

# VOOPER SCOOOPER

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*We don't practice our faith and religion because we're saints; if we were saints we wouldn't need the practice.* J. C. Powers

## REPLACE CONGRESS—COMPLETELY!

Oil is over \$100 per barrel; gas is going to be constantly over \$3.00 per gallon. The dollar has been deflated so badly that gold is nearly \$1,000 US per ounce. The Canadian dollar is equal to the US dollar (value increased in the Great Nation of Canada after the Conservative Party took over the government). Japanese Yen is steadily around 100Y per US dollar; it used to be hovering around 300Y per dollar.

Congress is seriously thinking about bailing out the banking and lending institutions from their bad lending practices. Keating Five? But the McCain fiasco doesn't compare to the Obama promotion of the the United States to sponsor the paying for the de-poverty of the world with your money. Clintons are of course a breed all their own. But, at least one, if not two, of these top presidential contenders will be in the White House on January 20, 2009.

That sad statement means that the citizens must stack the odds in their favor by flanking the White House with a competent, intelligent and patriotic Congress. Even if it means replacing Ron Paul and a few other highly conscientious representatives, everyone in Congress that is up for reelection must be replaced. But there is a very important consideration all patriotic voters must consider before sending out campaign contributions and ultimately voting for all of the candidates of their choice.

The consideration requires citizens to clearly identify candidates that have the ability and the sincerity to protect the citizens and the United States Constitution from the destruction of the citizens' rights and the states' sovereignty. These are not times for weak souls; getting along should not be a prerequisite, but rather a major disqualifier for candidates.

Along with considerations are the records of the perspective candidates. If they have one, maybe voters need to look elsewhere—finding a person with little or no experience in local, state or national politics. Fresh minds; fresh ideas. Not a bad concept in itself, but voters really need to know what those fresh ideas are—voters need to know what the presidential candidates mean by their idea and advocacies of change!

Voters should look at the \*\*FINA-FAFI web site below. Weigh the consequences of what will happen when those ideas are promoted, or worse yet, ignored. Where politicians should be on the stage of positive change and vision, they have yet to discover that the American citizens are not in need of more regulations and controls, but are in need of liberty. Politicians are not leaders; they're our facilitators.

[http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Keating\\_Five](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Keating_Five)—<http://www.govtrack.us/congress/bill.xpd?bill=s110-2433>

Political Scandals in the United States: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Political\\_scandals\\_of\\_the\\_United\\_States](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Political_scandals_of_the_United_States)

\*\*<http://www.fina-nafi.org/eng/integ/corridors.asp>

## NORTHERN EXPOSURE!!!

The Outspoken Sportsman, Bill Moore, who is heard every Saturday morning from 8 to noon on WCHT-AM, Escanaba has been active in exposing several policy improprieties. He can be heard on-line <http://rrnsports.com/> by scrolling down to Live and Local—Listen Live.

While listening to various callers and Rory Mattson, there is an eerie sense of impending doom. The huge influx of cash into the coffers of The Nature Conservancy and the wealthy hide-out at the Pellston Airport by Bart Stupak is only the tip of the conspiracy. Stupak is also looking to have the federal government regulate water—ALL WATER! But it doesn't stop there; 38th District State Senator Mike Prusi also wants more oversight by the State of Michigan and is pushing for a service-based industry.

The politicians in the State of Michigan are also pushing for the Michigan Department of Natural Resources' regulations to eliminate any entry onto citizen-owned lands without applying for the permission of the Michigan DNR. The Pigeon River State Forest near Gaylord is the test area for such restrictive uses. Horseback riders that annually stay at the campgrounds are being forced to reduce their footprint because they and their horses are moving the elk herds.

The current Democrat representatives are also looking into full prohibition of any access to lake shores that are under the Michigan DNR control. No dogs, no motors, no people—completely under the auspices of the carefully written policies of The National Wildlife Federation and The Nature Conservancy. The UN Agenda 21.

If the citizens of the Upper Peninsula, Northern Lower Michigan and even Northern Wisconsin think that they are important, think again. We see constant coverage of the local Wildlife Federation's representative on the local news opposing mining. While those groups completely ignore the damage done by Cleveland-Cliffs mining in Michigan, they stare-down the prosperity of the northern areas for one simplistic reason; they want the entire area to be pre-Columbian. In other words, they want the whole region to be like it was before Columbus; roadless with extensive pristine forests and without the burden of non-native settlers. The entire area is destined to be an international wilderness park—but we are only repeating ourselves.

# "There Will Be No Property Rights If .....

By Ron Ewart,

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As we keep saying, "**the inmates are in charge of the asylum**" and we have the proof. A "House" who does not have its financial affairs in order, is doomed to collapse and for our "house", the United States of America, collapse is where we, as a nation, are headed. We know what you are saying, "*it can't happen in America because there are too many controls to stop it from happening*". If you are thinking that, you are indeed naive. When Bear Stearns collapsed a couple of weekends ago, America came very close to the domino effect and if the federal reserve hadn't stepped in immediately, with a massive infusion of cash, it has been alleged by several scholars that such a domino effect could have been triggered.

But what if from scientific, verifiable observational data of the Sun, it had been predicted that by the year 2040, a sunspot of several orders of magnitude larger than any that have occurred in recorded human history, was going to occur on March 15th of that year and that 8 minutes later the radiation from that sunspot would overwhelm the Earth's magnetic field such that we would be bathed in apocalyptic radiation and all species on Earth would be rendered extinct? That would get your attention, wouldn't it? Unfortunately, there would be very little we could do about it and we would have to be resigned to our fate. (*There is some scientific theories that one or more mass extinctions, resulting from extra-terrestrial radiation, have occurred in our past, but it is not believed that our Sun was the culprit.*)

Now what if we told you that on that same date, without cutting government expenditures by 60%, or increasing tax revenues by double the current amount, starting right now, the United States of America would go broke? It couldn't pay its bills and its foreign loans would be called. Medicare couldn't pay doctors, pharmacists, or hospitals. Outbreaks of

disease could occur, but there would be no medical treatment available. Social security payments would cease. Layoffs could be catastrophic and 40% to 50% of the work force could be out of work. A world-wide depression would ensue. It could be so serious that civil unrest would break out all over the country (*if not the world*) and the Federal Government could very well suspend the constitution, declare martial law and send in American troops to major trouble spots. (*The government already has plans for this type of contingency.*) You could kiss the first 10 Amendments to our constitution goodbye. There would be no property rights, no gun rights, no free speech and the right to assemble and habeas corpus could be suspended. Homes could be searched at will by U. S. troops, for any reason. But far worse than that, a massive, unprecedented world war could be triggered, as countries use military force to obtain scarce food, energy and other vital resources.

But what if we told you that this event, unlike the predicted massive sunspot event, could be prevented? What if we told you that an arm of the Federal Government has already made this prediction and that they have already come up with suggestions on how to forestall a financial meltdown. In January of this year, David Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, released a report with charts and graphs of what will be, if we don't do something and do it fast. You can find that report at:

[www.gao.gov/cghome/d08395cg.pdf](http://www.gao.gov/cghome/d08395cg.pdf)

We know that reading financial statements and complicated budget reports can put even the most wide awake person to sleep. Numbers upon numbers seem to mean something only to accountants and those with dark green shades on their heads. Except that, this report from the Comptroller General is presented in an

easy-to-read, power-point presentation. It presents the issues and then offers the solutions and we encourage those of you who really care, to thoroughly read it.

What it says is, that the unfunded liability for Medicare, Medicaid and Social Security is just shy of \$53 Trillion dollars. That unfunded liability is equal to \$176,667 per man, woman and child, of the 300,000,000 people that are alive today in America. But the 545 people (President, U. S. House, Senate and Supreme Court) that control what goes on in this country, are too busy squabbling over social and environmental issues, political power and turf, to be bothered with fixing what could become a dooms-day scenario for America. We have presidential candidates that are promising more of the same, further exacerbating the condition. If we the people do not wake up and soon, we will only have ourselves to blame.

NARLO is a national property rights organization and we really care about what happens to America. But we, nor any other similar organization, cannot defend property rights, if the Federal Government will not keep its fiscal house in order. What does government do instead, they pass laws to limit CO2 emissions from industry and people, to forestall the fraud they call global warming. They take away our property rights with draconian environmental regulation. They have an energy policy that looks like it was designed by a 10-year old. They transfer our wealth (*property*) to the undeserving to buy votes. As we said, "**the inmates are in charge of the asylum**" and all of our rights are in jeopardy from their gross negligence.

**Website:** [www.narlo.org](http://www.narlo.org)

# **Granholm & Co. left with snake oil on their face**

**By C. J. Williams**

Last month in an article titled ‘Pork for Pellston or Sovereign Deed’, the Yooper Scooper brought you the sordid tale of Sovereign Deed, a private security company that wanted to set up a “pay to survive” shop at the Pellston Regional Airport. Millions of taxpayer dollars generally found through the largess of Rep. Bart Stupak’s pork barrel spending had been invested in additional land and infrastructure improvements to make the facility a state of the art airport far from the maddening crowd in a most northern Lower Michigan area about a mile from Pellston, population approximately 500.

Sovereign Deed’s founder, Barrett Moore, whose family owns property in the nearby Burt Lake/Petoskey area, claimed he’d ensure the safety of any and all who would pay a membership fee of \$50,000 to his newly formed company, modeled after another of his private security enterprises, Triple Canopy. For that up-front amount plus another annual payment of \$15,000, his employees, purportedly trained for survival readiness in the face of manmade or natural disasters, would ensure it’s wealthy customers safe harbor and ample to drink and eat, though Barrett never disclosed where that safe harbor would be.

Sovereign Deed now appears to have pulled out of the preliminary deal it made with Emmet County officials, who, along with Gov. Granholm and a majority of our Michigan legislators, were ready to welcome the scam artist and con man’s company to the State.

Most of the following information is taken from an article written by Eartha Jane Melzer and published in the March 12th online version of the Michigan Messenger under the title “Fear and failure haunted Sovereign Deed, say ex-employees”.

According to Ms. Melzer: “When Sovereign Deed LLC came to Emmet County last year advertising a plan to invest millions and create jobs with a privatized disaster-response service, state legislators and the Northern Lakes Economic Alliance put together a tax-financed package worth \$19 million”

As it turned out, Barrett Moore had lied about being an Army intelligence officer. Melzer learned that he actually had served time in an Australian prison for dubious used car deals before his conviction was overturned. Moore has also been sued for fraud three times and one lawsuit was initiated by some he worked with at Triple Canopy, another company he

founded that garnered government contracts to provide protection for military workers in Iraq. Some of the so-called protectors now stand accused of shooting at innocent citizens who were just minding their own business.

In her article, Ms. Melzer wrote that “seven former Sovereign Deed employees have told Michigan Messenger that the firm was dysfunctional when they worked there in 2006 and 2007. They said Moore’s company was already in desperate economic shape when it began pitching Michigan officials on its disaster response service last year. Moore’s only business strategy, they said, was to capitalize on the state’s permissive economic system and it’s desperation for jobs – and that it almost succeeded.”

“The state was making decisions based on public relations,” said Larry Marks, the former marketing director of Sovereign Deed who left a year ago because he says he wasn’t being paid.

Also according to Melzer, Marks said Michigan officials failed to ask basic investor questions and never asked for an audited financial report. “The state is investing in its own future and jobs, and nobody said, ‘Let’s see the job descriptions,’ he said. “They say, ‘Gee whiz, if we don’t give the money, we are going to lose them.’ Well, sometimes you don’t want the business!”

Melzer also wrote that “Moore exaggerated the firm’s financial standing from the start” according to information supplied by another senior executive whistle blower. Other former associates said that Moore called his strategy of inflating the firm’s capabilities “playing puffer fish”.

Puffer fish, it should be noted, have the ability to inflate their extremely elastic stomachs to appear bigger than they are, and they also produce an exceptionally lethal poison, tetrodotoxin, which is approximately 1,200 times deadlier than cyanide.

Ms. Meltzer went on to write that Bret Hamachek, Moore’s former banker and friend, said he was disturbed when he learned that Michigan taxpayers were going to be brought in to fund the project.

It’s this writer’s humble opinion that Hamachek was probably more disturbed when Mr. Melzer set about ferreting out the truth, which Gov. “give me 5 years and I’ll blow you away” Granholm and her band of facilitating

lawmakers failed to do before quickly formulating, passing, and signing into law legislation especially designed to give taxpayer money specifically to ole puffer fish player Barrett Moore for his dysfunctional, but entrepreneurial Sovereign Deed business.

The only thing Granholm seems capable of blowing away is the tattered corner of our threadbare pocket, the one that used to hold one coin to rub against another before she decided to build an entrepreneurial New Michigan on the taxpayers’ back. Has anyone even thought to question her business acumen garnered during her tenure as an aspiring, but failed, Hollywood actress and brief stint as Michigan’s Attorney General; groomed for that former position by Detroit’s Democrat political boss, Ed McNamara, who also mentored Detroit’s Mayor Kwame Kilpatrick? Kilpatrick, in case you haven’t heard, was recently caught messing with a “lady friend” employed through his office, and indicted on 12 counts, including 8 felonies.

In closing, Ms. Melzer wrote: “Marks, the company’s former marketing director, says the Sovereign Deed story illustrates a fundamental flaw in the state’s economic strategy.

“Does the lack of transparency in Michigan’s economic development system rise to the level of malfeasance?” Marks asked. “I think so.”

“Desperate states go to desperate measures,” Hamachek said. “More and more snake oil people are going to show up. This was just one of the first.”

Hats off to Eartha Jane Melzer and to the Michigan Messenger for taking on the puffer fish and snake oil salesmen of the world.

Thumbs down to Gov. Granholm, however, whose only response so far seems to have been made through her mouthpiece, Liz Boyd, who defensively said, “The governor will not apologize for trying to bring jobs to Michigan.” Ah, well, one might suppose it’s hard to apologize for poor judgment when wiping copious amounts of snake oil off one’s face.

<http://michiganmessenger.com/showDiary.do?diaryId=978>

<http://www.michiganmessenger.com/tag.do?tag=Sovereign+Deed>

<http://michiganmessenger.com/magFront.do>

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# U.N. says government must control land use

By Henry Lamb (06/24/07)

<http://americandaily.com/article/19348>

An official delegation from the U.S. Government actually signed a U.N. document that says:

"Private land ownership is a principal instrument of accumulation and concentration of wealth and therefore contributes to social injustice.... Public control of land use is therefore indispensable..."

The document was signed by then-Secretary of Housing and Urban Development, Carla A. Hills, as head of the U.S. delegation, and William K. Reilly, who became Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency. This 1976 Report of Habitat I: United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (subscription), contains 65-pages of specific recommendations about how governments can put an effective end to private land ownership and gain absolute control of land use.

Since then, virtually every land use policy adopted by Congress or the agencies of government has been designed to erode private property rights and grant to government the power to control all land uses. The Endangered Species Act has been hijacked and is now simply an excuse to prevent land development on private property. The Clean Water Act has been hijacked, and is now another excuse to prevent the use of private land anywhere near a mud-puddle. Comprehensive planning is another recommendation from the 1976 document that has recently come into its own, empowering government to prevent private land owners from using their own land.

Now, global warming is being used as an excuse to further expand government's power to control the use of land. A part of the energy bill now under consideration includes HR 2337, which may be cited as the 'Global Warming Wildlife Survival Act'.

What kind of arrogance does it take to think that Congress can write a law that will make any difference at all to any global warming that may take place, or to the survival of wildlife?

Global warming increased dramatically for several hundred years before the Medieval Climate Optimum - without the benefit of Congressional legislation (or SUVs). Somehow, wildlife survived. Then, global temperatures plunged dramatically for a few hundred years, driving the Vikings from Greenland, and causing a "Little Ice Age" throughout Europe until the mid-1600s. Legislation didn't have anything to do with this climate change, either. Somehow, wildlife survived.

Since the Little Ice Age, global temperatures have been rising rather steadily, until about 1940. Then a really strange thing happened. After the war, industry began to pump out carbon dioxide into the atmosphere like never before - and the global temperature began a downward spiral for about thirty years. Legislation didn't have anything to do with it. Somehow, wildlife survived.

Now, despite all this indisputable history, Congress thinks it can write legislation that will affect global warming (or cooling, as the case may be), and help wildlife survive.

The legislation now proposed will do neither. What it will do is give the various agencies of government still another excuse to control the use of land. Under the Endangered Species Act, government has to at least pretend that some bug or weed is endangered, before restricting the use of land. Under the Clean Water Act, the government has to at least pretend that the land may, at some point, have been a mud-puddle. Under the pending legislation, a gov-

ernment agency need only suggest that restricting land use will help wildlife survive the impact of global warming. Who can prove them wrong - or right?

This absurdity is being discussed in the context of America's energy policy. What should be discussed is how to produce more energy from the known domestic petroleum reserves; how to remove some of the obstacles that prevent building new refineries; how to speed up the licensing process for nuclear energy plants; how to improve the clean coal technology to take advantage of our massive coal reserves.

What needs to be discussed is how to get government out of the way, so a free market can manufacture automobiles that the people want, without forced subsidies for hybrids, and artificial, death-dealing mileage standards. The well-intentioned, but misguided efforts to force ever-increasing percentages of ethanol fuels is simply forcing an energy tax on the people who can least afford it. Every acre of corn that goes into fuel, rather than feed, increases the price of food for everyone - including the poor who don't even own a car.

Here's a message to Congress: Quit trying to play God with your global warming fantasies, and get busy eliminating the earmarks for your pet projects; close the borders to illegals; fully fund our military. And for the sake of every American, and future generations, publicly disavow the notion that "Private land ownership contributes to social injustice," and abandon the idea that "Public control of land use is indispensable!" Henry Lamb



## Planned Parenthood Abortion Business Makes \$1 Billion Income for First Time

by Steven Ertelt—LifeNews.com Editor—March 28, 2008—<http://www.lifenews.com/>

Washington, DC (LifeNews.com) ~ A new annual report from Planned Parenthood shows the nation's largest abortion business has made over \$1 billion in income for the first time in its history. The non-profit pro-abortion group shows the historical gain in its new annual report covering 2006-2007.

While Planned Parenthood made \$972 million in its 2005-2006 annual report, last fiscal year it brought in \$1.017 billion.

On its web site posting of the annual document, Planned Parenthood says it "highlights our advancements in providing and protecting trusted health care services and medically accurate sexual-ity education."

Instead, the report finds Planned Parenthood doing more abortions than ever before.

The report shows an increase in the number of provided abortions from 264,943 in 2005 to 289,650 in 2006.

Planned Parenthood reveals it has doubled "excess of revenue over expenses" funds from \$55.7 million in 2005 to \$112 million in 2006.

Of concern to pro-life groups, Planned Parenthood acknowledges the receipt of **over \$336 million in government grants and contracts from both state and federal governments**. However, the abortion business provides no breakdown showing how much Planned Parenthood received from the federal government or specific states.

The revelations from the annual report upset Tony Perkins, the head of the Family Research Council.

"A majority of Americans oppose taxpayer funding of abortion ~ however, still Planned Parenthood receives more than \$300 million in taxpayer funding each year for 'family planning' projects that help bolster their abortion trade," he told LifeNews.com.

He said Planned Parenthood was not a "wise investment" of public money because of its history.

"Would you invest in a company whose affiliates are complicit in sexual crimes against children?" he asked, pointing to numerous instances of its centers doing abortions on victims of statutory rape and sexual abuse.

"Would you take your hard-earned money and pile

it into a company whose fundraisers "get excited" when someone wishes to target African-American babies for extinction?" he asked.

The comment refers to a recent [investigative report](#) from students at UCLA who found Planned Parenthood officials excited about receiving donations from a racist donor.

Perkins said the ultimate slap in the face to the majority of Americans who are pro-life is the fact that Planned Parenthood still receives government funds despite the fact its political action committee will spend \$10 million in this year's election on pro-abortion candidates.

Related web sites:

Family Research Council -  
<http://www.frc.org>



## Pro-Abortion Law Firm Wants United Nations Cmte to Make Countries Back Abortion

by Samantha Singson—March 28, 2008—<http://www.lifenews.com/int676.html>

LifeNews.com Note: Samantha Singson writes for the [Catholic Family and Human Rights Institute](#). This article originally appeared in the pro-life group's Friday Fax publication.

New York, NY ~ The Center for Reproductive Rights (CRR) just released a new and updated version of their "signature" document that uses the non-binding recommendations of UN committees to argue that sovereign nations must legalize abortion as part of their international legal obligations.

"Bringing Rights to Bear" claims that these recommendations reflect "the growing recognition among these UN bodies that reproductive rights are firmly grounded in international human rights treaties."

For years, CRR has been at the forefront of what some have called a "stealth strategy" to redefine longstanding human rights like the right to life, the right to privacy and the right to be free from discrimination and insert abortion rights into those broad provisions.

An integral component of the CRR strategy is to get the UN committees that oversee nations' compliance with their treaty obligations to reinterpret the treaties to include abortion.

UN compliance committees contain a large percentage of personnel from pro-abortion groups and have become increasingly active in reinterpreting

UN documents and pressuring governments to follow their interpretations.

"Bringing Rights to Bear" catalogues the successes of the CRR strategy and cites numerous examples of UN committees calling for legalized abortion and widespread access to contraception.

Unlike the treaties themselves, the recommendations of the treaty monitoring bodies are non-binding, but the CRR paper argues that these non-binding recommendations must be used to "guide governments and advocates in further promoting human rights," including abortion. CRR calls for using these non-binding committee recommendations "to support legal challenges in national, regional, and international human rights institutions."

The CRR document urges the UN committees to continue to "emphasize that abortion should be a safe and legal option for women in the case of an unwanted pregnancy, even where there is a disproportionate reliance on abortion due to the limited availability of contraceptive methods."

The document also urges the committees to issue detailed directions to tell states "how to overcome barriers to [contraceptive] access, such as lack of availability to certain methods, legal restrictions on contraception, excessive regulation (including requirements for third-party authorization), cost, lack

of or inadequate insurance coverage, and coercion in the reproductive health context."

Even though CRR and its allies call for these reinterpretations, in fact only the most recent UN human rights treaty, on the rights of persons with disabilities, mentions "sexual and reproductive health," and only with the strict understanding that the term does not include abortion.

The left-wing group Human Rights Watch notes that since 1995 there have been over 100 instances where the UN committees have pressed over 65 nations to legalize or increase access to abortion. Recently, though, some governments have begun to push back at the committees and stand up for their pro-life laws.

CRR is one of the most influential abortion advocacy groups at the United Nations and works worldwide to mount legal challenges to abortion laws. CRR's "expert litigation committee" and board of advisors include three UN special rapporteurs, as well as the former head of the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA), Nafis Sadik.

The CRR will release briefing papers on maternal mortality as well as marriage and private life as part of its revised "Bringing Rights To Bear" series.

# A Rose by Any Other Name

## (A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to Totalitarianism) By Rattlesnake



I have always been fascinated by the fact that we wandered off the reservation of CONSTITUTION FOR the united STATES of AMERICA and went to Constitution of the United States of America.

I knew that the language of the original broadsides was critical to our very existence as a Nation, but I had no idea when or how or why the change was effected. The argument stated in the below link not only provides the key to my contentions but it also sets out the basis of District of Columbia v Heller (No. 07-290).

Basically, if the Constitution of the United States (Civil Rights Act of 1871) can trump the CONSTITUTION for the united STATES, we are done for because we have admitted that the federal law passed to establish, define and govern federal property, which originally applied ONLY to the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, et al., can govern us, the citizens of the individual states, in areas outside federal jurisdiction.

The fact that SCOTUS has decided to hear arguments on the right of a citizen of a federal territory (Heller) to own a gun in a federal territory (District of Columbia) should wave a bright flag of warning to those of us who still believe in the CONSTITUTION for the united STATES of AMERICA. The truth of the matter is that the Second Amendment applies to the people in the states, not federal property, and the decision should be no more than a fart in a tornado. We have been conditioned to believe that laws passed governing federal territories apply to the citizens of states. NOT TRUE! We have GIVEN UP our rights; they did not take them! The truth is that under the CONSTITUTION for the united STATES of AMERICA, I do have the right to keep and bear arms, but carrying a gun in a national park (a federal territory governed by the Constitution of the United States) is not allowed. Case decided; no problem!!

Throughout our history, we have had decisions made that drew the bright line of where federal jurisdiction ended and the states' jurisdictions began. The best-known example is the Dred Scott v. John F. A. Sandford decision, where SCOTUS ruled that the law in the state where Dred Scot originally lived required that Mr. Scott retain his slave status when he decided to return to that state because under extant state law, he was the property of the owner. Case closed. Truth be-

told, the entire case sounds like Roe v. Wade, which was a fabricated situation exposed by the original plaintiff as a fraud designed to create a right never defined in the Constitution!

During WWII, there was a Hawaiian case, Duncan v. Kahanamoku, 327 U.S. 304 (1946), where a defense worker waiting to enter his work area (on federal land) got into an altercation with another worker and was arrested by the Marines guarding the premises. The case arose when he was moved around the island of Oahu and his rights under habeas corpus were denied him, but because his attorneys could prove that Hawaii was not in imminent danger of invasion, a pre-requisite for suspension of habeas corpus, the military governorship was null and void, so Mr. Duncan had to be released. The decision of the state courts was subsequently overturned on the basis of evidence that the offenses complained of had occurred on federal property. Case closed. Bottom line: if we don't like a law, change the law; don't ask the courts to do the legislature's job!

Like it or not, the post-Roosevelt SCOTUS turned modern America upside down when it said that the federal government could tell the states what they can and cannot do based on something other than the Constitution, which is the only arena over which SCOTUS has jurisdiction. In other words, SCOTUS was permitted to legislate morality, distinctly outside its purview! Since the Constitution had irrevocably and subtly changed in 1871, and before that in 1867, by the 14th Amendment, precedents were established under which we are still reeling.

If SCOTUS rules that DC law under which the Heller case was brought trumps the Constitution; specifically, the 2nd Amendment, we have willingly laid bare our necks to the yoke of the federal government and yet another right of the individual states will have been handed over, not taken. The last time I looked, only the 3rd Amendment remains untouched by presidential fiat or federal decisions, and then only because we have not been ordered to feed and quarter federal troops at federal command under our own roofs!

All of these individual skirmishes (gold-fringed flag, gun control on federal lands, establishment of jurisdiction over schools, churches, etc.) are strangely reminiscent of those situations giving rise to the War Between the States. Anyone who has studied our history understands that this war was fought be-

cause the States believed that THEY controlled the federal government. The War of Northern Aggression (look at the map before you screech!) came as a direct result of an individual state (South Carolina) refusing to turn over collected taxes to President Lincoln, who sent gunboats to obtain said taxes. We all know what happened after that.

I do not pretend to know where this will end. I do know that we have fifty states who each came into the union individually under broadly different circumstances, such as Texas and California who were republics before joining/being annexed to the united States; Virginia, Massachusetts, Kentucky and Virginia who were commonwealths; others whose government forms I have forgotten (I am old; cut me some slack!) I also know that "E Pluribus Unum" ("From many, one") stands in grave danger of being totally irrelevant. The State of Montana has refused to comply with federal edict(s) and is threatening to secede; Texas is making similar noises. All states are straining under the burden of non-funded mandates, which are no more than attempts by a federal government to bring the states involved back into line. The dialogue is almost word-for-word that of the Confederate states prior to the bombing of Ft. Sumter, so if other states decide to confront the federal government over what it can and cannot control, I tremble for my Country. My only consolation is that at age 68, I probably will not see the total disintegration of my America.

When we were taught our history, we learned of the "Immortal Trio": John C. Calhoun of South Carolina; Henry Clay of Kentucky; Daniel Webster of Massachusetts, who guided the American ship of state in the turbulent years before the War Between the States. Daniel Webster was a staunch defender of the Constitution, stating: "We may be tossed upon an ocean where we can see no land ~ nor, perhaps, the sun or stars. But there is a chart and a compass for us to study, to consult, and to obey. That chart is the Constitution."

Our Constitution was hijacked over 150 years ago and for that length of time, we have been re-arranging the deck chairs on our sinking ship of state while our federal government steers America ever closer to the shoals that would cause her to founder. What is at stake now is will we raise our eyes, and arms, in time to save her?

# The Dirty Clean Water Restoration Act of 2007

By C. J. Williams

The Clean Water Act of 1972, officially the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, was enacted to govern pollution in the "navigable waters of the United States". Navigable waters were defined to basically mean water on which a canoe could float and the legislative mandate was very broad: "to restore and maintain the chemical, physical and biological integrity of the nation's waters." The Army Corps of Engineers was given regulatory authority of Section 404 (wetlands), with oversight by the newly formed Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

Sen. Ed Muskie (D-ME), who some consider as being the father of the modern day environmental movement, was the Act's primary designer. Muskie, Maine's governor from 1955-1959, served as a senator from 1959-1980 before becoming Sec. of State from May 1980 to Jan. 1981 under the Carter administration.

In a glowing tribute on the "founders" page of the Edmund S. Muskie Foundation Website, Leon Billings wrote that "before Ed Muskie, there was no national environmental policy. There was no national environmental movement. There was no national environmental consciousness".

The lofty goal of Muskie's 1972 Clean Water Act was to make the nation's lakes, rivers, and shoreline clean enough for swimming and fishing by 1983. The immediate task to be undertaken, however, was to stop municipal sewage plants and other government facilities (such as military bases) and industries, including manufacturing, mining, oil and gas extraction entities, and also certain agricultural businesses (i.e. animal feedlots) from dumping untreated or poorly treated wastes into the public's navigable waters. (Surface water for drinking purposes is governed by separate legislation, the Safe Drinking Water Act of 1974)

The 1972 Clean Water Act was amended in 1977 and is primarily administered by the EPA. The Clean Water Act of 1977 provided for billions of dollars in grants to help local communities build sewage treatment plants. Unfortunately, now that many of those treatment plants are obsolete and in need of updating and repairs, economically depressed communities are hard put to foot the bill on their own.

While the federal government could kick in with money for upgrades, it seems there's not enough dollars in the nation's coffer. One might wonder how that can be since presidential hopeful Barack Hussein Obama had no qualms about recently introducing legislation that would use \$84 billion in taxpayer money to augment what America already doles out to reduce poverty everywhere but in the USA.

Though the goal of the Clean Water Act of 1972 wasn't reached by 1983, at least 60% of the nation's intrastate (within a state) waterways were considered clean enough for recreational purposes by 1998. Chances are much of the 60% was safe long before 1972, but figures regarding that notion aren't readily available.

Regardless, only fools would argue that ensuring water is safe for a recreational purpose isn't a good thing.

What isn't a good thing, however, is that the Act has been and continues to be manipulated, just as has happened with the Endangered Species Act, so that, as time passes, people lose more and more of their private property rights without really knowing what hit them, let alone the why of it.

The latest manipulation is in the form of the Clean Water Restoration Act of 2007, which eliminates the term "navigable waters of the United States" and replaces it with "waters of the United States". As such, the new term means "all waters subject to the ebb and flow of the tide, the territorial seas, and all interstate and intrastate waters and their tributaries, including lakes, rivers, streams (including intermittent streams), mudflats, sandflats, wetlands, sloughs, prairie potholes, wet meadows, playa lakes, natural ponds, and all impoundments of the foregoing, to the fullest extent that these waters, or activities affecting these waters, are subject to the legislative power of Congress under the Constitution."

To encapsulate that new definition for "waters of the United States", it means all water, every last drop of it, even on your very private, do not trespass, land that the government lets you own in name only, provided you pay property taxes to do so.

In essence, if it rains hard enough on your land to cause a run-off into a roadside ditch, or gives rise to wet meadowland on the back forty, or water filled potholes in your driveway, the feds believe the Constitution empowers them to apply their cockamamie law to your private property.

Technically, Article I, Sect. 8 of the US Constitution allows the federal government to "regulate commerce...among the several states...". Being a devious bunch of socialists, the ruling majority of our elected in D.C. interpreted their constitutional empowerment to mean they have the right to regulate the "navigable waters" of the United States because some goods are transported by boat.

Now they're interpreting their empowerment to include regulating commerce in the mud puddles and wetland meadows on anyone's private property miles away from navigable waters. And, if you don't think Gang Green hasn't helped in this endeavor, think again, as countless lawsuits have been filed against more than a few other than the U.P.'s Richard Delene and downstate Michigan farmer John Rapanos, who fought a long, hard, and very expensive battle regarding dubious wetlands on his private property 20 miles from the nearest navigable waterway.

In fact, the Rapanos v. United States case and another, Carabell v. United States, decided in 2006 by the Supreme Court in favor of the private property owners, may have been the catalyst for the federal legislator's decision to revamp the Clean Water Act so as to strike the term "navigable waters" and replace it with "waters of the United States". Not only that, but the feds also had their Constitution tampering legislation questioned in 2001 when a Supreme Court ruling limited the government's reach to some extent by exempting isolated wetlands that didn't cross state lines and didn't have a hydrological connection to navigable waters.

Not having to fight city hall because they are city

hall, a contingent of 174 U.S. Representatives, mostly Democrats, have decided to make an end run around the Supreme Court by co-sponsoring the newly contrived Clean Water Restoration Act of 2007, a.k.a. HR-2421. The bill was proposed by Rep. James Oberstar, a Democrat who, since 1975, has represented several counties in northeastern Minnesota that include the cities of Duluth, Brainerd, Grand Rapids, Hibbing, and International Falls.

Michigan legislators who don't mind interpreting the Constitution in a very liberal manner so as to regulate the use of any water in any amount by We, the People, and who have signed on as co-sponsors of HR-2421 are Republican Rep. Vern Ehlers and Democrat Reps. Conyers, Dingell, Kildee, Kilpatrick, Levin, and Stupak.

Russ Feingold (D-WI) introduced similar companion legislation, S-1870, in the Senate. Michigan Senators who co-sponsored Feingold's bill are Deborah Stabenow and Carl Levin.

Clearly, our legislators need to get reacquainted with the 10th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America, which is part of We, the People's Bill of Rights: "The powers not delegated to the United States by the Constitution, nor prohibited by it to the States, are reserved to the States respectively, or to the people."

To quote respected property rights activist Henry Lamb who wrote in his Feb. 4, 2008 article, 'The Feds Are Trying to Steal Your Water': "All limitations of freedom should arise from the government that is closest to the people and should be authorized by the consent of the people whose freedom is limited. In the case of water regulations, these regulations should arise from the government that is closest to the water source and water users, and these regulations should be approved by the people whose freedom is limited by them..."

"...The regulation of non-navigable waters should remain in the hands of the state and local governments, where the people whose freedom is threatened can express their concerns and approve, or reject, specific regulatory proposals..."

"...When Bill Clinton moved into the White House, every resource agency of the federal government was populated with recruits from politically powerful environmental organizations. The agenda that drives these organizations is not the U.S. Constitution, not the rights of the people. Their agenda is to force the people to behave in ways they think is best for society..."

"...The people, and their local and state representatives, should rise up in outrage against this congressional effort to steal their water."

Contact your congressmen and ask them to withdraw their co-sponsorship and support of the Clean Water Restoration Act. The House Republican Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has scheduled a hearing regarding HR-2421 on April 16th at 11 a.m. The Senate will hold a hearing on S-1870 on April 9th and a vote expected soon after.

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Current District: 1  
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Last Elected: 11/07/2006  
Next Election: 2008  
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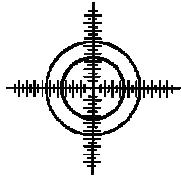
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## **This Side UP** By J. C. Powers

If you've noticed how clear days suddenly become filtered through persistent contrails, you're not alone. They "persistent contrails" raised many questions among the citizens, yet there are no forthcoming answers. Politicians think hysteria is driving the outlandish claims that our government is actually involved in laying chemical trails over head of the people.

Senator Carl Levin (D—Michigan) thought that autism rates going from 1:5,000 to 1:75 was nothing to be alarmed about, especially since it only affects the middle class. But that is the mentality of our representatives. If it doesn't affect the deep-pocket lobbyists, its really none of their concern.

So, what really makes up these persistent contrails? According to the FAA, persistent contrails are nothing more than water vapor. However, according to those who have been on the ball and collected samples, most of the contrails consist of barium salts; a radioactive isotope. Microscopic polymer fibers, some biological organisms and traces of aluminum were also found in the samples.

The Chemtrails, or CTs, began around 1996 when Al Gore became interested in his global climate crisis agenda. It kept Al out of Willy's hair and gave Al something to do to pass the time until his defeat in 2000.



Although there are numerous theories for the purpose of the CTs, they have an unusual result when they are dispersed over an area. As the surface temperature increases between five and ten degrees, the humidity decreases. However, evidently after a lot research, the scientists have been able to manipulate the atmospheric conditions in such a way that the relative humidity remains nearly the same as before the dispersal.

$$RH = \frac{p(H_2O)}{p^*(H_2O)} \times 100\%$$

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Although the military has officially taken a stand that there are no such thing as a CT, the aircraft utilized for delivering the CTs are privately contracted aircraft. It would stand to reason that the U. S. military would be prohibited from engaging in such an activity.

The strength of a CT is often apparent on local weather radar. The CT will appear as a brownish pattern and if NOAA doesn't take time to filter it, citizens can observe the CT as it drifts over the landscape.

While the purpose of the CT is uncertain, there are some obvious considerations. First is weather modification. Since the CT has a significant impact on the atmospheric state because it effectively draws humidity away from one area and delivers it to another, the notion of weather modification seems to be the most prevalent consideration.

The dispersed chemicals are not thick enough to cover troop movements, but they are thick enough to reduce the impact of solar flares and certain radiations. Gamma rays are extinction setters and the use of CTs to blanket the earth to filter out gamma rays may be another consideration. All-in-all, a little honesty is in order and perhaps legislation to punish the dishonest.