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## RNC Issues Resolution to give States their land

In light of the situation in Nevada with the BLM [Bureau of Land Management federal agency] and the Cliven Bundy, owner of the last remaining ranch in the Bunkerville area of southern Nevada, Bundy has asserted that the State of Nevada should have authority over the public lands, not the federal government.

In a Resolution passed by the Republican National Committee (RNC) in January 2014, the GOP agrees. The "Resolution in Support of Western States Taking Back Public Lands" - states that the federal government promised all newly created states – in their statehood enabling

contracts – that it would transfer title to the public lands.

The federal government honored this promise with Hawaii and all states east of Colorado, and today controls on average less than 5% of the lands in those states. The federal government has failed to honor this same promise with the western states (see map below) and today still controls more than 50% of all lands in those states (including Washington state).

Many reasons are given (read the Resolution), resulting in the RNC

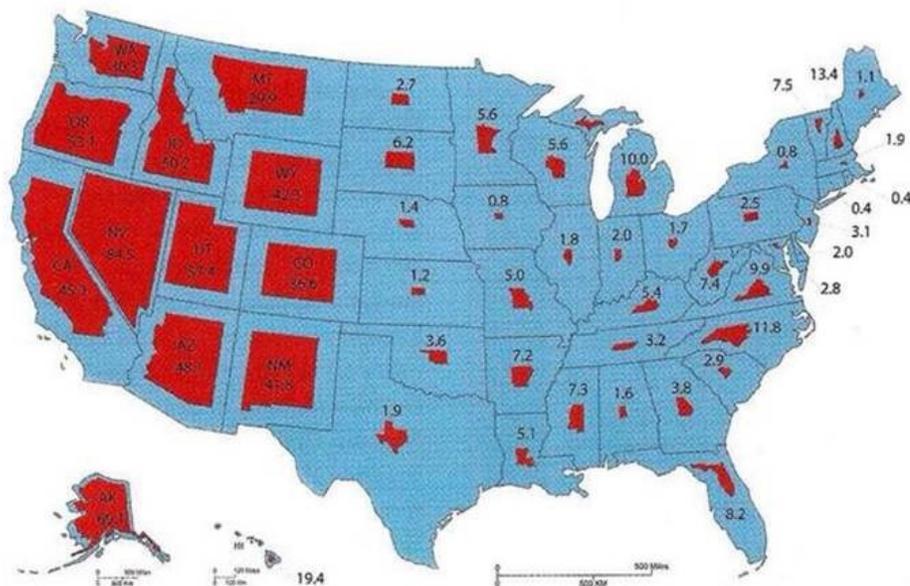
calling upon the federal government to honor to all willing western states the same statehood promise to transfer title to the public lands that it honored... and the RNC calls upon all national and state leaders and representatives to exert their utmost power and influence to urge the imminent transfer of public lands to all willing western states for the benefit of these states and for the nation as a whole.

According to the American Lands Council ([americanlandscouncil.org](http://americanlandscouncil.org)), an organization dedicated to defending local control of land access, the transfer of public lands is the only solution big enough to:

- Adequately Fund **Education**
- Better Care for the **Environment**
- Grow the **Economy**: both Locally and Nationally
- Gain Some Sense of **Energy**

## WHO OWNS THE WEST?

Federal Land as a Percentage of Total State Land Area



Data source: U.S. General Services Administration, *Federal Real Property Profile 2004*, excludes trust properties.

To see the Resolution from RNC, click on [clallamrepublicans.org](http://clallamrepublicans.org)—see right sidebar.

## CALENDAR

**May 16, 2014**—Candidate Filing Closes

**May 17, 2014**—RWCC meeting, HQ (see page 4)

**May 19, 2014** – Central Committee Meeting—7 p.m.— HQ

**May 20, 2014**—Issues Meeting, Mariner Café, Sequim.

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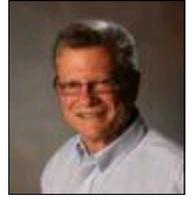
## Michelle Malkin to speak in Port Angeles

Mark your calendars and plan to attend the FREE presentation by nationally syndicated columnist, author and TV commentator Michelle Malkin, presented by My Choices Pregnancy Medical Resource Center.

The event will be held on May 8 at 7 p.m., at the Port Angeles Performing Arts Center.

General admission is free for this fund-raising event. There will be a selection number of seats for purchase, to include a backstage pass, signed book and photo with Michelle. Call 360-452-3300 for more information.

## VIEW FROM THE CHAIR ...



Well, the results are in and the Sequim School bond issue has been resoundingly defeated. So what the heck happened? Are Sequim citizens suddenly

anti-school? No longer "kid-friendly"? Unable to see the value of educating our youth?

Or is it something a little deeper? Maybe they finally understand that simply throwing money at a problem does not automatically solve it. Perhaps they recognize, at long last, that our poorly performing education system is not a matter of failing *infrastructure* but, rather, the way it is *structured*. And that maybe a systemic change is in order.

Last December the results of the annual Program for International Student Assessment (PISA) were announced and the US did not even crack the top 20. In math, we are 31 in the world... right behind Hungary (down from 25 in 2009). Marginally better in reading, we rank number 21 (down from 11 in 2009), neck and neck with Estonia. In science, we drop to 24, right behind Norway (down from 20 in 2009). And, of course, we are well behind Shanghai-China, Singapore, Hong Kong-China who habitually rank in the top 3.

Relative to the rest of the world, we are going backwards despite the amount of money that we, as a country, pump in to the education system. It would appear that, since 1970, we have doubled the amount of per pupil expenditure but our reading scores, for example, remain virtually unchanged. And this is while other countries continue to improve.

Perhaps our problem is not the students nor the parents nor even the teachers. Perhaps the problem is our bureaucratic administrators. After all, collectively, they have presided over a system that has steadily lost ground, internationally speaking, since the 60's. They have, in fact, participated in the deterioration of our educational organization. Like the frog in slowly heating water, they seem unable to even contemplate a different approach unless/until it is forced on them. Like, maybe, a failed bond issue...

Yet there are other approaches... An educational superintendent for the Netherlands gave an excellent presentation to several groups relative to *their* method which, simply stated, "ties" money to the student who then chooses the school that meets his/her needs. The schools actually compete for the student

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## Encouraging Words from a State Representative...

By Matt Shea, State Representative,  
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Out of 65 Bills:

42 Hearings  
32 Voted Out of House/Senate  
25 National News Stories  
12 Signed Into Law without Veto  
2 Resolutions Passed  
2 Rule Changes  
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Stopped Gas Increase 7 Times  
Delayed Implementation of Part of Common Core  
While the Drone Bill was vetoed the Governor did institute a moratorium on their use in Washington.

Together we are winning and changing the Face of Olympia by going on the offense for Freedom and Liberty.

EFFECTIVE, PRINCIPLED, PROVEN, CONSERVATIVE LEADERSHIP WINS.

## Americans Lament Gov't Bills on Tax 'Freedom' Day

So far this year, every cent Americans have earned has gone to pay for the costs of government and social programs.

As Americans mark April 21, Tax Freedom Day, many say it's a crime that citizens spend so much of their year working to pay Washington's bills.

"This year it's going to take Americans 111 days to pay their total tax bill for the year," Kyle Pomerleau, an economist with the Tax Foundation, said.

For the first four months of 2014, American labor has strictly gone to pay taxes until April 21. Contrast that to the American workers of 1900, who only had to work till Jan. 22 to pay off their taxes.

"We'll be paying \$3 trillion to the federal government through individual income taxes, payroll taxes, and corporate income taxes, (and) an additional \$1.5 trillion to state and local governments through sales taxes, excise taxes, and income taxes to our states," Pomerleau explained.

This year, just over 30 percent of Americans' income goes to paying the costs of government and social programs. But in 1900, Americans saw less than 6 percent of their income eaten up by taxes.

Most citizens now actually pay more for government than they do for their food, their homes, and their clothes.

"This year we'll be paying a total tax bill of \$4.5 trillion. This is more than we pay as a nation on food, clothing, and housing combined," Pomerleau said.

A new poll shows most Americans, 52 percent, feel taxes are too high.

However, 42 percent feel they're just about right, and 3 percent of Americans actually feel their taxes are too low.

Meanwhile, if you feel your overall taxes went up, you're not imagining it. The fiscal cliff deal Washington politicians worked out at the start of 2013 has

raised the taxes of more than three-fourths of Americans.

In addition, the first two of several Obamacare tax hikes has taken effect, meaning Americans won't be getting any tax relief in the near future. (from CBN News-Finance)

## Message from GOP State Chair

Democrat Senator Rodney Tom, who crossed over to caucus with the Republicans in 2013, forming and leading the Majority Coalition has just announced he will not run for reelection to the 48<sup>th</sup> District. The Senate Majority Leader said recent health and family needs will keep him from the campaign. Senator Tom has served alongside our Senate Republicans to valiantly hold back the spending and tax increases of the Democrats and Governor Inslee. We are grateful for his service to the people of Washington State.

The now open Senate seat in the 48<sup>th</sup> is an opportunity for Republicans to win a district whose voters care about education, reject too much government spending and want jobs—a recent survey shows. More than ever, Republicans across the state will unite in the months ahead to ensure our Senate stays in Republican control. What we accomplished with Jan Angel's victory will continue to grow. The Democrats are cheering now but we can make sure they won't be cheering in November.

Susan Hutchison  
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**From the Chair—cont. from pg. 2**

and the money the student brings with them. The Netherlands, incidentally, rank in the top 15 of all categories. Maybe not as good as China but still very respectable. “Charter” schools seem to be very similar to this incredibly successful Netherland model but, whenever mentioned to our assorted administrators and bureaucrats – and, more importantly, their self-serving and complicit unions – they immediately dismiss it as unworkable, clinging stubbornly to a system that seems to work very well for all concerned. Except the students, that is... and the country as a whole... Any suggested changes are met with a chorus of sniveling and bleating that accuses us of trying to end education in America as we know it.

And maybe that’s a good thing...

**From the Founders**

“The moment the idea is admitted into society that property is not as sacred as the laws of God, and that there is not a force of law and public justice to protect it, anarchy and tyranny commence. Property must be secured or liberty cannot exist.” - *Founder John Adams & 2nd President of the United States.*

**FAIR VOLUNTEERS WANTED:**

The Clallam County Fair is only 4 months away, August 14<sup>th</sup> thru the 17<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for people to help develop this years’ theme plus erect, decorate, staff and take-down the Republican Booth. Theme development and decoration brainstorming begins **NOW**. Installing the booth only takes a few hours during the day on the 12<sup>th</sup> or 13<sup>th</sup> and three to four volunteers will make things go quicker. We can take the booth down during the day on the 18<sup>th</sup> or 19<sup>th</sup>.

We staff the booth in three shifts each of the four days and want a minimum of two people per shift. Shift hours are 10AM to 2PM, 2PM to 6PM and 6PM to 9PM. The Sunday evening shift ends at 7PM. The party provides fair tickets to volunteers. The tickets are good for the whole day, so you can come early or stay late to enjoy the fair along with your shift.

This is an election year so it is important put our best effort forward. When we win, your victory dance will be much sweeter for having participated. To volunteer or for more information call or email Pete Heisel: (360) 683-1229, [heisel@olypen.com](mailto:heisel@olypen.com)



**Republican Women to feature Port O’Call publisher**

The next RWCC [Republican Women of Clallam County] meeting will be held Saturday, May 17 at 10 am at Republican Headquarters in Port Angeles.

The guest speaker will be Dale Wilson, publisher of Port O’Call. Family members and guests are invited to the meeting. The day and time of meetings have been changed in order to encourage working women to attend, as well as those who prefer daytime meetings.

Goals for the club this year include: increasing membership, partnering with and participating in events with the Republican Women’s clubs of Jefferson and Kitsap Counties; helping Republican candidates get elected and holding social events. Additionally, increasing the club’s funds will allow the club to sponsor more community outreach programs/scholarships and/or veteran’s causes.

Anne Stiles, President, welcomes all ideas and suggestions. Feel free to contact her at 360-683-7080 or [anestiles@aol.com](mailto:anestiles@aol.com).

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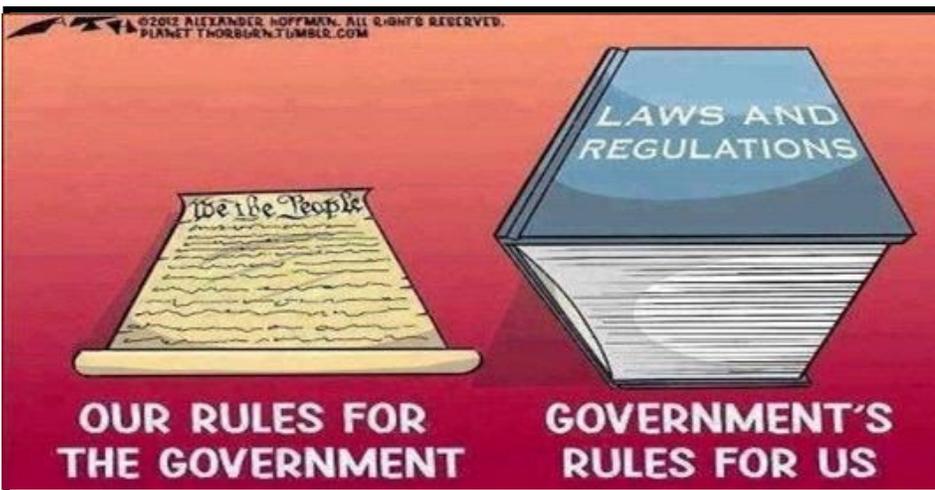
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## China quietly buys up oil and gas resources in the U.S.

According to an article in World Net Daily, The first major intrusion of China in the U.S. oil and natural gas market can be traced to the Obama administration decision in October 2009 to allow state-owned Chinese energy giant China Offshore Oil Corporation, or CNOOC, to purchase a multi-million-dollar stake in 600,000 acres of South Texas oil and gas fields.

By allowing China to have equity interests in U.S. oil and natural gas production, the Obama administration reversed a policy of the Bush administration that in 2005 blocked China on grounds of national security concerns from an \$18.4-billion deal in which China planned to purchase California-based Unocal Corp.

China's two, giant, state-owned oil companies acquiring oil and natural gas interests in the USA are CNOOC, 100 percent owned by the government of the People's Republic

of China, and Sinopec Group, the largest shareholder of Sinopac Corporation, an investment company owned by the government of the People's Republic of China, incorporated in China in 1998, largely to acquire and operate oil and natural gas interests worldwide.

On March 6, 2012, the Wall Street Journal compiled a state-by-state list of the \$17 billion in oil and natural gas equity interests CNOOC and Sinopec have acquired in the United States since 2010.

- Colorado: CNOOC gained a one-third stake in 800,000 acres in north-east Colorado and southwest Wyoming in a \$1.27-billion pact with Chesapeake Energy Corporation.
  - Louisiana: Sinopec has a one-third interest in 265,000 acres in the Tuscaloosa Marine Shale after a broader \$2.5-billion deal with Devon Energy.
  - Michigan: Sinopec gained a one-third interest in 350,000 acres in a larger \$2.5-billion deal with Devon Energy.
  - Ohio: Sinopec acquired a one-third interest in Devon Energy's 235,000 Utica Shale acres in a larger \$2.5-billion deal.
  - Oklahoma: Sinopec has a one-third interest in 215,000 acres in a broader \$2.5-billion deal with Devon Energy.
  - Texas: CNOOC acquired a one-third interest in Chesapeake Energy's 600,000 acres in the Eagle Ford Shale in a \$2.16-billion deal.
- Wyoming: CNOOC has a one-third stake in northeast Colorado and southeast Wyoming after a \$1.27-billion pact with Chesapeake Energy.

Sinopec gained a one-third interest in Devon Energy's 320,000 acres as part of a larger \$2.5-billion deal.

On March 6, 2012, in a separate story, the Wall Street Journal described that China's strategy implemented since 2010 by Fu Chengyu, who has served as chairman of both CNOOC and Sinopec, involved the following components: "Seek minority states, play a passive role, and, in a nod to U.S. regulators, keep Chinese personnel at arm's length from advanced U.S. technology."

Excerpt from story at World Net Daily, 4/13/2014. Read more at <http://www.wnd.com/2014/04/harry-reids-last-roundup/#jCVso0jrSVAoFvms.99>

As a side note, in the same story, U.S. Senator Harry Reid (D-NV) (the same guy who holds up all bills from being heard on the Senate floor that come from Republicans), and his politician son Rory are up to their eyeballs in making sure the Chinese have access to the Nevada land which includes the Bundy Ranch.

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# Big Government's Business – Crushing Tomorrow's Dreams

By Glen Morgan  
Freedom Foundation

In every state and city it seems government (with help and incentive from Washington, D.C.) has grown into its own business. This is the business of crushing our dreams, rather than protecting our rights.

While big government is the primary tool for dream crushing, there are some who stand on the sidelines cheering the destruction. These cheerleaders include public-sector unions and those who claim to be "environmentalists."

A [recent Washington state story](#) from [San Juan County](#) and featured on the blog site "[Trojan Herron](#)" helps illustrate just one of many examples of how government destroys dreams, or at least attempts to stifle whatever dreams the citizens dare to have.

Government officials will claim to support tourism, but at the same time do everything they can to harm and restrict the very community-based businesses they pretend to support. This is far from an isolated story in San Juan County. [Shutting down farm stands](#), [harassing blueberry farmers](#), [putting poor rural residents in jail](#), and even [hassling Christmas carolers](#) is standard operating procedure for the local government.

Would you like to stay up to speed on "alerts" about upcoming meetings and issues that may require action? Contact Sue to be placed on the "Alert" list—[sueforde@clallamrepublicans.org](mailto:sueforde@clallamrepublicans.org).

San Juan County is not alone in the dream crushing business.

There are two primary vehicles by which the business of government is able to profit from crushing our dreams, stifling human ingenuity, and making the world a more difficult and oppressive place to live. These are taxes and regulation.

The Freedom Foundation has always been concerned with the ever expanding tax and regulatory burden imposed on the average citizen. It seems there is no end to the list of human activity that can trigger a tax. This extends far beyond the mundane income, property and sales taxes. This includes your fuel, your phone, [the rain](#), and even the [opportunity to dance](#).

Taxes keep the public sector unions flush with cash when union bosses force "members" to fork over a cut of their salary. If the union "member" refuses to give their cut, their job is forfeit. That's just how the Big Government game works, and the dream crushing grinds away.

Beyond the tax burden on the average citizen, the regulatory burden is rapidly becoming worse. Regulations also provide the justification for more bureaucracy to support the ever expanding, bewildering array of rules, ordinances, restrictions, and laws which help the public sector unions justify hiring more and more of their own to enforce and grow the Big Government state.

Regulations, along with the fees (or taxes) used to fund their enforcement, are the excuse to [stifle the human spirit](#), crush tomorrow's dreams today, and ensure that tomorrow's world will be a bleaker and less interesting world than today.

At the federal level we hear about this all the time, and some agencies garner national attention. It could be the [Environmental Protection Agency](#) (EPA) passing new, draconian laws and crucifying targeted businesses and citizens to make a point (or in the words of [one EPA official - to "crucify" them](#)). Or perhaps it's the [U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service](#) (USFWS) [outlawing jogging](#), [invading guitar plants with guns drawn](#), or fining children for [daring to rescue injured wildlife](#).

It could be as significant as the IRS targeting political groups, or it could be

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as obscure as the [Parks Service](#) fining people for [picking up a deer antler](#). Big Government frequently justifies its actions by “fairness,” but there’s nothing fair about stifling a generation to feed the Big Government machine.

However, it is at the state and local level where most people’s dreams are destroyed and their lives turned upside down. Let’s look at [Washington State](#).

Washington’s own [Department of Ecology \(DOE\)](#) has been working hard for many years to attack private property owners using a variety of excuses to inflict suffering on local communities. Using the excuse of the [Growth Management Act](#) (GMA), the DOE abuses its oversight role to force setbacks, “buffers,” and other restrictions, which not only weakens local control over a community’s destiny, but also helps destroy a community’s ability to flourish and grow.

Trying to exclude the use of private wells, or meter private wells, or simply to restrict the access to water appears to be another expanding DOE priority.

This is far more than just preventing people from owning a home, farming the land, or destroying their dream of owning a piece of property. The regulatory state is about imposing conformity and stifling ingenuity and human expression at every turn.

**Neither the Dalby Waterwheel or the Mary Hill Stonehenge Memorial would be allowed by today’s Big Government Bureaucrats**

I [wrote an article](#) about how the well-known tourist icon, the Dalby Water-

wheel, would never have been built in today’s regulatory environment. In [Klickitat County](#), the equally iconic World War I memorial, [“Maryhill Stonehenge,”](#) would never have erected by Sam Hill if he had to contend with today’s bureaucracy and “environmental” harassment.

Even today, some people are eventually able to overcome the barriers and harassment as the [Lopez Islander Resort](#) did, but at great cost and time loss. The process is the punishment, and Big Government knows that if they inflict enough brutal process pain on the citizens, it will just be easier for most people to not aspire or attempt anything more than basic survival.

Even the few who successfully survive the experience serve as warnings to the more timid to not even make a similar attempt.

The politically connected super wealthy can make it for a time and hire the attorneys, politicians, and consultants to push their projects forward. Even this will become less common in the future as Big Government at all levels continues to expand, increase the costs, raise the barriers, impose more rules and demand conformity.

Despite all the happy talk about “sustainability,” there is nothing sustainable about this situation. Big Government can’t continue to grow forever.

Crushing the dreams of tomorrow eventually ensures a very limited and stifled society, [despite the utopian claims](#) by the fans of Big Government. Eventually, other people’s money does run out, and the tax support for

the bureaucracy collapses.

Big Government will be forced to go on a diet. The only question is how big a diet. The inevitability of this result should spur us to change the direction now. The longer we delay, the more epic the contraction.

We should change directions not just because Big Government is the problem, but because we want to see our fellow citizens at least be allowed to attempt their big dreams – succeed or fail.

Check out the Freedom Foundation’s website and consider supporting their efforts.

<http://myfreedomfoundation.com>

Are you sick and tired of having your government taxes and fees increasing again and again—and more and more regulation which limits your freedoms? Are you frustrated because you feel it’s overwhelming?

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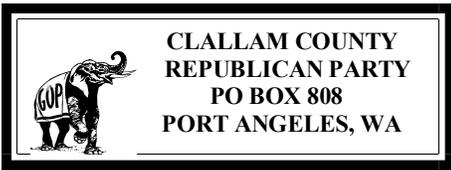
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