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Fisher took flight over Bodie Hills Tuesday to observe exploratory mining operations from an aerial perspective. See story p. 6.

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SIGNS OF THE TIMES

By Klusmire

Arousing “No Kings” rally on Saturday confirmed that Bishop has become a bastion of solid blue and is dragging the rest of Inyo County into the purple political spectrum.

Organizers from Inyo 350 offered the rather specific count of 840 marchers going from the City Park to Line Street and back Saturday morning. Even a less-generous 600 would be historic, since by all accounts and counts, it was the largest political demonstration ever held in Bishop. By a long shot.

(Note 1: The long-memory contingent said it surpassed the Woman’s March in 2017, after Trump was inaugurated the first time. Note 2: After Trump won Inyo by double digits in 2016, Inyo went for Biden in 2020, the first Democrat to win the county

since FDR, and Trump prevailed in 2024, by a few hundred votes.)

Passing cars and semis provided the energy with blasting horns, thumbs up and cheers which were cheered by the marchers.

Maybe the most interesting aspect of the event was the weak representation from the Trump-supporting Free Eastside group, which could only muster a handful of pickups with Trump and US flags screeching on Main Street horns blaring. One guy forgot his banners, it seems, and just waved his read, Make America Great hat at the marchers.

Mammoth Lakes also saw a solid contingent of protesters. Organizers offered a general assumption of 500 folks lining Main Street in an afternoon

event. Lots of signs, smiles and steady horn honking affirmations from the passing drivers. The Mammoth group stayed in one spot which made their presence look more imposing and impressive.

Landing on Flag Day, marchers in both towns “reclaimed” the American flag, which was everywhere in various sizes and on signs.

Hell, even Darwin, population 50, reported 11 hearty desert-dwellers and two dogs (20% of the town) gathered with signs and stood in the middle of town. No traffic encouraged or disturbed them.

The following is a sample of some of the more intense signs hoisted in both towns.

Fascism is Bad – History.

Trumpy Makes Me Grumpy.

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HOLD YOUR HORSES

By Fisher

A wild foal was found dead in northern Mono County on Friday, June 6, with what appeared to be a bullet wound, according to locals.

The Bureau of Land Man-

agement (BLM) confirmed the incident is under investigation. Public Affairs Officer Philip Oviatt said the agency is “deeply saddened.” The Mono Lake Committee also expressed shock and sadness.

For many, wild horses symbolize the rugged freedom of the American West. The death of a young horse, likely shot, reflects a darker and more complicated reality — one increasingly shaped by policy disputes, environmental pressure, and controversial removal programs.

Within that reality, a section of the Project 2025 policy document, authored by former BLM acting director William Perry Pendley, recommends that Congress allow for broader use of euthanasia in the agency’s management of wild horses, according to a Wall Street Journal article published May 22, 2025.

Though the Interior Department has not confirmed an application of this plan, the recommendation underscores a mounting concern across the West: public lands are now

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FINISHING IN STYLE



Riders gathered for Mammoth Mountain’s closing day celebration with a group run from the top on Sunday.

Sick over Bodie

MHS Senior Awards

21 Gun Salute

Left holding the bag

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LEFT HOLDING THE BAG

As the weather heats up, I can't help myself. I start reading doomsday climate literature. And even as I'm reading that literature, I can't help but think - all this research and data is already 18-24 months old. It's that much worse! But as we all know, a half-broken system can limp along for a long, long time before a cataclysmic break - think of the stock market. Or Joe Biden. Or The Sheet.

But before I get into Jeff Goodell's "The Heat Will Kill You First: Life and Death on a Scorched Planet," I want to talk about my eldest daughter's housing situation.

She is a student at Pepperdine University, which does not have a plethora of on-campus housing - though the entire campus seems like a construction zone these days. So the upperclassmen tend to live off-campus - Calabasas, which is about a 20-minute commute, is a popular spot.

At the end of last semester, my daughter and two of her classmates go in on a two-bedroom apartment for the next academic year. One gal agrees to pay half the rent and take the master bedroom. My daughter and another gal agree to split the second bedroom.

To seal the deal, I've got to agree to be a co-guarantor.

You can see where this is headed.

The ink isn't even dry before the gal who's supposed to take the master cites a family "financial crisis" and announces she's backing out.

So I talk to the father, the other co-guarantor, and I say, "Hey, the least you can do is pay the first month's rent while these girls scramble to find a replacement. If they get a replacement before the school year, I'll return it to you."

His response: "Sorry, we're not in a position to cover the rent precisely for the financial situation. I think it's better to cancel the contract."

I read the contract. It's two months rent and loss of deposit to cancel the contract.

The leasing agent, the same guy who vetted my co-guarantor, steps in and says I may have a solution for you. Sure it involves the loss of your deposit on the two-bedroom, but I can get the remaining girls into a less expensive one bedroom.

I'm listening. But there's a catch.

"Geez, Mr. Lunch. You see, we're not offering ten month leases anymore. That was a preseason special. We're only offering one-year leases."

I do some math. On the spot. Without use of the calculator app on my smartphone. Badass.

So you're offering me a smaller apartment for approximately the same price, but this lets the deadbeat co-guarantor (whom you vetted) walk with no repercussions.

Leasing agent: He has offered to put the deposit down on the one bedroom.

Lunch: He's offering to pay back the deposit he's suggesting I forfeit on his behalf? Oy vey.

I then tried to reach out to the parent of the third roommate - the only one smart enough not to sign on as a guarantor, claiming poverty. I wanted some assurance

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"The main thing you got to remember is that everything in the world is a hustle."

-Malcolm X

JACK LUNCH

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she was still in the game. Alas, both parent and child are in Germany and unavailable. But I'm sure they're traveling on the cheap and staying at youth hostels and maximizing their Eurail passes.

I can't quite get to the book yet. I've got something else.

A Bridgeport parent cc'd me on an email exchange she'd had with a board member as well as the superintendent of the Eastern Sierra Unified School District.

She was the parent of an 8th grader. She insisted that several Bridgeport 8th graders wish to attend Lee Vining High School versus Coleville High School. And she wants the district to provide the transportation.

She cited Ed. code, which states, "The governing board of any school district may provide for the transportation of pupils to and from school whenever in the judgment of the board the transportation is advisable and good reasons exist therefore."

She also said she couldn't find evidence on the district website which declares Coleville as Bridgeport's "home high school."

Superintendent Heidi Torix's position is as follows:

"Although ESUSD has only provided transportation to CHS for Bridgeport high school students for decades, ESUSD has always welcomed intra-district transfers for Bridgeport students to attend LVHS as a parent choice. The choice requires parents to transport their own children."

ESUSD Steve Wright added: "I would like to direct your attention to the word "may" in the code section. Legally, the word "may," as it pertains to laws and statutes, means that the section is left to the discretion of the school district. As a result, there is no general requirement for a school district to provide transportation to students.

The board does provide transportation to students attending the school in their attendance area; however, as with the general school population, we are not required to provide transportation to students who are attending a school outside of their attendance area."

After some consideration, I wrote back the parent:

"I've read the emails back and forth and think I have a fairly clear understanding of the issue. You will be disappointed to learn that I don't find the school district's position to be unreasonable.

1. You can't provide transportation both directions from such a rural place. A choice has to be made one or the other.
2. I imagine Coleville is the preferred transport choice because Conway Summit can be a beast and the highway from Bridgeport to Coleville is far more benign.

Perhaps seek a compromise where they give you use of a district van and participating parents can set up a carpool schedule."

This was not what she wanted to hear.

Not only were "they" supposed to drive her child to school, but "they" were supposed to pay for it.

Not quite to the book ...

I saw this presser this week, which confirms what we all know - that Canadians, when pushed, can hold a grudge.

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LETTERS

Keep Mammoth Real

Dear Editor,

I've received a lot of encouragement in recent weeks - "Thank you for saying what we're all thinking" - and I'm grateful for that. But acknowledgment alone isn't enough. If we want change in this town, we need more than nods of agreement. We need to exert a bit of collective pressure.

It's been over three months since Jesus Uribe was shot and killed by police in Mammoth Lakes. And still—no statement, no town hall, no explanation from Police Chief Dan Casabian. Not even a basic acknowledgment to the public. That's not oversight. That's neglect.

Chief Casabian is an independent contractor, paid with taxpayer dollars. According to the Town of Mammoth Lakes' Professional Services Agreement, he is retained on a contract basis, not as a municipal employee. The agreement clearly states that he is not classified as a town employee and may perform similar services for others during the term of the contract. While he holds the title of Chief of Police, there are growing concerns about his visibility, engagement, and responsiveness to the community he serves. In most towns of this size, a chief of police is a full-time, salaried employee—not an independent contractor. This structure is not standard practice. It separates our highest public safety official from the accountability, presence, and leadership that typically come with the role. And yet, our town has accepted this model as normal. Meanwhile, our town is left with

major gaps in coverage—and major questions about who's really in charge.

It's troubling that we, as a town, have accepted this arrangement. What exactly are Chief Casabian's obligations to Mammoth Lakes? To his staff? To the public? His contract may define his employment status, but it doesn't answer the bigger questions of visibility, leadership, or public accountability. Wouldn't it serve the community better if he addressed us directly?

Right now, the public is left to fill in the blanks. When we see two or three squad cars pulled over for what appears to be a routine stop, we don't know what's happening. Is it protocol? Is it precaution? Is it a crisis? Transparency builds trust. Silence builds doubt. And doubt in a public safety system is a dangerous thing.

Let's be clear: this isn't just about Casabian's silence on a police shooting. This is about a larger failure of leadership—by him, and by the town.

When you outsource one of the most critical civic responsibilities to a contracted role without full transparency about expectations or time on site, you get exactly what we have: inconsistency, invisibility, and a hollow sense of safety. We are not required to keep this structure. The town has a choice. We can demand more. We can hire a full-time chief. We can build a department that reflects our values and understands this community.

We often take for granted that police officers are just 'there'—ready, responsive, and trained to help. As kids, we were taught they were the people who would protect us. The good guys. That idea still matters. And most officers want to live

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-Ari Weiner

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up to it. They take real risks. They show up under pressure. They want to do their jobs well—for themselves, and for us. We should thank them for that. And we should ask: Don't we need a system that truly supports them? A department that allows them to thrive, not just survive? They're stretched thin and burning out. I can share that our officers are riding alone in their cars; rarely are there enough officers on duty for them to drive together. Most officers live outside Mammoth, largely because they can't afford to reside in town. Even with housing stipends or signing bonuses, and generous benefits, the cost of living presents a major barrier to attracting and retaining officers locally. Those who stay are often covering multiple shifts with little backup. These officers deserve our respect—but more importantly, they deserve support.

Let's talk numbers:

- Mammoth's officer-to-resident ratio is well below the national average—roughly 1.5 officers per 1,000 people, compared to the national small-town benchmark of 3.8 per 1,000.
- 24-hour police coverage has reportedly been reduced to 20-hour staffing, meaning there are regular overnight gaps between 3 a.m. and 7 a.m.
- There's currently no full-time local dispatcher covering overnight hours. After a certain point each evening, emergency

calls are routed through CHP dispatch or transferred directly to whichever officer may be on duty—if any.

This is not how you run public safety. It's how you create risk.

So here's what we want to know:

- What are the department's actual staffing numbers, and how often are we uncovered?
- What is being done to address officer housing, retention, and burnout?
- Why has the town allowed this leadership structure to continue?
- What's the timeline for accountability on the Uribe shooting—and when will the public be invited into that conversation?

And while this letter focuses on law enforcement leadership, we can't ignore the connection between police response and behavioral health. There's been quiet talk of a joint intervention van—something involving police and Mono County Behavioral Health—but there's no public clarity on whether it exists, how it works, or who it serves. And when someone is in crisis—whether flagged for a 5150 hold or spiraling in public—what happens next shouldn't be a mystery. Are they taken to Bridgeport? Held in an ER with no follow-up plan? Sent home? These are not abstract questions. They are about real people in real distress, and the systems that are supposed to catch them before they fall through the cracks.

If leadership won't act, then it's time for the community to speak louder.

We say we want a real community. Then let's keep it rooted in soul, in empathy, and in the shared understanding that we are all carrying something difficult—locals, visitors, workers, parents, and caregivers. Everyone is affected. Everyone is hurting in some way.

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Dr. Arianne Weiner
Mammoth Lakes



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home to far more wild horses than management targets allow, and the situation is becoming increasingly urgent and costly.

The BLM currently manages around 73,000 wild horses, which is nearly three times its sustainable target. As a result, roughly two-thirds of the agency's \$153 million 2024 wild horse program budget was spent on off-range holding facilities.

This issue is also playing out in the Eastern Sierra.

The Inyo National Forest and the Bishop BLM Office recently approved a gathering and removal plan for 300–500 wild horses near the Montgomery Pass Wild Horse Territory, starting this summer. If executed as slated, it will be the most significant removal of horses in the area's history.

Under current law, government agencies may humanely euthanize wild horses with chronic or incurable disease, injury, lameness, or severe physical defects—though this is reportedly an “infrequent” occurrence.

Healthy horses can legally be euthanized or sold without limitation if there is no adoption demand, but Congress has barred the use of appropriated funds for such actions for decades.

However, as the Inyo National Forest and Bishop BLM Office wrote in the project's Environmental Assessment, "If Congress were to lift the current appropriations restrictions, then it is possible that excess horses removed from outside the [territory] could potentially be euthanized or sold without limitation."

The Montgomery Pass Wild Horse Territory spans both sides of the California-Nevada state line at the southern end of the Excelsior Mountain Range. It was established under the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971, which authorizes federal agencies to manage and protect wild horses on public lands.

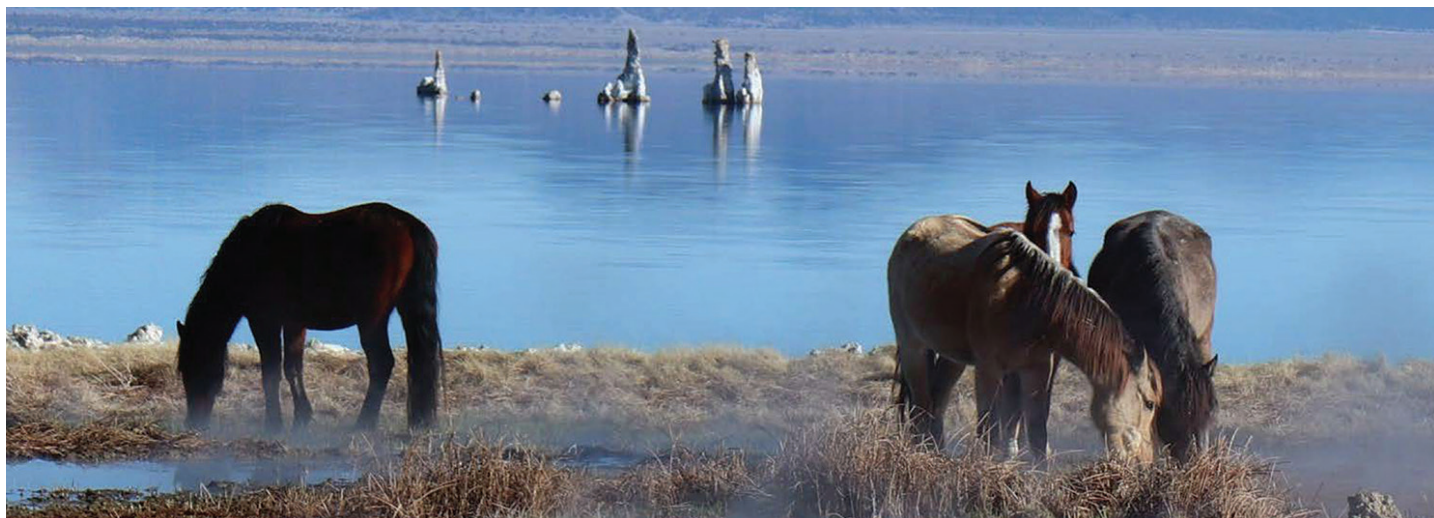
Since the territory's establishment, the wild horse population has increased dramatically.

It is currently managed for a herd size of 138 to 230 animals. Still, a 2024 survey counted approximately 699 wild horses in the area, with 624 of them outside the designated territory, not including anticipated foals.

Many of those horses have advanced toward the edges of Mono Lake, which, according to BLM Bishop Field Manager Sherri Lisius, is “causing impacts to sensitive wildlife habitat, riparian areas, and tufa geological formations; where there are safety concerns for motorists; and areas where private landowners have requested their removal.”

The current plan for the Montgomery Pass Wild Horse Territory calls for the removal of “all excess animals outside the boundaries.” The Forest Service and BLM began formal planning on the project in August 2023 and conducted tribal consultations and public input sessions through the fall. A Final Environmental Assessment was released in August 2024, followed by a Finding of No Significant Impact in March 2025.

Removal operations for the project may include helicopter drive-trapping, bait and water trapping, and possibly



Wild horses roaming Navy Beach Spring on the south shore of Mono Lake, February 2022. Photo curtesy BLM and USFS.

roping. Multiple efforts may be needed due to weather, terrain, and holding capacity.

Under the plan, captured horses will be sent to off-range holding facilities. If deemed healthy, they may be adopted or sold. When federal agencies sell wild horses, some are taken in by sanctuar-

ies, ranches, or youth programs. But others are sold at auction, and, in one of the program's most controversial aspects, can later be resold without restriction.

The American Wild Horse Campaign (AWHC) reported in 2022 that since 2019, at least 840 wild horses and bur-

ros removed from federal rangelands were sold at livestock auctions frequented by slaughterhouse buyers.

The advocacy group contended that this is happening through a program called the Adoption Incentive Program, where the BLM offers cash incentives

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WHEN IT COMES TO MINING, A TALE OF TWO STATES

By Fisher

“A state border does not necessarily mean the ecosystem is any different,” Allison Weber, Friends of the Inyo Forest and Water Policy Director, told me just before she climbed shotgun into a six-seater plane, acorn earrings dangling beside her face.

I took my place behind her. We were getting ready to take to the air from the Bridgeport airport over the Bodie Hills with EcoFlight, a Colorado-based flight company specializing in public land advocacy. Friends of the Inyo has partnered with EcoFlight for about a decade, and this was my second flight with them.

My first flight was over Conglomerate Mesa, an area so hotly commodified for its gold prospects that Klusmire’s article on K2 Gold/Mojave Precious Metals’ most recent exploration quest made the Sheet’s front page alongside protesters’ quippy signs last week.

The Bodie Hills area is the northern sister of the Mesa, born of the same mineral strip and similarly vulnerable to mining threats. On my flight over the Mesa, I was in the back of a packed cabin. On Tuesday at Bridgeport, the back seats were free.

While in the air, I saw what Weber was alluding to. Lynn Boulton of the Sierra Club sat to my left and gave a comprehensive tour of the hills as we swept over the Bridgeport Reservoir and swooped between Potato Peak and Bodie Mountain. It was a perfect picture of pristine, rolling hills ... until

we crossed over to Nevada.

That’s where most of the drill pads are. Five ongoing or upcoming exploratory mining sites in the Bodie Hills sit just over the state line. Exploratory mining looks to sample places where there are assumed gold deposits.

Advocacy groups, such as Friends of the Inyo and the Sierra Club, oppose exploratory mining because it can cause habitat destruction, displace or harm species like the bi-state sage-grouse, mule deer, or rare plants, and create an avenue for justifying the expansion to full mining operations.

The California land in Bodie is protected by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) because it is designated as a Wilderness Study Area. In contrast, the Nevada land is part of the Humboldt-Toiyabe U.S. Forest Service Land, which has fewer protections.

In 2010, Cougar Gold sought to pursue drilling on the California side, but as Boulton explained, the protections were “just too restrictive,” and the company pulled out after drilling just three locations.

Another company – Paramount Gold/Radius Gold – attempted to explore near Beauty Peak on the California side, but it only received a hand-sampling permit for the work. In 2022, the State Lands Commission placed a three-year moratorium on mineral withdrawals for the Section 16 parcel in the Bodie Hills while evaluating its eligibility for the National Register of Historic Places.

Paramount Gold has since continued its gold hunt on the Nevada side, and as of 2022–2023, the company began substantial drilling across several sites, accessed by helicopter. That site is called “Bald Peak.”

Hecla Nevada/Klondex, operates a separate drill site, “Sawtooth Ridge,” on the Nevada side behind Aurora Cemetery. The company has planned up to 16 drill pads, and drilled three. Active road construction and pad development are ongoing.

Headwater Gold operates a third site on the Nevada side, “Spring Peak,” which sits on the southern slope of Aurora Peak. It has drilled 9 of its planned 23 sites.

Both Hecla Nevada and Headwater Gold have proposed new, separate mining exploration efforts in Bodie, and the Hecla Nevada plan, the “Polaris Project,” is the biggest one the area has ever seen. The project aims to drill 250 sites over 10 years, with 102 locations currently identified and the remaining sites contingent upon the findings.

This is the most significant exploratory drilling effort in the Bodie Hills to date, roughly five times larger than the Spring Peak, Sawtooth, and Bald Peak projects combined.

Halfway through the flight, the plane circled the Borealis mine, an example of the full mining operations performed when extractive mining proves results.

The mine is a crater in the hillside, with piles of dirt stacked nearby; it

was created using cyanide leaching, the most popular modern extraction method, wherein the material is removed, and gold particles are separated through chemical extraction.

The four tribes that surround the Bodie Hills – the Bridgeport Indian Colony, the Mono Lake Kutzadika’a Tribe, the Walker River Paiute Tribe, and the Yerington Paiute Tribe – are petitioning the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture for protection of the land.

The area is “loaded” with cultural resources, Boulton said as we descended for landing.

The Friends of Inyo’s current goal is to push for a higher standard of environmental assessment for exploratory drilling. But, as Weber said after we stepped out of the plane, “nothing is at play right now.”

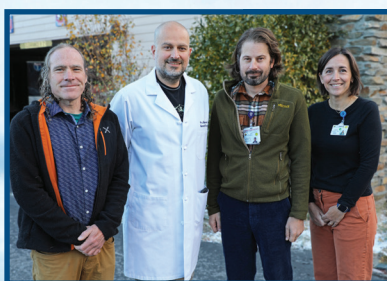
Any sense of sanctity for public land conservation feels like a far reach under the Trump administration, in which Senate Republicans recently released a bill, the “One Big Beautiful Bill Act,” advocating for the largest single sale of BLM and USFS land in modern history.

In the meantime, advocacy groups like the Sierra Club and Friends of the Inyo want to see more people “outraged” by the drilling, Boulton said, hoping that public protest will sway federal lawmakers.

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to adopt unhandled wild horses and burros.

The United States District Court for the District of Colorado overturned the Adoption Incentive Program in March, ruling that it violated multiple federal laws by failing to undergo required National Environmental Policy Act and Administrative Procedures Act requirements.

Despite the ruling, advocacy groups remain skeptical of BLM’s commitment to reform.

The agencies claim that expanding horse population beyond the designated territory must be removed because it threatens geological features — including Mono Lake’s famed tufa towers and sand tufa — and damages sensitive ecosystems through grazing and trampling.

Of the affected species, the agencies name the endangered sage-grouse, of which there are approximately 15 active breeding grounds and several inactive breeding grounds within the project area.

While most active breeding grounds are in the Bodie Hills and Long Valley subpopulations and do not overlap with the current wild horse-occupied habitat located outside the territory, two inactive ones are commonly occupied by wild horses. Those two inactive

grounds are the only ones overlapping with horse-occupied habitats.

The AWHC disputes this connection, arguing that “reducing horse populations in a given area has a negligible effect on range conditions: after massive wild horse roundups, herd areas show little or no improvement.”

Vehicle collisions are another concern cited by the agencies: “Wild horses are crossing highways and other high-use roads outside the MPWHT and creating a hazard for travelers. Observations in the Big Sand Flat corridor consist of larger groups of up to 190 horses, with groups of over 100 animals common near and along SR 120.”

Advocacy groups support mitigation alternatives, such as lower speed limits, improved lighting, and enhanced signage in high-traffic areas.

Other reasons cited by the BLM and USFS include odor from manure affecting recreation, impacts on cattle grazing, and competition for forage with pronghorn antelope. For nearly every point raised in the agencies’ assessment, advocacy groups offer a counterpoint.

It’s a contentious issue, reflecting deep divisions over how to share and steward public lands — and as the national debate continues, expect to see fewer manes by Mono Lake.



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OBITUARY

STEVEN LOUIS MEJIA 1955-2025

Stevie, also belovedly known as “Mama” Mejia, didn’t sneak into your heart. He walked right in—usually with a knowing smile, a plate of food, or a deadpan comment that left you laughing minutes later. He had a way of showing up at just the right moment, with exactly what you didn’t know you needed. When he loved you, you knew it. There was no halfway with Stevie. No fluff. No performance. Just presence.

He grew up in Venice Beach as the middle child of six kids, soaking up the rhythm of street courts, ocean volleyball, and neighborhood ball games. Two families shaped his childhood: his immediate relatives and his cousins, the Bravo family, who felt more like siblings. He was raised with a deep sense of loyalty, generosity, and devotion, especially to his mother. His upbringing instilled in him a strong work ethic and a humble nature that remained with him throughout his life.

Stevie had an artistic streak. If life hadn’t led him into kitchens, he might have been a painter or a musician. However, his medium became food, and he created with intuition, color, and soul. His first job was at The Abbey in Marina del Rey, and he took particular pride in his time at the Hotel Bel-Air—a place that taught precision and elegance, both of which shaped the chef he would become.

In his early twenties, Stevie visited Mammoth Lakes, and like many others, he never left. The mountains offered him something he couldn’t quite name: room to breathe, people who showed up, and a rhythm that fit. He made it his home, and in turn, Mammoth embraced him.

One of Stevie’s closest friends, Kevin Sherry, recalled how their friendship spanned decades and kitchens. “We worked together at Convict Lake and then again at Fat Albert’s. On two separate occasions—once at each restaurant—we had those rare, perfect nights when everything just clicked: servers, dishwashers, cooks, the rush—it all flowed. If you’ve worked in a kitchen,



you know how good that feels. In the middle of one of those moments, Stevie called out in this ridiculous accent, ‘Give me a veal on rye!’—a mash-up of menus and memories that just cracked us up. It became our private joke. Anytime something went right, that phrase would come back. Even during my last meal at Nevados, I snuck in the back and shouted it, and Stevie’s grin said it all. We cooked, we laughed, we danced—well, mostly he danced. But that line— ‘give me a veal on rye’ —will always be ours.”

Over the years, Mejia cooked in some of the town’s most memorable kitchens: Fat Albert’s, Matsu, O’Kelly & Dunn, Convict Lake, The Lakefront, Austria Hof—and most notably, Nevados.

At Nevados, Stevie created new dishes, perfected old favorites, and set a standard of care and excellence that diners still talk about. He shared a deep camaraderie with Tim Dawson, built on mutual respect and years of friendship, collaboration, and shared purpose. Nevados was more than a mere job.

Stevie didn’t just cook—he taught. He shared what he knew with anyone willing to learn: kitchen staff, friends, cousins, neighbors. Many who worked alongside him went on to become chefs themselves or took what they learned from him into other jobs, kitchens, and callings. In sports, they call it a coaching tree. Steve’s had extensive branches.

He also made his mark on the softball field—a skilled shortstop with a sharp eye and a competitive streak. Even after injuries took him off the field, he remained a presence in the dugout and on the sidelines—always reading the game, always encouraging, always coaching.

Stevie had a presence you could feel before he said a word. He could light up a room or settle it down with just a look, a laugh, or a well-timed wisecrack. He was loyal to his core—generous, private, funny, and fiercely protective of the people and dogs he loved. He wasn’t a man of grand gestures, but he had his ways. A nickname. A surprise plate of something hot. A quick shoulder nudge. A line delivered so dry you’d catch the joke a minute later. Many of us will miss the sound of him calling out “sweet cheeks”—whether to a friend, a dog, or someone he quietly adored.

Though he had no children of his own, Stevie was a devoted dog dad. Over the years, six dogs shared his life, along with his love for food, drives in his convertible, and his heart. His latest companion, Cody, was rarely seen far from his side.

His friend, Mike Leshay, who met Stevie at Shady Rest while they were running their dogs together, shared: “He was very much ... kinda like an older brother from a different mother. And as I got to know him ... I found out, who he was to me was who he was to everyone. A kind, gentle soul who’d give you the shirt off his back.”

As his cousin-sister Mary Ellen Preciado said, “Steve made everyone feel special—like everyone felt he was their best friend.” That sentiment wasn’t just a compliment—it was the throughline of Stevie’s life. He didn’t collect acquaintances; he nurtured friendships. He followed up on your hard days. He listened more than he spoke. He made people feel central.

Music was a constant—his playlists were curated with care, and he almost always had control of the stereo. He loved Eric Clapton, Santana, and Motown. He didn’t just hear music; he lived inside it. A good drive, a movie, even a Lakers game on TV—everything was better with the right track in the background.

Stevie is survived by his siblings Tommy and Rebecca Mejia, Pat and Jules Niedich, and Rick Mejia, along with his

nieces, nephews, extended family, and a chosen family that spans far and wide.

His passing is a reminder of how fragile life is—and how much love, laughter, and connection he packed into the time he had. Stevie was one of a kind. And I hope we all look up more often, reach out when it matters, and show up a little more boldly—for others and ourselves. That would honor him most.

Stevie said he wanted The Great Gig in the Sky by Pink Floyd played when the time came. That track—haunting, soulful, raw—felt like him. And the lyric he loved most, one he quoted more than once, captures the quiet clarity with which he faced life and death:

“And I am not frightened of dying... anytime will do, I don’t mind.”
—Pink Floyd, The Great Gig in the Sky

Celebration of Life details:

- Mammoth Lakes: September 1, 2025, Shady Rest 1:30 p.m.
- Los Angeles: Cornerstone Church West LA. 1609 S. Barrington Av., 90025. July 26, 2 p.m

RSVP for the Mammoth gathering:
<https://forms.gle/NTPgX1Q7foAA8xS-DA>

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21-GUN SALUTE - THE LATE, GREAT CHUCK SCATOLINI

21 photos from *The Sheet* archives ... the late thespian, singer appeared in these pages more than anyone



Scatolini played Giles Corey in Mammoth Lakes Repertory's 2017 production of "The Crucible." In the show, Corey is accused of witchcraft, refuses to enter a plea and is summarily tortured by 'pressing' - where heavy stones are placed on his body until he's crushed to death. Corey's final words: "More weight."

LUNCH

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seven western states reached its longest downward streak since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. The most recent data released by Inntopia in their monthly Market Briefing revealed that despite some recovery in financial markets and economic indicators, booking reticence for summer vacations persisted while bookings from international visitors in Canada, western Europe, and now Mexico, continued to decline.

The Average Daily Rate (ADR) edged up two percent in May while occupancy dipped a scant 0.7 percent compared to last year at this time.

However, that lower booking pace during May reversed the positive upward year-over-year occupancy trend for the full summer. As daily rates for the entire summer rose an aggregated 3.7 percent, overall aggregated occupancy went from a positive position at the end of April to being down 1.2 percent by May 31. Bookings from Canada are now down 55.5 percent while western Europe is down 35.5 percent. And for the first time in months, there is a decline from Mexico—down 5.4 percent. Domestic bookings are up just 1.7 percent. The overall booking pace during May for the full summer was down 7.1 percent.

After several post-pandemic summers with consistent year-over-year growth, occupancy for the upcoming summer is sluggish although higher rates are helping to offset those losses for lodging properties. July occupancy

is down 5.1 percent, August is down a slight 0.9 percent, and September has slipped down 4.7 percent.

“The financial and political turbulence of the past few months continues to have an impact on bookings—even with some good economic news and an uptick in consumer confidence during May,” explained Tom Foley, senior vice president of Business Intelligence for Inntopia. “The Memorial Day weekend, the unofficial kick-off to the summer season, was pretty ‘so-so’—as expected, but the larger concern now is that the two busiest months of the summer—July and August, are clearly underperforming.”

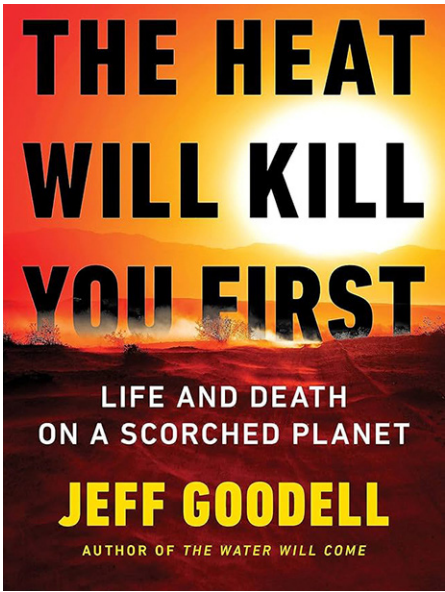
Now onto disaster lit ...

I admit that every time I read one of these books, which pretty much lays out climate-induced migration of plants and animals as a given, I say to myself, “Am I safe in Bishop? Or will I, too, be displaced by the heat?”

And then I write another mortgage check (to the forward-thinking guy I bought the house from who now lives in Montana) and forget about it.

Goodell’s book is a useful primer on what to expect moving forward, delving into the economic and social impacts of heat. With side excursions into human physiology, infectious disease and more.

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He starts with a heat wave in the pacific northwest and a tale of two neighborhoods. The poorest neighborhood is a concrete jungle. The temperature is 124 degrees. Then he drives out to a wealthy, tree-lined suburb. 99 degrees.

Temperature is a signifier of class and wealth. And death.

This observation from a person who lives in an apartment building in Perumbakkam, India:

“The elevator is a particularly spooky risk. When the power goes out it stops. The old people can be stuck for many hours. It happens all the

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Outlaw Saloon Happy Hour Monday through Friday from 4-6 p.m. *More info: See ad p. 19*
The Mogul happy hour 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the bar. Food and drink specials. **Main Street Pizza** - *See ad this page for details.*
Distant Brewing happy hour Monday-Thursday from 3-5pm. \$1/off beer/wine/cider/seltzer/kombucha

Friday, June 20/
Bob Snow plays BCC's weekly patio party. 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Saturday, June 21/
Blues Night @ the Wanaaha Casino featuring Blue Mountain Tribe with the Harry Andreas Band as the opener. Time: 7 p.m. No cover!

Sunday, June 22/
Live music @ Cardinal Village Resort in Aspendell. Time: 1-4 p.m.

Monday, June 23/
Open mic @ Distant Brewing. Time: 6-9 p.m.

Tuesday, June 24/
Karaoke @ Liberty. Starts 10 p.m.

Wednesday, June 25/
Weekly pool tourney @ Distant Brewing. Starts 6 p.m.
Late for the Train (Indie Folk) plays Mill Creek Station. \$\$\$. Optional potluck 6:30 p.m. Music 7:30 p.m.
Fiddlin' Pete plays the Mountain Rambler Brewery for locals' night. Time: 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 26/
Tracorum plays the Mobil Mart in Lee Vining. Music starts 6 p.m. No BYOB! Support the venue. *More info: See ad p. 11*

June 27-28/
Live music returns @ Liberty with Mammoth Feel Good Fest after-parties featuring the Grateful Dead jams of "Easy Wind."

TOWN STUFF

Friday, June 21/
Be a "Night Ranger" @ Bishop Country Club every Friday night from 8:30-10 p.m. All the range balls you can hit for \$10. Sister Christian that's a good deal!

June 20-29/
Mammoth Motocross returns! Ongoing since 1968. *More info: See ad p. 2*

Saturday, June 21/
The Eastern Sierra United Methodist Church invites local community members, regardless of faith, to celebrate Pride Month with a **special free screening of "1946: The Mistranslation That Shifted Culture"** (www.1946themovie.com). Time: 6:30 p.m. Location: Fellowship Hall at 205 N. Fowler Street in Bishop. Free and refreshments will be served.
Campfire Talk @ the Shady Rest campground amphitheater. Time: 6:30 p.m. Host: Sierra Forever. **Topic: All About Bears.**

Monday, June 23/
The Bishop Community Band has begun its **Summer Season of Concerts in the Park**. Time: Every Monday @ 8 p.m. Music will include marches, popular songs, jazz arrangements and popular novelty numbers. Bring a chair and/or a blanket and enjoy.
Bishop City Council meets. Open session typically starts 6 p.m. *Location: 377 West Line St. or online via cityofbishop.ca.gov.*

TOWN STUFF

June 23-26/
Kids Summer Film Series @ Minaret Cinemas w/support from Mammoth Hospital. Previously released kids' films on the big screen at 11 a.m. daily. Just \$2.50 for a walk-up ticket. **This week's film: Despicable Me 4**

Tuesday, June 24/
"How to Become a licensed, in-home child care provider" free info session. Time: 5:30-7:30 p.m. Location: Bridgeport Memorial Hall at 73 N. School St.
Inyo County Supervisors meet. Public session 10 a.m. Location: Board Chambers@ 224 N. Edwards in Indy or online via inyocounty.us.

June 25-28/
Junior Livestock Show & Auction @ Tri-County Fairgrounds, culminating in live auction on the 28th at 1 p.m. *For schedule, visit tricountyfair.com*

Thursday, June 26/
Trashy Thursdays are in full swing. Help clean up your Mammoth community. Time: 5-6 p.m. This week's location: Mammoth Lakes Library.

June 27-28/
Mammoth Feel Good Festival @ the Village at Mammoth featuring live music from 3-10 p.m. both days.

Saturday, June 28/
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For a complete job description, summary of benefits, and instructions on how to apply, please visit www.gbuapcd.org/employment or <https://gbuapcd.bamboohr.com/careers>.

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PERSONALS

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Notice of Petition to Administer Estate

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of Angus Edward McPhee
Mono County Superior Court Case Number PR1041

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of ANGUS EDWARD MCPHEE. A Petition for Probate has been filed by DARLENE A. LASSANSKE in the Superior Court of California, County of Mono. The Petition for Probate requests that DARLENE A. LASSANSKE be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of decedent.

The petition requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Adminimstration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: July 24, 2025, 9:30 a.m., Mammoth Courthouse, 100 Thompson Way, P.O. Box 1037, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with then court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Trenton M. Diehl, (SBN: 238724) Diehl Law Firm APC, 404 West Pine St. #7, Lodi, Calif. 95240. (209) 310.2903

TS #2025-0083

Notice of Vacancies

Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District has four openings on its Hearing Board. The Hearing Board is an independent quasi-judicial body with the authority to provide variances from air district regulations under certain circumstances. Hearing Board members are appointed to three-year terms. If you live within Inyo, Mono, or Alpine counties and are interested in applying, more information, including application instructions, are available at <https://www.gbuapcd.org/District/HearingBoard>

TS #2025-0084

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate

Notice of Petition to Administer Estate of Mary Jane Furman
Mono County Superior Court Case Number 25PRM5

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of MARY JANE FURMAN. A Petition for Probate has been filed by ALLEN FURMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of Mono. The Petition for Probate requests that ALLEN FURMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of decedent.

The petition requests the decedent’s will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Adminimstration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the executor to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: July 3, 2025, 1:30 p.m., Mammoth Courthouse, 100 Thompson Way, P.O. Box 1037, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546.

If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with then court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery of you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law.

You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner: Gian Carlo Simonetti, Esq. (SBN: 279468), Wood Simonetti, 126 Old Mammoth Road, Suite 218, P.O. Box 3837, Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546; (760) 934-5821

TS #2025-0068

Notice of Public Hearing

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Birchim Community Services District will hold a PUBLIC HEARING on the adoption of the 2025-2026 BUDGET. Said hearing shall take place at 7:00 PM, Thursday, July 3, 2025 at the Crowley Lake Community Center, Crowley Lake Drive, Crowley Lake, California. The proposed budget will be available for inspection after June 18 at Owens Gorge Rd, Tom's Place, CA. Call Scott Wing-Hartlein at 760-937-8808 for an appointment.

TS #2025-0080

Notice of Impending Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code sections 3691 and 3692.4, the following conditions will, by operation of law, subject real property to the tax collector’s power to sell.

- All property for which property taxes and assessments have been in default for five or more years.
- All nonresidential Commercial property for which property taxes and assessments have been in default for three or more years.
- Any property the tax collector has received a request to bring the property to the next scheduled tax sale from a person or entity that has a nuisance abatement lien recorded against the property and for which property taxes and assessments have been in default for three or more years.
- Any property that has been identified and requested for purchase by a city, county, city and county, or non-profit organization to serve the public benefit by providing housing or services directly related to low-income persons and for which property taxes and assessments have been in default for three or more years.

Note: The power to sell schedule for nonresidential commercial property is three or more years of tax default status, unless the county adopts, by ordinance or resolution, the five-year tax default schedule.

The parcels listed herein meet one or more of the conditions listed above and thus, will become subject to the tax collector’s power to sell on July 1, 2025, at 12:01 a.m., by operation of law. The tax collector’s power to sell will

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED ON JULY 1, 2018 FOR THE TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018

ITEM NUMBER	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	ASSESSEE NAME	AMOUNT TO REDEEM
1	039-060-010-000	49 HOLIDAY WAY	GLENN 3 TRUST 01-25-13	\$ 39,016.20

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED ON JULY 1, 2019 FOR THE TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2018-2019

ITEM NUMBER	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	ASSESSEE NAME	AMOUNT TO REDEEM
2	001-230-011-000	114985 HWY 395	HERNANDEZ MAGDALENO & MARIA	\$ 6,564.19
3	011-304-005-000	0 RICKEY PEAK ROAD	MCKNIGHT RORY E. & ANITA L.	\$ 5,558.89
4	032-103-212-000	865 MAJESTIC PINES DRIVE #8	SMITH KEVIN W.	\$ 28,611.61

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED ON JULY 1, 2020 FOR THE TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020

ITEM NUMBER	ASSESSOR'S PARCEL NUMBER	PROPERTY ADDRESS	ASSESSEE NAME	AMOUNT TO REDEEM
5	002-401-010-000	0 Walker, CA	LOCKETT FAMILY TR 10/02/2003	\$ 2,305.56
6	002-430-046-000	751 Camp Antelope Road	BLACKETER CLUSTER M. & DEBRA L	\$ 1,443.63
7	002-470-014-000	108952 Highway 395 #10	COLLINS EDDIE R	\$ 7,061.04
8	002-470-035-000	108952 Highway 395 #25	GARCIA EUCARIO T & CASTANEDA ALICIA C	\$ 2,844.93
9	008-210-016-000	1177 Willow Flat Trail	PETERSEN, DONNA	\$ 26,184.19
10	008-161-012-000	0 Highway 395	LAND TITLE, LLC	\$ 1,229.04
11	008-161-013-000	0 Aspen Lane	LAND TITLE, LLC	\$ 1,234.06
12	009-200-001-000	0 Bridgeport, CA	DOLAN, ALBERT F.	\$ 634.46
13	011-294-007-000	0 The Craggs Drive	MCGINNIS GRANT M	\$ 973.78
14	015-084-004-000	0 June Lake, CA	MARZANO, BETTY J. REV. TRUST	\$ 1,042.83
15	031-072-001-000	196 Davison Road #Unit A	Kaspar Alexander	\$ 6,244.83
16	031-072-002-000	196 Davison Road #Unit B	Kaspar Alexander	\$ 6,244.73
17	031-072-003-000	196 Davison Road #Unit C	Kaspar Alexander	\$ 6,244.73
18	035-140-001-000	58 Sierra Park Road	ECKERT GREG R. & TERRI L.	\$ 47,332.99
19	035-202-010-000	436 Old Mammoth Road #C2	QUINTERO JOSE G	\$ 7,486.09
20	040-100-027-000	202 Ridge Way	RIDGE WAY PROPERTIES, LLC	\$ 111,998.40
21	060-292-013-000	117 Lake Manor Place #13	HILDEBRAND DEBORAH L.	\$ 31,855.60
22	062-070-049-000	187 Piñon Hill Road	PINION HILLS, LLC	\$ 44,925.84

I certify or (declare), under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Janet Dutcher, Mono County Finance Director/Treasurer-Tax Collector Executed at Bridgeport, Mono, California, on May 16, 2024

Fictitious Business Name Statement
The Following Entity
Is Doing Business As:

Mammoth Peak Property Care

Kevin Snyder
50 Hidden valley Road
P.O. Box 9028
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on May 13, 2025
File Number 2025-0074
TS #2025-0067 (6/14, 6/21, 6/28, 7/5)

Fictitious Business Name Statement
The Following Entity
Is Doing Business As:

Mammoth Concierge

Stefanie Spezzia
64 Mountain Blvd., #3
P.O. Box 1405
Mammoth Lakes, CA 93546

This business is conducted by an individual. The registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name listed herein. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Mono County on May 6, 2025
File Number 2025-0068
TS #2025-0085 (6/21, 6/28, 7/5, 7/12)

arise unless the property is either redeemed or made subject to an installment plan of redemption initiated as provided by law prior to close of business on the last business day in June. The right to an installment plan terminates on the last business day in June, and after that date the entire balance due must be paid in full to prevent sale of the property at a tax sale.

The right of redemption survives the property becoming subject to the power to sell, but it terminates at close of business on the last business day prior to the date of the tax sale by the tax collector. All information concerning redemption or the initiation of an installment plan of redemption will be furnished, upon request, by Matthew Lund, Mono County Chief Deputy Treasurer-Tax Collector, P.O. Box 495, Bridgeport, CA 93517. Inquiries by phone may be directed to (760) 932-5480, or by email to treasurer@mono.ca.gov.

The amount to redeem, including all penalties and fees, as of June 2025, is shown opposite the parcel number and next to the name of the assessee.

PARCEL NUMBERING SYSTEM EXPLANATION
The Assessor’s Parcel Number (APN), when used to describe property in this list, refers to the assessor’s map book, the map page, the block on the map, if applicable, and the individual parcel on the map page or in the block. The assessor’s maps and further explanation of the parcel numbering system are available in the assessor’s office.

TS #2025-0071

Notice of Delinquency/Default

NOTICE OF PROPERTY TAX DELINQUENCY AND IMPENDING DEFAULT (Rev. &Tax. Code, Section 3351 & 3352)

I, Janet Dutcher, Mono County Director of Finance/Treasurer-Tax Collector, State of California, certify as follows: That at 12:01 a.m. on July 1, 2025, by operation of law, any real property (unless previously tax-defaulted and not redeemed) that has any delinquent taxes, assessments, or other charges levied for the fiscal year 2024-2025, and/or any delinquent supplemental taxes levied prior to the fiscal year 2024-2025, shall be declared tax-defaulted. That unless the tax-defaulted property is completely redeemed through payment of all unpaid amounts, together with penalties and fees prescribed by law or an installment plan is initiated and maintained; the property will become tax-defaulted and may be sold subsequently at a tax sale to satisfy the tax lien. That a detailed list of all properties remaining tax-defaulted as of July 1, 2025, and not redeemed prior to being submitted for publication, shall be published on or before September 8, 2028. That information concerning redemption or the initiation of an installment plan for redemption of tax-defaulted property will be furnished, upon request, by Matthew Lund, Mono County Chief Deputy Treasurer-Tax Collector, P.O. Box 495, Bridgeport, CA 93517. Inquiries by phone may be directed to (760) 932-5480, or by email to treasurer@mono.ca.gov.

I certify or (declare), under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Janet Dutcher, Mono County Finance Director/Treasurer-Tax Collector Executed at Bridgeport, Mono, California, on May 14, 2025

TS #2025-0077

Meet Emilio!

Love and fun here. He greets the world with trust and kindness, kids, dogs, cats, strangers. Let’s play! House trained. This angel belongs in a home today.

Please meet him and others like him that are in search of their forever home – at the Inyo County Animal Shelter, located at 1001 County Road in Big Pine. For more information, call (760) 938-2715. To see more dogs available for adoption, visit www.easternsierradogrescue.com

 Save a life. Adopt a shelter dog.



WOOF!

MAKE A DIFFERENCE, BECOME A VOLUNTEER TODAY!

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time. The alarm sounds, but it takes awhile to find out where they are, and then how do you get them out? It's a very difficult situation. No one wants to get cooked in an elevator."

The ultimate handicap for climate change activists is that their warnings

are driven by scientists - and no one trusts a scientist these days. Especially since scientists are uncomfortable speaking in absolutes (unlike a cornucopia of politicians we know) and include caveats which are easily exploited by your run-of-the-mill lobbyist.

"Climate change might change the odds of having a heat wave, they would argue, but you couldn't point to any one heat wave and say 'Climate change caused that.'"

Aha! No direct link between climate and specific disaster.

I think what struck me the most as I was reading this book were the tipping points, the leverage.

It doesn't take much of a change to disrupt an ecosystem.

For example, if you go from 77 to 95 degrees, you more than double the amount of water needed to maintain a given level of growth says Stanford's David Lovell, an agricultural ecologist.

Or, If you want to cool your house to 75 degrees and the outside temp increases from 95 to 98, that requires a 30% increase in power usage according to Texas A&M climate scientist Andrew Dessler.

Finally, I have to hand it to Mono County Sheriff Ingrid Braun. Let's honor her with the doublespeak of the year award right now!

Braun appeared before Mono Supervisors on Tuesday to tell them ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement) had not been here, despite rampant rumors, which she decried as being harmful both psychologically and to local business - some of which closed at a moment's notice because employees feared showing up.

She then went onto say that if ICE were here, she couldn't tell you anything about it because her agency would not interfere with another law enforcement agency's operation.

So basically, rumors are bad, but if I ever have the opportunity to dispel a rumor, I may. Or may not. But either way, I'm gonna tell you that I'm generally sad about it ...

San Dimas High School Football Rules!

MONO HIKES LANDFILL FEES

Mono County Supervisors unanimously approved a 15% rate hike for county solid waste fees at their meeting on Tuesday.

The other proposed options were for 20% or 25% increases, so county

residents got off relatively easy with this one!

On the carrot side, four free disposal events are planned throughout the year to encourage people not to dump their crap in the desert.



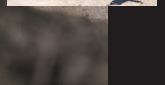
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GREAT BASIN UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

157 Short Street, Bishop, California 93514-3537
Tel: 760-872-8211 www.gbuapcd.org

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

Research and Systems Analyst I or II

Salary Range: RSA I: \$6,433 - \$8,623 per month plus benefits
RSA II: \$7,468 - \$10,010 per month plus benefits

The Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District seeks qualified candidates for the Research and Systems Analyst I/II role. Under general supervision the position plans, configures, evaluates, and reports on information and data pertaining to air quality in Inyo, Mono, and Alpine counties. Work duties include overseeing air quality database operations; utilizing GIS and remote sensing software to develop and perform spatial analyses; working as part of a team to validate data; performing compliance analyses of various dust control measures; and communicating and interpreting air quality data for partners and the public.

Successful performance requires the ability to work independently and as part of a team, communicate technical information in layperson terms, represent the District in public meetings, establish positive working relationships, and the ability to read, analyze, interpret record and present data accurately. This full-time position is based out of Bishop, CA. The work duties include office work and occasional fieldwork.

For a complete job description, including required qualifications, and instructions on how to apply, please visit www.gbuapcd.org/employment or <https://gbuapcd.bamboohr.com/careers>.

Applications must be received by Sunday July 20, 2025.
Recruitment will be open until the position is filled.

2025/2026 Solid Waste Enterprise Gate Fee Proposals									
15%	#	Description	Current Fee/Charge	Unit	Full Cost Recovery	Recommended Fee for 2025-2026	% change	Subsidy %	NOTES on changes that are outside normal percentage adjustments
All Solid Waste Collection Centers	1	Poison Liquids or Solids	\$8.00	each	\$10.23	\$9.00	13%	12%	
	2	Aerosols exceeding 5 can limit	\$6.00	each	\$7.67	\$7.00	17%	9%	
	3	Antifreeze exceeding 2 gallon limit	\$4.00	each	\$5.12	\$5.00	25%	2%	
	4	Flammable Liquid	\$4.00	each		\$10.00			revised price and no free limit
	5	Non Paint Care Products	\$4.00	each	\$5.12	\$5.00	25%	2%	no free limit
	6	Alkaline Batteries exceeding 1 gallon limit	\$17.00	each	\$21.74	\$20.00	18%	8%	
	7	Fluorescent Tubes exceeding 4 tube limit	\$3.00	each	\$3.84	\$3.00	0%	22%	reduced to 4 tube limit from 10 and 15
	8	Compact Fluorescent tubes exceeding 4 tube limit	\$1.00	each	\$1.28	\$1.00	0%	22%	revised price to reflect associated costs, reduced free limits
	9	Ballasts	\$1.00	each		\$2.00			
	10	Paint Care Products exceeding 5 gallon limit	\$1.00	each		\$2.00			
Transfer Stations and Landfills by Weight	11	SW by Weight: Animal Carcass- Large each	\$43.00	each	\$55.00	\$49.00	14%	11%	
	12	SW by Weight: Animal Carcass- Medium each	\$17.00	each	\$21.74	\$20.00	18%	8%	
	13	SW by Weight: Animal Carcass- Small each	\$9.00	each	\$11.51	\$10.00	11%	13%	
	14	SW by Weight: Auto Bodies	\$27.00	ton	\$34.54	\$31.00	15%	10%	
	15	SW by Weight: Auto Bodies: plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	16	SW by Weight: Boats & Personal Watercraft	\$128.00	ton	\$163.73	\$147.00	15%	10%	
	17	SW by Weight: Cathode Ray Tubes (TV & computer monitors)	\$9.00	each	\$11.51	\$10.00	11%	13%	
	18	SW by Weight: Cathode Ray Tubes (TV & computer monitors): plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	19	SW by Weight: Inert Construction Clean Loads (per load) gravel, soil or asphalt grindings	\$20.00	load	\$25.58	\$23.00	15%	10%	
	20	SW by Weight: Inert Construction Clean Loads (per load) gravel, soil or asphalt grinding	\$0.00	load	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	0%	
	21	SW by Weight: Minimum Gate Fee	\$7.00	min	\$8.95	\$8.00	14%	11%	
	22	SW by Weight: Mixed Construction & Demolition	\$128.00	ton	\$163.73	\$147.00	15%	10%	
	23	SW by Weight: Mixer inert debris or loads of Large concrete/asphalt chunks (greater than 2')	\$47.00	ton		\$400.00			revised price to reflect associated costs
	24	SW by Weight: Mobile Homes, House Trailers & Campers	\$128.00	ton	\$163.73	\$147.00	15%	10%	
	25	SW by Weight: Non-Refrigerated Appliances	\$19.00	each	\$24.30	\$22.00	16%	9%	
	26	SW by Weight: Organics	\$54.00	load	\$69.07	\$62.00	15%	10%	
	27	SW by Weight: Oversized tires & tractor tires dia. > 42" or > 11" width:	\$112.00	each	\$143.26	\$129.00	15%	10%	
	28	SW by Weight: Oversized tires & tractor tires dia. > 42" or > 11" width: plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	29	SW by Weight: Passenger car/truck tire dia. < 42" or < 11" width:	\$9.00	each	\$11.51	\$10.00	11%	13%	
	30	SW by Weight: Passenger car/truck tire dia. < 42" or < 11" width: plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
Transfer Stations by Volume	31	SW by Weight: Refrigerated Appliances	\$41.00	each	\$52.44	\$47.00	15%	10%	
	32	SW by Weight: Appliances plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	33	SW by Weight: Scrap Metal	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	34	SW by Weight: Special Handling for any hour or portion of hour over 2 hours	\$34.00	hour		\$100.00			revised to any hour or portion of hour over 2 hours... was per 1/2 hour
	35	SW by Weight: Special Handling-includes up to 2 hours special handling	\$169.00	load		\$400.00			revised to include up to 2 hours of special handling was per ton, now per load
	36	SW by Weight: Mixed Household & Commercial Waste	\$120.00	ton	\$153.49	\$138.00	15%	10%	
	37	SW by Weight: Tire on Rim surcharge	\$9.00	each	\$11.51	\$10.00	11%	13%	
	38	SW by Weight: Tire on Rim surcharge: plus	\$63.00	ton	\$80.58	\$72.00	14%	11%	
	39	SW by Weight: Tree Trunks >24" & Stumps	\$128.00	ton		\$400.00			size has been increased from 18" to 24 inch, and price increased to match cost of managing large trees and stumps
	40	SW by Weight: Wood	\$47.00	ton	\$60.12	\$54.00	15%	10%	
	101	SW by Weight: Manure		ton		\$40.00			added item
	44	SW by Volume: 1st Garbage Can up to 80 gallons	\$7.00	each	\$8.95	\$8.00	14%	11%	
	45	SW by Volume: Add'l garbage Can up to 40 gallons	\$4.00	each	\$5.12	\$5.00	25%	2%	
	46	SW by Volume: C&D all other loads of inert debris	\$81.00	CY	\$103.61	\$93.00	15%	10%	
	47	SW by Volume: C&D Clean loads of gravel, soil or asphalt	\$11.00	load	\$14.07	\$13.00	18%	8%	
	48	SW by Volume: C&D Waste mixed	\$28.00	CY	\$35.82	\$32.00	14%	11%	
	49	SW by Volume: Cathode Ray Tubes (TV & computer monitors)	\$10.00	each	\$12.79	\$13.00			revised to include cost of tonnage
	50	SW by Volume: Minimum Gate Fee	\$7.00	min	\$8.95	\$8.00	14%	11%	
	51	SW by Volume: Mixed Waste	\$20.00	ton	\$25.58	\$23.00	15%	10%	
	52	SW by Volume: Non-Refrigerated Appliances	\$19.00	each	\$24.30	\$23.00			revised to include cost of tonnage
	53	SW by Volume: Organics	\$16.00	load	\$20.47	\$18.00	13%	12%	
	54	SW by Volume: Oversized tires & tractor tires dia. > 42" or > 11" width:	\$117.00	each	\$149.66	\$142.00			revised to include cost of tonnage, to make it fair between landfill cost and transfer station cost
	55	SW by Volume: Passenger car/truck tire dia. < 42" or < 11" width:	\$10.00	each	\$12.79	\$13.00			
	56	SW by Volume: Refrigerated Appliances	\$41.00	each	\$52.44	\$60.00			
	57	SW by Volume: Scrap Metal	\$8.00	CY	\$10.23	\$9.00	13%	12%	revised to include cost of tonnage
	61	SW by Volume: Tire on Rim surcharge	\$10.00	each	\$12.79	\$13.00			
	62	SW by Volume: Wood - Clean	\$23.00	CY	\$29.42	\$26.00	13%	12%	
	102	Manure		CV		\$20.00			added item

*note: items 41-43 and 63-84 have been removed as they are no longer valid, and items 101 and 102 have been added

GAYLA'S GALLERY

BY GAYLA WOLF

MHS SENIOR AWARDS NIGHT



On behalf of the Mammoth Lions Club, Juliana Olinka-Jones handed out \$12k in scholarships on June 12 to the following: Leydy Camargo Alvarado, Leah Corsaro, Jocelyn Infante, Sophie McMahan, Lily Miller, Fernanda Villalpando, Ashley Altamirano, Samantha Bretz, Naomi Bribiesca, Ashley Trujillo Castillo, Marina Grate, Ava Hawkins, Emma Hoagland, Victoria Nunez, Ana Orduna Espinoza and Kaylynn Spieler



Leydy Camargo Alvarado



Sophie McMahan probably walked a mile between her seat and the podium.



Emma Hoagland



Ana Paolo Urduno and Kimberly Jaimes



Stella Vanderhurst



Ewen Tomaier and Isabella Hodges

Award Donors

- Mammoth Lakes Foundation
- Plum Family
- Donald M. Slager Foundation
- Howard Sheckter Memorial
- Mammoth Mountain Comm. Found.
- MHS Boosters
- Mono Arts council
- Mammoth JazzFest
- Still Standing Construction
- Delicious Media
- Dudley Family
- No Runner Left Behind - Rodriguez
- Calvert Family
- Rinaldi, Madrigal, Snow and Fix
- Eastern Sierra Police Officers
- Mammoth Lakes Hospitality Auxiliary
- Sierra Classic Theater - Hoxie
- Mono Lake Committee
- Mammoth Lakes Board of Realtors
- Marty Burgenbauch Memorial
- Eastern Sierra Community scholarship

- Music Society Scholarship
- Schaubmayer family
- MES PTO
- Mono County D.A.
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- MUSD Faculty and Staff
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- Inyo/Mono ASCA (American School Counselor Assn.) Region
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**In sum, these sponsors handed out more than \$200,000, (far and away led by Mammoth Mountain Ski Area).*



Marina Grate, Isabella Hodges, Ashlynn Parsons, Guest, Simon Harper, Grayson Hodges



Bryan Ramirez



Tommy Lackey and Tanner Knott



Kammy Gastelum and Rick Villaneuva, winners of the Rudder awards. This was Paul Rudder's 40th year.



Heather and Robert Schaubmayer present



CLAYBUSTERS SHOOT ... AND SCORE

Led by Johnston, Bishop marksmen place first at States
By Eric Johnson

On Saturday, May 31st the Bishop Bronco Clay Busters, the local co-ed trap shooting team of 6th-12th grade students, took first place in the California State High School Clay Target League Championship in Kingsburg, California.

This is the first overall state tournament championship win for the Bronco Claybusters team.

This year there were 230 athletes representing 24 high schools from around the state all shooting for the state title and individual wins.

The five members to bring the team state title home were: Junior Konnor Johnston, Senior James Russell, Senior Ty Arcularius, Junior Trace Bloom, and Senior Brady Kalk who shot 99, 98, 96, 96, and 94 respectively out of 100 target days.

Student athletes that achieve perfection with 25- or 50-straight targets hit receive a patch to adhere to their shooting gear and recognition.

Individually the Bronco Clay Busters stood out amongst the competition. Junior Konnor Johnston achieved the overall high gun award and first place in the male competition with a near perfect score of 99/100. Russell was third overall.

Team members that attended the competition this year were: Brandon Lopez, Brady Kalk, Eric Forbis, Messi Trejo, Nolan Dowers, James Russell,

Ty Arcularius, Konnor Johnston, Wyatt Lawrence, Michael Trejo, William Gratz, Diego Gamino, Trace Bloom, Ellie Boyd, Brooke Bigham and Dylan Michener as well as Coach Eric Johnson and Coach Andy Russell.

The sport operates under the rules and regulations of the United States High School Clay Target League. The

league is an extracurricular coed and adaptive activity for safety-certified student athletes in grades six through twelve on school-approved teams. The Bronco Clay Busters team has grown from 15 members in 2021 to 41 members in 2025.

The Bronco Clay Busters would like to thank the students, the parents, the

coaching staff, the support staff, and their sponsors; Peter Tracy, Timberline Construction, and Mac's Sporting Goods for making this experience possible for the student athletes.



Home on the range at the Bishop Gun Club



DID YOU KNOW?



→ Did you know that the Town has a wide variety of public improvement projects planned this summer?

PROJECTS INCLUDE:

- Installing fabric shade structures and a climbing boulder at Mammoth Creek Park.
- Replacing several older, asphalt multi-use paths (MUPs), including those:
 - along Sawmill Cutoff from Main Street to Shady Rest Park, and within the park itself.
 - along Mammoth Creek Road from Mammoth Creek Park West to the Sherwin Overlook.
 - along Meridian Blvd. from Joaquin Road to Eagle Lodge.
 - on the Town Loop along Mammoth Creek from Waterford Ave. to Eagle Lodge.
- Installing slurry seal coat to all the roads in the neighborhoods north and east of Main Street and Minaret Road (e.g. the Knolls, Pinecrest, etc.).
- Replacing the asphalt pavement at the airport parking lot.
- Breaking ground on the McCoy Arts and Cultural Center (MACC) later this summer.

To follow along with projects as they happen, please visit the Town's social media pages.

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