

Subject: Speaker Notes - Phil Lyman - LSDM - 07 May 2026 - Via Zoom

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Above: Phil Lyman, Candidate for US Congress (R), Utah 3, speaks to La Societe Deux Magots (LSDM) 07 May 2026 - via Zoom.

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Hat tip: Jimmy May (Aspiring Geek)

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Phil Lyman for Congress 2026-Utah

CD3

Quick recap

This meeting featured Phil Lyman, a candidate running for the CD3 congressional seat against incumbent Celeste Malloy, presenting his platform and positions to the group. Phil discussed his background as a CPA and former county commissioner, his opposition to federal overreach in issues like uranium mining and water management, and his concerns about election integrity following his write-in campaign for governor that received 200,000 votes. The discussion covered Phil's policy positions on nuclear energy, constitutional governance, and his criticism of what he sees as centralized control in Utah politics, with participants asking questions about his approach to tariffs, war powers, and environmental issues like geoengineering. The conversation ended with brief discussions about international politics, particularly regarding the UK's immigration and security challenges.

Summary

Meeting Introduction and Presentation Setup

The group briefly discussed connections to various families in Blanding and the uranium industry before transitioning to the formal start of the meeting at 7:00 AM. Jack Kelly announced that Phil would have 30 minutes for an uninterrupted presentation, followed by a Q&A session, with the meeting summary notes captured using Zoom AI Companion.

CD3 Congressional Race Discussion

Phil discussed his motivation for running against incumbent Celeste Malloy for the CD3 seat, highlighting his focus on constitutional principles and representing constituents rather than party loyalty. He contrasted his approach with Malloy's, suggesting she aligns more with establishment politics in Washington. Phil shared his experience with federal redistricting and explained how the newly defined district encompasses a large portion of Utah. He also mentioned his past involvement in uranium industry negotiations and shared details about the Uranium One sale to Russia, which he attributed to Hillary Clinton's involvement.

Federal Land and Water Rights

Phil discussed his experiences as a county commissioner and state legislator, focusing on issues related to federal land management, water rights, and centralized control over resources. He highlighted concerns about the Bears Ears National Monument designation and its impact on uranium mining, as well as the centralization of water management in Utah, which he opposed due to its potential to infringe on local rights. Phil also addressed the unconstitutional redistricting in Utah, which led him to consider running for a House seat to promote constitutional governance and state rights.

Healthcare Leadership and Philosophy Discussion

Phil shared his personal and professional background, including his family's influence in healthcare and his role in establishing Utah Navajo Health Systems, which has grown to employ about 700 people. When Jack asked about his aspirational approach, Phil confirmed his belief in free markets and government closest to the people, drawing from his study of the Constitution and Federalist Papers.

Utah Election Signature Concerns

Steve asked Phil's previous gubernatorial campaign where he ran as a write-in and gained 200,000 votes. Phil discussed concerns about election interference in Utah, particularly regarding signature verification issues in the governor's race. He explained that while investigating potential fraud in another candidate's signatures, they discovered that an investigation into Spencer Cox's signatures was known to multiple government offices, including the Attorney General's office, but was delayed until after Cox was sworn in. Phil argued that without transparency, election problems cannot be addressed, and suggested that SB54 could be immediately fixed if the party would stop recognizing signature gatherers.

Gubernatorial Campaign Strategy Discussion

Phil discussed his gubernatorial campaign strategy, highlighting the importance of social media and debates in reaching voters across Utah. He mentioned plans for 18 debates in various counties and emphasized his focus on transparency and anti-corruption messages, particularly regarding election systems and data centers. Phil also criticized his opponent Celeste Miloa's voting record on key issues and expressed concerns about election integrity, referencing his previous gubernatorial campaign's focus on cleaning up voter rolls and auditing the election system.

Phil's Political Stance Discussion

Phil discussed the differences between himself and his opponent Celeste Maloy, emphasizing that while both may be honest and competent, his approach is driven by lived experience rather than an administrative mindset. When asked about constitutional questions regarding tariffs and war powers, Phil expressed support for President Trump's use of tariffs as a response to economic warfare against America, though he noted concerns about the current implementation of the War Powers Act. Phil criticized the ongoing military actions in Iran as having been hijacked and called for withdrawal from the Strait of Hormuz.

Nuclear Energy and Political Advocacy

Phil expressed strong support for nuclear energy, mentioning his creation of the Yellow Cake Caucus in the legislature and his advocacy for thorium nuclear energy, which produces medical isotopes. He discussed his concerns about current political systems being influenced by global interests and expressed hope that libertarian principles would gain more traction in the country. Phil also touched on his reservations about running for Congress again, fearing he might be a "lone voice in the wilderness," and suggested that the current economic situation could lead to decentralized solutions, including alternative currencies.

Geoengineering and Political Concerns

Phil discussed his concerns about geoengineering, emphasizing the need for transparency and federal regulation to address the spraying of harmful chemicals in the air. When asked about threats to the United States, Phil identified China as a greater threat than Russia, while expressing concern about entities like BlackRock and the influence of figures like Bill Gates and George Soros. Phil also addressed Utah's political dynamics, attributing the state's blue leadership in a red state to SB54 and a long-standing plan by Envision Utah, and expressed his aspirations to promote freedom, liberty, and constitutional values in his potential race for Congress.

UK Immigration and Safety Concerns

The meeting featured a discussion between Jack and Rory about current conditions in the UK, particularly focusing on immigration issues and safety concerns. Rory expressed strong concerns about the direction of the UK, describing it as dangerous and noting problems with knife crime and assimilation of immigrants. The conversation also touched on political leadership, with Rory suggesting that Nigel Farage's party would be needed for positive change, though he acknowledged knowing "unsavory things" about Farage. The conversation ended with Jack explaining the group's format for hosting presentations and welcoming future participation from Rory.

Thank-you

LSDM thanks Phil Lyman for his presentation today and for his commitment to public service.

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