephalopod petition and a recent amicus support for the Center for Biological Diversity’s suit against the Fish and Wildlife Service over its Grizzly Bear recovery plan:

  *The Boston Globe*
  Jan 23
  Cephalopods are ‘incredibly intelligent.’ Wildlife advocates are urging regulators to do more to protect them.

  *Reuters*
  Jan 20
  Grizzly bear recovery plan can’t be targeted in lawsuit – appeals court

Brooks McCormick Jr Animal Law & Policy Program Coverage:

• Food and Climate Policy Fellow Helen Harwatt quoted:

  *One Green Planet*
  Jan 23
  Moo-ving Away from Meat: The Netherlands’ Quest to Limit Livestock

  *The New Statesman*
  Jan 18
  New Year promises won’t resolve our meat problem
Just under a third of Brits say they are going reducetarian this year, but we need more to meet climate goals.


*The Guardian*
Jan 16

Have we reached ‘peak meat’? Why one country is trying to limit its number of livestock


• Research Fellow Ann Linder quoted:

Vox
Jan 16

**The biggest animal welfare crisis you’ve never heard of**
Farm animals starve and drown while shipped overseas for slaughter. Europe is considering a ban on trade.


**PUBLICATIONS**

• Open-source access to former ALPP Visiting Scholar Dr. Saskia Stucki’s new book *One Rights: Human and Animal Rights in the Anthropocene*


• Harvard Gazette coverage of the ethical and legal case for animals laid out in a new book *Justice for Animals – Our Collective Responsibility* by Martha Nussbaum M.A. ’71, Ph.D. ’75,

*The Harvard Gazette*
January 24

They can think, feel pain, love. Isn’t it time animals had rights?


**CALL TO ACTION**

Harvard students and alumni are deeply concerned and disturbed by the recent revelation of experiments on monkeys and their babies being conducted at Harvard Medical School in the lab of Dr. Margaret Livingstone. They have written an open letter to the administration that current students, alumni, and their parents, as well as faculty, staff, and other Harvard affiliates, such as Fellows, can sign via the following website: [https://www.not-in-our-name.com/](https://www.not-in-our-name.com/)

The Animal Law & Policy Clinic has also taken action on these issues and will have more news to share soon.