

Guide to the UNLV Public Lands Institute Records

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Summary Information

Repository: University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

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Creator: University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Public Lands Institute

Creator: Rees, Peg

Title: UNLV Public Lands Institute Records

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Abstract: The UNLV Public Lands Institute Records (approximately

1946-2017) primarily contain records from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas's Public Land Institute's (PLI) which is focused on providing knowledge and research expertise in the areas of environmental education and interpretation related to public lands management. The materials include records from the PLI's inaugural founder, Dr. Margaret N. "Peg" Rees, then the Associate Vice President for Research and Outreach at UNLV. Materials document the founding and work of the PLI and also include papers from Rex Bell, Jr. associated with the Walking Box Ranch which is co-owned by UNLV and the Bureau of Land Management. The collection also includes videos of Rex Bell, Jr. discussing donation of Walking Box Ranch materials to the PLI.

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Acquisition Note

Records were transferred in 2023 by the Reid Public History Institute and in 2024 by Paula Jacoby-Garrett; accession numbers 2023-079 and 2024-003.

Processing Note

In 2023, Tammi Kim accessioned the collection. In 2024, Sarah Jones organized the digital files, created access copies of video files, and updated the finding aid. A student assistant transcribed the folder titles and created the inventory, no additional work has been done on the physical materials.

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Names and Subjects

- Environmental policy
- Walking Box Ranch (Searchlight, Nev.)
- Land use
- Research grants
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas -- History

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