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Dear Council Member,

What we have here reminds me of painting this room. We set up a committee to get the best bid price; we have another committee to decide on the color and a committee to schedule the time & alternate meeting place, etc, etc. But nobody really got to the bottom line. This room does not need to be painted.

Just like the sage grouse are not endangered. There are millions of sage grouse in the west, where they still allow ranching & farming. That is why there was an abundance of sage grouse during the peak of farming. We realize that your intent is to get the people off

the land, not to protect the sage grouse.

As an example, for decades the Battle Mountain district of the B.L.M. was run very well by three employees. Now they have 320 employees, all trying to justify their jobs and at taxpayer expense. That's just one district of one agency. No wonder our national debt is so high.

Please encourage responsible farming & ranching on our Nevada lands and the sage grouse will be abundant as a result.

Thank you,
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