

YUCCA MOUNTAIN

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A poll, conducted by Pen + Schoen Associates, Inc., sampled 756 Nevada registered voters during the week of February 15, 1993 and showed that 83 percent of those sampled believe that Governor Bob Miller should begin discussions about benefits. 75 percent of those polled also thought that despite their campaign pledges to fight the study, elected officials should now urge the state to begin negotiations for benefits.

Respondents to the poll also clearly indicated what type of benefits Nevadans should receive during the site study. Nearly 32 percent of those polled indicated "help with our water" as the top negotiation preference and after water, 25 percent felt monetary benefits should be received.

"AAIFYM" have invited Senator Bryan, Senator Ried, Representative Bilbray, Representative Vucanovich, and Governor Miller to attend another in a series

of West Las Vegas Community Yucca Mountain Information meetings on Saturday, April 17, 1993 at 7:00 p.m. at The Greater New Jerusalem Baptist Church, 1100 North D. Street.

The meeting will give members of the West Las Vegas community as well as others another opportunity, similar to the one sponsored by the group on January 22, 1993 to discuss the status of Yucca Mountain with project manager Carl Gertz, scientist, transportation engineers, and geologists. There will also be an opportunity (scheduled) to hear opinions and information from Nevada's elected officials explaining their views on Yucca Mountain.

Watson, and 1st Vice-President Leroy Montgomery again asked the Nevada Nuclear Waste Study Committee, a citizens' group, the Department of Energy, and our elected officials to visit our community and explain what nuclear waste is, what the plans for Yucca Mountain

are, and why our elected representatives are so opposed to receiving benefits for the state during the site study process.

For more information or if anyone is interested in joining the April tour contact Eddie Watson at 598-5530, or Kati Smith at 791-6972.

NOTE: It's been reported that Governor Bob Miller will meet with U.S. Energy Secretary Hazel O'Leary on Friday in Washington, D.C. and discuss re-evaluating the proposed Yucca Mountain nuclear waste dump.

Miller said in a telephone conversation with O'Leary late last week, the two talked about the possibility of a re-evaluation of the site-selection process.

According to published reports on Tuesday, O'Leary told a House energy panel she wanted to make good on a pledge by President Clinton to Governor Miller that the site-selection process would be re-evaluated.

REAL ESTATE PERSPECTIVE

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If your loan agent tells you your ratios are 31/35, this housing-to-income ratio is 31% and your debt-to-income ratio is 35%. Your housing expense-to-income ratio should fall in the 28% to 33% range, although some lenders will go higher under certain circumstances.

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TRAVEL WITH BATES

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