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Here are some of the stories Sightings is following in the news.

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While there is no official government position on the existence, or non-existence of Bigfoot,

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Sightings has discovered at least one government document in which Sasquatch is not only acknowledged.

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He's deemed worthy of special attention as one of this country's endangered species.

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In Maple Valley, Washington, the owner of this ranch is being prevented from developing

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his suburban Seattle property because, according to an official King County document, one man's

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ranch is another man's Bigfoot breeding ground.

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And landowner Jim Baum is not very happy about it.

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Yeah, I'm madder than hell.

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I mean, basically the county has taken away my one and only asset and they're telling

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me that I made a bad investment.

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Baum bought this ranch in 1988 and had big dreams for the neglected property.

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Oh, I was looking for a piece of property that I could either turn into a horse boarding

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facility or actually farm.

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And I checked with the county to see if I could rehab the farm and turn it back into an active farm.

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Jim Baum's land use application was denied because King County had designated the property

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as a class 2 wetland, home to many protected plant and animal species.

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They handed me a single piece of paper and on the back of this piece of paper there were

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lists of the birds, mammals and plants that are supposedly in this wetland.

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Among the protected mammals were bear, beaver and Bigfoot.

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There's like 350 different species on this list and I came across a bipedist Giganticus

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which I'd never heard of before and when I saw that it was a Sachquatch I was fairly

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amazed.

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While Baum may be amazed, he is definitely not amused.

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I am angry about this whole thing because I cannot do what I wanted to do with this

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property even though I checked it out before I bought it and the county has the audacity

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to list Sachquatches as a protected species.

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According to the county's Agriculture and Resource Department, the list was compiled

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from a variety of sources including citizen observations and the department doesn't make

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a judgment about whether sightings are real or imagined.

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Socorro, New Mexico is the site of one of the most baffling UFO encounters in US history.

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On April 24th 1964, an unidentified craft reportedly landed and then assented into the

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New Mexico twilight.

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On a recent episode of sightings we brought you the first-hand account of Sheriff's Deputy

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Lonnie Zamora who witnessed the egg-shaped craft.

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Those are the exact bushes that were there and the craft was sitting right in between

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them too.

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So I started down to see what it was and then I heard this big boom on the bottom and the

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fire came off the bottom so I started running behind my police car to take cover and then

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it gradually pulled up about 20-30 feet and stayed there for a while and then just took

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off.

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Almost instantly, Socorro was the center of intense media interest.

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But except for the few frames of footage seen here, all film and photographs taken by news

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agencies and curious onlookers was reportedly confiscated by the government.

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But sightings was recently contacted by a Southern California woman whose family home

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movies had somehow eluded the authorities.

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Well I was sitting home one night and the program sightings came on and there was a

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story about Socorro, New Mexico and I sat up and I went, oh my God, I cannot believe

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it.

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He was there.

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I have home movies to this.

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In April 1964, the family was on vacation in New Mexico.

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This rare home movie, recorded at the scene of Socorro's sighting, shows the aftermath

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of the UFO landing and takeoff.

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As I recall, we stopped at a gas station and I remember we spoke to a sheriff and he told

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us that he had been in the desert and he saw a UFO landing.

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My father was really amazed about this and really interested.

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So we followed the sheriff out to the location where this occurred.

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The scene of the UFO encounter was just as Lonnie Zamora has always described it.

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I got out of the car and I walked and you could see very clearly where it looked like

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a tripod had burned into the ground or something, a craft had landed.

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And you could see the landing marks very clearly on the ground.

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There was a bush that was all charred and burned.

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Though short in duration, this film footage is significant because it not only validates

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Deputy Zamora's story, but also provides important documentation for ufologists who continue

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to study the Socorro case.

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We were kind of quiet when we got back in the car and I said, wow, dad, that was amazing.

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Affected both of us.

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It was a remarkable thing to see and we both believed what the sheriff told us.

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There was no question about it.