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AIFF gets political with documentaries

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"A Snow Mobile for George" — Written, directed and narrated by Todd Darling. Though the first few minutes of this film seems like a family home movie, it's not. Not even close. This film is a far-reaching, clearly drawn examination of the environmental policy of the Bush administration.

From a visit to the Yurok Indians in Northern California, who are coping with governmental regulations which impact the salmon and their way of life; to Wyoming, where ranchers are locked in a range war with big oil and gas companies as their land is degraded and water drained from underground wells; to New York City and finally the White House, Darling exposes a chilling disregard on the part of this administration not only for the environment but for citizens. Deregulation, beginning with Darling's snow mobile, in the service of corporate interests, has been the mantra of this administration and the damage done has been considerable and surprisingly reflects a sophisticated political/corporate strategy.

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