



### **Governor Sandoval's, legislator's Yucca Mountain Fight**

*This Op-Ed is in reply to an editorial published by the Las Vegas Sun, Jan 29, 2017, "Sandoval, legislators make Nevada proud with Yucca fight".*

The LV Sun will not publish this Op-Ed because Nevada media has "blacklisted", (Persons, who are disapproved, punished or boycotted). our USNEF "opinion" over the past decade. Op-Ed, Merriam-Webster; a page of special features usually opposite the editorial page of a newspaper. This is how media controls the messaging because they do not allow a balanced message of an opposite public VOICE.

Las Vegas Sun, in your editorial 01/29/2017 Governor Sandoval stated that Yucca was an "unsafe and unwanted" project for Nevada. Political "opinion" does not address the science and engineering safety and the State of Nevada has not been able to disprove the science study within the application. The facts are that all preliminary executive summaries of the Yucca Application Study have achieved its safety requirements.

Your editorial has no reference to data, only "opposition opinion" If you were to inquire, you would find that many grassroots Nevada citizens are more interested in an educational symposium about Yucca than the "opinion of our bureaucracy". Opinion bureaucracy has caused the division among our American public. If Nevada's political elite wanted the true voice of our citizens, they would bring the Yucca issue to a public referendum. They know, once educated that the public would vote for the science, engineering, safety and economics over Nevada politics. The editorial does not mention that 9 of Nevada's 17 Counties support completion of the Yucca Application, a direct indication that the rural Counties are dissed by the major Counties.

It is an opinion that Sandoval stated, a "vast majority of Nevadans feel about the project — that it's unsafe and unwanted". Neither unsafe or unwanted have been validated by any factual measurement of the public voice. This editorial reflects a very poor state of ethical American journalism. My childhood mentor would say, "Shame on You"!

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