

Border Manifesto # 2

On Wednesday August 4th I met with Supervisory Border Patrol Agent, Mark Monin. He had contacted me a few days earlier to discuss the possibility of using a high hill about a quarter of a mile south of Highway 80 at mile marker 400 to establish a camp for several National Guardsmen. They wanted to establish an observation post complete with modern optics and night vision capabilities. The purpose of this post would be to aid Border Patrol agents in spotting and identifying illegal alien groups. The hill referred to is on deeded land so Agent Monin needed my approval to proceed with the plan. My first response was to question his choice of this certain hill, it being quite high and steep, 4 or 5 hundred feet above the valley floor and having no established trail or road ascending to the summit. His response was that those obstacles could perhaps be overcome. I suggested a smaller hill on the opposite side of the highway with a road to the top and easily accessed. This seemed fine at the time and we agreed to proceed.

It seemed odd to me that the much talked about Guard was to be deployed 22 miles north of the border so I told Agent Monin that I had thought the guard was going to be sent right to the border itself. His response was that no suitable spot had been found to that point. They had looked at a hill on a ranch very near the border with a view extended 10 miles both east and west, but had decided against it because the (the Border Patrol, and National Guard) thought it would be too time consuming to get up and down it and it was a long way from town.

Actually it is closer to town than either of the hills he was interested in on my place, and it had a road and trail already established going up to the top. I didn't get it. Picking a hill 22 miles north of the border with no access and limited view after passing up the chance to establish a lookout right on the border? The rancher who controls the hill right on the border (we'll call this Hill #1) pleaded with the Border Patrol to establish this new lookout there. The rancher has witnessed countless dope loads and outlaws cross the line within shouting distance of Hill #1 and was quite dismayed when they chose to go elsewhere. Hill #1 is about 21 miles straight south of Hill #2 (the hill first mentioned at mile marker 400 on Highway 80). Several days after my meeting with Agent Monin, a Ford F-150 pick-up with over 1000 pounds of Marijuana was found at the Fairchild Ranch. The pick-up had Sonoran plates and so overloaded with dope that both rear tires had blown out. The driver escaped. The Fairchild Ranch where the pick-up was found is exactly half way between Hill #1 and Hill #2. Because of the lay of the land this truck could have never gotten north of Hill #1 undetected had there been an observation post established there. Actually in the first week of August there have been 3 drive-through loads of Marijuana pass through this same area, all easily detected from Hill #1. This isn't counting the numerous loads going through that area on the backs of human mules.

To me the significance of this is profound. Why would the Border Patrol and our National Guard pass up an opportunity to establish a look out in an excellent spot right on the border, only to choose a spot of lesser quality 22 miles north of the border? Is this mere coincidence? In my opinion, "No." It is planned and deliberate incompetence.

On August 5th the *Washington Times* printed an article written by Kerry Picket. It states that 7,000 ICE employees have cast a unanimous vote of no confidence in the director of Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE), John Morton, and the assistant director of the ICE office Detention Policy and Planning, Phyllis Coven. The *Times* article mentioned a letter posted by the Center for Immigration Studies and authored by ICE Union President, Chris Crane. Quoting the article, "According to CIS, the letter provides a litany of examples of how ICE's mission is being skewed toward supporting an

unflinching goal of amnesty by refusing to allow agents to do their job, allowing criminal aliens to roam free, depleting resources for key enforcement initiatives that preceded this administration, misrepresenting facts and programs, demeaning the extent of the criminal alien problem, and geared to support amnesty.”

When I read the *Times* article, it really hit home because I’ve been seeing and hearing these things for years. I’ve had no less than a dozen Border Patrol agents tell me their superiors purposefully do things to make them unsuccessful. I mentioned this one time to Congresswoman Gabriell Giffords and Border Patrol Tucson Sector Chief, Robert Gilbert, and I thought they were going to have me arrested. After the meeting where this happened, I had an out-of-uniform Border Patrol Agent hug me and thank me profusely for speaking the truth.

This deliberate incompetence (I’m sorry, but putting a National Guard lookout post 22 miles north of the border, when there is a much better spot right on the border is incompetence) that we’re seeing here on the frontier isn’t the fault of agents like Mark Monin, or even the station or sector chiefs. This is a deliberate method of operation that comes straight from 1600 Pennsylvania Ave. The border patrol and ICE agents and the Guard are mere pawns in a grander scheme that is being directed by a President who has repeatedly shown that he is the biggest open border advocate alive. Barack Hussein Obama does not consider himself to be a citizen of the USA. He is a citizen of the world. His actions and much the he has said and written make you think America to him is like a disabled halfwit brother that he is ashamed of. Certainly traditional taxpaying Americans are something to be suspect. Since Rob Krentz’s murder on March 27, 2010, neither Barack Obama nor anyone in his administration has ever contacted the Krentz family to make any kind of a statement, even though Rob’s murder has been and still is one of the biggest news stories of the year! The minute Jan Brewer signed SB 1070 into law, Obama and his entire cabinet lit up like a slot machine making hay over a law that a majority of Americans support.

The petty fracas between professor Henry Louis Gates Jr. and Sgt. James Crowley instigated the much televised beer bust that was no more than another photo op for Barack Obama – but no mention from Obama of the deliberate disenfranchisement of ranchers who have the misfortune of living south of Interstate 10.

Obama and his Attorney General, Eric Holder, laud the imagined inequity of holding radical Islamic terrorists at Gitmo but refuse to make a statement condemning Samir Shabaz standing outside a polling place with a club in his hand intimidating voters.

One can’t help but compare the current administration with King George III and the American colonies in the mid 1700s. Good King George miscalculated the mood and capacity of the Americans for reprisal and revenge. But perhaps I’m wrong. Maybe Obama knows what trouble lays ahead for him come election time. That’s why he wants all these Mexican outlaws to make it north to freedom and amnesty. Good ole Barack can get his buddy Samir Shabaz to protect all these illegal outlaws (who tramp through my neighborhood) while they go inside and cast a vote for the Democratic ticket.

While all this nonsense is going on the poor people on both sides of the border continue to suffer because of the current administration’s perpetuation of a bogus border policy that is doomed to fail. Hypocrites like Barack Obama, Janet Napolitano and Raul Grijalva cry about the poor Mexican people when the trail they are leading us down enables the Cartels to get rich and abuse the poor and innocent. And cowboys like myself get blamed for it.

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