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### **Back to Nature**

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Carlsbad Caverns National Park in southern New Mexico spans nearly 50,000 acres and contains a system of hundreds of caves, many of which haven't been fully explored. Its unique subsurface geology got it first protected as a National Monument in 1923, then as a National Park in 1930.

**Now, this September the U.S. Bureau of Land Management wants to auction away 71,000 acres of public lands for fracking, including lands right next to Carlsbad Caverns.**

Join us as we speak out in

defense of Carlsbad Caverns, our public lands, and a safe climate.

Southeast New Mexico is already under siege by fracking. The results are devastating. **For the last year, there have been an average of more than three spills, releases, fires, and other disasters daily.** For the area's fragile subsurface geology, more fracking could be a death knell.

And for our climate, the plan only portends more dangerous fossil fuel pollution.

Take action for all our public lands and for a clean energy future. Our iconic lands, including Carlsbad Caverns, depend on it.      SEND A LETTER

**Jeremy Nichols, Climate and Energy Program Director    Email Jeremy**

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-Canada is not at war, yet a UN investigator says [violence against women in Canada is a "serious, pervasive and systemic problem."](#) In dealing with sexual assault complaints, the justice system is woefully behind the times, and far too often male judges are quick to blame the victim. [At particular risk are indigenous \(a boriginal\) women](#) , who are three times more likely to be physically or sexually assaulted and four times more likely to go missing or be murdered than non-indigenous women. (The Guardian)

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[The Water War That Will Decide the Fate of 1 in 8 Americans](#)      *Eric Holthaus, Grist*

Holthaus writes: "Lake Mead is the country's biggest reservoir of water. Think of it as the savings account for the entire Southwest. Right now, that savings account is nearly overdrawn."

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When you know who you are; when your mission is clear and you burn with the inner fire of unbreakable will; no cold can touch your heart; no deluge can dampen your purpose. You know that you are alive.



- [Chief Seattle, Duwamish \(1780-1866\)](#)

**After 48 years, Clyde Bellecourt steps down from board of Legal Rights Center**

Bellecourt helped create the center, which preceded the public defender's office.

<http://strib.mn/2FCowQB>

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*Just to let you know.....*



For those who missed it, here is my article on Carbon Free Energy and Yucca Mountain published by the Nevada Veterans Reporter News.

<https://www.veteransreporternews.com/dont-bury-spent-nuclear-fuel-in-yucca-mountain-recycle-it-and-use-it-in-advanced-reactors-for-a-thousand-years-of-u-s-clean-power/>

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**Don't Bury Spent Nuclear Fuel in Yucca Mountain.**

**Recycle It. And Use It in Advanced Reactors for A Thousand Years of U.S. Clean Power**

By **Veterans Reporter News**

**March 31, 2018**

The underground Exploratory Studies Facility at Yucca Mountain in Nevada built by the Department of Energy to determine whether the location was suitable as a deep geological nuclear waste repository. Courtesy of the Department of Energy.

**By: Colonel Robert E. Frank, USAF (Ret.)**

**Chairman and Co-Founder, Nevadans CAN (Citizen Action Network)**

Thirty years ago, there were no iPhones, no WIFI, few solar or wind farms and no six-figure electric cars that won drag races and could go over 140 mph. The growth of technology and the positive changes that have come about for humankind cannot be overstated. Advanced, “Small Modular Reactor (SMR)” technologies and options for safely handling and efficient recycling of spent nuclear fuel have dramatically changed as well.

The advanced reactors no longer require huge volumes of circulating external water to cool them. They can be independently installed anywhere in remote or populated areas where power is needed. They can produce uninterrupted power for 24/7/365 at varying levels for up to 30 years without needing more recycled fuel.

SMRs are made on production lines, use sealed cooling systems (liquid lead, etc.) that are “walk-away-safe”, emit no CO2 or other harmful pollutants, and can be designed to be installed underground in tamper-resistant clusters to suit current and future needs. Micro-SMRs could be designed to be transported by surface or air in support of military operations and civilian emergency needs (such as when power is lost due to hurricanes and earthquakes).

Nevada has been an international pioneer in nuclear technology and it is a tragedy that such expertise is not being used to create future economic growth for the state. Nevada needs to negotiate a win-win-win solution with The Congress and The Administration that implements a National Carbon-Free Energy Center near Yucca Mountain that starts with a Joint National Nuclear Recycling Center to quickly upgrade the long-term repository plan.

Such a joint, national nuclear fuel recycling plant could be built at a small fraction of the cost to build and operate a million-year storage facility. And, the health and safety issues related to extremely long-term storage in Yucca Mountain would be avoided. The recycled fuel would be owned by the joint enterprise. It could be sold to both current and advanced nuclear reactor operators.

This forward-looking, common sense plan could put the state on a path to become a national leader in engineering and development of multiple types of Carbon-Free Energy that includes new fuels for the emerging new reactor technologies. For more information, see

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*This document (from Jan 30, 2012 Journal @ [www.shaynedel.com](http://www.shaynedel.com)) provides an interesting retrospect about where things were going.....and what a difference six years can make.....*

## **FACT SHEET: President Obama’s Blueprint for Keeping College Affordable and Within Reach for All Americans**

*“Of course, it’s not enough for us to increase student aid... States also need to do their part, by making higher education a higher priority in their budgets. And colleges and universities have to do their part by working to keep costs down.”*

*President Barack Obama*

State of the Union, January 24, 2012

## **FOCUS: Saving Net Neutrality, One House at a Time**

*Mark Howell, The Washington Post*

Howell writes: "If the Facebook privacy debacle has shown one thing, it's that technology companies have become immensely powerful and seemingly accountable to no one. Recent federal rollbacks of net neutrality and online privacy protections have put Americans in an even weaker position when dealing with Internet service providers." [READ MORE](#)

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## **Atlantic Richfield says tribal court isn't an appropriate venue for the case and wants it dismissed**



## **Nevada Indian tribe wants BP subsidiary to defend pollution allegations in tribal court**

Lawyer for multinational oil company says tribal court trial would be 'seismic change in federal Indian law' [rgj.com](http://rgj.com)

[Dee Numa](#) Central to the tribe's claims is the Wabuska drain, an agricultural ditch that crosses 1.7 miles of reservation property on its way from the mine site to the Walker River.

"The Wabuska drain runs from the site and has carried and continues to carry toxic wastewater ... right through the reservation," Tighe said.

In 2013, BP and Atlantic Richfield reached a \$19.5 million settlement with non-Indian neighbors of the polluted site, a settlement that included medical monitoring.

"Non-Indians were paid for the very same conduct that I'm alleging, they just don't want to pay for the claims of the tribe," Tighe said.

When BP acquired Atlantic Richfield in 1999, it also acquired liability for what Anaconda left behind, some 100 tons of uranium and other contaminants in the soil and water.

"They own the legal responsibility for running that contaminated water through that drain," Tighe said. "They have been running toxic sludge through that thing forever, on our property."

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## **BLM to Host Free Mining Claim Workshop June 28**      **by Steven Field**

RENO, Nev. -- The Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Nevada, will be holding a free workshop to provide guidance and tips on public mining claims, June 28 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the third floor of the Nugget Casino Resort, 1100 Nugget Ave., Sparks, NV. There is no cost to attend the workshop. The workshop [...]

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## **The extraordinary life and death of the world's oldest known spider** (Washington Post)





*Arrived after Monday Journal sent out.....but can be “looked up”*

With unfettered access, [\*No Man's Land\*](#) gives a detailed, on-the-ground account of the 2016 standoff between protesters occupying **Oregon's Malheur National Wildlife Refuge** and federal authorities during a **41-day siege**. The film documents the occupation from inception to demise, uncovering what draws Americans — the ideologues, the disenfranchised, and the dangerously quixotic — to the edge of revolution. Premieres **tonight** on PBS at **10 pm** ([check local listings](#)).

Trailer for *No Man's Land*, which premieres tonight, Monday, May 7 on PBS.

**"Harrowing and illuminating...intensely visceral... a vivid depiction of events that have become emblematic of the current political divide."** - [Frank Scheck, Hollywood Reporter](#)

#### [Takeovers and Occupations](#)

Alongside *No Man's Land*, we take a look at some of the more memorable [American mini-rebellions and political stands](#), from the "Bonus Army" to Native Americans on Alcatraz, to the Malheur occupation, "Sovereign Citizens," and more.

#### [Documentarian Ventures into "No Man's Land"](#)

[David Byars talked to us](#) about the unusually intense production, plus how he got the amount of unprecedented access during the Malheur siege, and provides some updates on the main players in this real-life, deadly drama.

## **From Australia to El Salvador to Vietnam, the Environment Is Finally Getting Its Day in Court**

*Anna-Catherine Brigida, Ensia*

Brigida writes: "Using legal tools to report an alleged violation of the law might not seem groundbreaking. But in El Salvador, justice in environmental disputes has long swung in favor of rich developers with political connections rather than activists and citizens." [READ MORE](#)



**dragon headed  
caterpillar**

"One child, one teacher, one pen and one book can change the world."

— Malala Yousafzai

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