

Garfield County (Utah) County Commission
Comments Regarding the Future of the Bears Ears National Monument

Ryan Zinke, Secretary of the Interior

Dear Secretary Zinke,

This document constitutes the formal comments of the Garfield County Commission regarding the Department of Interior's review of the Bears Ears National Monument. The Commission is the governing body for Garfield County, Utah; and it is the Commission's responsibility to protect the health, safety and welfare of the residents of Garfield County. The Commission asserts this responsibility can best be implemented by actively working with, and supporting, nearby counties in our region facing issues similar to our own, including San Juan County, our neighbor to the immediate east.

San Juan County and Garfield County share many common characteristics. Both counties are rural, semi-arid and cover areas larger than some eastern states. In both counties the land base is overwhelmingly under federal control (83% federal/tribal in San Juan; 90%+ federal in Garfield). Limited acreage in either county is under private ownership (8% in San Juan; 3% in Garfield). Both counties have traditionally relied on resource-based economies – principally timber, minerals and livestock grazing and have been increasingly impacted in a negative way by a single industry, recreation dominant economy. With designation of Bears Ears, the two counties share the dubious distinction of hosting two of the largest land-based national monuments in the lower 48 states. It is these similarities that make Garfield County's twenty one-year experience with the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM) particularly relevant to the discussion concerning the future of the Bears Ears National Monument.

Our 21 years of experience defending ourselves against unreasonable and irresponsible management at the GSENM, and our realization that a similar situation is imminent in San Juan County, lead us to strongly recommend the Bears Ears designation be rescinded or at the very least significantly reduced to meet the requirements of the Antiquities Act. We also strongly encourage that management of the lands revert to the non-monument Bureau of Land Management. Further, based on the unfortunate abuses of the Antiquities Act over the last two decades, and the fact that the Act is over a century old and has been superseded by more refined legislation, the Garfield County Commission believes that it is time to rescind or significantly revise the Antiquities Act.

The remainder of this comment presents our justification for the above conclusions. We defer site specific comments on Bears Ears to San Juan County and recognize them as the authoritative voice for lands in San Juan County. We will focus on considerations identified in Executive Order 13792 of April 26, 2017 and Garfield County's experience with the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM).

The Requirements and Original Objectives of the Act

A plain reading of the Antiquities Act and its Congressional Record makes evident Congress envisioned a specific and narrow purpose for the Act. It was meant to protect specific, tangible historic landmarks,

historic structures and objects of historic and scientific interest. Actions that were taken at the time of the Act best document its intended purpose.

From 1906 through 1916 presidents designated 33 monuments encompassing 1,749,654 acres. Congress recognized the significance of 8 of those monuments and re-designated them as National Parks. 1,367,833 acres were moved to Park status, leaving 381,721 acres in 25 monuments for an average of 15,269 acres. Only three of the remaining monuments had acreages larger than 14,000 acres (Dinosaur - 283,885 acres, Bandelier – 37,780 acres, and Pinnacles – 26,174). The remaining 22 monuments (two thirds of the original 33 monuments) had an average acreage of less than 1,600 acres.

From 2006 through 2016 presidents also designated 33 monuments but identified 770,773,801 acres, 440 times the acres designate in the first 33 monuments. While the 1906 through 1916 period included 8 designations worthy of National Park Status, Congress has not recognized any of the latest 33 monuments as worthy of National Park status. The 1.35 million acre Bears Ears Monument is roughly equivalent to the size of the eight 1906-1916 monuments that were designated National Parks. More than half of the monuments designated in the 2006-2016 period have acreages larger than 14,000 acres, and eleven are significantly larger than Dinosaur National Monument's 283,885 acres.

Clearly, there has been a shift in the understanding of “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected”. Eight of the monuments created in the last decade were larger than 1 million acres. And these designations came after a full century of presidents using the Act to designate what they considered to be areas most worthy for designation. Logically, the most outstanding objects would have received monument status at the earliest time, and areas of lesser quality would be left for our present day.

Appropriate Designation as Historic Landmarks, Historic and Prehistoric Structures and Objects of Interest

Presidents have also abandoned the original understanding of objects that merit protection. The Act identifies 1) historic landmarks; 2) historic and prehistoric structures; and 3) other objects of historic or scientific interest. Four terms need to be defined to evaluate if recent presidential actions are within authorized discretion or reach the level of abuse. Important terms are as follows:

- Historic: Famous or important in history
- Landmark: An object or feature of a landscape that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location
- Prehistoric: Of or relating to the time or a period prior to recorded history
- Object: A material thing that can be seen and touched.

Applying the definitions to the language in the Act an object qualifying for monument must be: 1) a famous or important feature of a landscape that is easily seen and recognized from a distance, especially one that enables someone to establish their location; 2) a famous or important structure or a structure that is related to the time before recorded history; or 3) a material thing that can be seen and touched that is famous or important or has scientific interest.

Early designations clearly followed a process which presidents felt were within the limits of their discretion. A monument worthy object was identified and a boundary was drawn around it. For smaller monuments, the process seems to be similar in recent years. Presidents have used their discretion to identify discrete objects that are famous or important to national interests or science and then draw a boundary around it. However, for larger monuments boundaries seem to be drawn first and then indiscrete, flowery language is used to describe the general character of the area, without identifying any qualifying object. In Bears Ears, for example, the proclamation attempts to equate values, diverse vegetation, 15 species of bats, riparian communities and other generalized characteristics to discrete objects that need protection, which is inconsistent with the definition of an object. Many of the so-called objects are variable and come and go with seasons, precipitation and natural ecologic variations. There are no viable threats, so there is nothing to protect from. Interestingly the largest monuments have the least defined objects, a demonstration of abuse of the Antiquities Act.

Section 3 of the Act makes it abundantly clear that qualifying objects do not need to be maintained in their current condition. The Act authorizes extraction of qualifying objects for scientific study. Even today, monuments frequently encourage extraction of archeological and paleontological resources they are mandated to protect. Once an object is removed, what is the value of continued protection of the area from which the object was extracted?

Waco Mammoth National Monument appears to be a proper example of a valid designation process. The object is defined and limited to a specific location. The Waco monument appears to be a reasonable size that meets minimum area criteria. Bears Ears is the antithesis: an overlarge area with no defined objects. In order to meet Antiquities Act criteria, the managing agency should be able to list each object identified in the presidential proclamation and provide an associated GPS coordinate / longitude-latitude. The Bears Ears proclamation failed to do so.

The process used to designate the GSENM created anger and distrust that continues to this day. The designation process used for the GSENM is well-documented in the November 9, 1997 Congressional Record, in a House Resource Committee majority staff report and attachments to that report. Bears Ears' proclamation has similar flaws including:

- It failed to identify specific landmarks, structures or objects,
- It failed to identify any threats to specific landmarks, structures or objects,
- It failed to identify any management prescriptions for landmarks, structures or objects,
- It throws a broad net over almost all federal land between other established federal designations, (National Parks, Recreation Areas and Forests). Such a broad net with ill-defined objects violates the Act

While the process for Bears Ears may not have been as secretive as for GSENM, the Obama administration failed to truly communicate and coordinate with state and local officials. Rather, it conducted shuttle diplomacy with special interests and Native Americans whom special interests were using to bring legitimacy to their wilderness initiative. The president made the proclamation without any real consideration of the local officials in spite of lip service to the contrary.

Effects of Designation on Available Uses of Designated Federal Lands

Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument provides a graphic example of the effects of recent, overly broad monument designations. The Antiquities Act was not intended to create or protect large swaths of wilderness. That purpose was established with the Wilderness Act of 1964. Unfortunately, beginning with the designation of the GSENM, and replicated with the designation of Bears Ears, the Antiquities Act has become a vehicle for creating wilderness without Congressional consent.

Historical facts associated with GSENM accurately forecast the effects of monument designation for resource uses in Bears Ears. Those facts include:

- Two thirds of the County maintained road mileage that existed at the time of designation has been closed to the public by BLM.
- Although BLM does not claim management authority over any roads in GSENM under 23 CFR 460, it refuses to acknowledge Garfield and Kane Counties' claims and has forced the local governments into expensive litigation.
- BLM's refusal to allow reasonable improvements to high use transportation facilities has required Garfield County to grade the entire 56 miles of the Hole in the Rock Road an average of 17 times per year over the last 3 years, making it the intensive maintenance need on the County's road network.
- BLM's refusal to allow the Counties to install drainage culverts in maintained roads results in resource damage, erosion, emergency rescues, and washouts many times each year.
- GSENM has prohibited maintenance of vegetative treatments which has reduced land health and negatively impacted wildlife and livestock, while increasing erosion.
- All mining, commercial timber harvest and other traditional industries have been eliminated.
- Installation of needed infrastructure, communication facilities, powerlines, fiber optic lines, etc. has been delayed or prohibited – even when upgrades are located in existing rights of way.
- 94% of GSENM (approximately 1.77 million acres) is managed for wilderness with services restricted to signs needed to warn of natural hazards.
- Only 6% of GSENM (113,000 acres) is managed to accommodate.
- Extraction of common sand & gravel needed for community development has been prohibited.
- Grazing has been reduced.
- On 66% of the monument families are prohibited from recreation activities that include more than 12 people.
- On an additional 28% of the monument is restricted to a 25 person limit.
- BLM refuses to install restrooms at high use areas such as Peekaboo/Spooky slot canyons resulting in human waste concentrations and health hazards.

Simply and bluntly stated, the designation of both GSENM and Bears Ears was intended as a means to bypass Congress and lock-up large areas of land under management that follows wilderness prescriptions. Monument designation was not intended to protect specific objects, structures and landmarks as specified by the Antiquities Act and was not intended to serve the vast majority of the American public. Almost all uses in the GSENM have been eliminated or significantly reduced. A similar fate is anticipated for Bears Ears.

Effects of Designation on Uses of Non-Federal Lands

Once again the best predictor of impacts in the Bears Ears Monument is irrefutable actions that have occurred in GSENM. All state lands in GSENM at the time of designation were subsequently transferred to BLM. The transfer included payments to the state as whole and some BLM properties outside the Monument. But those payments and lands benefitted populations outside Garfield and Kane Counties – the very counties impacted by GSENM. A similar fate is forecast for Bears Ears.

Payments to local schools and communities that are based on State trust land acreage were significantly reduced because state lands in GSENM were traded out the monument for lands outside Kane and Garfield Counties. Jobs associated with State Trust Lands were eliminated by monument regulations that prohibit continuation of traditional industries. Use of common materials needed in construction of homes, roads and communities available on the trust lands has been completely eliminated.

When state lands were transferred, it exposed the lands to the full complement of federal regulations and prohibited more efficient use of the lands. Livestock grazing permits were altered to comply with more onerous federal regulations. Permitting processes became more costly, and management moved from local control to the National Landscape Conservation System in Washington DC. The ability of lands to be sold or traded to communities for public purposes was lost, and local ability to improve facilities under beneficial laws such as the Recreation and Public Purpose Act was eliminated.

GENM designation and subsequent land transfers foreclosed opportunities for sale of Trust lands to private parties. This eliminated commercial opportunities and opportunities to support County property taxes. This would be a problem in any county, but is a particular problem in counties such as Garfield and San Juan where private property is a rare and precious commodity.

Monument employees – GSENM’s landscape architect in particular- have opposed reasonable projects outside GSENM and have lobbied against projects supported by the duly elected Garfield County Commission. They have continually harassed county employees engaged in authorized endeavors and have attempted to force monument authority outside their jurisdiction.

Based on our 21 year experience with the GSENM, Garfield County cannot identify a single benefit to the use of non-federal lands in and adjacent to GSENM. The Garfield County Commission strongly encourages San Juan County, the State of Utah and private individuals to resist all efforts to transfer any non-federal lands within the Bears Ears area to the federal government.

DOI also needs to be aware of serious unethical efforts by BLM to forcibly take private ground under the guise of federal authority. In 2009 BLM began organizing an armed occupation of a private property adjacent to GSENM in an effort to “encourage” the property owner to transfer a portion of the land to federal ownership. The action never took place, largely due to a monument employee’s declaration that he would publicly disclose the operation if it was carried out. Garfield County’s information regarding the armed operation is limited, but complete details can be obtained by contacting Drew Parkin, former GSENM Escalante Field Station Manager, at (435) 491-2160

Concerns of State, Tribal and Local Governments Affected by a Designation, Including Economic Development and Fiscal Condition

We defer to the San Juan County Commission for the official local position on economic development and fiscal condition. However, we offer our experience regarding local economic conditions.

Much has been claimed regarding economic impacts of monuments on local economies. Generalized studies, however do not always apply to the site specific conditions associated with individual monuments. For example, in 2011 headwaterseconomics.org produced a document entitled *The Economic Importance of National Monuments to Local Economies*. On the surface, the document indicates that growth in communities near monuments do not demonstrate a cause-and-effect relationship and there is no evidence that new monuments prevent continued economic growth. In GSENM's case, the document was flawed in that it a) considered major communities that were not in GSENM's service area as contributors to the monument's economy and b) incorrectly lumped the lightly populated, federally dominated communities of Kane and Garfield Counties in with major metropolitan areas where a monument made up a small percentage of the land base and local economy. Garfield County asserts economic conditions regarding monuments are site specific. Statistics and demographics can be manipulated to push a decision in almost any direction. Analysis of community conditions often gives a clearer picture. The following describes conditions in Garfield County since creation of GSENM since September 1996:

- Escalante High School enrollment (the school possibly most impacted by monument designation) has declined from 150 in 1996 to less than 60 in 2016, a decline of 60%. The decline has forced the County Commission to declare a local state of emergency. The trend is especially alarming when considering Utah has one of the fastest growing school-age populations in the nation.
- Garfield County has high school graduation rates in excess of the national average. Yet, college degrees are below national average, and advanced degrees are well below national averages. We assert this documents an outmigration of individuals with higher education that is tied to a lack of jobs.
- An economic snapshot produced by Utah Workforce Services indicated 71 new government jobs in Garfield County in the last year. However, an inventory conducted by the local school district indicates a loss of 10 school children from families employed by the federal government. (See Attached 2016 Economic up school down.pdf)
- A simple glance at the unemployment rates for Garfield County in the last 20 years will quickly demonstrate an unstable economy tied to tourism/recreation. Winter unemployment is far in excess of state and national averages. (See attached Garfield County economic data.pdf)

The reality is that traditional jobs have been lost and that these have been replace by low paying, seasonal jobs that typically go to people from outside the community. People attracted to the monument outbid local residents for housing, and young families are forced to leave. The people replacing these families seldom have children, and the result is that our schools contract. When the GSENM was designated in 1996, Escalante, the city most directly affected by the GSENM, had a stable population of about 1,000 people. That year the population started on a downward trend and the City now has approximately 800 residents. In addition, the student population at Escalante High School has decreased from 150 students in 1996 to 60 today.

The Garfield County Commission is committed to supporting the economic and social wellbeing of county residents, and if life in our County indicated the GSENM enhanced the lives of County residents, we would say so. But we have concluded otherwise. On balance, from an economic perspective, the County would be better off without the monument. Given the similarity between Garfield and San Juan

counties, and the similarity between GSENM and Bears Ears, it is probable that after twenty years with Bears Ears San Juan County will experience similar difficulties. Garfield County's economic woes may not be connected solely to GSENM, but the monument has done nothing to relieve them. The best economic picture for Garfield County and its relationship with GSENM are the economic reports included in the GSENM Grazing EIS currently underway. Reports are available at the GSENM website.

Availability of Federal Resources to Manage Designated Areas

Garfield County's experience is that resources needed to manage large blocks of land designated as monuments are totally insufficient. Management of monuments tends to expand administrative positions and limit on-the-ground staff. Just the opposite should happen. Monuments should have programs that enhance resources rather than programs that restrict use and promote bureaucratic regulation.

Improvements in GSENM are often connected to local and state programs that provide necessary funding. Nearly all public services (law enforcement, emergency medical, search & rescue, solid waste collection & disposal, road maintenance, etc.) are funded by local or state government. Creation of GSENM has only increased the difficulty and expense associated with federal land management.

Conclusion

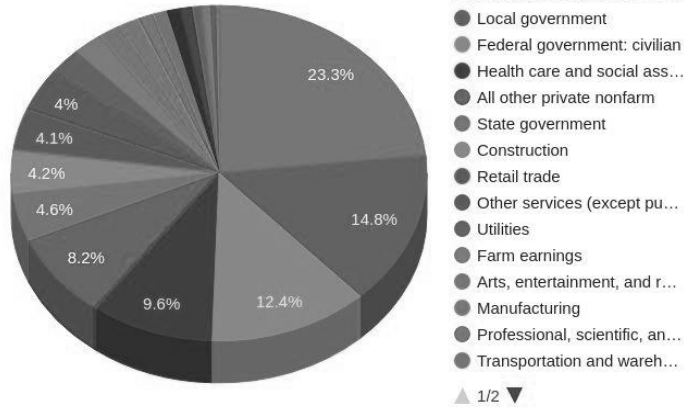
Thank you for allowing the Garfield County Commission to provide comments on the designation, management and community effects of national monuments, especially the Bears Ears National Monument. The decision that will be made concerning this matter will have dramatic effects on the future of this area and the surrounding region. We implore you to consider the effects that this decision will have on the people who have dedicated their lives to creating southern Utah's unique communities and culture. In this case, protection of antiquities located in the Bears Ears area is already required by numerous federal laws that were not in place when the Act was adopted in 1906. Implementation of existing laws and regulations adequately protect federal resources. Administration of the Bears Ears area should be conducted under reasonable multiple use management under the administration of the BLM's local area office and, on national forest system lands, the Manti-La Sal National Forest. Furthermore, it should be conducted in coordination and cooperation with local San Juan County officials.

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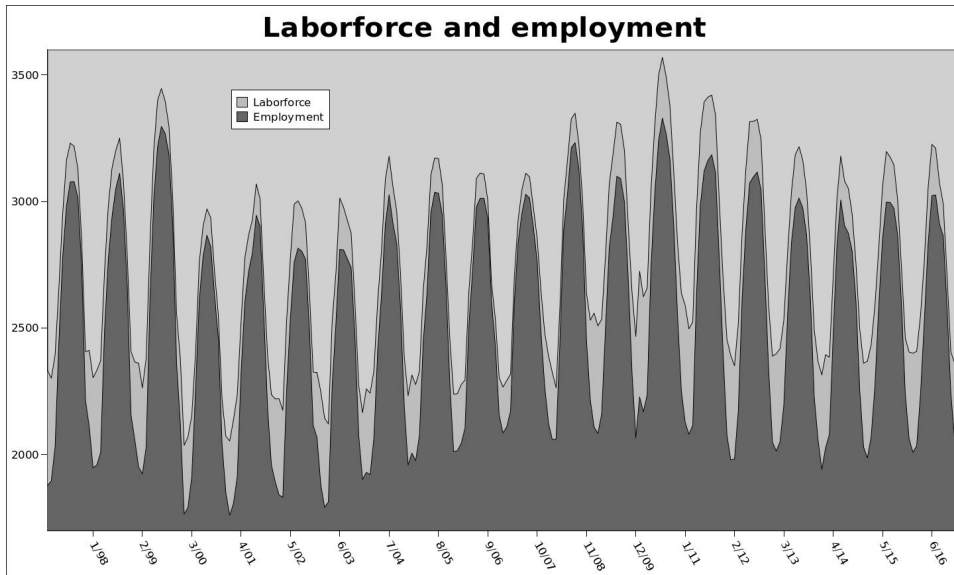
Garfield County Economic Data

In a county as small as Garfield County, GDP data are generally not available; however, there are data on personal earnings by industry. Half of all earnings in Garfield County are represented by three sectors: accommodation and food services, local government, and civilian federal government. It is likely that agriculture represents a greater share of Garfield County's economy than the graph shows because of the way farm earnings are calculated.

All Earnings



When farm and government earnings are excluded, accommodation and food services represent more than a third of private nonfarm earnings.

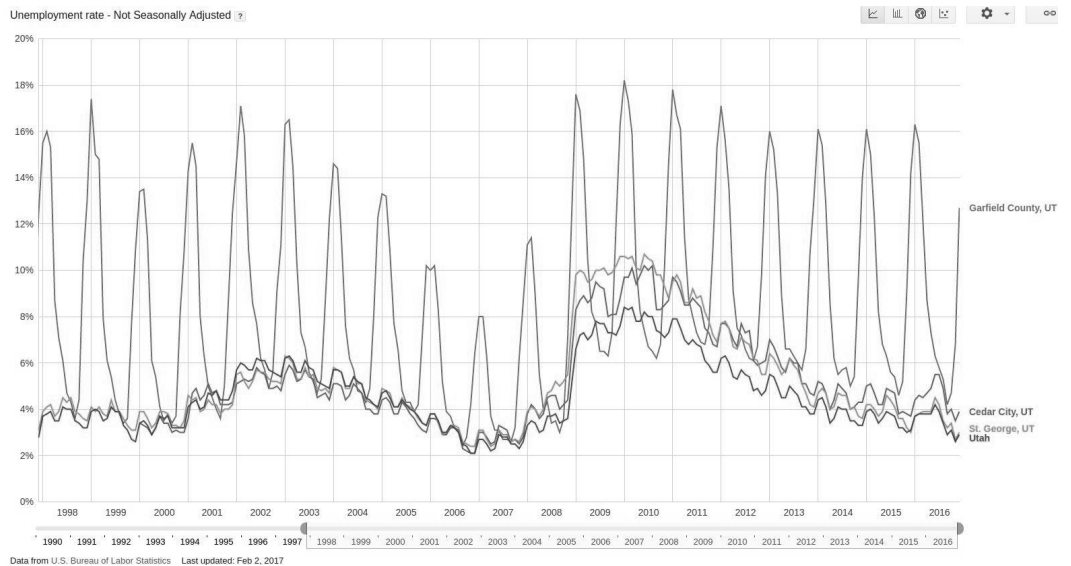


The year-round labor force in Garfield County consists of approximately 2,300 people. This swells to about 3,300 during summer months, given the seasonality of the accommodations and food services industry, and brings in transient employees from all over the world.

One result from this seasonal swell is difficulty providing housing in some areas of the county.

Among the permanent workforce, about one person in six will be unemployed in January every year.

While Garfield County unemployment dropped below the regional and state averages in the summer months during the early years of the Great Recession, it exceeds those areas in recent years.



Data from U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics Last updated: Feb 2, 2017

Current Methods for Protecting Paleontological Resources in GSENM
(Dig it up and haul it off)



ECONOMIC SNAPSHOT

Garfield County

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Utah Department of Workforce Services

Year-to-Year Change in Nonfarm Jobs

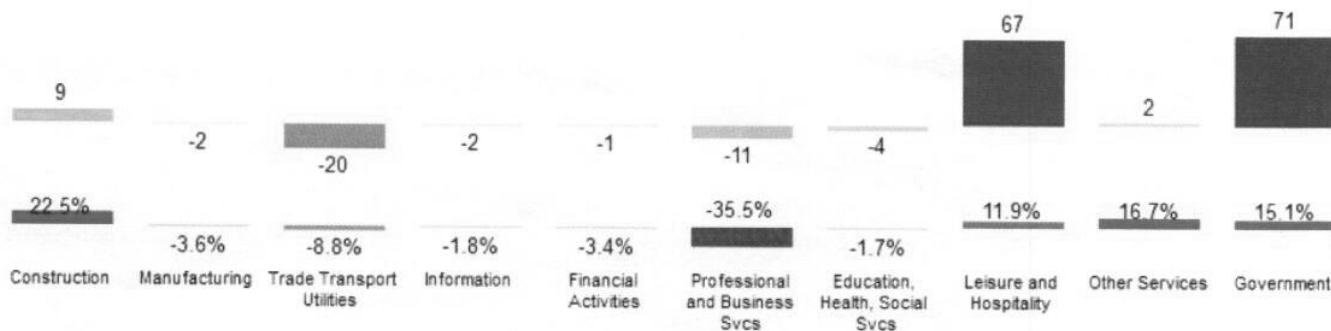
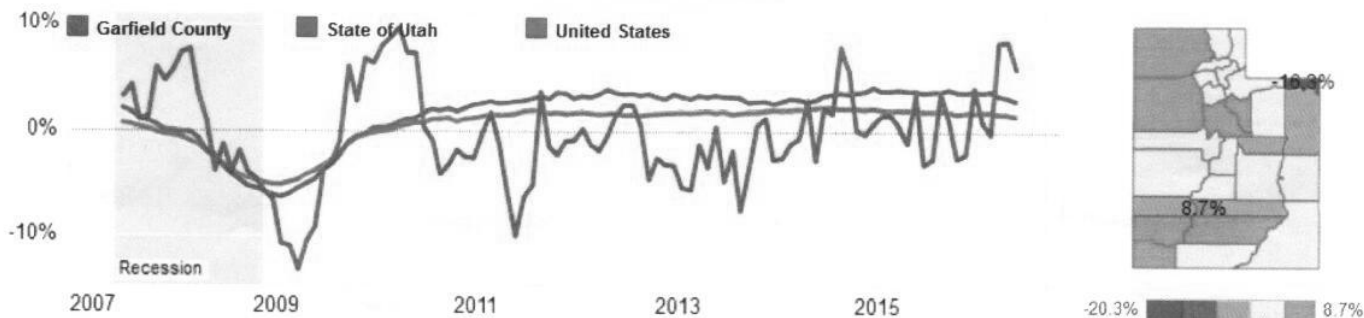
DECEMBER 2016*

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5.9%
Garfield County

2.9%
State of Utah

1.5%
United States



How's the economy?

After a period of vacillating employment expansion, Garfield County ended 2016 on a robust economic note. Jobs showed exuberant year-to-year job growth in every month of fourth quarter. The county's unemployment rate continues to edge lower and lower and currently measures at its lowest level since before the recession began. First-time claims for unemployment insurance are running at low seasonal levels and average wages are ticking upward. Gross taxable sales rounded out the positive economic picture with strong fourth quarter gains. All in all, the final quarter of 2016 showed Garfield County's strongest economic performance of the year.

Jobs

On a year-to-year basis, job growth proved particularly strong in fourth quarter 2016, ranging from 8.5 percent in November to 5.9 percent in December.

The county added almost 110 jobs between December 2015 and December 2016.

Most of the job gains occurred in leisure/hospitality services and the public sector.

On the flip side, both retail trade and professional/business services showed a noticeable employment drop.



*Preliminary

Source: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics; Utah Department of Workforce Services.

Garfield County School District Move IN/OUT Stats for 2016

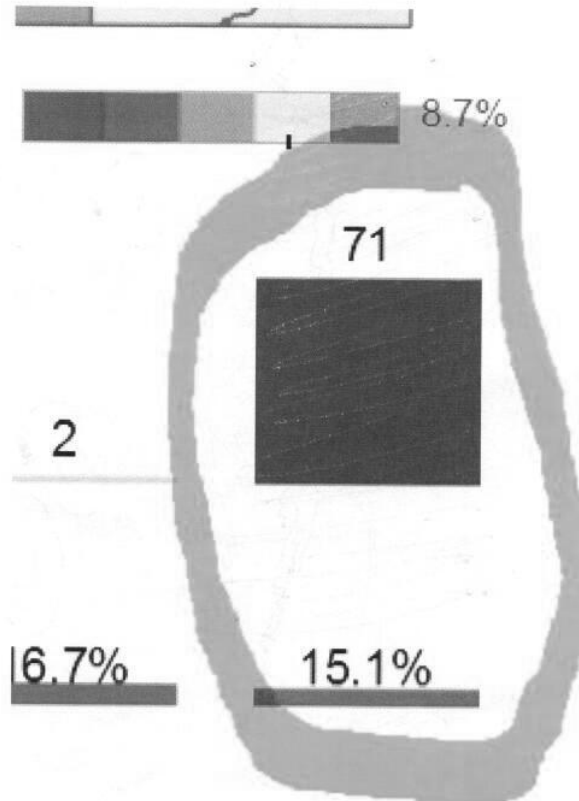
How many families **moved into** your school during the year 2016 that worked for a State agency? A federal agency?

How many students **moved into** your school during the year 2016 that worked for a State agency? A federal agency?

How many families **left** your school during the year 2016 that worked for a State agency? A federal agency?

How many students **left** your school during the year 2016 that worked for a State agency? A federal agency?

Number	School	Families State IN	Families FED IN	Students State IN	Students FED IN	Families State OUT	Families FED OUT	Students State OUT	Students FED OUT
104	ARS								
108	BES								
112	BVES	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	5
116	EES	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
124	PES	2	0	2	0	0	1	0	3
304	PMS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
704	BVHS	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
708	EHS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
712	PHS	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
		2	0	2	0	0	6	0	10



Comparison of Laws Protecting Antiquities 1906 vs 2017

1906	2017
<p>Antiquities Act of 1906</p>	<p>Antiquities Act of 1906</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Additional Laws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historic Sites, Buildings and Antiquities Act of 1935 • National Stolen Property Act of 1948 • Management of Museum Properties Act of 1955 • Reservoir Salvage Act of 1960 • National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA) • National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) • Archeological and Historic Preservation Act of 1974 (AHPA) • Archaeological Resources Protection Act of 1979 (ARPA) • Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation Act of 1990 • Illegal Trafficking in Native American Human Remains And Cultural Items 1990 • Paleontological Resources Preservation Act of 2009 • Theft and Destruction of Government Property 18 USC 1361 • National Historic Landmark Program 54 USC 302102 – 302108 <p style="text-align: center;">Regulations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Curation of Federally-Owned & Administered Archeological Collections, 36 CFR 79 • Native American Graves Protection & Repatriation Act Regulations, 43 CFR 10 • Preservation of American Antiquities 43 CFR 3 • Protection of Archaeological Resources 43 CFR 7 • Statement of federal Financial Accounting Standards #29 (2005) • Historic Sites Regulations 36 CFR 1-65 • Theft and Destruction of Government Property 18 USC • National Historic Landmark Program 36 CFR 65 <p style="text-align: center;">Executive Order</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E. O. 11593 Protection & Enhancement of the Cultural Environment (1971) • E. O. 13007 Indian Sacred Sites • E. O. 13175 Consultation and Coordination With Indian Tribal Governments • E. O. 13287 Preserve America

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Rusty and Caroline,

I hope you all are doing well and the trip to Alaska went/is going well.

My Maine and Florida chapters understand that Mr. Zinke will be coming to Maine and Florida. Attached are two proposals for some time on the Secretary's schedules for when you all head to Maine and Florida. In Maine, we own 49,000 acres adjacent to the Katahdin Monument and in Florida, we have been extremely active in the Everglades restoration efforts, including the Everglades Headwaters NWR.

Let me know how things are shaping up and I hope to see you all soon.

Best regards,

Tom

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Meeting Proposal Information Form

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Specific request to the Secretary:

Two hour visit and tour of the Disney Wilderness Preserve with The Nature Conservancy's Florida Director to discuss Everglades restoration efforts, conservation easements and land management.

Meeting date:

During the Secretary's Florida Visit.

Meeting location:

The Nature Conservancy's Disney Wilderness Preserve. 2700 Scrub Jay Trail, Poinciana Florida 34759. Approximately 30 miles south of downtown Orlando. Other locations can be provided.

Contact information:

Garrett Wallace, The Nature Conservancy, Florida Chapter. garrett.wallace@tnc.org 561-504-6877

Briefly describe the proposed meeting agenda in as much detail as possible, and the desired outcome of the Secretary's participation:

While the Secretary is in Florida to discuss Everglades restoration, we would be pleased to have him visit TNC's Disney Wilderness Preserve. We would like to discuss our participation in conservation efforts in Florida, including the conservation easements, the Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Refuge and Everglades restoration. The Nature Conservancy donated the initial land to establish the Refuge and growing the Refuge's footprint can be a critical component to aid Everglades restoration. Leading our discussion will be our Florida Executive Director, Temperince Morgan. Prior to joining TNC, Temperince was the leader of Everglades Restoration for the South Florida Water Management District and can provide in-depth perspectives on Everglades restoration from multiple perspectives. Also, we would like to discuss strategy on one of Mr. Zinke's priorities, the Land and Water Conservation Fund. This meeting would be non-attributable and without press.

Expected meeting participants (names and titles):

Temperince Morgan, TNC Florida State Director
Kameran Onley, TNC Director of US Government Relations
Tom Cors, TNC Director of Lands, US Government Relations
Garrett Wallace, TNC Manager of Government Relations, Florida Chapter

Desired length of time for the meeting:

Two hours

Are there any other specific matters you would like the Secretary to address?

Not at this time.

Please supply any pertinent background information regarding the genesis of this meeting proposal:

Please see attached link on Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Refuge

With which Bureau or Agency does your agenda most align?

The Nature Conservancy works across all the Department's bureaus and agencies.

If the Secretary is unable to meet, is a surrogate desired? If yes, who specifically?

That is not necessary. We can catch up with the Secretary and his team in Washington, DC.

Meeting Proposal Information Form

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Specific request to the Secretary:

A 45-minute meeting with The Nature Conservancy as part of the Secretary's visit to the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in Millinocket Maine. The Conservancy is one of the largest landowners in the area (more than 49,000 acres) and is working with the towns of Millinocket, East Millinocket and Medway to rebuild and revitalize the communities as they rebuild in the absence of papermaking. Our plan is to discuss with the Secretary our work in the region, the Katahdin Woods and Water Monuments, community attitudes and the path ahead.

Meeting date:

June 14th during the Secretary's Maine visit.

Meeting location:

Katahdin Region Higher Education Center, One Industrial Drive East Millinocket, Maine Route 157, 30 miles south of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument and 4.5 off Interstate 95 exit 244.

Contact information:

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Tom Abello, The Nature Conservancy, tabello@tnc.org 207-406-0230

Briefly describe the proposed meeting agenda in as much detail as possible, and the desired outcome of the Secretary's participation:

While the Secretary is in northern Maine to tour, and discuss the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, we are interested in meeting with Mr. Zinke to discuss The Nature Conservancy's land holdings in the region (some 46,000 acres), our conservation interests and our work with local communities in the region. The Conservancy did not take a position of the establishment of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. Instead our work was focused on enhancing and managing our own lands and helping the rural communities transition to a diversified economy in the wake of papermaking. Now that the Monument is established, community members and stakeholders are moving forward to take advantage of the project, seeing it as one piece of a new diversified rural economy. Also, we would like to discuss strategy on one of Mr. Zinke's priorities, the Land and Water Conservation Fund. This meeting would be non-attributable and without press. Depending on the Secretary's schedule, it would be a good place to have lunch.

Expected meeting participants (names and titles):

William Patterson, TNC Northern Maine Program Manager
Roger Milliken, Baskahegan Land Company
Marcia McKeague, Katahdin Timberlands
John Raymond, Millinocket resident, ATV enthusiast
Deb Roundtree, Associate Academic Dean, Katahdin Technical Education Center
Tom Abello, TNC Director of External Affairs

Desired length of time for the meeting:

45 minutes.

Are there any other specific matters you would like the Secretary to address?

Not at this time.

Please supply any pertinent background information regarding the genesis of this meeting proposal:

With which Bureau or Agency does your agenda most align?

The Nature Conservancy works across all the Department's bureaus and agencies.

If the Secretary is unable to meet, is a surrogate desired? If yes, who specifically?

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I don't view this as a priority for Maine considering we've visited with them twice on trips, but you may feel differently.

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Date: May 31, 2017 at 11:51:33 AM MDT
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Secretary Zinke Visit to Katahdin Woods and Waters

14 and 15 June 2017

Approximately 8 in the immediate party – Secretary; 5 staff; 2 security

Press Corps – number unknown

13 June

Party arrives in the Bangor area from New Hampshire and spends the night.

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5:30 PM - Press leave after the canoe trip.

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Evening - Continue discussions after dinner around the campfire.

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Towns

Patten Town office – 207 528-2215

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These are the most active towns – to get all of the towns in the area, you would need to include Mt. Chase, Sherman, and Stacyville.

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Please see attached link on Everglades Headwaters National Wildlife Refuge

With which Bureau or Agency does your agenda most align?

The Nature Conservancy works across all the Department's bureaus and agencies.

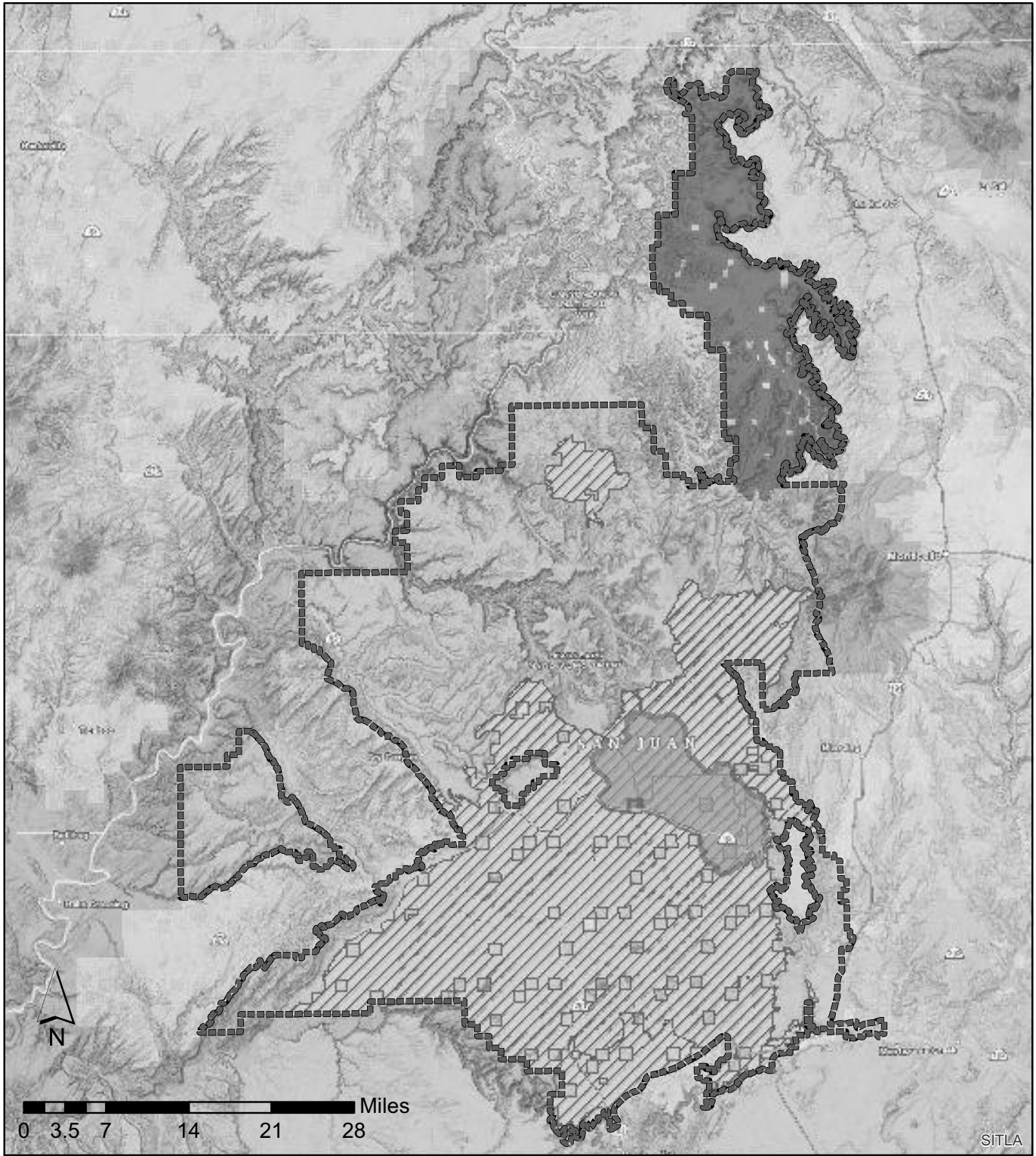
If the Secretary is unable to meet, is a surrogate desired? If yes, who specifically?

That is not necessary. We can catch up with the Secretary and his team in Washington, DC.

To: Magallanes, Downey[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
From: Cox, Ed (Hatch)
Sent: 2017-06-02T16:19:31-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: FW: Bears Ears
Received: 2017-06-02T16:19:35-04:00
[June Draft Map.pdf](#)

June 2017 Proposal

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Legend

- Bears Ears Boundary
- June 2017 Proposal
- Mineral Withdrawal
- Indian Creek NRA

Surface Ownership and Administration STATE OF UTAH LEGEND

- Bureau of Land Management
- Bureau of Reclamation
- Bankhead-Jones Land Use Lands
- National Recreation Area
- National Parks & Historic Sites

- National Monument
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- National Wilderness Area
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- Other Federal
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From: Lucas St.Clair
Sent: 2017-06-02T16:28:41-04:00
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Subject: Re: Secretary Travel to Maine
Received: 2017-06-02T16:28:52-04:00

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Sent: 2017-06-02T16:29:45-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Fwd: Secretary Travel to Maine
Received: 2017-06-02T16:29:52-04:00

Does 1 work for you? Then we have time to review the trip first.

Sent from my iPhone

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From: Caroline Boulton
Sent: 2017-06-02T16:50:40-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Secretary Travel to Maine
Received: 2017-06-02T16:50:51-04:00

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From: Megan Bremermann
Sent: 2017-06-02T16:56:06-04:00
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From: Hudson, Tim
Sent: 2017-06-03T13:46:39-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Secretary Travel to Maine
Received: 2017-06-03T13:47:06-04:00

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From: Boulton, Caroline
Sent: 2017-06-06T16:04:27-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Draft Trip: New England
Received: 2017-06-06T16:05:04-04:00
[Trip6.13-6.17CTNHMEMA.pdf](#)

Everything is confirmed except for LL Bean and obviously Massachusetts (we're waiting on the governor to respond)

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston
June 13 - June 17, 2017**

Draft: 6/7/2017



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston
June 13 - June 17, 2017

Weather:

Mohegan Sun
Hooksett, NH
Katahdin National Monument
Boston, MA

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Advance (Freeport, ME)

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
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Attire:

Security POCs:

NCAI
Robert Holden
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Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Katahdin National Monument

- 5:45-6:15am EDT:** **Depart Private Residence en route Airport**
Vehicle Manifest:
 Secretary's Vehicle:
Drive time: ~30 minutes
- 7:05am EDT-**
8:22am EDT: **Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)**
Flight:
Flight time:
AiC:
Staff: Jim Cason
- 8:22-8:35am EDT:** **Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles**
Location: Schoephoester Road
 Windsor Locks, CT 06096
- 8:35-9:35am EDT:** **Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT**
Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard
 Uncasville, CT 06382
Vehicle Manifest:
 Secretary's Vehicle:
 Staff Vehicle:
 Staff Vehicle 2: Jim Cason
Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes
- 10:00-10:30am EDT:** **National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks**
Location:
Participants:
Press: Open
Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
Advance:
Format: 20 minute remarks, 10 minutes Q&A
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with
 board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the
 tables in the front of the room
- 10:45-1:00pm EDT:** **Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
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 Staff Vehicle:
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Participants:
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Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Press: Closed
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Podium--will need DOI seal

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Participants:
Staff:
Advance:

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Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017
Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT: Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles
Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.
Note: Press will join at this point

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Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
Drive time: ~1 hour

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Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
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Thursday, June 15, 2017

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Location: Twin Pines Lodge (New England Outdoor Center)
30 Twin Pines Road
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

Drive time: ~1 hour

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Participants:
Press:
Staff:
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Press:
Staff:
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Location:

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Location:
Drive Time: ~40 minutes

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Location:

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Location:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:

Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

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9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

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To: Heather Swift[heather_swift@ios.doi.gov]
From: Hinson, Alex
Sent: 2017-06-06T16:53:08-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Fwd: Travel to New England
Received: 2017-06-06T16:53:56-04:00
[Trip6.13-6.17CTNHMEMA.pdf](#)

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From: **Boulton, Caroline** <caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Tue, Jun 6, 2017 at 4:04 PM
Subject: Re: Travel to New England
To: "Hinson, Alex" <alex_hinson@ios.doi.gov>

On Tue, Jun 6, 2017 at 3:29 PM, Hinson, Alex <alex_hinson@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hey, sorry to bother again, but can you give me some details of the trip? I'm just trying to draft a quick press release regarding the stops in the 4 states.

Thanks again,

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Alex Hinson

Deputy Press Secretary
Department of the Interior
C: 202-641-5381

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston
June 13 - June 17, 2017**

Draft: 6/7/2017



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston
June 13 - June 17, 2017

Weather:

Mohegan Sun
Hooksett, NH
Katahdin National Monument
Boston, MA

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

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Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams

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Attire:

Security POCs:

NCAI
Robert Holden
rholden@ncai.org
202-730-5135

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Katahdin National Monument

- 5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport**
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Drive time: ~30 minutes
- 7:05am EDT-
8:22am EDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)**
Flight:
Flight time:
AiC:
Staff: Jim Cason
- 8:22-8:35am EDT: Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles**
Location: Schoephoester Road
Windsor Locks, CT 06096
- 8:35-9:35am EDT: Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT**
Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard
Uncasville, CT 06382
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle 2: Jim Cason
Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes
- 10:00-10:30am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks**
Location:
Participants:
Press: Open
Staff: Jim Cason
Laura Rigas
Advance:
Format: 20 minute remarks, 10 minutes Q&A
Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with
board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the
tables in the front of the room
- 10:45-1:00pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
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To: Timothy_Williams@ios.doi.gov[Timothy_Williams@ios.doi.gov]
From: wpeet@wpeet.com
Sent: 2017-06-06T18:28:55-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: National Monument Reviews - The Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument
Received: 2017-06-06T18:31:07-04:00
[KNM 6 6 17 to Secretary Zinke.docx](#)

Dear Mr. Williams:

At the suggestion of Anne Williams of the Maine Woods Coalition, I am attaching a copy of the letter I had earlier sent to Secretary Zinke. Thank you for your help in getting this information to others who are concerned.

Sincerely,
William Peet

June 6, 2017

Secretary Ryan Zinke
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke:

As a Trustee of the Maine Woods Coalition and a northern Maine property owner for almost 50 years, I have closely followed the Katahdin Woods and Waters Monument issue and have concluded that this particular Monument designation was unwarranted and improper, for the reasons enumerated below. I hope you find these facts helpful.

The [Antiquities Act](#) authorizes National Monuments in order to protect “*historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest.*”

- **The Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument land does not need protection - yet.**
The establishing [proclamation](#) promises “protection” numerous times, but it does not specify the endangered historic objects or the threats, because there really aren’t any. However, a very real threat to any historic objects may arise from heavy national promotion of the Monument, together with the lure of snowmobiling, fishing and ice fishing within Monument grounds.
- **This Monument may not comply with the Antiquities Act’s “smallest area” requirement.**
Text of the establishing Proclamation does not disclose that the Monument is comprised of several non-contiguous parcels. These separate parcels are not individually identified and there is no explanation as to why each parcel requires monument status. Apart from not needing protection, some of these parcels may not even possess qualifying historic or scientific objects.
- **This Monument has the appearance of memorializing a generous gift of land and money.**
For many years the National Park Service had tried to accept a donation of about 87,500 acres, together with an attached forty million dollar maintenance fund. The donor required that the land be used to establish a new National Park and Recreation Area - which the local populace as well as state and national legislators steadfastly refused to accept. The donor’s response was to donate the land and supporting funds to create a National Monument, which required only a Presidential Proclamation confirming that the Monument complies with requirements of the Antiquities Act. That’s how the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument deal was struck.
- **The possibility of economic benefit must not be allowed to mask a serious misapplication of National Monument status.**
In recent testimony before a congressional committee, former governor Angus King [said](#), “*the monument has already begun to yield real economic benefits to the region*” and “*I am deeply concerned that this review will stifle that progress by threatening future investments and hampering economic growth when it is needed there now more than ever before.*”

I am not a lawyer, but it does seem clear that this monument designation is badly flawed and should be reversed. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

William J. Peet II (wpeet@wpeet.com)
M.I.T Alum.; former Naval Reserve Officer; Young Presidents Org.; patents holder, etc.

To: steven_m_smith@ios.doi.gov[steven_m_smith@ios.doi.gov]
From: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO
Sent: 2017-06-07T12:48:52-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: FW: New Bedford, MA
Received: 2017-06-07T12:48:58-04:00
[Testimony re Antiquities Act.pdf](#)

Below is the MA town I was talking about. See below:

-----Original Message-----

From: Kirkland, William H. EOP/WHO
Sent: Monday, May 8, 2017 3:19 PM
To: 'Domenech, Douglas' <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: 'jon.mitchell@newbedford-ma.gov' <jon.mitchell@newbedford-ma.gov>
Subject: New Bedford, MA

Doug,

I have cc'ed the Mayor John Mitchell of New Bedford, MA on this e-mail. We recently touched bases on a number of issues and wanted to explore one specific issue with your team at DOI. I will let the Mayor get into more detail with you on this matter, but the city is interested in potentially revisiting a fishing memorial/marine monument. The Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine Monument designation specifically and the negative the Northeast Canyons. This designation, the first in the Atlantic Ocean, was adopted without even the base level of scrutiny conducted for temporary ocean closures. For example, with little advance warning, our red crab industry lost access to large swaths of its historically most productive fishing grounds. The red crab fishery represents nearly 10% of the 240 million pounds of seafood transported annually to New Bedford for processing, so this term of the monument designation has been particularly impactful. The Atlantic monument designation also established a moratorium on fishing in the water column above the monument seabed. This approach was of serious concerns for our pelagic fisheries, including swordfish and tuna fishermen and processors. Pelagic fishermen have no impact on the integrity of the bathymetry and substrate that a monument is meant to protect, so we question the underlying basis for this particular restriction. With the recent signing of the EO "Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act" the city of New Bedford may like to explore how to review the above mentioned monument designation. I will let the Mayor offer up more details. If you could point us in the right direction to get the ball moving on this we'd appreciate it.

Thanks,

Billy Kirkland
Special Assistant to the President & Deputy Director
White House Intergovernmental Affairs

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**Written Testimony of New Bedford Mayor Jon Mitchell
On Behalf of the National Coalition for Fishing Communities**

**Before the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources
Subcommittee on Water, Power, and Oceans
Wednesday, March 15, 2017**

Thank you, Chairman Bishop and members of the Committee. My name is Jon Mitchell. I am the Mayor of New Bedford, Massachusetts, the nation's top-grossing commercial fishing port for the past sixteen years. I'm pleased to testify today as mayor, and on behalf of the National Coalition for Fishing Communities, of which New Bedford is a leading member.

I would like to submit my written testimony for the record, and use my time this morning to offer my perspective on the designation of permanent marine monuments under the Antiquities Act.

The National Coalition for Fishing Communities

Commercial fishing is a vital business for the nation's coastal communities, employing tens of thousands of people and generating billions of dollars in revenue. The Port of New Bedford, for example, generates \$9 billion in direct and indirect economic output annually.

Despite these significant economic contributions, in recent decades, fishermen and fishing communities have lacked the ability to effectively communicate industry concerns to the public at large, and in Washington. On issues vital to their livelihood, they often compete directly with well-funded and well-coordinated non-government organizations.

Recognizing the need for better communication, in 2009, the non-profit Saving Seafood was created by a small group of New Bedford-based industry leaders to report and aggregate news and information for our domestic harvesters and processors. The first major reporting effort of Saving Seafood led to the exposure and correction of problems in NOAA Fisheries' law enforcement division.

Saving Seafood demonstrated the value of educating policy-makers and the public about developments in the fishing industry, and that led, in turn, to the formation in 2015 of the National Coalition for Fishing Communities.

The Coalition's mission is to be a voice for the communities that depend on commercial fishing so that policy-makers and the public hear directly from those whose lives and livelihoods are at stake.

As the nation's number one fishing port, New Bedford has a history of very active engagement on policy matters before NOAA, Capitol Hill, and in the White House. That is why the City decided to take a leadership role in founding the Coalition, and provided the initial seed grant which enabled its creation.

Today the Coalition is comprised of dozens of fishing businesses and organizations with deep roots in port communities across country, from New England to the Gulf of Mexico to California to Hawaii. Our members represent many of the country's most valuable fisheries, like the Atlantic sea scallop, red crab, lobster, tuna and swordfish, to name just a few.

One of the Coalition's first priorities has been to communicate the growing concerns of its members over insufficient consultation in the designation of marine monuments, including the expansion of monuments around Hawaii, proposed monuments off the coast of California, and the newly created monument off the coast of New England.

The Coalition has brought these concerns to the press and public. We have worked to inform members of Congress. We have been pleased, for example, to host Chairman Bishop during his recent visit with affected fishermen in New Bedford. And we have facilitated several meetings between industry and the White House Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ).

Marine Monument Concerns

The port communities represented by the Coalition have serious concerns about the impacts that monuments have had, and may continue to have, on the U.S. commercial fishing industry. These concerns take two forms: (1) poorly conceived terms of particular monument designations, and (2) more fundamental concerns with the process itself.

We in New Bedford have been especially troubled by questionable terms of recent Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine Monument designation.

This designation, the first in the Atlantic Ocean, was adopted without even the base level of scrutiny conducted for *temporary* ocean closures. For example, with little advance warning, our red crab industry lost access to large swaths of its historically most productive fishing grounds.

The red crab fishery represents nearly 10% of the 240 million pounds of seafood transported annually to New Bedford for processing, so this term of the monument designation has been particularly impactful.

The Atlantic monument designation also established a moratorium on fishing in the water column above the monument seabed. This approach was of serious concerns for our pelagic fisheries, including swordfish and tuna fishermen and processors. Pelagic fishermen have no impact on the integrity of the bathymetry and substrate that a monument is meant to protect, so we question the underlying basis for this particular restriction.

I offer these two local examples as illustrative of a longer list of poorly conceived monument terms that have had unnecessary and harmful impacts in fishing communities nationwide.

In addition to the New England and Mid-Atlantic fishermen impacted by the Atlantic designation, Coalition members around the country have experienced their own harm from recently designated monuments. Others fear the effects of proposed monuments.

In Hawaii, previous administrations created and then expanded the largest marine protected area in the world, the Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument, which is now more than twice the size of Texas. Hawaii longline fishermen who depend on access to those waters are being pushed further into the open ocean to catch species like bigeye tuna, often in competition with foreign fishermen.

Another monument, the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument, also bars Hawaii fishermen from large swaths of the U.S. exclusive economic zone.

On the West Coast, monument proposals surfaced last year that would have declared virtually all offshore seamounts, ridges, and banks off the California coast as marine monuments, permanently closing those areas to commercial fishing.

Such closures would have resulted in economic devastation for California fishermen and the communities that rely on the sustainable catch of albacore tuna, mackerel, market squid, and numerous other important species. These communities continue to be concerned that any president has the power to take these valuable grounds away from them with just the stroke of a pen.

But simply pointing out instances where the monument process got it wrong, misses the larger issue, which is this:

The monument designation process has evolved effectively into a parallel, much less robust fishery management apparatus that has, to date, been conducted, in all essential respects, entirely independent of the tried and true Fishery Management Council process provided for under the Magnuson Act.

And that is precisely why, I would suggest, the monument designation process has consistently led to less than optimal policy outcomes.

It lacks sufficient amounts of all the ingredients that good policy-making requires: Scientific rigor, direct industry input, transparency, and a deliberate pace that allows adequate time and space for review.

This is especially troubling given that, unlike the ordinary regulatory determinations made under Magnuson, monument designations under the Antiquities Act are by definition *permanent*.

I want to be clear on this--The designation process is not lacking because the agency staff, principally the White House CEQ, didn't work hard at their assignment. The officials involved with the Atlantic monument designation with whom I interacted were all, to a person, earnest, professional, and well-intentioned. But they were operating without a solid, consistent procedural framework and they lacked the resources and familiarity with commercial fishing operations necessary to do their task justice.

In contrast, the Fishery Management Council process is far from perfect, but it affords ample, structured opportunities for stakeholders and the public alike to study and comment on policy decisions and for the peer reviewing of the scientific bases for those decisions.

For its part, the Port of New Bedford has been an active participant in the New England Fishery Management Council. Our fishing interests are directly affected by the decisions made by the New England Fishery Management Council and NOAA Fisheries, and we don't hesitate to use the Council process to challenge regulatory approaches with which we disagree.

That said, there is a process in place that allows industry concerns to be aired; a process in place for revisiting management decisions to account for new data; and a process in place that, at its best, finds creative policy solutions that respect the interests of competing stakeholders.

I would argue that the continued use of a parallel process outside Magnuson, outside the Management Councils--however well-meaning--ultimately works against the long-run interests of *all* stakeholders.

We all lose when the checks and balances employed in the NOAA process are abandoned. A decision-making process driven by the simple assertion of executive branch authority ultimately leaves ocean management decisions permanently vulnerable to short-term political considerations. Such an outcome is cause for deep concern no matter one's position in the current policy debates.

So I encourage the Committee to explore ways to integrate the executive branch's monument authority with proven processes established under the Magnuson Act.

This Congress has an important opportunity to restore the centrality of Magnuson's Fishery Management Councils to their rightful place as the critical arbiters of fisheries management matters.

Doing so would give fishing communities much more confidence in the way our nation approaches fisheries management. And it could give the marine monument designation process the credibility and acceptance that it regrettably lacks today.

To: Swift, Heather[heather_swift@ios.doi.gov]
From: Nigborowicz, Timothy
Sent: 2017-06-12T12:53:36-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Question
Received: 2017-06-12T12:53:43-04:00
[CT-NH-ME-MA Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

Attached.

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:48 PM, Swift, Heather <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

yes! Thanks!

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Heather Swift
Department of the Interior
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Heather_Swift@ios.doi.gov | Interior_Press@ios.doi.gov

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:47 PM, Nigborowicz, Timothy
<timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I can send you a PDF of the trip schedule. Is that what you're requesting?

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:46 PM, Swift, Heather <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Do you have the trip document?

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
Draft: 6/9/2017**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

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Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA	High 68°, Low 62°; Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday): Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

- 5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport**
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Drive time: ~30 minutes
- 7:05am EDT-
8:22am EDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)**
Flight: JetBlue 798
Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes
RZ Seat: 17B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Jim Cason
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
- 8:22-8:35am EDT: Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles**
Location: Schoephoester Road
Windsor Locks, CT 06096
- 8:35-9:35am EDT: Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT**
Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard
Uncasville, CT 06382
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Jim Cason
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes
- 9:35-9:40am EDT: Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room**
Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI
NCAI Board Members
Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival
- 9:40-9:55am EDT: Hold in Green Room for Briefing**
Location:
Staff: Jim Cason
Laura Regis
- 9:55-10:00am EDT: Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference**
Location:
- 10:00-10:20am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks**
Location:
Participants:
Press: Open

Staff: Jim Cason
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: 20 minute remarks, 10 minutes Q&A
Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room

10:20-10:45am EDT: Q & A Session with NCAI Members

Location:
Format: NCAI Members will form lines at microphones
Note: It has been customary for the NCAI to present a gift to the Secretary After his / her remarks.
Note: If time allows upon departure, RKZ will visit a few trade show booths

10:45-1:00pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes

1:00-2:30pm EDT: Lunch

Location:
Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to ???
Location:
Met by:

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grants Roundtable

Location: Bass Pro Shop
2 Commerce Drive
Hooksett, NH 03106
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu

Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff

Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability

Location: Bass Pro Shop ???
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Stage; outdoors-themed (flying ducks)
Podium--will need DOI seal

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Participants:
Staff: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Caroline Boulton

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT: Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:
Press Vehicle:

12:00-12:20pm EDT:

Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

12:20-12:45pm EDT:

Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-3:00pm EDT:

Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Will stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (1 hour round trip hike)
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

3:00-4:00pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

4:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: East Branch of Penobscot River
Note: Can accommodate 10 inexperienced canoers
Note: Press depart

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:30-8:30am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Press: Open

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources

Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-2:00pm EDT: Quick Lunch

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Maine Forest Products Council Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants:
Press:
Staff:
Advance:

3:00-3:30pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

3:30-4:15pm EDT: Depart Augusta en route Freeport

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

4:30-5:30pm EDT: HOLD: Meeting with L.L. Bean
Location:

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Depart Freeport en route Boston, MA
Location:

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

9:00-9:30pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
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Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:30pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT: Depart RON en route
Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

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Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Vehicle Manifest:
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Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
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Laura Rigas
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Heather Swift

If quick plant visit fits in schedule, John Nagle Company, a few doors down from Legal Seafood Harborside, is available before and after roundtable

Dr. Scott Kraus, VP of Research, New England Aquarium--with FWS Interim Superintendent
MA Secretary Matt Beaton
USS Constitution

8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT:

Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: American Airlines 2116

Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff:

To: Domenech, Douglas[douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov]
From: Bauserman, Christine
Sent: 2017-06-12T12:57:30-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Can I get the detailed schedule for the trip?
Received: 2017-06-12T12:57:39-04:00
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Here you go.

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 9:59 AM, Domenech, Douglas <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Doug Domenech
Senior Advisor
US Department of the Interior

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Cell Phone:

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Security Advance	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy	(b)(6)

Cell Phone:

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton	(b)(6)

Cell Phone:

Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton	(b)(6)

Cell Phone:

Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Cell Phone:

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)	(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason	(b)(6)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes	
Communications Director	Laura Rigas	
Press Secretary	Heather Swift	
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams	
Photographer	Tami Heilemann	
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele	

Cell Phone:

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RKZ

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Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Jim Cason

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Tami Heilemann

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NCAI Board Members

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Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

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Location:

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Location:

Participants:

Press: Open

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Rigas

Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
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Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes

1:00-2:30pm EDT: Lunch

Location:
Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to ???
Location:
Met by:

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grants Roundtable

Location: Bass Pro Shop
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Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu

Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability

Location: Bass Pro Shop ???
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Stage; outdoors-themed (flying ducks)
Podium--will need DOI seal

4:00-6:45pm EDT:

Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
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Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

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Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
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Participants:
Staff: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Caroline Boulton

8:30-9:45pm EDT:

Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401
Vehicle Manifest:
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann
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Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT: **Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME**

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour

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Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: **Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument**

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

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Location: Katahdin Loop Road

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Staff Vehicle:
Press Vehicle:

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Katahdin Loop Road
Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-3:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument
Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Will stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (1 hour round trip hike)
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

3:00-4:00pm EDT: Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos
Location: Lunksoos Camp
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

4:00-5:30pm EDT: Canoe Trip
Location: East Branch of Penobscot River
Note: Can accommodate 10 inexperienced canoers
Note: Press depart

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner
Location: Lunksoos Camps

8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:30-8:30am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive time: ~1 hour

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Press: Open

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

- 10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting
- 11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay
- 11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed
- 11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
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James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
- 11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT:

Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT:

Depart Indian Island en route Augusta

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Staff Vehicle 2:

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-2:00pm EDT:

Quick Lunch

2:00-3:00pm EDT:

Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Maine Forest Products Council Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants:

Press:

Staff:

Advance:

3:00-3:30pm EDT:

HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

3:30-4:15pm EDT:

Depart Augusta en route Freeport

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Staff Vehicle 2:

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

4:30-5:30pm EDT:

HOLD: Meeting with L.L. Bean

Location:

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Depart Freeport en route Boston, MA

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:

RKZ
Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel

Staff Vehicle 2: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

9:00-9:30pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:30pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT: Depart RON en route
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

If quick plant visit fits in schedule, John Nagle Company, a few doors down from Legal Seafood Harborside, is available before and after roundtable

Dr. Scott Kraus, VP of Research, New England Aquarium--with FWS Interim Superintendent
MA Secretary Matt Beaton
USS Constitution

**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff:

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017**

Draft: 6/12/2017



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA	High 68°, Low 62°; Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
Participants:
Attendees: 500 - 600
Press: Open
Staff: Jim Cason
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
Remarks followed by Q&A
For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants

10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ

Note: An Honor Song will be performed

10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op

10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission

Location: Foyer
Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RKZ's arrival

10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes

1:05-2:30pm EDT: Lunch at Subway

Location: 997 Elm St #103, Manchester, NH 03101

Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to ???

Location:
Met by:

2:30-3:15pm EDT:

Pittman-Robertson Grants Roundtable

Location: Bass Pro Shop
2 Commerce Drive
Hooksett, NH 03106

Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan

Press: Closed

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:15-3:30pm EDT:

Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu

Location: Bass Pro Shop

Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff

Press: Closed

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability

Location: Bass Pro Shop ???

Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan

Press: Open

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

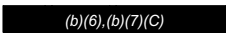
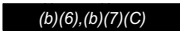
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage; outdoors-themed (flying ducks)
Podium--will need DOI seal

4:00-6:45pm EDT:

Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:
NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ


Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT:

Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants:

Staff: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

8:30-9:45pm EDT:

Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT:

RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.
Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
Press Vehicle:

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-3:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Will stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (1 hour round trip hike)
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:

3:00-4:00pm EDT: Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:

4:00-5:30pm EDT: Canoe Trip
Location: East Branch of Penobscot River
Note: Can accommodate 10 inexperienced canoers
Note: Press depart

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner
Location: Lunksoos Camps

8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:30-8:30am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Press: Open

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

- 10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting
- 11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay
- 11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed
- 11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
- 11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee**
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
- 11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting**

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-2:00pm EDT: Lunch

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition
Location: Maine Forest Products Council Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Participants:
Press:
Staff:
Advance:

3:00-3:30pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

3:30-4:15pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Freeport, ME
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Sgt. Rob Kramer
Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~40 minutes

4:30-5:30pm EDT: HOLD: Meeting with L.L. Bean
Location:

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Depart Freeport, ME en route Boston, MA
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME / MA State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Sgt. Rob Kramer
Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT:

Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

9:00-9:30pm EDT:

Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:30pm EDT:

RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT:

Depart RON en route

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf

Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210

Participants: 20 people from fishing groups

Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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MA Secretary Matt Beaton
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**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT:**

Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff:

To: Domenech, Douglas[douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov]
From: Boulton, Caroline
Sent: 2017-06-12T19:02:47-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Can I get the detailed schedule for the trip?
Received: 2017-06-12T19:03:25-04:00
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On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 9:59 AM, Domenech, Douglas <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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US Department of the Interior

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Tuesday, June 13, 2017

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Uncasville, CT 06382
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Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes

1:00-2:30pm EDT: Lunch

Location:
Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to ???
Location:
Met by:

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grants Roundtable

Location: Bass Pro Shop
2 Commerce Drive
Hooksett, NH 03106
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu

Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff

Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability

Location: Bass Pro Shop ???
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Stage; outdoors-themed (flying ducks)
Podium--will need DOI seal

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Participants:
Staff: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Caroline Boulton

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT: Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:
Press Vehicle:

- 12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch**
Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
- 12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability**
Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes
- 12:45-3:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument**
Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Will stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (1 hour round trip hike)
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
- 3:00-4:00pm EDT: Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos**
Location: Lunksoos Camp
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
- 4:00-5:30pm EDT: Canoe Trip**
Location: East Branch of Penobscot River
Note: Can accommodate 10 inexperienced canoers
Note: Press depart
- 5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner**
Location: Lunksoos Camps
- 8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps**
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

- 7:30-8:30am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME**
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Press: Open

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
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Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
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11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
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Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
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Laura Rigas
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Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-2:00pm EDT: Quick Lunch

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Maine Forest Products Council Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants:
Press:
Staff:
Advance:

3:00-3:30pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

3:30-4:15pm EDT: Depart Augusta en route Freeport

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
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Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

4:30-5:30pm EDT: Meeting with L.L. Bean
Location:

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Depart Freeport en route Boston, MA
Location:

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Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

9:00-9:30pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

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9:30pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT: Depart RON en route
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Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

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11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route

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To: paul_ross@ios.doi.gov[paul_ross@ios.doi.gov]
From: Heather Swift
Sent: 2017-06-12T19:39:49-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Info for the readout
Received: 2017-06-12T19:39:59-04:00
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Attached is the trip schedule. Thank you so much for agreeing to do the readouts for Wednesday and Thursday. Below is more specific info for Wednesday.

Wednesday's activities include
Driving Tour of KWWNM
Hour Hike
press briefing
Lunch
Short driving tour
Canoe tour & short press briefing
Camp overnight in KWWNM

I'm asking Alex to take a stab at the one for Tuesday since it will be pretty easy but it may not be up to snuff. He's young. I appreciate your help with everything.

Sent from my iPad

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Nigborowicz, Timothy" <timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov>
Date: June 12, 2017 at 12:53:36 PM EDT
To: "Swift, Heather" <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Re: Question

Attached.

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:48 PM, Swift, Heather <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

yes! Thanks!

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Heather Swift
Department of the Interior
@DOIPressSec
Heather_Swift@ios.doi.gov | Interior_Press@ios.doi.gov

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:47 PM, Nigborowicz, Timothy
<timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I can send you a PDF of the trip schedule. Is that what you're requesting?

On Mon, Jun 12, 2017 at 12:46 PM, Swift, Heather <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Do you have the trip document?

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Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
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Tami Heilemann
Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT:

Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330
Participants:
Staff: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Caroline Boulton

8:30-9:45pm EDT:

Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:00-9:30am EDT: Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

Staff Vehicle:
Press Vehicle:

- 12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch**
Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
- 12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability**
Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road
Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes
- 12:45-3:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument**
Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Will stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (1 hour round trip hike)
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
- 3:00-4:00pm EDT: Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos**
Location: Lunksoos Camp
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle:
- 4:00-5:30pm EDT: Canoe Trip**
Location: East Branch of Penobscot River
Note: Can accommodate 10 inexperienced canoers
Note: Press depart
- 5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner**
Location: Lunksoos Camps
- 8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps**
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

- 7:30-8:30am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME**
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Press: Open

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources

Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-2:00pm EDT: Quick Lunch

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Maine Forest Products Council Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants:
Press:
Staff:
Advance:

3:00-3:30pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

3:30-4:15pm EDT: Depart Augusta en route Freeport

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle:
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

4:30-5:30pm EDT: HOLD: Meeting with L.L. Bean
Location:

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Depart Freeport en route Boston, MA
Location:

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~2 hours, 5 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

9:00-9:30pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:30pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT: Depart RON en route
Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Staff Vehicle 2: Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

If quick plant visit fits in schedule, John Nagle Company, a few doors down from Legal Seafood Harborside, is available before and after roundtable

Dr. Scott Kraus, VP of Research, New England Aquarium--with FWS Interim Superintendent
MA Secretary Matt Beaton
USS Constitution

8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT:

Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: American Airlines 2116

Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff:

To: Scott Hommel[scott_hommel@ios.doi.gov]; Magallanes, Downey[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]; Laura Rigas[laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov]; James Cason[james_cason@ios.doi.gov]
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[0615RoundTablewithMaineWoodsCoalition.pdf](#)
[Chief Kirk Francis Bio.pdf](#)
[Schedule June 14-15.pdf](#)

All,
Attached are the briefing memos for the Secretary's meetings from June 14-15. We will be spending tomorrow night in Katahdin and will have very limited cell service.

best,
Aaron



United States Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240
ADVANCE MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY
Alaska Trip

DATE: Wednesday, June 14, 2017
LOCATION: Bangor, ME → Medway, ME → Lunksoos Camp, ME
TIME: 8:00am - 8:00pm EST
FROM: Aaron Thiele

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Meet the Superintendent of Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument, Tim Hudson and Lucas St. Clair (bio attached), for a driving and canoe tour of the monument. Press will be present for the driving tour and will have a short media avail following lunch. After the tour we will be overnighing at the Lunksoos Campsite, where there are cabins and tents available.

II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Hiking apparel
PRESS: Open, press avail at multiple times throughout day.

III. NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS

Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

IV. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Weather: High 91F / Low 67F, mostly sunny
Time Zone: Eastern Standard Time

8:00	am	Depart Bangor for Medway, ME
9:30	am	Arrive at meetup spot, arrange into vehicles
9:45	am	Depart Medway for Katahdin National Monument Tour
11:30	am	Driving tour
12:00	pm	Lunch
12:20	pm	Press Availability
12:45	pm	Continue driving tour
4:00	pm	Arrive Lunksoos Campground, begin Canoe Trip
5:30	pm	Arrive back at Lunksoos Camp
5:45	pm	Dinner
8:00	pm	RON



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ADVANCE MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY
Alaska Trip

DATE: Thursday, June 15, 2017
LOCATION: Katahdin → Boston, MA
TIME: 7:30am - 9:30pm EST
FROM: Aaron Thiele

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Starting off the day with a breakfast meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce and Local Councilmen. Proceed then to Millinocket to meet with the Penobscot Nation, then to Augusta for a roundtable with the Maine Woods Coalition. Finish with a dinner in Revere, MA and RON in Boston.

II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Montana Casual
PRESS: Press avails throughout the day

III. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Weather: High 91F / Low 67F, mostly sunny

Time Zone: Eastern Standard Time

7:00	am	Depart Katahdin National Monument
8:30	am	Breakfast Meeting with Chamber and Local Councilmen
9:30	am	Depart for Penobscot Nation meeting
12:00	am	Depart for Augusta
11:30	pm	Lunch
2:00	pm	Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition
3:30	am	Media Availability
4:00	pm	Depart Augusta en route Revere, MA
6:30	pm	Dinner
8:30	pm	Depart en route Boston
9:00	pm	RON



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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 15, 2017 **TIME:** 2:00am - 3:00pm
FROM: Tim Williams, Deputy Director for External Relations
SUBJECT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Round Table - Main Woods Coalition as requested the opportunity to share with you their opinion on the Katahdin Woods and Waters Monument

II. BACKGROUND

Former President Obama designated Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in Northern Main shortly before he left office. President Trump's Executive Order for the Review of Designations under the Antiquities Act called for a review of monuments over 100,000 acres or where designated "without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders". Katahdin Woods is 87,563 and as such the Governor has asked the Secretary to review the monument.

III. DISCUSSION

Main Woods Coalition represents 227 Maine businesses.

Our opposition to a national park or monument in Maine's north woods has been ongoing since 2000 when RESTORE.org announced their plan for a 3.2 million acre park in northern Maine. This has been a long battle and now our grassroots organization has been outmaneuvered by great wealth and connections in Washington. We want to take this opportunity to ask for review of what this monument is and how it came to be.

We believe this monument designation should be overturned because it clearly fails to meet the letter and the intent of the Antiquities Act.

- The properties that comprise the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KWWNM) are not of special historic, scientific, or scenic value. The president's proclamation establishing the Monument dwells at some length on the geological history of the region, the Indians who once inhabited it, and the region's common flora and fauna. If these are justification for a National Monument, then much of our country qualifies. In fact, the word "unique" appears only one time in the entire proclamation and that is to assert that the monument land "*provides a unique and important opportunity for scientific investigation of the effects of climate change across ecotones.*" That is surely inadequate scientific justification for a national monument designation.



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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

- These properties are not endangered. Ironically, the greatest threat to such values as they do possess, would come from a futile attempt to make them into a popular monument or park. It is wishful thinking to believe that monument designation will significantly benefit the local economy. In fact, it is already a detriment to logging operations on private roads which have been taken over by the NPS for access to the monument lands.
- The wording of the Antiquities Act does not admit a collection of (thirteen) scattered parcels such as comprise this monument and the proclamation makes no distinction as to special characteristics of each parcel. Inasmuch as the Act requires that a national monument be defined by the smallest possible footprint, if these parcels qualified (which they do not), it would seem a national monument would have to be limited to the smallest of them. In-holders whose timber land lies between these parcels of the monument face the threat of condemnation and eminent domain as the monument expands in size, as most have done.

In addition, these monument lands have no direct access and the NPS is using the deeded right of ways for each parcel, using privately owned roads and turning them into public ways in order to gain access for visitors. This traffic is causing problems for logging operations already and can only get worse.

There were three referendum votes in local towns (Patten, Medway, and East Millinocket) with results showing overwhelming opposition to a park or monument. The town of Millinocket passed a resolution opposing a park/monument. The Maine Legislature passed a resolve opposing a park or monument, and the Governor (s) have also been opposed. Attached is a list of 225 local businesses totaling 5,000+ employees opposing the park/monument, and in addition to the Maine Woods Coalition, other organizations including the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, the Maine Snowmobile Association, and the Fin & Feathers Club of Millinocket all oppose it.

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
Draft: 6/12/2017**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA	High 68°, Low 62°; Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT:

Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:
 ME State Police Lead Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 ME State Police
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Tim Hudson
 Lucas St. Clair
 Downey Magallanes
 Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow
 Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT:

Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT:

Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT:

Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian Trail & recreation
 Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:
 ME State Police Lead Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 ME State Police
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Tim Hudson
 Lucas St. Clair
 Downey Magallanes
 Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Press Overflow
 Press Van: Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp
 Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Aaron Thiele

Caroline Boulton

Note:

Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway

Note: Each canoe will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair & fish

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner
Location: Lunksoos Camps

8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower
Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce
Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur

Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt

Press: Open
Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation

Press: Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee
Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room
Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT:

Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area

Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
 Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
 Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
 Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
 Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
 David Trahan, Sportsman’s Alliance of Maine
 Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
 Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
 Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
 Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
 Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
 Scott Madden, Madden Logging
 Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
 Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
 John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
 Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
 Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
 Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
 Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
 John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
 Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins’ staff
 Carol Woodcock intern
 Edie Smith, Senator King’s staff
 TBD, Rep. Poliquin’s staff

Press: Closed

Staff:

Advance:

Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
 Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT:

Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT:

Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary’s Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Sgt. Rob Kramer
 Caroline Boulton
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT:

Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT:

Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT:

RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT:

Depart RON en route

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
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Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT:

Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
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Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route
Vehicle Manifest:
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If quick plant visit fits in schedule, John Nagle Company, a few doors down from Legal Seafood Harborside, is available before and after roundtable

Dr. Scott Kraus, VP of Research, New England Aquarium--with FWS Interim Superintendent
MA Secretary Matt Beaton
USS Constitution

**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff:



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Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 15, 2017 **TIME:** 11:00am - 12:00pm

FROM: Jim Cason, Acting Deputy Secretary

SUBJECT: Penobscot Nation Meeting

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

YOU are meeting with the Penobscot Nation in Maine to discuss the role of the Department as the Tribe's trustee, as well as an overview of tribal programs funded by the Department. YOU will meet with Chief Kirk Francis, members of the tribal council, and employees of the Nation.

II. BACKGROUND

The Penobscot Nation is located in Central and Eastern Maine, occupying around 200 islands within the Penobscot River. The community's main reservation is located on Indian Island just North of Old Town, Maine. As of 2010 there were 2,367 members of the Penobscot Nation with 450 of those living on the reservation and 1,399 living in Maine. Rivers and waterways are extremely important to the Penobscot Nation with fishing and birch bark canoes serving as important staples of Penobscot culture.

The Penobscot Nation Judicial System was established in 1979 and comprises of a trial court, the Tribal Court, and an appellate court. The Penobscot Nation also has a police force and conservation law enforcement. These departments enforce all Tribal, Federal, and State laws on tribal lands. In FY 17 the Department provided approximately \$470,000 for the Nation's tribal law enforcement and \$163,000 for their tribal court.

III. DISCUSSION

The Maine Indians Claims Settlement Act (MICSA) was passed in 1980 and settled Penobscot's (and other Maine tribe's) land claims against the United States. MICSA limits the rights of tribes in Maine by granting state jurisdiction over the tribes, their lands and natural resources including civil and criminal jurisdiction. The Nation also has jurisdiction over tribal members.

Water Quality Standards Litigation

In January of 2015, the Departments responded to EPA's request for Interior's views regarding the relationship between tribal fishing rights and water quality; finding that tribal fishing rights include the right to sufficient water quality to effectuate the fishing right. The State of Maine is currently in litigation with the EPA over a promulgated rule that sets water quality standards (WQS) for the State. Originally, the State submitted proposals to the EPA to implement WQS. Those state standards were rejected by EPA for, among other reasons, not having high enough



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standards that protected the Nation's sustenance fishing rights. The EPA then promulgated a rule that set federal standards for the State. After the State filed suit against the United States, the Nation intervened in the litigation. The Nation is concerned that the EPA will grant the State's request to withdraw the rule setting federal standards, thus negatively impacting their sustenance fishing rights.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

- Draft Agenda for the Meeting
- Bio of Chief Kirk Francis



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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 14, 2017 **TIME:** All Day

FROM: Maureen Foster

SUBJECT: Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary will receive a tour of the National Monument via car and canoe from Superintendent Tim Hudson, and Lucas St. Clair from the Elliotsville Plantation, Inc. The tour will include the Secretary's party and a press van organized by the Department of the Interior. Following the tour, the group, minus the press, will overnight in cabins or tents at the Lunksoos Camp inside of the National Monument. The Secretary will hold a breakfast meeting in the Millinocket area the next morning (15 June) which the NPS staff can attend. The Secretary leaves the Katahdin Woods and Waters area after the breakfast meeting for other meetings concerning the monument in other parts of Maine.

II. BACKGROUND

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KAWW) was created by Presidential Proclamation 9476 on August 24, 2016. The boundary encompasses 87,500 acres located in the unincorporated territory of Penobscot County in the state of Maine. The monument is subject to review under Executive Order 13792 calling on the U.S. Department of the Interior to conduct a review of certain National Monuments designated or expanded since 1996 under the Antiquities Act of 1906. The Secretary requested to see the monument itself on the 14th and 15th of June.

III. DISCUSSION

- In the interest of time, the tour will focus on the southern section of the monument and emphasize the core visitor experience during the summer visitor season.
- The group will travel the main route leading to the principal public access along Swift Brook Road to access the 17-mile scenic loop road with multiple stops for brief walks and scenic views.
- A guided paddle down the Seboeis River and into the East Branch of the Penobscot River to Lunksoos Camp is planned (approximately 2.5 hours).
- Lunksoos Camp is where the group will stay for the night. A cook-out is planned with invited guests from the local community and three Congressional staffers (Collins, King, Poliquin). The staffers are not on the tour or canoe trip.
- Park managers will be available to answer questions on park resources, visitor amenities and use, management planning, and key park issues.



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IV. NEXT STEPS

- Park management will continue to prepare for the upcoming visitor season (e.g. staffing, volunteers)
- Park management will continue with park planning, research, and community outreach efforts.
- The recommendations concerning the Executive Order Review are scheduled to be released in August.

V. ATTACHMENTS

No attachments.

Chief Kirk Francis Penobscot Indian Nation

Chief Francis was born and raised at Indian Island, Maine, the home of the Penobscot Nation. He has deep cultural ties to the people, the land, and the river. He is an avid outdoorsman practicing the traditions of hunting and fishing for which his family is well known.

Chief Francis has been the elected Chief at Penobscot Indian Nation for over 9 years and was reelected to his fourth term in 2014. Before becoming Chief he served in many leadership roles within the Penobscot Nation including chairing various committees and serving three terms as a member of the Tribal Council. He was first elected to the Council at 21 years old and when elected Chief he was the second youngest to be elected to this position in the modern era. He now owns the distinction of being the longest serving Chief at Penobscot since the electoral system began in 1850. Chief Francis has focused heavily on Penobscot's economy including helping to lead an effort to secure federal contracting opportunities for the Nation through the creation of Penobscot's 8(a) company. He has also been instrumental in the creation of Penobscot Indian Nation Enterprises (PINE) a Section 17 corporation that now has nine subsidiaries representing multiple economic markets. Chief Francis has become knowledgeable and effective in handling the myriad of issues facing tribal governments today.

Chief Francis graduated from Old Town High School in 1987, and attended the Bridgeton Academy and the University of Southern Maine where he majored in Business Administration.

Beyond his local service, Chief Francis also serves as a national leader on many issues facing Native Americans. He currently is Treasurer of the United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) an organization comprised of 26 tribal nations. Chief Francis also chairs the Natural Resource Committee for the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) that serves as the organizations largest committee representing tribes from across America.

Prior to being elected as Chief, Mr. Francis' work experience centered on the gaming industry, including operating his own gaming bussing company, conducting promotional marketing for the Penobscot Nation's High Stakes Bingo, and being a floor manager at the Mohegan Sun Resort and Foxwood Resorts Casino in Connecticut.

To: downey.magallanes (b)(6)
From: Downey Magallanes
Sent: 2017-06-14T06:38:11-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Fwd: Briefing Binder June 14-15
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[0615PenobscotNationMeeting.pdf](#)
[ATT00004.htm](#)
[0615RoundTablewithMaineWoodsCoalition.pdf](#)
[ATT00005.htm](#)
[Chief Kirk Francis Bio.pdf](#)
[ATT00006.htm](#)
[Schedule June 14-15.pdf](#)
[ATT00007.htm](#)

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Thiele, Aaron" <aaron_thiele@ios.doi.gov>
To: Scott Hommel <scott_hommel@ios.doi.gov>, "Magallanes, Downey" <downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>, Laura Rigas <laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov>, James Cason <james_cason@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Rusty Roddy <russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Briefing Binder June 14-15

All,
Attached are the briefing memos for the Secretary's meetings from June 14-15.
We will be spending tomorrow night in Katahdin and will have very limited cell service.

best,
Aaron

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
Draft: 6/12/2017**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA	High 68°, Low 62°; Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National
Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT:

Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:
 ME State Police Lead Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Lucas St. Clair
 Downey Magallanes
 Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
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 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow
 Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT:

Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT:

Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT:

Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian Trail & recreation
 Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:
 ME State Police Lead Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Tim Hudson
 Lucas St. Clair
 Downey Magallanes
 Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Press Overflow
 Press Van: Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp
 Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

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Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

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David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

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Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Aaron Thiele

Caroline Boulton

Note:

Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway

Note: Each canoe will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair & fish

5:30-7:30pm EDT: Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner
Location: Lunksoos Camps

8:00pm EDT: RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps
Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT: Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
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Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower
Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen
Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce
Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur

Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt

Press: Open
Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
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Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

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Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation

Press: Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation
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Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
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Augusta, ME 04330
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Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT:

Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area

Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
 Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
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 Scott Madden, Madden Logging
 Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
 Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
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 Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
 Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
 Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
 Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
 John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
 Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins’ staff
 Carol Woodcock intern
 Edie Smith, Senator King’s staff
 TBD, Rep. Poliquin’s staff

Press: Closed

Staff:

Advance:

Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
 Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT:

Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT:

Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary’s Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Sgt. Rob Kramer
 Caroline Boulton
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT:

Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT:

Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT:

RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

:00-:00am EDT:

Depart RON en route

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

10:40-10:55am EDT:

Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Participants: 20 people from fishing groups
Press: Open

12:00-12:pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

If quick plant visit fits in schedule, John Nagle Company, a few doors down from Legal Seafood Harborside, is available before and after roundtable

Dr. Scott Kraus, VP of Research, New England Aquarium--with FWS Interim Superintendent
MA Secretary Matt Beaton
USS Constitution

**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff:



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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 14, 2017 **TIME:** All Day

FROM: Maureen Foster

SUBJECT: Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary will receive a tour of the National Monument via car and canoe from Superintendent Tim Hudson, and Lucas St. Clair from the Elliotsville Plantation, Inc. The tour will include the Secretary's party and a press van organized by the Department of the Interior. Following the tour, the group, minus the press, will overnight in cabins or tents at the Lunksoos Camp inside of the National Monument. The Secretary will hold a breakfast meeting in the Millinocket area the next morning (15 June) which the NPS staff can attend. The Secretary leaves the Katahdin Woods and Waters area after the breakfast meeting for other meetings concerning the monument in other parts of Maine.

II. BACKGROUND

Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KAWW) was created by Presidential Proclamation 9476 on August 24, 2016. The boundary encompasses 87,500 acres located in the unincorporated territory of Penobscot County in the state of Maine. The monument is subject to review under Executive Order 13792 calling on the U.S. Department of the Interior to conduct a review of certain National Monuments designated or expanded since 1996 under the Antiquities Act of 1906. The Secretary requested to see the monument itself on the 14th and 15th of June.

III. DISCUSSION

- In the interest of time, the tour will focus on the southern section of the monument and emphasize the core visitor experience during the summer visitor season.
- The group will travel the main route leading to the principal public access along Swift Brook Road to access the 17-mile scenic loop road with multiple stops for brief walks and scenic views.
- A guided paddle down the Seboeis River and into the East Branch of the Penobscot River to Lunksoos Camp is planned (approximately 2.5 hours).
- Lunksoos Camp is where the group will stay for the night. A cook-out is planned with invited guests from the local community and three Congressional staffers (Collins, King, Poliquin). The staffers are not on the tour or canoe trip.
- Park managers will be available to answer questions on park resources, visitor amenities and use, management planning, and key park issues.



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IV. NEXT STEPS

- Park management will continue to prepare for the upcoming visitor season (e.g. staffing, volunteers)
- Park management will continue with park planning, research, and community outreach efforts.
- The recommendations concerning the Executive Order Review are scheduled to be released in August.

V. ATTACHMENTS

No attachments.

Chief Kirk Francis Penobscot Indian Nation

Chief Francis was born and raised at Indian Island, Maine, the home of the Penobscot Nation. He has deep cultural ties to the people, the land, and the river. He is an avid outdoorsman practicing the traditions of hunting and fishing for which his family is well known.

Chief Francis has been the elected Chief at Penobscot Indian Nation for over 9 years and was reelected to his fourth term in 2014. Before becoming Chief he served in many leadership roles within the Penobscot Nation including chairing various committees and serving three terms as a member of the Tribal Council. He was first elected to the Council at 21 years old and when elected Chief he was the second youngest to be elected to this position in the modern era. He now owns the distinction of being the longest serving Chief at Penobscot since the electoral system began in 1850. Chief Francis has focused heavily on Penobscot's economy including helping to lead an effort to secure federal contracting opportunities for the Nation through the creation of Penobscot's 8(a) company. He has also been instrumental in the creation of Penobscot Indian Nation Enterprises (PINE) a Section 17 corporation that now has nine subsidiaries representing multiple economic markets. Chief Francis has become knowledgeable and effective in handling the myriad of issues facing tribal governments today.

Chief Francis graduated from Old Town High School in 1987, and attended the Bridgeton Academy and the University of Southern Maine where he majored in Business Administration.

Beyond his local service, Chief Francis also serves as a national leader on many issues facing Native Americans. He currently is Treasurer of the United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) an organization comprised of 26 tribal nations. Chief Francis also chairs the Natural Resource Committee for the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) that serves as the organizations largest committee representing tribes from across America.

Prior to being elected as Chief, Mr. Francis' work experience centered on the gaming industry, including operating his own gaming bussing company, conducting promotional marketing for the Penobscot Nation's High Stakes Bingo, and being a floor manager at the Mohegan Sun Resort and Foxwood Resorts Casino in Connecticut.



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ADVANCE MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY
Alaska Trip

DATE: Thursday, June 15, 2017
LOCATION: Katahdin → Boston, MA
TIME: 7:30am - 9:30pm EST
FROM: Aaron Thiele

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Starting off the day with a breakfast meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce and Local Councilmen. Proceed then to Millinocket to meet with the Penobscot Nation, then to Augusta for a roundtable with the Maine Woods Coalition. Finish with a dinner in Revere, MA and RON in Boston.

II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Montana Casual
PRESS: Press avails throughout the day

III. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Weather: High 91F / Low 67F, mostly sunny

Time Zone: Eastern Standard Time

7:00	am	Depart Katahdin National Monument
8:30	am	Breakfast Meeting with Chamber and Local Councilmen
9:30	am	Depart for Penobscot Nation meeting
12:00	am	Depart for Augusta
11:30	pm	Lunch
2:00	pm	Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition
3:30	am	Media Availability
4:00	pm	Depart Augusta en route Revere, MA
6:30	pm	Dinner
8:30	pm	Depart en route Boston
9:00	pm	RON



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ADVANCE MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY
Alaska Trip

DATE: Wednesday, June 14, 2017
LOCATION: Bangor, ME → Medway, ME → Lunksoos Camp, ME
TIME: 8:00am - 8:00pm EST
FROM: Aaron Thiele

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Meet the Superintendent of Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument, Tim Hudson and Lucas St. Clair (bio attached), for a driving and canoe tour of the monument. Press will be present for the driving tour and will have a short media avail following lunch. After the tour we will be overnighing at the Lunksoos Campsite, where there are cabins and tents available.

II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Hiking apparel
PRESS: Open, press avail at multiple times throughout day.

III. NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS

Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

IV. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Weather: High 91F / Low 67F, mostly sunny
Time Zone: Eastern Standard Time

8:00	am	Depart Bangor for Medway, ME
9:30	am	Arrive at meetup spot, arrange into vehicles
9:45	am	Depart Medway for Katahdin National Monument Tour
11:30	am	Driving tour
12:00	pm	Lunch
12:20	pm	Press Availability
12:45	pm	Continue driving tour
4:00	pm	Arrive Lunksoos Campground, begin Canoe Trip
5:30	pm	Arrive back at Lunksoos Camp
5:45	pm	Dinner
8:00	pm	RON



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INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 15, 2017 **TIME:** 11:00am - 12:00pm

FROM: Jim Cason, Acting Deputy Secretary

SUBJECT: Penobscot Nation Meeting

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

YOU are meeting with the Penobscot Nation in Maine to discuss the role of the Department as the Tribe's trustee, as well as an overview of tribal programs funded by the Department. YOU will meet with Chief Kirk Francis, members of the tribal council, and employees of the Nation.

II. BACKGROUND

The Penobscot Nation is located in Central and Eastern Maine, occupying around 200 islands within the Penobscot River. The community's main reservation is located on Indian Island just North of Old Town, Maine. As of 2010 there were 2,367 members of the Penobscot Nation with 450 of those living on the reservation and 1,399 living in Maine. Rivers and waterways are extremely important to the Penobscot Nation with fishing and birch bark canoes serving as important staples of Penobscot culture.

The Penobscot Nation Judicial System was established in 1979 and comprises of a trial court, the Tribal Court, and an appellate court. The Penobscot Nation also has a police force and conservation law enforcement. These departments enforce all Tribal, Federal, and State laws on tribal lands. In FY 17 the Department provided approximately \$470,000 for the Nation's tribal law enforcement and \$163,000 for their tribal court.

III. DISCUSSION

The Maine Indians Claims Settlement Act (MICSA) was passed in 1980 and settled Penobscot's (and other Maine tribe's) land claims against the United States. MICSA limits the rights of tribes in Maine by granting state jurisdiction over the tribes, their lands and natural resources including civil and criminal jurisdiction. The Nation also has jurisdiction over tribal members.

Water Quality Standards Litigation

In January of 2015, the Departments responded to EPA's request for Interior's views regarding the relationship between tribal fishing rights and water quality; finding that tribal fishing rights include the right to sufficient water quality to effectuate the fishing right. The State of Maine is currently in litigation with the EPA over a promulgated rule that sets water quality standards (WQS) for the State. Originally, the State submitted proposals to the EPA to implement WQS. Those state standards were rejected by EPA for, among other reasons, not having high enough



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standards that protected the Nation's sustenance fishing rights. The EPA then promulgated a rule that set federal standards for the State. After the State filed suit against the United States, the Nation intervened in the litigation. The Nation is concerned that the EPA will grant the State's request to withdraw the rule setting federal standards, thus negatively impacting their sustenance fishing rights.

IV. ATTACHMENTS

- Draft Agenda for the Meeting
- Bio of Chief Kirk Francis



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DATE: June 15, 2017 **TIME:** 2:00am - 3:00pm
FROM: Tim Williams, Deputy Director for External Relations
SUBJECT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Round Table - Main Woods Coalition as requested the opportunity to share with you their opinion on the Katahdin Woods and Waters Monument

II. BACKGROUND

Former President Obama designated Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument in Northern Main shortly before he left office. President Trump's Executive Order for the Review of Designations under the Antiquities Act called for a review of monuments over 100,000 acres or where designated "without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders". Katahdin Woods is 87,563 and as such the Governor has asked the Secretary to review the monument.

III. DISCUSSION

Main Woods Coalition represents 227 Maine businesses.

Our opposition to a national park or monument in Maine's north woods has been ongoing since 2000 when RESTORE.org announced their plan for a 3.2 million acre park in northern Maine. This has been a long battle and now our grassroots organization has been outmaneuvered by great wealth and connections in Washington. We want to take this opportunity to ask for review of what this monument is and how it came to be.

We believe this monument designation should be overturned because it clearly fails to meet the letter and the intent of the Antiquities Act.

- The properties that comprise the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KWWNM) are not of special historic, scientific, or scenic value. The president's proclamation establishing the Monument dwells at some length on the geological history of the region, the Indians who once inhabited it, and the region's common flora and fauna. If these are justification for a National Monument, then much of our country qualifies. In fact, the word "unique" appears only one time in the entire proclamation and that is to assert that the monument land "*provides a unique and important opportunity for scientific investigation of the effects of climate change across ecotones.*" That is surely inadequate scientific justification for a national monument designation.



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- These properties are not endangered. Ironically, the greatest threat to such values as they do possess, would come from a futile attempt to make them into a popular monument or park. It is wishful thinking to believe that monument designation will significantly benefit the local economy. In fact, it is already a detriment to logging operations on private roads which have been taken over by the NPS for access to the monument lands.
- The wording of the Antiquities Act does not admit a collection of (thirteen) scattered parcels such as comprise this monument and the proclamation makes no distinction as to special characteristics of each parcel. Inasmuch as the Act requires that a national monument be defined by the smallest possible footprint, if these parcels qualified (which they do not), it would seem a national monument would have to be limited to the smallest of them. In-holders whose timber land lies between these parcels of the monument face the threat of condemnation and eminent domain as the monument expands in size, as most have done.

In addition, these monument lands have no direct access and the NPS is using the deeded right of ways for each parcel, using privately owned roads and turning them into public ways in order to gain access for visitors. This traffic is causing problems for logging operations already and can only get worse.

There were three referendum votes in local towns (Patten, Medway, and East Millinocket) with results showing overwhelming opposition to a park or monument. The town of Millinocket passed a resolution opposing a park/monument. The Maine Legislature passed a resolve opposing a park or monument, and the Governor (s) have also been opposed. Attached is a list of 225 local businesses totaling 5,000+ employees opposing the park/monument, and in addition to the Maine Woods Coalition, other organizations including the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine, the Maine Snowmobile Association, and the Fin & Feathers Club of Millinocket all oppose it.

To: rustyroddy (b)(6) (b)(6), (b)(7)...

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From: Roddy, Russell

Sent: 2017-06-15T04:12:14-04:00

Importance: Normal

Subject: Updated Schedule

Received: 2017-06-15T04:12:22-04:00

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Doing two walkthru's tomorrow...so, a little fine tuning to go before completed...

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Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017**

Draft: 6/12/2017



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 50% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

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Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT: **Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME**

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: **Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles**

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: **Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument**

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road
Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
ME State Police
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
 Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
 Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
 Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
 trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Aaron Thiele
Press Overflow
Heather Swift

Press Van:

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt

Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Sgt. Rob Kramer

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Scott Hommel

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:15-8:30am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:30-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Tour Facility

Met by:
 Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Marine Monument

Location: New England Aquarium Conference Room
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research,
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Marine National Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: New England Aquarium Conference Room
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
Seamounts National Marine Monument
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Seafood Harborside

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
Top Floor
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Seafood Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable

11:00-12:00pm EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside
Top Floor
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210

Participants: 20 Representatives from the Fishing Industry
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format:

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
Fort Point Channel
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental
Affairs

Vessel: MV Abigail (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental
Affairs

Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston

Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston

Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston

Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs

Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation &
Recreation

Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV Abigail is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs
Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure
Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:15pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Spectacle Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by ???

1:15-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Spectacle Island & Hike to Peak

Met by: National Park Service Rangers & MA State Park Rangers

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board ??? & Depart Spectacle Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Vessel: ???

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs
Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
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Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

2:30-3:30pm EDT:

Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution
Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer)
USS Constitution Museum (RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey
Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service
Awards to five employees

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from
Line to join on tour

Note: In front of the USS Constitution Museum, RKZ will participate in
Photo-op with youth group???

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard

Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods /
Beverages

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT:

Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center

Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT:

Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Staff Vehicle 2: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

8:00pm EDT-9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff:

To: rustyroddy [REDACTED] (b)(6)
From: Roddy, Russen
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift

Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT:

RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop

1941 Medway Road

Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
 Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
 Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road
 Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
 Trail & recreation
 Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
 trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area
 Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Van:

Press Overflow
Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt
Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Sgt. Rob Kramer
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
 Main Entrance
 1 Central Wharf
 Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
 Seamounts National Marine Monument
 Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
 Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium
 (Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable
Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Participants: Drew Minkiewicz, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
Bonnie Brady, Executive Director, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Marty Scanlon, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Grant Moore, President, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
David Borden, Executive Director, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association
Rich Ruais, President, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association
Eric Reid, General Manager, Seafreeze Ltd,
Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison, Seafreeze Ltd.
John Quinn, Chairman, New England Fishery Management Council
Angela Santilippo, President, Gloucester Fishermens Wives Association & Executive Director, Massachusetts Fishing Partnership
Michelle Bachmann, Lead Fishery Analyst for Habitat, New England Fishery Management Council
Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24
Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

Program: 11:00 am: Robert Vanasse, Executive Director of Saving Seafood delivers opening remarks & introduces RKZ
 11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
 11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
 11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
 11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck
 Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members
 Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated In chairs on the outskirts of the room
 Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avails for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
 Fort Point Channel
 1 Courthouse Way
 Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs
 Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Regis
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters
 Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston
 Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston
 Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston
Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs
Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation
Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers
MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

RKZ

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Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees

Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Staff Vehicle 2: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner
Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

8:00pm EDT-9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

To: Aaron Thiele[aaron_thiele@ios.doi.gov]; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)@ios.doi.gov; (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)@nps.gov; Magallanes, Downey[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]; Laura Rigas[laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov]; Heather Swift[heather_swift@ios.doi.gov]; Tami Heilemann[Tami_Heilemann@ios.doi.gov]
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift

Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT:

RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop

1941 Medway Road

Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Press Overflow
Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt
Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Sgt. Rob Kramer
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
 Main Entrance
 1 Central Wharf
 Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
 Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium (Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
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Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
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Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
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10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable
Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
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David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
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Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
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Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24
Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

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 11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
 11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
 11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
 11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck
 Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members
 Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated In chairs on the outskirts of the room
 Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avails for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
 Fort Point Channel
 1 Courthouse Way
 Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
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 Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs
 Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
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 Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston
 Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston
 Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston
Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs
Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation
Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

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12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers
MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

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Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

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Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees

Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner
Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey"

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

8:00pm EDT-9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
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Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

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Attached are the PDF files that will be included in today's briefing book.
best,
Aaron



United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 17, 2017 **TIME:** 11:00am - 12:00pm

FROM: Tim Williams

SUBJECT: Fisherman Roundtable

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This meeting is to meet with the Fisherman and Lobsterman of the area to get their view and opinions on the Monument.

II. BACKGROUND

President Barack Obama designated the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument (NCSMNM) on September 21, 2016, using the Antiquities Act of 1906. The Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument is the first and only Marine National Monument in the Atlantic Ocean. See map in attachments.

Residing at depths of ~4,000 meters, deep sea corals and other foundational species are highly sensitive to anthropogenic disturbances such as bottom trawling and mining extractions. Within three years, following the creation of the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument, NOAA and U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service will administer a management plan for the area, adapting to requests and changes.

III. DISCUSSION

Five commercial fishing industries,

Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association, Long Island Commercial Fishing Association, Garden State Seafood Association, and Rhode Island Fishermen's Alliance, took the creation of the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument to court in the beginning of March 2017. They state that President Barack Obama did not have the right to designate the Marine National Monument under the Antiquities Act. In a legal document published on March 29, 2017, it was stated that the fishermen do not want any restrictions on their industries, and argue that the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument is unlawful and harmful to their businesses.



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Subsequent to the creation of the Marine National Monument, a 60 day transition period was allowed for all commercial industries, besides the Atlantic Lobster and Deep-Sea Red Crab fisheries, which are permitted to continue fishing in the area for seven years after the creation of the monument.

IV. NEXT STEPS

Recommendation to the White House

V. ATTACHMENTS

Attendees:

Fisheries Survival Fund - David Frulla, Andrew Minkiewicz, General Counsel
Long Island Commercial Fishermen's Association - Bonnie Brady, Executive Director; Dan Farnham, Marty Scanlon, and Billy McIntyre, members
Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association - Grant Moore, President
Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association - Beth Casoni, Executive Director
Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association - David Schalit, President
Seafreeze Ltd - Eric Reid, General Manager; Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison
New England Fishery Management Council - John Quinn, Council Chairman
Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council - Laurie Nolan, Council Member
Foley Fish - Laura Ramsden, President
Eastern Fisheries - Roy Enoksen, President; Ronald Enoksen, VP
Seatrade - Bob Blais, COO
New Bedford Harbor Development Commission - Ed Anthes-Washburn, Director; Brian Rothschild, Commissioner; Pamela LaFreniere, Counsel
Fisheries Survival Fund - Eric Hansen, Board Member
John Nagle Company - Charlie Nagle, President; Robert Nagle, VP

Congressional Staff:

Bob Fowkes (Lynch)
Christina Pacheco (Markey)



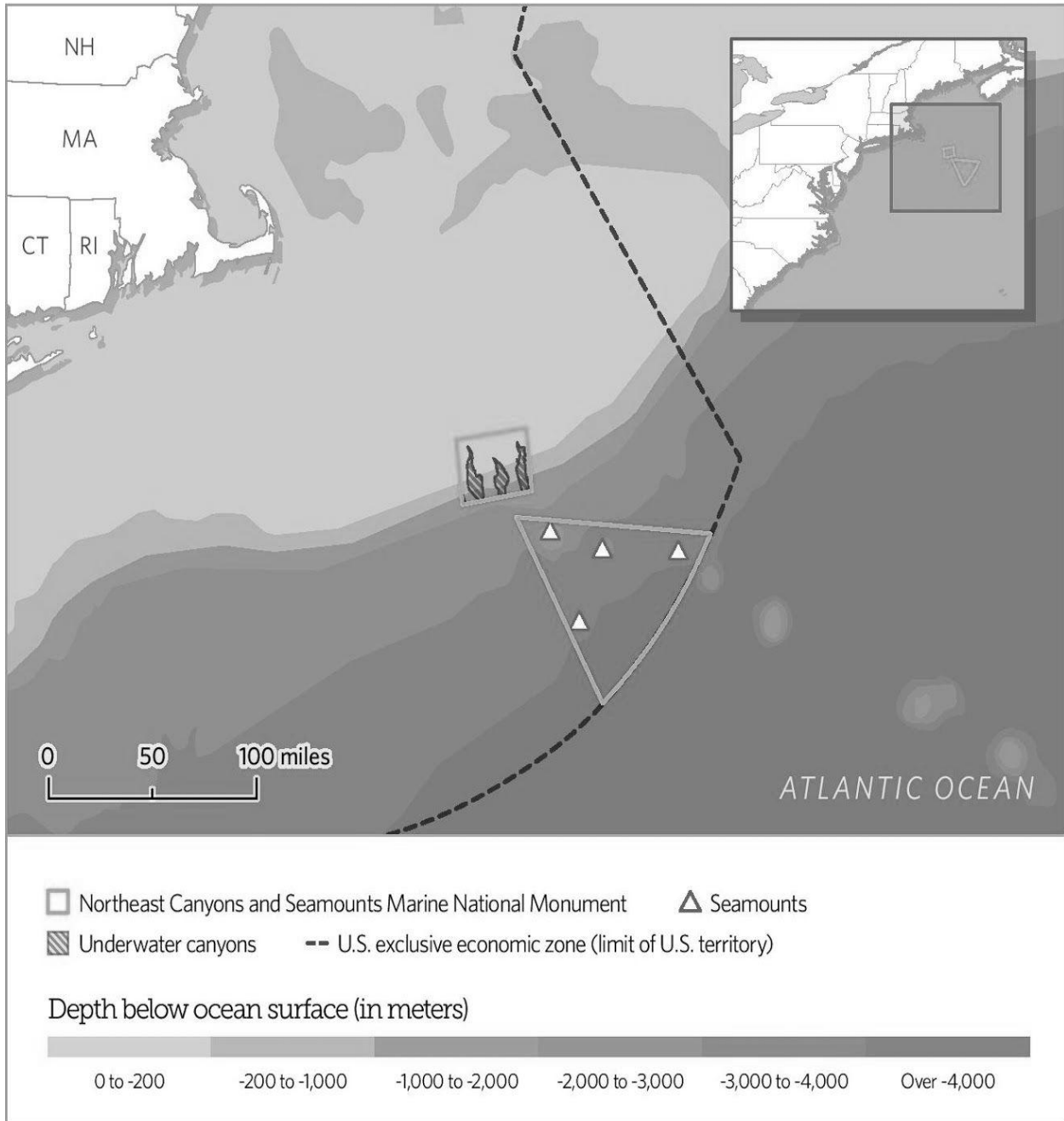
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Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument

The protected area, encompassing 4,913 square miles, is the first of its kind in the U.S. Atlantic Ocean



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Boston, MA (Friday):

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Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT:

Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
Main Entrance
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

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Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston

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Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation &
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Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of
Conservation & Recreation

Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources
Authority

Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City
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Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown
Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges
Island
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Energy & Environmental Affairs

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Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution
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Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
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Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
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Charlestown, MA 02129
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4:40-6:15pm EDT:

Dinner

Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey"

6:15-6:30pm EDT:

Depart en route Logan International Airport

Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

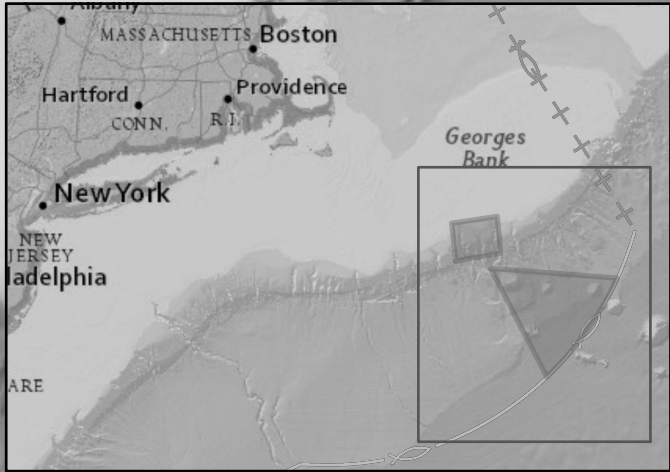
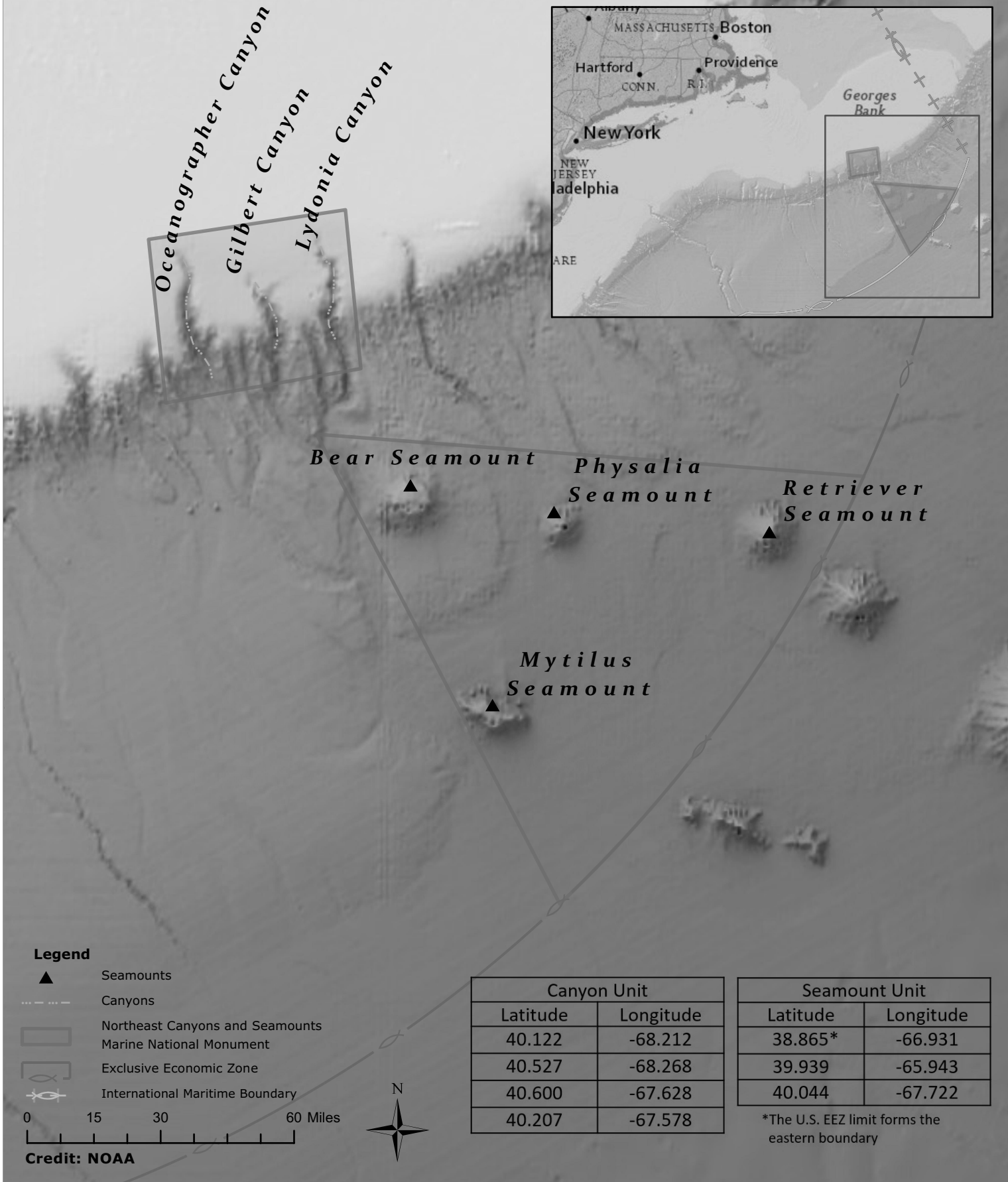
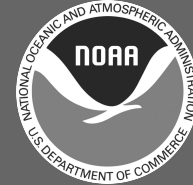
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9:47pm EDT:

Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument

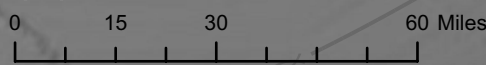


Oceanographer Canyon
Gilbert Canyon
Lydonia Canyon

Bear Seamount *Physalia Seamount* *Retriever Seamount*
Mytilus Seamount

Legend

- ▲ Seamounts
- Canyons
- ▭ Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument
- ⊞ Exclusive Economic Zone
- ⊞ International Maritime Boundary



Canyon Unit	
Latitude	Longitude
40.122	-68.212
40.527	-68.268
40.600	-67.628
40.207	-67.578

Seamount Unit	
Latitude	Longitude
38.865*	-66.931
39.939	-65.943
40.044	-67.722

*The U.S. EEZ limit forms the eastern boundary



United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: June 17, 2017 **TIME:** All Day

FROM: Maureen Foster

SUBJECT: Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To inform and update the Secretary about the Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument in preparation for his visit to Boston.

II. BACKGROUND

The Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument (NCSMNM), created September 15, 2016, through the Antiquities Act of 1906, is the first Marine National Monument in the Atlantic Ocean. The 4,913-square mile monument is located 130 miles southeast of Cape Cod, and is divided into two units to protect distinct geological features. Three submarine canyons (Oceanographer, Gilbert, and Lydonia) make up the canyons area (941 square miles) located at the edge of the continental shelf. Each canyon is approximately 6,500 to 7,000 feet deep and up to 20 to 30 miles long. The seamounts unit is farther offshore and consists of four undersea mountains or seamounts (Bear Mytilus, Physalia, and Retriever), in a 3,972-square mile area. These seamounts are extinct volcanos as high as 7,700 feet above the ocean floor. The outer boundary of the seamounts unit is the 200-nautical mile limit of the Exclusive Economic Zone.

The undersea features of the canyons and seamounts create nutrient-rich upwellings that support significant and diverse marine life from the ocean floor to the sea surface. Years of deep-sea research expeditions led by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and educational institutions have documented the unique ecological significance of the area. This includes numerous species that are new to science and 54 species of coral, some of which are hundreds of years old and 6 to 7 feet tall, prompting scientists to call the unique coral formations “coral forests.” The upwelling of nutrients carried by currents fuel eruptions of plankton that draw large schools of small fish that become prey for large concentrations of sharks, tuna, marine mammals, and seabirds. Scientists who have spent their careers exploring the Atlantic Ocean speak to the exemplary marine resources of the Monument by calling it the “Serengeti of the Sea” and the “Ocean Oasis.”



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The NCSMNM is an important feeding area for endangered leatherback and threatened loggerhead sea turtles, drawn to the seamounts to feed on jellyfish, crustaceans, and invertebrates. The canyons are important feeding habitat for endangered sperm whales and critically endangered right whales. Endangered fin and sei whales have also been observed feeding in the monument waters.

Activities allowed include: recreational fishing, sailing, bird and marine mammal watching, research and scientific exploration, educational activities that support the monument, anchoring of scientific instruments, and construction and maintenance of submarine cables.

Commercial fishing for red crab and American lobster continues for a period of not more than 7 years. All other commercial fishing was closed 60 days after the monuments creation.

Prohibited activities include: exploring, developing, or producing oil and gas; using poisons, electrical charges, or explosives to harvest monument resources; introducing or releasing introduced species; removing or disturbing any living or non-living resource except as provided for in the regulated activities; and drilling into, anchoring, dredging, or otherwise altering the submerged lands.

There has not been enforcement to date and the focus has been on outreach and education through a NOAA website and an educational flyer. Future enforcement will be carried out through agreement with the U.S. Coast Guard. Vessel monitoring systems carried on vessels fishing in Federal waters will aid in monitoring the use of the Monument.

III. DISCUSSION

The Secretaries of Commerce and Interior share management responsibility for the monument. NOAA has responsibilities for activities and species that fall under the Magnusson-Stevens Fishery Management Act, the Endangered Species Act (for species regulated by NOAA), the Marine Mammal Protection Act, and other applicable legal authorities of the Department of Commerce. The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) has responsibility for activities and species under its legal authorities including the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act, the Refuge Recreation Act, the Endangered Species Act, Public Law 98-532 and Executive Order 6166.

The Proclamation tasks the USFWS and NOAA to prepare a joint management plan within 3 years. Senior leadership of the agencies have met twice over the last 6 months to define each agencies roles and responsibilities and to discuss management planning including development



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of a work plan, public scoping options, a draft action plan, monument vision and goals, and interim compatibility review and permitting processes.

The USFWS appointed Brian Benedict, the Refuge Manager at Maine Coastal Islands National Wildlife Refuge, as Interim Superintendent for the NCSMNM. The Northeast Region of the USFWS received \$180,000 in fiscal year 2017 for marine monument management. These funds were used to support staff salaries, travel, and planning efforts.

IV. NEXT STEPS

Planning for the NCSMNM has ceased while the monument review process takes place. Based on the questions provided within the monument review, USFWS had no relevant information to add to NOAA's response.

V. ATTACHMENTS

Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument Map

065865 IM-S Briefing paper - Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine National Monument

PREPARED BY: Wendi Weber, Regional Director
Northeast Region

DATE: June 9, 2017

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Laura Keehner Rigas
Communications Director
U.S. Department of the Interior
(202) 897-7022 cell
@Interior

Begin forwarded message:

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Subject: Friday Schedule

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

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Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

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Advance Caroline Boulton

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

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Advance Caroline Boulton

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift

Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT:

RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
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Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Van:

Press Overflow
Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt
Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability

Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Sgt. Rob Kramer

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Scott Hommel

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
 Main Entrance
 1 Central Wharf
 Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
 Seamounts National Marine Monument
 Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
 Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium
 (Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable
Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Participants: Drew Minkiewicz, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
Bonnie Brady, Executive Director, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Marty Scanlon, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Grant Moore, President, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
David Borden, Executive Director, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association
Rich Ruais, President, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association
Eric Reid, General Manager, Seafreeze Ltd,
Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison, Seafreeze Ltd.
John Quinn, Chairman, New England Fishery Management Council
Angela Santilippo, President, Gloucester Fishermens Wives Association & Executive Director, Massachusetts Fishing Partnership
Michelle Bachmann, Lead Fishery Analyst for Habitat, New England Fishery Management Council
Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24
Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

Program: 11:00 am: Robert Vanasse, Executive Director of Saving Seafood delivers opening remarks & introduces RKZ
 11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
 11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
 11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
 11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck
 Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members
 Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated In chairs on the outskirts of the room
 Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avails for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
 Fort Point Channel
 1 Courthouse Way
 Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2:

Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Regis
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston

Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston

Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston
Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs
Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation
Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers
MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

RKZ

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Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees

Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner
Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey"

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

To: michael.rigas@massmail.state.ma.us[michael.rigas@massmail.state.ma.us]
From: Laura Rigas
Sent: 2017-06-16T08:39:11-04:00
Importance: Normal
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Laura Keehner Rigas
Communications Director
U.S. Department of the Interior
(202) 897-7022 cell
@Interior

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Roddy, Russell" <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov>
Date: June 16, 2017 at 1:51:11 AM EDT
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(b)(6) <[\(b\)\(6\)@ios.doi.gov](mailto:(b)(6)@ios.doi.gov)>, (b)(6) <[\(b\)\(6\)@nps.gov](mailto:(b)(6)@nps.gov)>,
"Magallanes, Downey" <downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>, Laura Rigas
<laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov>, Heather Swift <heather_swift@ios.doi.gov>, Tami
Heilemann <Tami_Heilemann@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Friday Schedule

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

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Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift

Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT:

RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT:

Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop

1941 Medway Road

Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Park & Ride

Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument

Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT:

Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road

Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
 Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
 Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
 Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
 trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Press Overflow
Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
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Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt
Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Sgt. Rob Kramer
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
 Main Entrance
 1 Central Wharf
 Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
 Seamounts National Marine Monument
 Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
 Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium
 (Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable
Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Participants: Drew Minkiewicz, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
Bonnie Brady, Executive Director, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Marty Scanlon, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Grant Moore, President, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
David Borden, Executive Director, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association
Rich Ruais, President, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association
Eric Reid, General Manager, Seafreeze Ltd,
Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison, Seafreeze Ltd.
John Quinn, Chairman, New England Fishery Management Council
Angela Santilippo, President, Gloucester Fishermens Wives Association & Executive Director, Massachusetts Fishing Partnership
Michelle Bachmann, Lead Fishery Analyst for Habitat, New England Fishery Management Council
Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24
Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

Program: 11:00 am: Robert Vanasse, Executive Director of Saving Seafood delivers opening remarks & introduces RKZ
 11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
 11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
 11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
 11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck
 Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members
 Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated In chairs on the outskirts of the room
 Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avails for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
 Fort Point Channel
 1 Courthouse Way
 Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2:

Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Regis
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston

Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston

Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston
Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs
Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation
Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers
MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

RKZ

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Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees

Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Staff Vehicle 2: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner
Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey"

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

8:00pm EDT-9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

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Subject: Friday Schedule

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Boston, MA):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoephoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Jacqueline Pata, Executive Director, NCAI

Kevin "Red Eagle" Brown, Chairman, Mohegan Tribe

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT: **Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME**

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Press Van: Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: **Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles**

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: **Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument**

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road
Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
ME State Police
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
 Caroline Boulton
 Tami Heilemann
 Laura Rigas
 David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
 Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift
 Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
 Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
 Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Laura Rigas

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director

Staff Vehicle 2:

Aaron Thiele

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
 Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
 Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
 Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
 trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Press Overflow
Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2:

David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele

Press Van:

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle:

ME State Police
RZ

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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes

NPS Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
David Farmer, EPI Communications Director
Aaron Thiele
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway
Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler
Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps
Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett
Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt
Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ
RZ gives short remarks
Discussion with Members regarding Monument
Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio
Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-10:55am EDT: Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

10:55am EDT: Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME
Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:00-11:05am EDT: Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:05-11:10am EDT: Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director
Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT: Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:30pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes

1:30-1:55pm EDT: Lunch

1:55-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:00-3:00pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:00-3:30pm EDT: Depart en route Media Availability

3:30-4:00pm EDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location:

4:00-6:30pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Sgt. Rob Kramer
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Scott Hommel
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:30-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner
Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON
Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street

Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Scott Hommel
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
 Main Entrance
 1 Central Wharf
 Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
 Seamounts National Marine Monument
 Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
 Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
 Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium
 (Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research, Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable
Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable
Participants: Drew Minkiewicz, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
Bonnie Brady, Executive Director, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Marty Scanlon, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Grant Moore, President, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
David Borden, Executive Director, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association
Rich Ruais, President, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association
Eric Reid, General Manager, Seafreeze Ltd,
Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison, Seafreeze Ltd.
John Quinn, Chairman, New England Fishery Management Council
Angela Santilippo, President, Gloucester Fishermens Wives Association & Executive Director, Massachusetts Fishing Partnership
Michelle Bachmann, Lead Fishery Analyst for Habitat, New England Fishery Management Council
Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24
Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

Program: 11:00 am: Robert Vanasse, Executive Director of Saving Seafood delivers opening remarks & introduces RKZ
 11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
 11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
 11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
 11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck
 Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members
 Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated In chairs on the outskirts of the room
 Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avails for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Seafood Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
 Fort Point Channel
 1 Courthouse Way
 Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
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 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs
 Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
 Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes
 Laura Regis
 Heather Swift
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
 Brian Snyder, Reuters
 Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston
 Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston
 Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston
Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs
Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation
Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation
Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority
Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City Of Boston
Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now
CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard
Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound
Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers
MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

RKZ

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Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution
Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum
Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum
Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners
Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services
Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs
NPS Employees

- Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)
USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)
USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)
- Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees
- Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.
- Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

- Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard
Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

- Location: Constitution Museum Education Center
Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

- Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Staff Vehicle 2: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner
Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey

6:15-6:30pm EDT: Depart en route Logan International Airport
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
Boston, MA 02128

**8:00pm EDT-
9:47pm EDT: Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: American Airlines 2116
Flight time: 1 hour, 47 minutes
RZ Seat: 20C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
Rusty Roddy

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*Wildlife and Hunting Heritage
Conservation Council*

April 22, 2016

The Honorable Sally Jewell
Secretary of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

The Honorable Tom Vilsack
Secretary of Agriculture
1400 Independence Avenue
Washington, D.C. 20250

Dear Secretary Jewell and Secretary Vilsack:

The Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (Council) knows firsthand that some of America's best fish and wildlife habitat and recreational opportunities are found on federal lands. Through the North American Model of Wildlife Conservation, partnerships with state fish and wildlife agencies, the Departments of the Interior and Agriculture, private land owners and businesses that share our values and outdoor heritage, we have built a network of interests dedicated to preserving our traditions and the public lands legacy that can be bequeathed to future generations. With less than a year remaining in the current Administration, the Council writes today to provide guidance as to how we believe that these values and opportunities should be considered if and when the Departments of Interior and Agriculture play a role in proposals that seek to establish national monuments on federal public lands that are of importance to America's hunters, anglers and recreational shooters.

One of the tools that the White House and Congress utilizes to conserve our country's rich history and important cultural and natural resources is the designation of national monuments. Monument designation can provide increased conservation of high quality wildlife habitat and secure opportunities for hunting, fishing and recreational target shooting, where these activities have been traditional uses of the nominated lands.

Whether through the Antiquities Act or legislative designation we believe it is important to pursue national monument designations in a manner that addresses the priorities and values of sportsmen and women and includes a planning process that is transparent, locally driven, and guided by science-based conservation principles that elevate consideration of wildlife habitat and existing hunting, fishing, and recreational target shooting uses.

Monument designations and the subsequent development of resource management plans for new monuments can present unique challenges for sportsmen and women as well as professional wildlife managers. With that in mind, we would like to convey to your offices and the White House the following suggestions for establishing a set of parameters and criteria to meet prior to the creation of any national monument:

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- The proposal should be developed through a public process that results in support from local sportsmen and women and consultation with state and local governments. The input of sportsmen and women should also be considered in the monument management plans that are developed subsequent to designation.
- Reasonable public access should be retained to enable continued hunting, fishing and recreational target shooting opportunities.
- The monument proclamation should clearly stipulate that any existing state management authority over fish and wildlife populations will be retained by state fish and wildlife agencies with the coordination and flexibility necessary to fulfill public trust responsibilities to conserve fish and wildlife and achieve wildlife management objectives including the ability to establish seasons, bag limits and regulate method-of-take.
- Lands currently managed by the Bureau of Land Management and U.S. Forest Service should remain under the authority of these multiple-use focused land management agencies subsequent to any monument designation.
- Sporting opportunities should be upheld and the historical and cultural significance of hunting and fishing explicitly acknowledged in the monument proclamation.
- In places where it is a historic and existing use, recreational target shooting should be recognized as being consistent with the stated purpose(s) of a monument when compatible with the protection of objects that facilitate outdoor recreation opportunities.

Thank you in advance for your attention to these important recommendations. We look forward to working with you to advance thoughtful solutions that support the needs of our nation's fish and wildlife resources, fuel our outdoor economy, protect the heritage of sportsmen and women, and leave behind a proud public legacy for future generations.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Tomke". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style with a large initial "J" and a long, sweeping underline.

John Tomke, Chair
Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council

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S. _____

To provide for the establishment of the Maine Woods
National Park and Recreation Area.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

INSERT DATE, 2014

A BILL

To provide for the establishment of the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation
Area.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of
America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- (a) SHORT TITLE.- This Act may be cited as the “Maine Woods National Park and
Recreation Area Establishment Act of 2014”.
- (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.- The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short Title; table of contents;
- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Definitions
- Sec. 4. Maine Woods National Park
- Sec. 5. Maine Woods National Recreation Area
- Sec. 6. Establishment of Endowment
- Sec. 7. Administration of Park and Recreation Area
- Sec. 8. Wind Energy and Mill Turbines
- Sec. 9. Concession Contracts
- Sec. 10. Utilization of Northern Maine Forest Products
- Sec. 11. Advisory Committee
- Sec. 12. Donation
- Sec. 13 Authorization of Appropriations

SECTION 2. FINDINGS

Congress finds that--

(a) The lands located in the North Woods of Maine that are the subject of this legislation will:

(1) permanently protect and provide public use on xxx acres of nationally significant forests, rivers and ponds along the East Branch of the Penobscot River, Seboeis River, and Wassataquoik Stream;

(2) be a place to interpret the rich history of the Penobscot tribe and the birth of American conservation through the eyes of Henry David Thoreau, President Theodore Roosevelt and Percival Baxter;

(3) host scientific discovery of land surrounding the oldest mountain chain in the world, the Appalachians known for its lush forests and water where wildlife can adapt more easily to our changing climate;

(4) provide unrivaled wildlife habitat for Canada lynx, Ruffed grouse, brook trout, deer, moose, bears, loons, and Atlantic salmon;

(5) enhance opportunities for hiking, camping, paddling, fishing, biking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hunting, and snowmobiling while breathing Maine's fresh air and soaking in the expansive starry night sky;

(6) be a place to educate visitors about the history of logging from lumberjacks swinging axes and rolling logs down a river to the current industrial logging practices; and

(7) The designation of Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area would provide-

- (i) Significant economic benefits to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine including, but not limited to highly paid, non-exportable jobs in the tourism industries; and
- (ii) Long-term protection of the geological, hydrological, scenic, scientific, educational and wildlife resources; and
- (iii) Long-term protection, enhancement and expansion of the existing recreational opportunities in the area including, but not limited to, hunting, angling, snowmobiling,

camping, hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding.

(8) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would celebrate and promote the many historic, cultural and economic benefits that have resulted from Maine's forest products industry;

- (i.) The Park and Recreation Area would provide significant interpretation including signage, curricula and other information regarding the many benefits of the forest products industry to Maine;
- (ii) Neither the National Park nor the National Recreation Area would be considered a Class I Air shed under the Clean Air Act; and
- (iii.) the National Park and Recreation Area would be statutorily limited in size; and
- iv) the National Park and Recreation Area does not include timber harvesting restrictions of any kind outside the designated boundary.

(9) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would be conditioned on the establishment and funding of a private endowment which would minimize the need for federal funding for the establishment and administration of the Park and Recreation Area.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

- (a) Advisory council.--The term "Advisory Committee means the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee established under section 10.
- (b) Map.--The term "map" means the map entitled "Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area, numbered INSERT and dated INSERT.
- (c) National Recreation Area.--The term "National Recreation Area" means the Maine Woods National Recreation Area established in section 5.
- (d) National park.--The term "national park" means the Maine Woods National Park established in section 4.
- (e) Secretary.--The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.
- (f) Visitor Service: The term "Visitor Service" means any service made available for a fee or charge including such

services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 4. MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK.

(a) Establishment Authorization; In order to preserve and protect for the education, inspiration, recreation, and enjoyment of present and future generations there is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the "park") in the State of Maine.

(b) Description of boundary; The boundary of the park shall include the lands, waters, and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled [INSERT] numbered [INSERT], and dated [INSERT], which map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. *Note: The Park/NRA boundary should be drawn in a manner that places the East Branch entirely within the NRA or Park to avoid jurisdictional issues drawing it down the middle. Don Kleiner requested it be placed within the NRA.*

(1) Publication- The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall publish in the Federal Register, not more than one year after [INSERT], a detailed description of the boundary established pursuant to this section.

SECTION 5. MAINE WOODS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

(a) Establishment Authorization; In order to preserve and protect for the education, inspiration, recreation, and enjoyment of present and future generations, and to generate beneficial contributions to the regional and state economies, there is hereby established the Maine Woods National Recreation Area (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the "recreation area") in the State of Maine.

(b) Description of boundary; The boundary of the recreation area shall include the lands, waters, and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled [INSERT] numbered [INSERT], and dated [INSERT], which map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service,

Department of the Interior. *Note: The Park/NRA boundary should be drawn in a manner that places the East Branch entirely within the NRA or Park to avoid jurisdictional issues drawing it down the middle. Don Kleiner requested it be placed within the NRA.*

(1) Publication- The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall publish in the Federal Register, not more than one year after [INSERT], a detailed description of the boundary established pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDOWMENT

- (a) ESTABLISHMENT REQUIRED- Notwithstanding Sections 4 and 5, the Secretary shall establish the national park and recreation area upon verification that \$40 million for an endowment has been raised and is available to fund the preservation and operation of the park and recreation area.
- (1) Administration- the endowment will be administered by the National Park Foundation.
- (2) Reporting-Until the national park and recreation area are established, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives, on an annual basis, of the status of the establishment and expenditures of the endowment.
- (3) Limitation on use of funds- No expenditure shall be made under this subsection unless the Secretary determines that the expenditure is consistent with the purposes of this Act

SECTION 7. ADMINISTRATION OF MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION AREA

- (a) In General.--The Secretary shall administer the national park and the Recreation Area in accordance with--
- (1) this Act; and
 - (2) all laws generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including--

- (A) the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4); and
- (B) the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes", approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

(b) Establishment of Advisory Committee- No later than 2 years after the date of enactment, the Secretary shall establish a citizen advisory committee.

(c) Management Plan- Not later than 3 years after the date of establishment of the advisory committee (Sec. 7b), the Secretary shall develop a comprehensive plan for the long-term management of the national park and recreation area;

(1) Consultation--In developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall consult with—

- (A) Advisory Committee (Sec. 7(b));
- (B) appropriate State, tribal, and local governmental entities; and
- (C) members of the public.

(2) Forest Products Interpretive Information- in developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for interpretive programs intended to educate and inform visitors about the forest products industry to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine; and

(3) Exhibition area- in developing the management plan required under section (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for providing a location for Maine residents to exhibit paper making, woodcrafts, basket weaving and other traditional talents known to the area for visitor education and enjoyment.

(c) Hunting in the National Recreation Area.—

(1) In general.--Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the Secretary shall permit hunting on land and water within the recreation area as depicted on the map entitled[INSERT]numbered [INSERT], in accordance with applicable Federal and state law.

(2) Administrative exceptions.--The Secretary may restrict hunting under paragraph (1) for reasons of public safety or compliance with applicable law.

(3) Agency agreement.--Except in emergency situations, decisions to close areas within the recreation area to hunting under this subsection shall be made in consultation with the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

(4) Savings clause.--Nothing in this Act affects any jurisdiction or responsibility of the State of Maine with respect to wildlife in the National Recreation Area

(d) Snowmobiles in the National Recreation Area--

(1) Designated north-south and east-west routes – Designated routes shall be open to snowmobile use from Millinocket to Matagamon; from Medway to Sherman Station; and to Shin Pond. These routes may be relocated when it is consistent with the recreation area’s natural, scenic and aesthetic values, safety considerations and park management objectives, and will not disturb wildlife or damage park resources, so long as the north-south and east-west connections to snowmobile trails beyond the park lands are maintained.

(A) Closures on designated routes- The Secretary may restrict snowmobiling on designated routes on an emergency basis for reasons of public safety or to address threats to natural or historic resources.

(B) Maps- the Secretary shall make available maps showing the designated routes at park and recreation area headquarters and at ranger stations.

(2) Relocated Routes- The Secretary may relocate the designated routes when it is consistent with the recreation area’s natural, scenic and aesthetic values, safety considerations and park management objectives (under 36 CFR 2.18).

(e) Timber Harvesting: The Secretary shall prepare a plan to provide early successional habitat for game and nongame wildlife and to conduct a pilot program for a living museum. The cutting or removal of timber within the National Recreation Area may be permitted for administrative purposes—

(1) to the extent necessary to improve the health of the forest in a manner that—
(A) improves the habitats of threatened, endangered, or sensitive species; or
(B) maintains or restores the composition and structure of the ecosystem by reducing the risk of uncharacteristic wildfire;
(C) maintains no less than 7% and no greater than 10% of the NRA’s total upland forest in the 1-10 year age class.

(2) to accomplish an approved management activity in furtherance of the purposes established by this section, if the cutting-or removal of timber is incidental to the management activity;

- (3) to establish a pilot program demonstrating the life cycle of a forest where timber harvesting occurs for the purpose of visitor interpretation; or
- (4) for de minimus personal and administrative use within the National Recreation Area, where such use will not impair the purposes established by this section.

SECTION 8. Buffer Zones

- (a) Nothing in this Act, shall be construed to create buffer zones outside of the park and national recreation area. That an activity or use can be seen or heard from within the park shall not preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside the park.

Section 9. CONCESSION CONTRACTS.

(a) Continuation of Existing Visitor Services - Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary, under such terms and conditions as are determined reasonable, shall permit any persons, who on or before January 1, 2015, were engaged in adequately providing any type of visitor service within the units of the national park system designated by this Act, to continue providing such type of service or services within such unit(s) if such service or services are consistent with the purposes for which such unit is established by this Act.

(b) Preference - Notwithstanding provisions of law other than those contained in subsection (a), in selecting persons or companies to provide any type of visitor service for the unit(s) designated by this Act, the Secretary shall give preference to persons or companies whom he determines, by rule, are local residents or registered companies under the laws of Maine.

(c) Definition - As used in this section, the term "visitor service" means any service made available for a fee or charge to persons who visit the unit(s) designated under this Act, including such services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 10. UTILIZATION OF NORTHERN MAINE FOREST PRODUCTS

- (a) In general- to the extent practicable, the Secretary shall utilize timber and other forest products harvested in Maine for the development of buildings and other infrastructure in the park and recreation area.

SECTION 11. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

(a) Establishment.--There is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee (in this section referred to as the `Advisory Committee')

(b) Duties of the Advisory Committee.--The Advisory Committee shall advise the Secretary with regard to--

- (1) the management of recreational uses on the park and recreation area;
- (2) opportunities to restore and conserve water quality, rivers, wetlands, and forest habitats;

(c) Membership.--

(1) Appointment.--

(A) In general.--The Advisory Committee shall consist of 16 members that shall be appointed by the Secretary-- from at least one of each of the following--

- (i) Representative of donors
- (ii) Local business or chamber of commerce representative
- (iii) the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
- (iv) Recreational hunting organizations;
- (v) Historic preservation organizations;
- (vi) The recreational fishing outfitter, or guiding industry;
- (vii) Tribal resource management organizations;
- (viii) Adjacent land owner;
- (ix) State-wide conservation organization;
- (x) Non-motorized outdoor recreation interests;
- (xi) Land trusts;
- (xii) Cross country skiing and snowshoeing interests;
- (xiii) Wildlife conservation organization;
- (xiv) National conservation organization;
- (xv) recreational snowmobile organization; and
- (xvi) Representative from Sherman, Patten, Mt. Chase, Medway, Stacyville, East Millinocket or Millinocket Maine.

(2) Terms.--

(A) In general.--Except as provided in

subparagraph (B), members of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed for a term of 4 years. Members shall not be appointed for more than 3 consecutive or nonconsecutive terms.

(B) Terms of initial appointees.--As designated by the Secretary at the time of appointment, of the members first appointed--

(i) 6 members shall be appointed for a term of 4 years;

(ii) 5 members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years; and

(iii) 5 members shall be appointed for a term of 2 years.

(3) Preservation of public advisory status.--No individual may be appointed as a discretionary member of the Advisory Committee while serving as an officer or employee of the Federal Government.

(4) Vacancy and removal.--

(A) In general.--Any vacancy on the Advisory Committee shall be filled in the manner in which the original appointment was made.

(B) Removal.--Advisory Committee members shall serve at the discretion of the Secretaries and may be removed at any time for good cause.

(5)

(6) Chairperson.--The Chairperson of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed for a 3-year term by the Secretary, jointly, from among the members of the Advisory Committee. An individual may not be appointed as Chairperson for more than 2 consecutive or nonconsecutive terms.

(7) Pay and expenses.--Members of the Advisory Committee shall serve without pay for such service, but each member of the Advisory Committee shall be reimbursed for travel and lodging incurred through attending meetings of the Advisory Committee and approved subgroup meetings in the same amounts and under the same conditions as Federal employees (in accordance with section 5703 of title 5, United States Code).

(8) Meetings.--

(A) In general.--The Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the Secretary, the chairperson, or a majority of the members, but not less frequently than twice annually.

(B) Open meetings.--Each meeting of the Advisory

Committee shall be open to the public.

- (C) Prior notice of meetings.--Timely notice of each meeting of the Advisory Committee shall be published in the Federal Register, National Park Service website, and be submitted to trade publications and publications of general circulation.
- (D) Subgroups.--The Advisory Committee may establish such workgroups or subgroups as it deems necessary for the purpose of compiling information or conducting research. However, such workgroups may not conduct business without the direction of the Advisory Committee and must report in full to the Advisory Committee.
- (9) Quorum.--Ten members of the Advisory Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (d) Expenses.--The expenses of the Advisory Committee that the Secretary determines to be reasonable and appropriate shall be paid by the Secretary.
- (e) Administrative Support, Technical Services, and Advice.--A designated Federal Officer shall be appointed by the Secretary to provide to the Advisory Committee the administrative support, technical services, and advice that the Secretary determines to be reasonable and appropriate.
- (f) Annual Report.--
 - (1) Required.--Not later than September 30th of each year, the Advisory Committee shall submit a report to the Secretary, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Governor of Maine.
 - (A) If circumstances arise in which the Advisory Committee cannot meet the September 30 deadline in any year, the Secretary shall advise the Chairpersons of each such Committee of the reasons for such delay and the date on which the submission of the report is anticipated.
 - (3) Contents.--The report required by paragraph (1) shall describe--
 - (i) the activities of the Advisory Committee during the preceding year;
 - (ii) the reports and recommendations made by the Advisory Committee to the Secretary during the preceding year; and
 - (iii) an accounting of actions taken by the Secretaries as a result of the recommendations.

SEC. 12. Donation

Secretary is only authorized to acquire lands within the park by donation from willing sellers.

Sec. 13 AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

Beyond Hunting: Increasing Options for Effective Wildlife Management in the National Park System

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In natural systems, animal abundance is determined through a complex relationship of environmental factors on natality and mortality rates of animals. Therefore, natural populations normally undergo fluctuations. Wildlife managers often attempt to blunt fluctuations in populations to avoid negative impacts of extremes. So, for example, hunting is employed with the dual goal of achieving sustained yield for human recreation and consumption, and a more generally stable population. And democracy of hunting is one of the cornerstones of the North American model of wildlife conservation.

However, hunting is not implemented in many units of the national park system, so it is obvious that the situation in these units will be different from surrounding areas. Specifically, we can expect the fluctuations to be greater. These wide fluctuations can lead to concern because of side effects that occur. Too many deer lead to traffic accidents, concern over Lyme disease transmission, and impacts on ornamental plants and to the forest understory.

The National Park Service (NPS) goal is to maintain natural processes (NPS *Management Policies 2006*, 4.4.2: “Whenever possible, natural processes will be relied upon to maintain native plant and animal species and influence natural fluctuations in populations of these species”). As mentioned, animal populations can be expected to fluctuate under natural conditions. Some would argue that animal overabundance in parks is just part of this natural fluctuation, and this may be the case in some situations. However, if a system is disturbed, flux may be greater—for example, when predators are removed and populations of prey are released from “top-down” control. So I would argue that fluctuations are currently greater than what was seen historically because of the significant anthropogenic influences on these systems.

Anthropogenic changes, such as loss of habitat and increase in edge due to human development, removal of predators, and landscape modifications that serve as attractants to congregate animals, must play a crucial role in these fluctuations. With the possible exception of parks in Alaska and in the Greater Yellowstone Area, it is difficult to argue that these anthropogenic influences do not affect animal abundance.

Thus, an issue arises: Overabundant wildlife populations need to be managed to minimize negative impacts and return systems to more natural function. Unfortunately, the means to get to this more natural end may not be natural.

In this issue, I am assuming that parks have determined that management is necessary due to one of the factors listed in *NPS Management Policies 2006*, that goals for measuring success (e.g., reduction of negative impacts) have been identified, and that it is the method of animal control that is being discussed—not just that managers have “action bias.” Also, from here on we’ll be focusing on deer and elk populations.

So once a park has determined that there need to be fewer deer or elk in an area, what are the options to achieve that objective so goals of understory recovery, biodiversity of native species, restoring a cultural snapshot, etc., can be attained? NPS units generally start by looking to policy. *NPS Management Policies 2006* address when actions to remove native animals can be taken in section 4.4.2.1: “Where visitor use or other human activities cannot be modified or curtailed, the Service may directly reduce the animal population by using several animal population management techniques, either separately or together. These techniques include relocation, public hunting on lands outside a park or where legislatively authorized within a park, habitat management, predator restoration, reproductive intervention, and destruction of animals by NPS personnel or their authorized agents. . . .”

A list of actions that have been proposed as alternatives to manage deer or elk to achieve “natural conditions” include one or a combination of:

- No action—not the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) term that means “existing management continued,” but truly, no management;
- Passive management—monitoring of the system, but no deliberate manipulation to alter it;
- Lethal removal by agency personnel or authorized agent, either in the field or via round-up;
- Fencing;
- Redistribution of deer or elk—to reduce herbivory on an area or to make animals more accessible to hunters outside the park;
- Translocation;
- Fertility control, either in the field or via round-up;
- Intensively managed wolves;
- Wolf restoration;
- Hunting—used here synonymously with “harvest”; and
- Use of public marksmen.

With the exception of wolf reintroduction, none of these could be considered natural. While on the surface, the “no action” approach would appear to be most natural, conditions are not natural due to anthropogenic influences—loss of winter range by development adjacent to a park, loss of predators, supplemental feeding adjacent to a park (by means of intentional illegal feeding or from landscaping). These alterations have led to the issue of deer and elk numbers being outside the range of natural variation (i.e., wide fluctuation) and resultant negative impacts that have served as the impetus for these plans.

Overall, hunting is the most widely applied of these approaches outside the NPS. It has utilitarian application. It is the principal tool used by state wildlife management agencies to

control ungulate populations, and is allowed in some units of the NPS, particularly those units designated as national preserves, recreation areas, rivers, lakeshores, and seashores. However, Congress and the American public have conveyed that hunting is not an appropriate activity in all situations—for example, in the vast majority of our national parks.

So why not hunting? Hunting is not considered an appropriate use or alternative to control wildlife populations in NPS units unless specifically authorized by Congress in the unit's enabling legislation or other federal statute. This conclusion is supported by at least three important indicators.

Direction from Congress. First, the NPS Organic Act (1916) provides authority to the NPS to manage wildlife on NPS lands and, further, to prohibit hunting unless specifically authorized by Congress. Hunting has been authorized by Congress in 69 of the 390 NPS units. However, outside of Alaska, Grand Teton National Park is the only unit designated “National Park” in which hunting is authorized. Congress passed specific legislation in 1950 authorizing controlled reduction of elk for management purposes by licensed hunters deputized as park rangers in portions of Grand Teton National Park.

Long-standing NPS policy. The NPS has maintained a written policy of no hunting in national parks since at least 1918 when Secretary of the Interior Lane sent a memo to NPS Director Mather to reaffirm long-standing management practices in parks, including the prohibition of hunting. In 1963, a report issued by the Advisory Board on Wildlife Management appointed by Secretary of the Interior Udall (i.e., the Leopold Report) concluded that lethal removal by shooting should only be conducted for the sole purpose of animal removal and not recreational hunting.

That guidance stands in NPS *Management Policies 2006*, which state: “hunting, trapping, or any other methods of harvesting wildlife by the public will be allowed where it is specifically mandated by federal law.”

Further, the concept of appropriate use must be considered. In managing the national park system the NPS must consider the impact of uses on park resources, including cultural and natural. The NPS must determine appropriate uses in fulfilling its obligation to provide for the enjoyment of the parks by the public. An “appropriate use” has been defined as a use that is suitable, proper, or fitting for a particular park or portion of a park. Providing enjoyment to the public is a critical component of the Organic Act. The types of enjoyment that NPS units provide are “uniquely suited and appropriate to the superlative natural and cultural resources found in the parks.” Congress and the American public have recognized that national parks are special places. Hunters have access to many other federal lands that provide appropriate, multiple-use opportunities. In contrast, outside of Alaska, national parks comprise an extremely small proportion of the public land. In these limited areas, national parks provide high-quality opportunities for every segment of American society to enjoy an atmosphere that is open, inviting, and accessible. Hunting is not an appropriate activity in these locations because the activity of a small segment of the public would have a significant impact on access to and enjoyment of park resources by the larger public.

Case law. NPS interpretation of the Organic Act to provide authority over management of wildlife in NPS units has been challenged, but maintained in several court decisions (e.g., *New Mexico State Game Commission v. Udall*). In 1984, the NPS enacted regulations stat-

ing that hunting shall be allowed in park areas where such activity is specifically mandated by federal law. In a challenge of this regulation (*NRA v. Potter*), the court ruled that NPS' interpretation of the Organic Act—that the primary management function with respect to wildlife is its preservation unless Congress declares otherwise—was reasonable.

So unless already mandated, hunting will not be pursued as a management approach in NPS units. But if not hunting, then what? If the primary tool used in other areas is not available, what are some of the other options? Let's return to the list of options we looked at earlier. None of these options is clearly the best. All have drawbacks, particularly when you consider that they will need to be implemented over the long term . . . there is no end in sight. However, without this management the natural system will continue to deteriorate due to anthropogenic changes.

While the methods may help us meet our objectives for population size or vegetation condition, fencing will have significant aesthetic impact as well as impacts on movement of a variety of species; the ability to successfully redistribute deer and elk in a way in which vegetation goals can be met is questionable—one elk can eat a lot of new aspen shoots in a short period; fertility control is still in the experimental stages and a logistically feasible agent is not yet available; round-up treats deer and elk like domestic animals and detracts from their true wildness; wolves still evoke strong opposition from livestock producers, and even pet owners; translocation of animals as “biological packages” complete with pathogens is not a prudent approach for wildlife health management; sharpshooters are thought of as “hired guns,” regardless of whether they are agency personnel and authorized agents, and carcass disposition is more of an issue when individuals (i.e., hunters) do not shoot and take possession of an individual animal.

Although very intensive, lethal removal of ungulates by sharpshooters to meet NPS management goals is not contrary to NPS authority or long-standing policy. It is hypothesized that sharpshooting would be more effective in meeting management goals and reducing indirect impacts to park resources and direct impact upon visitors than hunting. Further, sharpshooting may be necessary to achieve the desired level of management, particularly if the national trend in decreased hunter participation continues.

Who does this sharpshooting is the most recent wrinkle in the lethal removal saga. The initial assumption was that would be agency staff or contractors. But what about tribal personnel or volunteers—could they be “authorized agents”? Whether or not this is within policy is a matter of current discussion. But regardless, even if it were, would it present advantages over agency personnel or contractors? Would these volunteers reduce costs to the government? Be as effective in controlling the population? Be as acceptable to other stakeholders?

These are questions that need to be answered. While decisions may need to be made initially with incomplete data, it is imperative that if they are implemented, they are done so in a way that can be evaluated. Just as we plan experiments to measure changes to impacts on vegetation or effectiveness of fertility control, we need well-designed studies to answer these questions about cost and effectiveness of approaches (such as different groups of sharpshooters) and also inquiry to understand public perception of methods of management we use and our justification for it. We also need to continue to think outside the box to find

unique options—even if those options aren't “preferred alternatives” today. Ideally, these options would return systems to natural function, and would be applied proactively to prevent negative impacts from even occurring.

I think I can speak for NPS's Biological Resource Management Division in that we appreciate the opportunities that come from parks seeking, or at least being willing to listen to, input on new alternatives and approaches. Through discussions that our division chief, Jerry Mitchell, is leading with our collaborators in Environmental Quality Division and Cornell University Human Dimensions Research Unit, we've speculated that perhaps development of a tool that would allow a way to commonly approach the issue of management of overabundant wildlife might be very useful. It might take the form of a matrix, with management options on one axis and, on the other, considerations or factors such as efficacy, cost, duration of artificial action, naturalness, etc. This is likely contributing to the way decisions are currently being made, but through illustration of this conceptual model it may make decision-making more transparent to all and may serve as a tool that others can refer to without reinventing the wheel.

If management is necessary to prevent the occurrence of, or to reduce, overabundant native wildlife species, and if hunting is not an option in NPS units where Congress has not already deemed it so, then our work is not done. It is imperative that work must continue in the biological and social sciences to identify effective and acceptable approaches to provide long-term solutions. Ideally, the means used would be “natural,” but this may not always be the case. However, inability to use a “natural” approach, or inability to use a technique that our neighbors have used for decades (i.e., hunting), does not justify doing nothing if population fluctuations, and resultant negative consequences, are occurring due to the ever-increasing impact of civilization.

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Hi Downey,

Thanks for the time to chat yesterday. I appreciate you digging into this issue and for working with us to preserve the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. I want to bring to your attention a few things that you may not have yet seen.

First, the donor agreement between EPI and NPS/NPF. Here we laid out the intent of the donation by our family. We clearly were interested in creating a National Park managed under the organic act and protected in a manner similar to other National Parks. This is something that we have been very clear about for almost 20 years when my mother first started purchasing land from timber companies in Northern Maine.

The second letter is what I sent to the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website and all of the congressional delegation in Maine. It is my personal public comment and it is focused on my outreach and my families outreach during the process of creating the Monument. Reading the EO signed by the president it says that "*National Monuments Being Reviewed To Determine Whether the Designation or Expansion Was Made Without Adequate Public Outreach and Coordination With Relevant Stakeholders*". My comments were written to make clear that the monument wasn't designed without adequate public outreach.

Lastly, you will find the concept draft legislation for the National Park and Recreation area. The points of note are in section 7. (e) Timber Harvesting: The Secretary shall prepare a plan to provide early successional habitat for game and nongame wildlife and to conduct a pilot program for a living museum. The cutting-or removal of timber within the National Recreation Area may be permitted for administrative purposes—

- (1) to the extent necessary to improve the health of the forest in a manner that—
 - (A) improves the habitats of threatened, endangered, or sensitive species; or
 - (B) maintains or restores the composition and structure of the ecosystem by reducing the risk of uncharacteristic wildfire;
- (2) to accomplish an approved management activity in furtherance of the purposes established by this section, if the cutting-or removal of timber is incidental to the management activity;
- (3) to establish a pilot program demonstrating the life cycle of a forest where timber harvesting occurs for the purpose of visitor interpretation; or
- (4) for de minimus personal and administrative use within the National Recreation Area, where such use will not impair the purposes established by this section.

We worked with multiple parties to give us input on this language and we eventually settled on a compromised approach to timber harvesting. Our board of directors at EPI did not want to have commercial timber harvesting on all of the Park area so we bifurcated the area with the East Branch of the Penobscot being the dividing line. This approach satisfied all of the stakeholders at the table including Maine's congressional delegation. Now that the Monument has been designated, I don't know for certain that all the same stakeholders would still support this compromise. More work will need to be done to see where people stand today. With the Monument up and running and the economic benefits already being realized the support for Monument has grown has grown tremendously. You witnessed that support at the though out the tour of the Monument and at breakfast meeting with elected officials and business owners that you attended with the Secretary earlier this month.

You asked on our call what would be a middle ground between what is happening on the Monument and commercial timber harvesting and it is my belief that the language in our draft legislation is it. There is no harvesting now and this legislation would allow for some but it would also keep the West Side of the East Branch, on NPS land, free from harvesting and in a more undisturbed state, which is the goal of our foundation and it has always been the goal of my mother since she purchased the land years ago, in the hopes of protecting it from timber harvesting.

Feel free to be in touch about any of this. I am more then happy to answer any other questions that you might have.

All the best,
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**Comments of Lucas St. Clair, Elliottsville Plantation Inc.
On Department of Interior Docket Regarding
Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument
DOI-2017-0002**

I am submitting these comments on behalf of Elliottsville Plantation Inc. (EPI), a private foundation established in 2002 for the primary purpose of acquiring and conserving land for the benefit of the public. In August 2016, EPI donated 87,654 acres to the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) to ensure that these lands will be accessible to the public for recreation and enjoyment in perpetuity. On August 24, 2016, President Obama designated these lands as Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KWW), to be managed by the National Park Service, within DOI. Now, DOI is reviewing KWW, pursuant to an Executive Order issued by President Trump on April 26, 2017, (Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act).

The Executive Order directs the Secretary of Interior to review all Presidential designations under the Antiquities Act since January 1, 1996, where the designation covers more than 100,000 acres or where “the Secretary determines that the designation or expansion was made without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders.”

On May 5, 2017, DOI announced that KWW would be added to the list of monuments to be reviewed to determine whether KWW was established “without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders.” KWW is the only national monument that has been added to the review process based on this criterion.

This is puzzling, because I believe any objective analysis would show that KWW was established after a lengthy, multi-year, inclusive process of public outreach and discussion among key stakeholders. I have personal, first-hand knowledge of this outreach work, because it was the primary focus of my job for most of the past five years.

Let me first provide a bit of background. I was born in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine and grew up in a hand-built log cabin with few amenities in Parkman, Maine (population 780). My mother, Roxanne Quimby, was a successful CEO of a business that she started in the mid-1980s selling craft items at craft fairs and festivals. Fifteen years later, she sold her business and created EPI as an entity to purchase and conserve land. EPI purchased forestland exclusively from willing sellers.

Over the course of 20 years, EPI invested \$60 million to purchase the land that our family donated to the nation in 2016 to be included in the National Park Service's system of public lands. EPI purchased the 87,654 acres that comprise KWW from timberland owners that approached EPI with offers to sell particular parcels. It is important for DOI to understand that EPI did not actively seek opportunities to purchase the land that became KWW; rather, interested sellers consistently approached EPI with proposals. The entire property within KWW was secured through willing-seller, willing-buyer transactions, and we exercised our legal private property rights in donating those lands to DoI so that they will be permanently conserved, with public access forever.

My mom's interest in purchasing forestland in the Katahdin Region for conservation purposes was a well-known, publicly discussed topic in Maine dating back to the early 2000s. I mention this as a relevant factor for any analysis of the history of public engagement, dialogue, discussion, and outreach that preceded establishment of KWW. Maine people have been reading about, discussing, debating, and developing opinions about EPI's proposal to protect land in the Katahdin Region for nearly 20 years.

In 2012, after living out of state for a period, I returned to Maine for the express purpose of working fulltime for EPI as the lead staff responsible for reaching out to key stakeholders, interested parties, and the public to share information about EPI's interests and to seek feedback and input. After years of controversy about the possibility of land conservation in the Katahdin Region, EPI came to appreciate that we needed to spend more time meeting with and learning from residents in the region. As such, we intentionally sought to engage with as many people as possible so that we could modify our approach to address local interests and concerns. It was my job to lead this effort, and I met with everyone I could think of who would take my call or answer their door when I arrived for a visit.

From 2012 through 2016, I actively sought meetings with hundreds of individuals and organizations. I met with people who held the full range of opinions, from strongly supportive of land conservation to fiercely opposed.

With the assistance of consultants and staff from other organizations, I met with local business owners, chambers of commerce members, sporting and snowmobiling groups, former mill owners and workers, tribal representatives, local and state legislators, Maine's congressional delegation, and many national sporting and conservation organizations with headquarters in Washington, D.C. I met with hundreds of local residents over cups of coffee, in their homes and at their businesses and offices. From 2012 through August 2016, I drove tens of thousands of miles crisscrossing Maine and the Katahdin Region, and I traveled to Washington D.C. dozens of times.

In April 2015, I met with Governor Paul LePage's Chief Counsel, Avery Day. Also of relevance for these comments, my mother met with Governor LePage on November 1, 2011, more than 4½ years before KWW was established.

I have attached to these comments a representative (though not complete) list of organizations, business leaders, and other relevant stakeholders with whom I met as part of the extensive outreach with relevant stakeholders that I personally conducted from 2012 through 2016.

In addition to these extensive outreach meetings with individuals and organizations, EPI helped produce materials that furthered the public conversation. For example, EPI engaged a consulting firm, Headwaters Economics, to prepare two reports that helped answer questions raised by residents in the Katahdin Region. One report was an economic evaluation of the potential impacts of a national park and national recreation area on the economy of the Katahdin Region, and other was a comparative analysis of the economies of the Katahdin Region with similar rural counties across the nation where a national park and/or national recreation area is located nearby.

These two reports¹ were released by Headwaters Economics in February 2013, along with a peer review analysis by several leading Maine natural resource economists. EPI printed more than 2,000 copies of these reports and distributed them to relevant stakeholders, including Town Managers and local officials in each of the communities in the Katahdin Region.

In addition to this targeted outreach, EPI also created opportunities for the general public to learn about our interest in conserving land in the Katahdin Region. Between early 2012 and August 2016, EPI worked with the Natural Resources Council of Maine and others to host hundreds of public outreach events. In April 2015, we also participated in a Telephone Town Hall event with thousands of Maine residents to provide them an opportunity to receive a short briefing about EPI's proposal to seek federal conservation status for EPI's lands located east of Baxter State Park. More than 5,200 people participated in this conversation.

Also relevant to this review, EPI participated in the large town hall meeting organized by Senator Angus King on May 16, 2016, in Orono, Maine. This event was attended by close to 1,400 people, of which an estimated 1,200 were supportive of the idea of creating a national monument based on EPI lands. I spoke at this forum, as did Governor Paul LePage's Chief Council Avery Day. Many of those who attended commented that they could not think of a public outreach event ever held in Maine with such a large number of attendees, and such an overwhelming number who endorsed one particular outcome: creation of a national monument.

In summary, between early 2012 and August 2016, EPI actively coordinated with a very broad range of relevant stakeholders and members of the public to seek their input and ideas. I personally met with hundreds of individuals to discuss their interest in EPI's plan to donate land to the National Park Service for the purpose of conserving it for public recreation and enjoyment in perpetuity.

¹ https://headwaterseconomics.org/wp-content/uploads/Maine_Regional_Report.pdf and https://headwaterseconomics.org/wp-content/uploads/Maine_Peer_Report.pdf

As EPI's lead spokesperson during this period, I can personally attest to the exhaustive and exhausting nature of this outreach. I devoted most of the last five years of my life to this effort based on my firm belief that EPI's final disposition of its lands would benefit from the input of interested parties. I also strongly believe that the record shows this to be true.

During the five year public outreach period that I was involved with, we substantially modified our proposal for permanent conservation of EPI's land in the Katahdin Region based on input from stakeholders. For example, we modified the proposal to include permanent protections for hunting and snowmobiling on EPI lands located on the east side of the East Branch of the Penobscot River.

Also, the public discussion and record clearly reveals that the level of support for EPI's proposal to conserve its land through federal designation steadily increased throughout the public outreach process.

All public opinion polls that I am aware of over the past five years have documented strong public support for EPI's proposal to protect our lands in the Katahdin Region through federal designation. However, the most recent such poll, conducted in October 2016, showed the highest level yet, with 72% of Maine people saying that they support the decision to create the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. This poll by Portland-based DRI Critical Insights, also showed that 66% of the residents of Maine's 2nd Congressional District support the national monument. These public opinion surveys demonstrate that public outreach efforts were a success.

Equally important to me, however, is the fact that so many people who previously were opposed to, or skeptical of, EPI's proposal have changed their position and now support KWW.

Throughout the Katahdin Region, residents, business owners, elected officials, and civic leaders strongly embrace KWW as a positive development for the area. These individuals do not want the federal government to rescind the monument because they already are witnessing positive economic benefits.

I strongly believe that the public comments submitted for this DoI review process will further show that the overwhelming majority of relevant stakeholders—including the people of Maine—oppose any effort to modify or overturn KWW. Any objective review of the history surrounding KWW will show that it was created following an extensive outreach process to relevant stakeholders.

EPI donated land worth \$60 million to DoI for the purpose of creating KWW. We have committed to provide an additional \$40 million to support KWW. Very significant investments, worth millions of dollars, already are being made and planned in the area based on an expectation that KWW will be part of the nation's protected land system forever. We urge DoI to preserve and sustain this monument, and help it achieve its full potential for Maine and the nation.

I appreciate your consideration of these comments.

Regards,



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Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Partial List of Outreach Meetings by EPI (2012-2016)

Appalachian Mountain Club
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Atlantic Salmon Federation
Bangor Regional Chamber of Commerce
Bangor City Council
Baskehegan Land Company
Baxter State Park, Director
Bowlin Camps
Congressional Sportsman Foundation
Department of Interior, Secretary
Ducks Unlimited
East Millinocket Schools, Superintendent
Forest Resource Foundation
Forest Society of Maine
Great Northern Paper Company, Mill Manager
International Snowmobiles Manufacturers Association
Jo-Mary Snowmobile Club, President
Katahdin Area Rotary Club
Katahdin Camps
Katahdin Region Chamber of Commerce
Katahdin Timberlands, President
LL Bean
Maine Audubon Society
Maine Forest Products Council
Maine Innkeepers Association
Maine Pulp and Paper Association, Executive Director
Maine Snowmobile Association
Maine State Chamber of Commerce
Maine Wilderness Guides Organization
Matagamon Lake Association
Millinocket Regional Hospital Board
Millinocket Schools, Superintendent
National Alliance of Forest Owners
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

National Parks Conservation Association
National Park Foundation
National Park Service, Director
National Sporting and Shooting Foundation
Natural Resources Council of Maine
New England Forestry Foundation
New England Outdoor Center
North Maine Woods
North Woods Real Estate
Shin Pond Village, Owner
Penobscot Indian Nation
Plum Creek, VP for Government Relations
Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce
Maine Registered Guides Association
Safari Club International
Sherman Woodworks
Sportsman's Alliance of Maine
The Nature Conservancy
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Tread Lightly
Trout Unlimited
Trust for Public Land
Two Rivers Canoe and Tackle
US Sportsman Alliance
Wilderness Society

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To provide for the establishment of the Maine Woods
National Park and Recreation Area.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

INSERT DATE, 2014

A BILL

To provide for the establishment of the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation
Area.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of
America in Congress assembled,*

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

- (a) SHORT TITLE.- This Act may be cited as the “Maine Woods National Park and
Recreation Area Establishment Act of 2014”.
- (b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.- The table of contents of this Act is as follows:

- Sec. 1. Short Title; table of contents;
- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Definitions
- Sec. 4. Maine Woods National Park
- Sec. 5. Maine Woods National Recreation Area
- Sec. 6. Establishment of Endowment
- Sec. 7. Administration of Park and Recreation Area
- Sec. 8. Wind Energy and Mill Turbines
- Sec. 9. Concession Contracts
- Sec. 10. Utilization of Northern Maine Forest Products
- Sec. 11. Advisory Committee
- Sec. 12. Donation
- Sec. 13. Authorization of Appropriations

SECTION 2. FINDINGS

Congress finds that--

(a) The lands located in the North Woods of Maine that are the subject of this legislation will:

(1) permanently protect and provide public use on xxx acres of nationally significant forests, rivers and ponds along the East Branch of the Penobscot River, Seboeis River, and Wassataquoik Stream;

(2) be a place to interpret the rich history of the Penobscot tribe and the birth of American conservation through the eyes of Henry David Thoreau, President Theodore Roosevelt and Percival Baxter;

(3) host scientific discovery of land surrounding the oldest mountain chain in the world, the Appalachians known for its lush forests and water where wildlife can adapt more easily to our changing climate;

(4) provide unrivaled wildlife habitat for Canada lynx, Ruffed grouse, brook trout, deer, moose, bears, loons, and Atlantic salmon;

(5) enhance opportunities for hiking, camping, paddling, fishing, biking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hunting, and snowmobiling while breathing Maine's fresh air and soaking in the expansive starry night sky;

(6) be a place to educate visitors about the history of logging from lumberjacks swinging axes and rolling logs down a river to the current industrial logging practices; and

(7) The designation of Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area would provide-

(i) Significant economic benefits to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine including, but not limited to highly paid, non-exportable jobs in the tourism industries; and

(ii) Long-term protection of the geological, hydrological, scenic, scientific, educational and wildlife resources; and

(iii) Long-term protection, enhancement and expansion of the existing recreational opportunities in the area including, but not limited to, hunting, angling, snowmobiling,

camping, hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding.

(8) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would celebrate and promote the many historic, cultural and economic benefits that have resulted from Maine's forest products industry;

- (i.) The Park and Recreation Area would provide significant interpretation including signage, curricula and other information regarding the many benefits of the forest products industry to Maine;
- (ii) Neither the National Park nor the National Recreation Area would be considered a Class I Air shed under the Clean Air Act; and
- (iii.) the National Park and Recreation Area would be statutorily limited in size; and
- iv) the National Park and Recreation Area does not include timber harvesting restrictions of any kind outside the designated boundary.

(9) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would be conditioned on the establishment and funding of a private endowment which would minimize the need for federal funding for the establishment and administration of the Park and Recreation Area.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

- (a) Advisory council.--The term "Advisory Committee means the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee established under section 10.
- (b) Map.--The term "map" means the map entitled "Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area, numbered INSERT and dated INSERT.
- (c) National Recreation Area.--The term "National Recreation Area" means the Maine Woods National Recreation Area established in section 5.
- (d) National park.--The term "national park" means the Maine Woods National Park established in section 4.
- (e) Secretary.--The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.
- (f) Visitor Service: The term "Visitor Service" means any service made available for a fee or charge including such

services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 4. MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK.

(a) Establishment Authorization; In order to preserve and protect for the education, inspiration, recreation, and enjoyment of present and future generations there is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the "park") in the State of Maine.

(b) Description of boundary; The boundary of the park shall include the lands, waters, and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled [INSERT] numbered [INSERT], and dated [INSERT], which map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. *Note: The Park/NRA boundary should be drawn in a manner that places the East Branch entirely within the NRA or Park to avoid jurisdictional issues drawing it down the middle. Don Kleiner requested it be placed within the NRA.*

(1) Publication- The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall publish in the Federal Register, not more than one year after [INSERT], a detailed description of the boundary established pursuant to this section.

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SECTION 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDOWMENT

- (a) ESTABLISHMENT REQUIRED- Notwithstanding Sections 4 and 5, the Secretary shall establish the national park and recreation area upon verification that \$40 million for an endowment has been raised and is available to fund the preservation and operation of the park and recreation area.
- (1) Administration- the endowment will be administered by the National Park Foundation.
- (2) Reporting-Until the national park and recreation area are established, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives, on an annual basis, of the status of the establishment and expenditures of the endowment.
- (3) Limitation on use of funds- No expenditure shall be made under this subsection unless the Secretary determines that the expenditure is consistent with the purposes of this Act

SECTION 7. ADMINISTRATION OF MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION AREA

- (a) In General.--The Secretary shall administer the national park and the Recreation Area in accordance with--
- (1) this Act; and
 - (2) all laws generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including--

- (A) the Act entitled ``An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes'', approved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4); and
- (B) the Act entitled ``An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes'', approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

(b) Establishment of Advisory Committee- No later than 2 years after the date of enactment, the Secretary shall establish a citizen advisory committee.

(c) Management Plan- Not later than 3 years after the date of establishment of the advisory committee (Sec. 7b), the Secretary shall develop a comprehensive plan for the long-term management of the national park and recreation area;

(1) Consultation--In developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall consult with—

- (A) Advisory Committee (Sec. 7(b));
- (B) appropriate State, tribal, and local governmental entities; and
- (C) members of the public.

(2) Forest Products Interpretive Information- in developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for interpretive programs intended to educate and inform visitors about the forest products industry to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine; and

(3) Exhibition area- in developing the management plan required under section (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for providing a location for Maine residents to exhibit paper making, woodcrafts, basket weaving and other traditional talents known to the area for visitor education and enjoyment.

(c) Hunting in the National Recreation Area.—

(1) In general.--Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the Secretary shall permit hunting on land and water within the recreation area as depicted on the map entitled[INSERT]numbered [INSERT], in accordance with applicable Federal and state law.

(2) Administrative exceptions.--The Secretary may restrict hunting under paragraph (1) for reasons of public safety or compliance with applicable law.

(3) Agency agreement.--Except in emergency situations, decisions to close areas within the recreation area to hunting under this subsection shall be made in consultation with the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

(4) Savings clause.--Nothing in this Act affects any jurisdiction or responsibility of the State of Maine with respect to wildlife in the National Recreation Area

(d) Snowmobiles in the National Recreation Area--

(1) Designated north-south and east-west routes – Designated routes shall be open to snowmobile use from Millinocket to Matagamon; from Medway to Sherman Station; and to Shin Pond. These routes may be relocated when it is consistent with the recreation area’s natural, scenic and aesthetic values, safety considerations and park management objectives, and will not disturb wildlife or damage park resources, so long as the north-south and east-west connections to snowmobile trails beyond the park lands are maintained.

(A) Closures on designated routes- The Secretary may restrict snowmobiling on designated routes on an emergency basis for reasons of public safety or to address threats to natural or historic resources.

(B) Maps- the Secretary shall make available maps showing the designated routes at park and recreation area headquarters and at ranger stations.

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- (a) Nothing in this Act, shall be construed to create buffer zones outside of the park and national recreation area. That an activity or use can be seen or heard from within the park shall not preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside the park.

Section 9. CONCESSION CONTRACTS.

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(c) Definition - As used in this section, the term "visitor service" means any service made available for a fee or charge to persons who visit the unit(s) designated under this Act, including such services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 10. UTILIZATION OF NORTHERN MAINE FOREST PRODUCTS

- (a) In general- to the extent practicable, the Secretary shall utilize timber and other forest products harvested in Maine for the development of buildings and other infrastructure in the park and recreation area.

SECTION 11. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

(a) Establishment.--There is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee (in this section referred to as the `Advisory Committee')

(b) Duties of the Advisory Committee.--The Advisory Committee shall advise the Secretary with regard to--

- (1) the management of recreational uses on the park and recreation area;
- (2) opportunities to restore and conserve water quality, rivers, wetlands, and forest habitats;

(c) Membership.--

(1) Appointment.--

(A) In general.--The Advisory Committee shall consist of 16 members that shall be appointed by the Secretary-- from at least one of each of the following--

- (i) Representative of donors
- (ii) Local business or chamber of commerce representative
- (iii) the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
- (iv) Recreational hunting organizations;
- (v) Historic preservation organizations;
- (vi) The recreational fishing outfitter, or guiding industry;
- (vii) Tribal resource management organizations;
- (viii) Adjacent land owner;
- (ix) State-wide conservation organization;
- (x) Non-motorized outdoor recreation interests;
- (xi) Land trusts;
- (xii) Cross country skiing and snowshoeing interests;
- (xiii) Wildlife conservation organization;
- (xiv) National conservation organization;
- (xv) recreational snowmobile organization; and
- (xvi) Representative from Sherman, Patten, Mt. Chase, Medway, Stacyville, East Millinocket or Millinocket Maine.

(2) Terms.--

(A) In general.--Except as provided in subparagraph (B), members of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed for a term of 4 years. Members shall not be appointed for more than 3 consecutive or nonconsecutive terms.

- (B) Terms of initial appointees.--As designated by the Secretary at the time of appointment, of the members first appointed--
- (i) 6 members shall be appointed for a term of 4 years;
 - (ii) 5 members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years; and
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- (3) Preservation of public advisory status.--No individual may be appointed as a discretionary member of the Advisory Committee while serving as an officer or employee of the Federal Government.
- (4) Vacancy and removal.--
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- (5)
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- (f) Annual Report.--
 - (1) Required.--Not later than September 30th of each year, the Advisory Committee shall submit a report to the Secretary, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Governor of Maine.
 - (A) If circumstances arise in which the Advisory Committee cannot meet the September 30 deadline in any year, the Secretary shall advise the Chairpersons of each such Committee of the reasons for such delay and the date on which the submission of the report is anticipated.
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 - (i) the activities of the Advisory Committee during the preceding year;
 - (ii) the reports and recommendations made by the Advisory Committee to the Secretary during the preceding year; and
 - (iii) an accounting of actions taken by the Secretaries as a result of the recommendations.

SEC. 12. Donation

Secretary is only authorized to acquire lands within the park by donation from willing sellers.

Sec. 13 AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.

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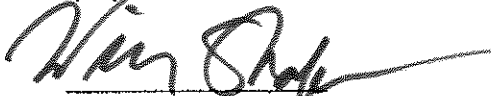
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Elliotsville Plantation, Inc. 8/19/2016
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Date
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Hi Downey,

Thanks for the time to chat yesterday. I appreciate you digging into this issue and for working with us to preserve the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. I want do to bring to your attention a few things that you may not have yet seen.

First, the donor agreement between EPI and NPS/NPF. Here we laid out the intent of the donation by our family. We clearly were interested in creating a National Park managed under the organic act and protected in a manner similar to other National Parks. This is something that we have been very clear about for almost 20 years when my mother first started purchasing land from timber companies in Northern Maine.

The second letter is what I sent to the [regulations.gov](http://www.regulations.gov) website and all of the congressional delegation in Maine. It is my personal public comment and it is focused on my outreach and my families out reach during the process of creating the Monument. Reading the EO signed by the president it says that "*National Monuments Being Reviewed To Determine Whether the Designation or Expansion Was Made Without Adequate Public Outreach and Coordination With Relevant Stakeholders*". My comments were written to make clear that the monument wasn't designed without adequate public outreach.

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Feel free to be in touch about any of this. I am more then happy to answer any other questions that you might have.

All the best,
Lucas St. Clair

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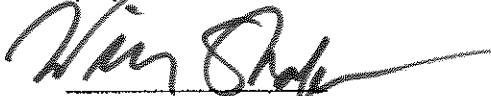
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IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

INSERT DATE, 2014

A BILL

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- Sec. 2. Findings.
- Sec. 3. Definitions
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SECTION 2. FINDINGS

Congress finds that--

(a) The lands located in the North Woods of Maine that are the subject of this legislation will:

(1) permanently protect and provide public use on xxx acres of nationally significant forests, rivers and ponds along the East Branch of the Penobscot River, Seboeis River, and Wassataquoik Stream;

(2) be a place to interpret the rich history of the Penobscot tribe and the birth of American conservation through the eyes of Henry David Thoreau, President Theodore Roosevelt and Percival Baxter;

(3) host scientific discovery of land surrounding the oldest mountain chain in the world, the Appalachians known for its lush forests and water where wildlife can adapt more easily to our changing climate;

(4) provide unrivaled wildlife habitat for Canada lynx, Ruffed grouse, brook trout, deer, moose, bears, loons, and Atlantic salmon;

(5) enhance opportunities for hiking, camping, paddling, fishing, biking, cross-country skiing, snowshoeing, hunting, and snowmobiling while breathing Maine's fresh air and soaking in the expansive starry night sky;

(6) be a place to educate visitors about the history of logging from lumberjacks swinging axes and rolling logs down a river to the current industrial logging practices; and

(7) The designation of Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area would provide-

- (i) Significant economic benefits to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine including, but not limited to highly paid, non-exportable jobs in the tourism industries; and
- (ii) Long-term protection of the geological, hydrological, scenic, scientific, educational and wildlife resources; and
- (iii) Long-term protection, enhancement and expansion of the existing recreational opportunities in the area including, but not limited to, hunting, angling, snowmobiling,

camping, hiking, bicycling, and horseback riding.

(8) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would celebrate and promote the many historic, cultural and economic benefits that have resulted from Maine's forest products industry;

- (i.) The Park and Recreation Area would provide significant interpretation including signage, curricula and other information regarding the many benefits of the forest products industry to Maine;
- (ii) Neither the National Park nor the National Recreation Area would be considered a Class I Air shed under the Clean Air Act; and
- (iii.) the National Park and Recreation Area would be statutorily limited in size; and
- iv) the National Park and Recreation Area does not include timber harvesting restrictions of any kind outside the designated boundary.

(9) Designation of the Park and Recreation Area would be conditioned on the establishment and funding of a private endowment which would minimize the need for federal funding for the establishment and administration of the Park and Recreation Area.

SECTION 3. DEFINITIONS.

In this Act:

- (a) Advisory council.--The term "Advisory Committee means the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee established under section 10.
- (b) Map.--The term "map" means the map entitled "Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area, numbered INSERT and dated INSERT.
- (c) National Recreation Area.--The term "National Recreation Area" means the Maine Woods National Recreation Area established in section 5.
- (d) National park.--The term "national park" means the Maine Woods National Park established in section 4.
- (e) Secretary.--The term "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior.
- (f) Visitor Service: The term "Visitor Service" means any service made available for a fee or charge including such

services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 4. MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK.

(a) Establishment Authorization; In order to preserve and protect for the education, inspiration, recreation, and enjoyment of present and future generations there is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the "park") in the State of Maine.

(b) Description of boundary; The boundary of the park shall include the lands, waters, and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled [INSERT] numbered [INSERT], and dated [INSERT], which map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service, Department of the Interior. *Note: The Park/NRA boundary should be drawn in a manner that places the East Branch entirely within the NRA or Park to avoid jurisdictional issues drawing it down the middle. Don Kleiner requested it be placed within the NRA.*

(1) Publication- The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall publish in the Federal Register, not more than one year after [INSERT], a detailed description of the boundary established pursuant to this section.

SECTION 5. MAINE WOODS NATIONAL RECREATION AREA

(a) Establishment Authorization; In order to preserve and protect for the education, inspiration, recreation, and enjoyment of present and future generations, and to generate beneficial contributions to the regional and state economies, there is hereby established the Maine Woods National Recreation Area (hereinafter referred to in this subchapter as the "recreation area") in the State of Maine.

(b) Description of boundary; The boundary of the recreation area shall include the lands, waters, and interests therein as generally depicted on the map entitled [INSERT] numbered [INSERT], and dated [INSERT], which map shall be on file and available for public inspection in the offices of the National Park Service,

Department of the Interior. *Note: The Park/NRA boundary should be drawn in a manner that places the East Branch entirely within the NRA or Park to avoid jurisdictional issues drawing it down the middle. Don Kleiner requested it be placed within the NRA.*

(1) Publication- The Secretary of the Interior (hereinafter referred to as the "Secretary") shall publish in the Federal Register, not more than one year after [INSERT], a detailed description of the boundary established pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. ESTABLISHMENT OF AN ENDOWMENT

- (a) ESTABLISHMENT REQUIRED- Notwithstanding Sections 4 and 5, the Secretary shall establish the national park and recreation area upon verification that \$40 million for an endowment has been raised and is available to fund the preservation and operation of the park and recreation area.
- (1) Administration- the endowment will be administered by the National Park Foundation.
- (2) Reporting-Until the national park and recreation area are established, the Secretary shall notify the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources of the Senate and the Committee on Resources of the House of Representatives, on an annual basis, of the status of the establishment and expenditures of the endowment.
- (3) Limitation on use of funds- No expenditure shall be made under this subsection unless the Secretary determines that the expenditure is consistent with the purposes of this Act

SECTION 7. ADMINISTRATION OF MAINE WOODS NATIONAL PARK AND RECREATION AREA

- (a) In General.--The Secretary shall administer the national park and the Recreation Area in accordance with--
- (1) this Act; and
 - (2) all laws generally applicable to units of the National Park System, including--

- (A) the Act entitled "An Act to establish a National Park Service, and for other purposes", approved August 25, 1916 (16 U.S.C. 1, 2-4); and
- (B) the Act entitled "An Act to provide for the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of national significance, and for other purposes", approved August 21, 1935 (16 U.S.C. 461 et seq.).

(b) Establishment of Advisory Committee- No later than 2 years after the date of enactment, the Secretary shall establish a citizen advisory committee.

(c) Management Plan- Not later than 3 years after the date of establishment of the advisory committee (Sec. 7b), the Secretary shall develop a comprehensive plan for the long-term management of the national park and recreation area;

(1) Consultation--In developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall consult with—

- (A) Advisory Committee (Sec. 7(b));
- (B) appropriate State, tribal, and local governmental entities; and
- (C) members of the public.

(2) Forest Products Interpretive Information- in developing the management plan required under subsection (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for interpretive programs intended to educate and inform visitors about the forest products industry to the Katahdin Region and the state of Maine; and

(3) Exhibition area- in developing the management plan required under section (b), the Secretary shall incorporate a plan for providing a location for Maine residents to exhibit paper making, woodcrafts, basket weaving and other traditional talents known to the area for visitor education and enjoyment.

(c) Hunting in the National Recreation Area.—

(1) In general.--Except as provided in paragraphs (2) and (3), the Secretary shall permit hunting on land and water within the recreation area as depicted on the map entitled[INSERT]numbered [INSERT], in accordance with applicable Federal and state law.

(2) Administrative exceptions.--The Secretary may restrict hunting under paragraph (1) for reasons of public safety or compliance with applicable law.

(3) Agency agreement.--Except in emergency situations, decisions to close areas within the recreation area to hunting under this subsection shall be made in consultation with the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife.

(4) Savings clause.--Nothing in this Act affects any jurisdiction or responsibility of the State of Maine with respect to wildlife in the National Recreation Area

(d) Snowmobiles in the National Recreation Area--

(1) Designated north-south and east-west routes – Designated routes shall be open to snowmobile use from Millinocket to Matagamon; from Medway to Sherman Station; and to Shin Pond. These routes may be relocated when it is consistent with the recreation area’s natural, scenic and aesthetic values, safety considerations and park management objectives, and will not disturb wildlife or damage park resources, so long as the north-south and east-west connections to snowmobile trails beyond the park lands are maintained.

(A) Closures on designated routes- The Secretary may restrict snowmobiling on designated routes on an emergency basis for reasons of public safety or to address threats to natural or historic resources.

(B) Maps- the Secretary shall make available maps showing the designated routes at park and recreation area headquarters and at ranger stations.

(2) Relocated Routes- The Secretary may relocate the designated routes when it is consistent with the recreation area’s natural, scenic and aesthetic values, safety considerations and park management objectives (under 36 CFR 2.18).

(e) Timber Harvesting: The Secretary shall prepare a plan to provide early successional habitat for game and nongame wildlife and to conduct a pilot program for a living museum. The cutting or removal of timber within the National Recreation Area may be permitted for administrative purposes—

(1) to the extent necessary to improve the health of the forest in a manner that—
(A) improves the habitats of threatened, endangered, or sensitive species; or
(B) maintains or restores the composition and structure of the ecosystem by reducing the risk of uncharacteristic wildfire;

(2) to accomplish an approved management activity in furtherance of the purposes established by this section, if the cutting-or removal of timber is incidental to the management activity;

(3) to establish a pilot program demonstrating the life cycle of a forest where timber harvesting occurs for the purpose of visitor interpretation; or

(4) for de minimus personal and administrative use within the National Recreation Area, where such use will not impair the purposes established by this section.

SECTION 8. Buffer Zones

- (a) Nothing in this Act, shall be construed to create buffer zones outside of the park and national recreation area. That an activity or use can be seen or heard from within the park shall not preclude the conduct of that activity or use outside the park.

Section 9. CONCESSION CONTRACTS.

(a) Continuation of Existing Visitor Services - Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the Secretary, under such terms and conditions as are determined reasonable, shall permit any persons, who on or before January 1, 2015, were engaged in adequately providing any type of visitor service within the units of the national park system designated by this Act, to continue providing such type of service or services within such unit(s) if such service or services are consistent with the purposes for which such unit is established by this Act.

(b) Preference - Notwithstanding provisions of law other than those contained in subsection (a), in selecting persons or companies to provide any type of visitor service for the unit(s) designated by this Act, the Secretary shall give preference to persons or companies whom he determines, by rule, are local residents or registered companies under the laws of Maine.

(c) Definition - As used in this section, the term "visitor service" means any service made available for a fee or charge to persons who visit the unit(s) designated under this Act, including such services as providing food, accommodations, transportation, tours, and guides.

SECTION 10. UTILIZATION OF NORTHERN MAINE FOREST PRODUCTS

- (a) In general- to the extent practicable, the Secretary shall utilize timber and other forest products harvested in Maine for the development of buildings and other infrastructure in the park and recreation area.

SECTION 11. ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

(a) Establishment.--There is hereby established the Maine Woods National Park and Recreation Area Advisory Committee (in this section referred to as the `Advisory Committee')

(b) Duties of the Advisory Committee.--The Advisory Committee shall advise the Secretary with regard to--

- (1) the management of recreational uses on the park and recreation area;
- (2) opportunities to restore and conserve water quality, rivers, wetlands, and forest habitats;

(c) Membership.--

(1) Appointment.--

(A) In general.--The Advisory Committee shall consist of 16 members that shall be appointed by the Secretary-- from at least one of each of the following--

- (i) Representative of donors
- (ii) Local business or chamber of commerce representative
- (iii) the Maine Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife;
- (iv) Recreational hunting organizations;
- (v) Historic preservation organizations;
- (vi) The recreational fishing outfitter, or guiding industry;
- (vii) Tribal resource management organizations;
- (viii) Adjacent land owner;
- (ix) State-wide conservation organization;
- (x) Non-motorized outdoor recreation interests;
- (xi) Land trusts;
- (xii) Cross country skiing and snowshoeing interests;
- (xiii) Wildlife conservation organization;
- (xiv) National conservation organization;
- (xv) recreational snowmobile organization; and
- (xvi) Representative from Sherman, Patten, Mt. Chase, Medway, Stacyville, East Millinocket or Millinocket Maine.

(2) Terms.--

(A) In general.--Except as provided in subparagraph (B), members of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed for a term of 4 years. Members shall not be appointed for more than 3 consecutive or nonconsecutive terms.

- (B) Terms of initial appointees.--As designated by the Secretary at the time of appointment, of the members first appointed--
- (i) 6 members shall be appointed for a term of 4 years;
 - (ii) 5 members shall be appointed for a term of 3 years; and
 - (iii) 5 members shall be appointed for a term of 2 years.
- (3) Preservation of public advisory status.--No individual may be appointed as a discretionary member of the Advisory Committee while serving as an officer or employee of the Federal Government.
- (4) Vacancy and removal.--
- (A) In general.--Any vacancy on the Advisory Committee shall be filled in the manner in which the original appointment was made.
 - (B) Removal.--Advisory Committee members shall serve at the discretion of the Secretaries and may be removed at any time for good cause.
- (5)
- (6) Chairperson.--The Chairperson of the Advisory Committee shall be appointed for a 3-year term by the Secretary, jointly, from among the members of the Advisory Committee. An individual may not be appointed as Chairperson for more than 2 consecutive or nonconsecutive terms.
- (7) Pay and expenses.--Members of the Advisory Committee shall serve without pay for such service, but each member of the Advisory Committee shall be reimbursed for travel and lodging incurred through attending meetings of the Advisory Committee and approved subgroup meetings in the same amounts and under the same conditions as Federal employees (in accordance with section 5703 of title 5, United States Code).
- (8) Meetings.--
- (A) In general.--The Advisory Committee shall meet at the call of the Secretary, the chairperson, or a majority of the members, but not less frequently than twice annually.
 - (B) Open meetings.--Each meeting of the Advisory Committee shall be open to the public.
 - (C) Prior notice of meetings.--Timely notice of each meeting of the Advisory Committee shall be

published in the Federal Register, National Park Service website, and be submitted to trade publications and publications of general circulation.

- (D) Subgroups.--The Advisory Committee may establish such workgroups or subgroups as it deems necessary for the purpose of compiling information or conducting research. However, such workgroups may not conduct business without the direction of the Advisory Committee and must report in full to the Advisory Committee.
- (9) Quorum.--Ten members of the Advisory Committee shall constitute a quorum.
- (d) Expenses.--The expenses of the Advisory Committee that the Secretary determines to be reasonable and appropriate shall be paid by the Secretary.
- (e) Administrative Support, Technical Services, and Advice.--A designated Federal Officer shall be appointed by the Secretary to provide to the Advisory Committee the administrative support, technical services, and advice that the Secretary determines to be reasonable and appropriate.
- (f) Annual Report.--
 - (1) Required.--Not later than September 30th of each year, the Advisory Committee shall submit a report to the Secretary, the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, the House Committee on Natural Resources and the Governor of Maine.
 - (A) If circumstances arise in which the Advisory Committee cannot meet the September 30 deadline in any year, the Secretary shall advise the Chairpersons of each such Committee of the reasons for such delay and the date on which the submission of the report is anticipated.
 - (3) Contents.--The report required by paragraph (1) shall describe--
 - (i) the activities of the Advisory Committee during the preceding year;
 - (ii) the reports and recommendations made by the Advisory Committee to the Secretary during the preceding year; and
 - (iii) an accounting of actions taken by the Secretaries as a result of the recommendations.

SEC. 12. Donation

Secretary is only authorized to acquire lands within the park by donation from willing sellers.

Sec. 13 AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.

There are authorized to be appropriated such sums as are necessary to carry out this Act.



June 22, 2017

Monument Review, MS-1530
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20240

**Comments of Lucas St. Clair, Elliottsville Plantation Inc.
On Department of Interior Docket Regarding
Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument
DOI-2017-0002**

I am submitting these comments on behalf of Elliottsville Plantation Inc. (EPI), a private foundation established in 2002 for the primary purpose of acquiring and conserving land for the benefit of the public. In August 2016, EPI donated 87,654 acres to the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) to ensure that these lands will be accessible to the public for recreation and enjoyment in perpetuity. On August 24, 2016, President Obama designated these lands as Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KWW), to be managed by the National Park Service, within DOI. Now, DOI is reviewing KWW, pursuant to an Executive Order issued by President Trump on April 26, 2017, (Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act).

The Executive Order directs the Secretary of Interior to review all Presidential designations under the Antiquities Act since January 1, 1996, where the designation covers more than 100,000 acres or where “the Secretary determines that the designation or expansion was made without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders.”

On May 5, 2017, DOI announced that KWW would be added to the list of monuments to be reviewed to determine whether KWW was established “without adequate public outreach and coordination with relevant stakeholders.” KWW is the only national monument that has been added to the review process based on this criterion.

This is puzzling, because I believe any objective analysis would show that KWW was established after a lengthy, multi-year, inclusive process of public outreach and discussion among key stakeholders. I have personal, first-hand knowledge of this outreach work, because it was the primary focus of my job for most of the past five years.

Let me first provide a bit of background. I was born in Dover-Foxcroft, Maine and grew up in a hand-built log cabin with few amenities in Parkman, Maine (population 780). My mother, Roxanne Quimby, was a successful CEO of a business that she started in the mid-1980s selling craft items at craft fairs and festivals. Fifteen years later, she sold her business and created EPI as an entity to purchase and conserve land. EPI purchased forestland exclusively from willing sellers.

Over the course of 20 years, EPI invested \$60 million to purchase the land that our family donated to the nation in 2016 to be included in the National Park Service's system of public lands. EPI purchased the 87,654 acres that comprise KWW from timberland owners that approached EPI with offers to sell particular parcels. It is important for DOI to understand that EPI did not actively seek opportunities to purchase the land that became KWW; rather, interested sellers consistently approached EPI with proposals. The entire property within KWW was secured through willing-seller, willing-buyer transactions, and we exercised our legal private property rights in donating those lands to DoI so that they will be permanently conserved, with public access forever.

My mom's interest in purchasing forestland in the Katahdin Region for conservation purposes was a well-known, publicly discussed topic in Maine dating back to the early 2000s. I mention this as a relevant factor for any analysis of the history of public engagement, dialogue, discussion, and outreach that preceded establishment of KWW. Maine people have been reading about, discussing, debating, and developing opinions about EPI's proposal to protect land in the Katahdin Region for nearly 20 years.

In 2012, after living out of state for a period, I returned to Maine for the express purpose of working fulltime for EPI as the lead staff responsible for reaching out to key stakeholders, interested parties, and the public to share information about EPI's interests and to seek feedback and input. After years of controversy about the possibility of land conservation in the Katahdin Region, EPI came to appreciate that we needed to spend more time meeting with and learning from residents in the region. As such, we intentionally sought to engage with as many people as possible so that we could modify our approach to address local interests and concerns. It was my job to lead this effort, and I met with everyone I could think of who would take my call or answer their door when I arrived for a visit.

From 2012 through 2016, I actively sought meetings with hundreds of individuals and organizations. I met with people who held the full range of opinions, from strongly supportive of land conservation to fiercely opposed.

With the assistance of consultants and staff from other organizations, I met with local business owners, chambers of commerce members, sporting and snowmobiling groups, former mill owners and workers, tribal representatives, local and state legislators, Maine's congressional delegation, and many national sporting and conservation organizations with headquarters in Washington, D.C. I met with hundreds of local residents over cups of coffee, in their homes and at their businesses and offices. From 2012 through August 2016, I drove tens of thousands of miles crisscrossing Maine and the Katahdin Region, and I traveled to Washington D.C. dozens of times.

In April 2015, I met with Governor Paul LePage's Chief Counsel, Avery Day. Also of relevance for these comments, my mother met with Governor LePage on November 1, 2011, more than 4½ years before KWW was established.

I have attached to these comments a representative (though not complete) list of organizations, business leaders, and other relevant stakeholders with whom I met as part of the extensive outreach with relevant stakeholders that I personally conducted from 2012 through 2016.

In addition to these extensive outreach meetings with individuals and organizations, EPI helped produce materials that furthered the public conversation. For example, EPI engaged a consulting firm, Headwaters Economics, to prepare two reports that helped answer questions raised by residents in the Katahdin Region. One report was an economic evaluation of the potential impacts of a national park and national recreation area on the economy of the Katahdin Region, and other was a comparative analysis of the economies of the Katahdin Region with similar rural counties across the nation where a national park and/or national recreation area is located nearby.

These two reports¹ were released by Headwaters Economics in February 2013, along with a peer review analysis by several leading Maine natural resource economists. EPI printed more than 2,000 copies of these reports and distributed them to relevant stakeholders, including Town Managers and local officials in each of the communities in the Katahdin Region.

In addition to this targeted outreach, EPI also created opportunities for the general public to learn about our interest in conserving land in the Katahdin Region. Between early 2012 and August 2016, EPI worked with the Natural Resources Council of Maine and others to host hundreds of public outreach events. In April 2015, we also participated in a Telephone Town Hall event with thousands of Maine residents to provide them an opportunity to receive a short briefing about EPI's proposal to seek federal conservation status for EPI's lands located east of Baxter State Park. More than 5,200 people participated in this conversation.

Also relevant to this review, EPI participated in the large town hall meeting organized by Senator Angus King on May 16, 2016, in Orono, Maine. This event was attended by close to 1,400 people, of which an estimated 1,200 were supportive of the idea of creating a national monument based on EPI lands. I spoke at this forum, as did Governor Paul LePage's Chief Council Avery Day. Many of those who attended commented that they could not think of a public outreach event ever held in Maine with such a large number of attendees, and such an overwhelming number who endorsed one particular outcome: creation of a national monument.

In summary, between early 2012 and August 2016, EPI actively coordinated with a very broad range of relevant stakeholders and members of the public to seek their input and ideas. I personally met with hundreds of individuals to discuss their interest in EPI's plan to donate land to the National Park Service for the purpose of conserving it for public recreation and enjoyment in perpetuity.

¹ https://headwaterseconomics.org/wp-content/uploads/Maine_Regional_Report.pdf and https://headwaterseconomics.org/wp-content/uploads/Maine_Peer_Report.pdf

As EPI's lead spokesperson during this period, I can personally attest to the exhaustive and exhausting nature of this outreach. I devoted most of the last five years of my life to this effort based on my firm belief that EPI's final disposition of its lands would benefit from the input of interested parties. I also strongly believe that the record shows this to be true.

During the five year public outreach period that I was involved with, we substantially modified our proposal for permanent conservation of EPI's land in the Katahdin Region based on input from stakeholders. For example, we modified the proposal to include permanent protections for hunting and snowmobiling on EPI lands located on the east side of the East Branch of the Penobscot River.

Also, the public discussion and record clearly reveals that the level of support for EPI's proposal to conserve its land through federal designation steadily increased throughout the public outreach process.

All public opinion polls that I am aware of over the past five years have documented strong public support for EPI's proposal to protect our lands in the Katahdin Region through federal designation. However, the most recent such poll, conducted in October 2016, showed the highest level yet, with 72% of Maine people saying that they support the decision to create the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument. This poll by Portland-based DRI Critical Insights, also showed that 66% of the residents of Maine's 2nd Congressional District support the national monument. These public opinion surveys demonstrate that public outreach efforts were a success.

Equally important to me, however, is the fact that so many people who previously were opposed to, or skeptical of, EPI's proposal have changed their position and now support KWW.

Throughout the Katahdin Region, residents, business owners, elected officials, and civic leaders strongly embrace KWW as a positive development for the area. These individuals do not want the federal government to rescind the monument because they already are witnessing positive economic benefits.

I strongly believe that the public comments submitted for this DoI review process will further show that the overwhelming majority of relevant stakeholders—including the people of Maine—oppose any effort to modify or overturn KWW. Any objective review of the history surrounding KWW will show that it was created following an extensive outreach process to relevant stakeholders.

EPI donated land worth \$60 million to DoI for the purpose of creating KWW. We have committed to provide an additional \$40 million to support KWW. Very significant investments, worth millions of dollars, already are being made and planned in the area based on an expectation that KWW will be part of the nation's protected land system forever. We urge DoI to preserve and sustain this monument, and help it achieve its full potential for Maine and the nation.

I appreciate your consideration of these comments.

Regards,



Lucas St. Clair
Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

Partial List of Outreach Meetings by EPI (2012-2016)

Appalachian Mountain Club
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Atlantic Salmon Federation
Bangor Regional Chamber of Commerce
Bangor City Council
Baskehegan Land Company
Baxter State Park, Director
Bowlin Camps
Congressional Sportsman Foundation
Department of Interior, Secretary
Ducks Unlimited
East Millinocket Schools, Superintendent
Forest Resource Foundation
Forest Society of Maine
Great Northern Paper Company, Mill Manager
International Snowmobiles Manufacturers Association
Jo-Mary Snowmobile Club, President
Katahdin Area Rotary Club
Katahdin Camps
Katahdin Region Chamber of Commerce
Katahdin Timberlands, President
LL Bean
Maine Audubon Society
Maine Forest Products Council
Maine Innkeepers Association
Maine Pulp and Paper Association, Executive Director
Maine Snowmobile Association
Maine State Chamber of Commerce
Maine Wilderness Guides Organization
Matagamon Lake Association
Millinocket Regional Hospital Board
Millinocket Schools, Superintendent
National Alliance of Forest Owners
National Fish and Wildlife Foundation

National Parks Conservation Association
National Park Foundation
National Park Service, Director
National Sporting and Shooting Foundation
Natural Resources Council of Maine
New England Forestry Foundation
New England Outdoor Center
North Maine Woods
North Woods Real Estate
Shin Pond Village, Owner
Penobscot Indian Nation
Plum Creek, VP for Government Relations
Portland Regional Chamber of Commerce
Maine Registered Guides Association
Safari Club International
Sherman Woodworks
Sportsman's Alliance of Maine
The Nature Conservancy
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Tread Lightly
Trout Unlimited
Trust for Public Land
Two Rivers Canoe and Tackle
US Sportsman Alliance
Wilderness Society

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Hey Downey,

I hope you are getting a well deserved long weekend. I wanted to share with you the letter that EPI's board just shared on Regulation.org

Please let me know if you have any questions and have a great holiday!

Best,

Lucas

Please excuse the brevity and misused and misspelled words. I am typing with my thumbs



June 30, 2017

Monument Review
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U.S. Department of the Interior
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Washington, D.C. 20240

RE: Review of Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, DOI-2017-0002

Dear Secretary Zinke:

The Board of Elliotsville Plantation Inc., the donors of the land which was designated Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument (KWW), would like to clearly communicate our intent in donating the land to be designated as a national monument. We hope and expect that you will consider our intent as you make recommendations for the future of KWW.

We donated this land to the American people in order to protect the scenery, forests, wildlife, and waters of the monument and to guarantee the opportunity for outdoor recreation to all Americans now and for future generations.

As you may know, earlier generations of our family immigrated to the United States from Russia, by way of China, due to political turmoil in those countries. Our ancestors were grateful to have the opportunity to build their lives in the United States, as are we. As you know, from very humble beginnings, Roxanne Quimby was able to build a successful company which she sold. It is the proceeds of that sale that provided the capital that enabled us to establish Elliotsville Plantation, Inc. and to acquire the land that is now Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument.

In many ways, our family exemplifies the American dream. And because we benefited from all that America stands for, we wanted to give back to all the American people. It is in that spirit that we donated the land for Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument.

Before donating the land, we became familiar with many of the federal land management agencies. We concluded that the National Park Service was the agency that was best able to manage our lands for the purposes and uses that we thought most advantageous to the American people. More specifically, we concluded that a National Monument or National Park was the designation that would achieve our goals

We donated these lands with the intent that they be managed in their natural condition, for the purposes of protecting the natural resources, including the scenery, forests, wildlife, and waters, and for outdoor recreation opportunities. We expect that they will be managed unimpaired for future generations.

We did not donate these lands in order to allow for commercial timber harvesting. Commercial timber harvesting would be inconsistent with our intent. Maine has millions of acres of land managed for commercial timber harvesting. We donated these lands in order to provide a different land management policy and experience for visitors.

In the years leading up to the donation of our lands to the American people, we made a number of changes and compromises from our original vision for the lands. We agreed and the deeds guarantee that hunting would be allowed in the lands located east of the East Branch. We also agreed and the deeds guarantee snowmobile trail corridors through the lands east of the East Branch. While these uses were not part of our original vision, we learned of their importance to some members of the local communities. We were happy to be able to include these uses in the donation.

But we want to be crystal clear that our overriding intent for these lands is that they be managed in a way that is consistent with the 1916 Organic Act, which states: “the fundamental purpose of the said parks, monuments, and reservations, [which purpose] is to conserve the scenery and the natural and historic objects and the wild life therein and to provide for the enjoyment of the same in such manner and by such means as will leave them unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations.”

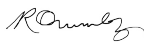
To help ensure that the National Park Service would have the means to manage the lands as we intended, we have pledged a \$20 million endowment to be managed by the National Park Foundation for the benefit of Katahdin Woods and Waters. We also have pledged to raise an additional \$20 million to be utilized in furtherance of our intentions that KWW continue to provide positive economic and recreation benefits for the Katahdin Region and the State.

We hope that our donation of the land and endowment for KWW will inspire others, elsewhere in the U.S., who have the means to donate lands that meet the criteria of the National Park Service to the American people. Managing KWW consistent with our intent and the Organic Act will provide assurance to other potential donors that the intent of their donations would be similarly honored.

We would be happy to discuss these matters further with you at any time.

Thank you for your service to the American people.

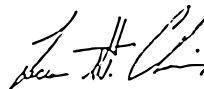
Sincerely,



Roxanne Quimby
Director, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.



Hannah Quimby
Director, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.



Lucas St. Clair
Director, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.



Rachelle Quimby
Director, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.

To: Johnson, Virginia[virginia_johnson@ios.doi.gov]
From: Whit Fosburgh
Sent: 2017-07-07T09:45:30-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: RE: Outdoor Life
Received: 2017-07-07T09:45:44-04:00

Good grief. My tax dollars at work 😊

Pasted below. Can you send me Jim Cason's email? I need to schedule an appointment for the Schlumberger folks.

Thanks!

Whit

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Andrew McKean

5 Comments

Dear Secretary Zinke,

Thank you for allowing an opportunity to comment on the enduring value of national monuments, specifically the 27 monuments detailed in Executive Order 13792 that you have proposed for elimination or reduction in size. I understand that the deadline for receiving comments regarding monuments is July 10. Please accept these as my official comments, and please note that I stand in opposition to any change in size or management of our current roster of national monuments.

It appears the purpose of your review is to confirm your own support for monuments. That's the only way I can understand your order, as a clever (and slightly subversive) way to call attention to these special places that are reservoirs of the American qualities of equality, adventure, self-reliance, and democracy.

After all, you have repeatedly identified yourself as a "Teddy Roosevelt Republican." The father of the Antiquities Act—the legislation that enables the creation of National Monuments—Roosevelt recognized that monuments are a tool to elevate the very best of our best public lands by giving them a status that allows true multiple use while protecting the integrity of remarkable landscapes for future generations. While I think it's healthy to periodically review government decisions, I think you—especially if you emulate TR—would agree that national monuments are among America's best ideas and entirely worth celebrating, not eliminating.

Apparently, your strategy is working. When I last looked, more than 1 million fellow citizens have commented in support of monuments. Please add my note to that growing roster of monument champions.

LAND-SALE PROTECTION

There are many reasons to support monuments—and I'll detail some of them below—but the most compelling reason in the current political climate of federal-land liquidation is to insulate them from those who would turn these American heirlooms into national sacrifice areas.

I'm sure you're aware of this land-transfer movement, promulgated by many in your own party. It's a short-sighted attempt to divest the federal government of land that provides 26 million sportsmen and women a place to hunt and fish every year. Rural jobs depend on this hook-and-bullet economy. In 2014, \$51 billion was spent on recreating on federal lands.

We sportsmen have done a pretty good job of battling back these misguided attempts to transfer public lands, but it's a little like fighting a wildland fire. Every time we look, there's another spot fire to stamp out—lest it grow into an inferno—with dozens of proposals to strip the feds of land-management authority introduced at county, state, and national levels every month.

Monument status permanently closes the door to the sale or transfer of public lands

inside the monument boundary. That alone is enough for me to support the broadest definition of a national monument. And it prompts me to ask you not to reopen the door to the sale or transfer of these vital public lands.



The author (right) with his two hunting buddies after a successful bighorn hunt on the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument.

Andrew McKean

VALUE OF PUBLIC LAND

But there's another reason I support monuments. I live in eastern Montana, not far from the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument, one of the 27 monuments on [your review list](#). As you know as a fellow Montanan, this part of the state doesn't

have crystal-clear rivers or snow-capped mountains. Out here, we are dry, remote, and struggling both economically and demographically. But I feel rich as a king, living here, because I am surrounded by public land where I can hunt, fish, hike, or explore without asking anyone's permission or forgiveness. The Missouri River Breaks is the beating heart of this kingdom of public land.

The rationale for your review suggests that monuments on your list are not in the public's interest because they were created with little public notice or local support. That is certainly not the case with the Missouri Breaks Monument, which was the subject of 18 months of public meetings conducted by the BLM's Central Montana Resource Advisory Council. And then, after the state reviewed the designation, another round of public meetings generated more than 1,000 comments from Montanans who support the monument.

I just returned from Taos, New Mexico, where I floated and fished the remarkable Rio Grande del Norte National Monument. Designation of that monument, in 2013, was the culmination of years of work by local ranchers, sportsmen, and business owners and is widely supported throughout the region. In a meeting convened by your predecessor, Interior Secretary Ken Salazar, support was unanimous among the several hundred people who attended a public meeting to gauge local interest in establishment of a monument. How many times have you seen unanimity of any federal decision?

"When I last looked, more than 1 million fellow citizens have commented in support of monuments."

THE DEFINITION OF ANTIQUITY

I'm going to stick with the Rio Grande del Norte Monument for a second, because I think it illuminates an important, and overlooked, aspect of the Antiquities Act. Some critics of the act claim that it was originally intended to protect battlefields and other relatively small, discrete properties that played a role in our nation's history and prehistory. I take a more expansive definition of the term "antiquities," one on full display in the Rio Grande del Norte Monument.

This is a monument literally surrounded by the sweep of history. The Wild & Scenic stretch of the river here contains native Rio Grande cutthroat trout, which any American recognizes as a precious living artifact of this stunning landscape. Deep in the canyon are petroglyphs depicting bighorn sheep. During my float of the river last month, I spotted wild desert sheep both upstream and downstream of these ancient rock carvings, evidence of the timeless value of these remarkable animals.

Then there's the traditional use of this landscape. The monument is open to hunting, fishing, firewood cutting, and pinon nut gathering. All those activities have taken place here for thousands of years by ancestors of the nearby Taos Pueblo, whose members continue to use the monument for traditional purposes. More recently, local ranchers and shepherders graze their livestock on the monument, which is also used by elk and mule deer hunters, trout anglers, and fly-fishing, float-tripping, and outfitting companies that rely on the river and its surrounding public land to sustain their businesses.

This quality of respecting the past while benefitting present users and conserving the land for future visitors is precisely the sort of value that the Antiquities Act was designed to protect and promote.

That a monument perpetuates traditional uses is a point worth stressing, because it's not well understood by those who would call monuments "land grabs" by a distant and out-of-touch federal government. These are already federal, public lands. Monument status doesn't add acreage to the public estate, and private land inside monument boundaries is not subject to restrictions that govern management of public land. But monument status ensures that these landscapes are protected for future generations. So a new coal mine, for instance, can't be developed in the Missouri Breaks, or a hydroelectric project can't dam up the Rio Grande inside the Taos monument.

To anyone who considers that a property-rights "taking" or an improper restriction of industry, I recommend you visit a monument to experience the primal richness of the landscapes that we can—and must—pass on to our grandchildren's grandchildren.



The Rio Grande Del Norte Monument in New Mexico was designated by the Obama administration in 2013. That designation is now under review.

Andrew McKean

PROBLEMATIC PROCLAMATIONS

I do think it's worth noting, as a way of agreeing with your review, that monument designations can be problematic and politicized. The fact that a number of monuments were designated in the waning days—and in some cases, the waning hours—of an outgoing president's administration is not in the public interest. President Clinton didn't do any favors to his successors (or to the best possibilities of

the Antiquities Act) with his midnight establishment of the 1.7-million-acre Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in southern Utah in 1996.

It seems that one intention of your review, to re-evaluate monuments established after Jan. 1, 1996 that are larger than 100,000 acres, is designed to reconsider the legitimacy of the Grand Staircase-Escalante Monument. I hope that the reconsideration of one monument doesn't impugn the validity of all monuments. And I hope your review also addresses one shortcoming of monument designation: the inability for wildlife agencies to do meaningful habitat work inside their boundaries. I hope your review reveals that monuments enjoy almost bipartisan and wide public support. Even the most recent Utah monument, Bears Ears (www.fs.fed.us/visit/bears-ears-national-monument), was the subject of years of meetings with various user groups in southeast Utah.

If this public process and local input is important to you, as you have indicated in the rationale for your review, then it's worth asking why earlier this year you abolished the [BLM's Resource Advisory Councils](#), whose very role was to facilitate public discussion about the value of monuments. Secretary Zinke, you can't have it both ways, criticizing the lack of public input while closing the conduit that supplies it. I'd like to return to a final inconsistency. You continue to define yourself as a Theodore Roosevelt conservationist. That definition means something to those of us who cherish the land ethic and vision of our 26th president.

Roosevelt recognized and promoted the intrinsic value of our public lands as places that defined the American characters of independence, equity, and liberty. But TR also exhibited traits that I think are in short supply right now. He had the intestinal fortitude to speak truth to power, and he had the depth of his convictions to lead, even when it wasn't politically popular.

If you continue to borrow from Roosevelt's legacy, as I hope you do, it's fair to ask you: What would TR do with this opportunity to question the integrity of national monuments? I think he would say it's time to stop demonizing monuments and the process that created them, and instead to celebrate them as a collection of the best of our landscapes, and places to exercise true multiple use on our most remarkable public lands.

I encourage you to take no action on this misguided and ineffectual review of monuments, and instead to devote your department's resources to adequately funding the management of our existing national treasures.

Accessibly Yours,

Andrew McKean, Editor-in-Chief, *Outdoor Life*

[Click here to submit your own comment about the review of 27 national monuments.](#)

From: Johnson, Virginia [mailto:virginia_johnson@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Thursday, July 06, 2017 6:52 PM
To: Whit Fosburgh <wfosburgh@trcp.org>
Subject: Re: Outdoor Life

My system won't let me open the link.

On Thu, Jul 6, 2017 at 4:38 PM, Whit Fosburgh <wfosburgh@trcp.org> wrote:

FYI

<http://www.outdoorlife.com/an-open-letter-to-secretary-zinke#page-4>

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Please note new address!

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Virginia H. Johnson
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U.S. Department of the Interior
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To: Timothy Williams[timothy_williams@ios.doi.gov]
From: Garrett Reppenhagen
Sent: 2017-07-08T20:25:23-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Veterans Invite Secretary of Interior to OMDP
Received: 2017-07-08T20:25:48-04:00
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Timothy,

Thanks again for meeting with our veterans earlier this year.
I would like to extend an invitation to join some local New Mexico veterans in late July if the Secretary plans on visiting OMDP.

Please see the attached letter,

Thanks you,

Garrett

--

Garrett Reppenhagen

US Army 1st Infantry Division OIF Veteran
Rocky Mountain West Coordinator
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July 7, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior
1849 C St NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke,

You would know better than many Americans that serving in the U.S. military is about more than defending our nation's people and its values; it's also about fighting to ensure that the very lands on which we live and recreate are still here for our children and grandchildren to enjoy.

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks is special place of unparalleled rugged beauty. It stands at the crossroads of American history including pre-historical places sacred to Native Americans, the Camino Real traversed by Spanish settlers for centuries, and the Butterfield Stage Route used by Americans traveling east-west across the country in the 19th century. These kinds of sites tell us something about our past and how far we've come as a nation.

Thus, I would like to offer you the opportunity to hike and discover some of the special places the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks contains with a group of military veterans who worked very hard to make their support of the monument heard by the previous administration. I understand you will be in New Mexico at the end of July. Please let me know what day and time you would like to hike with our veterans through the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks. We are happy to accommodate your schedule.

As a veteran who understands and appreciates the military contribution to our country, you might enjoy seeing some of the rich military history connected to the monument. During this hike, we can show you how the Organ Mountains Desert-Peaks also is home to some more recent pieces of history that are particularly important to veterans. Perhaps the best examples are the Deming aerial bombing targets, which were used to help train Army Air Corps pilots during World War II. These large bull's eye targets gave our Greatest Generation critical training to defeat the enemies of freedom during some of the darkest days the world has ever known.

Though I served my country in the armed forces, I believe fighting for this monument was another kind of service – a type of service that will allow my children and grandchildren to explore and enjoy these public lands as well as learn more rich chapters of the American story.

The proximity of military installations like Ft. Bliss and White Sands Missile Range means that these lands offer great opportunities for our service members, veterans and their families to enjoy and explore. Las Cruces and the surrounding region has a proud military tradition and a strong veteran community.

Thank you in advance and look forward to showing you this special part of my community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Garrett Reppenhagen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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To: Gisella Ojeda-dodds[gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov]
From: Nigborowicz, Timothy
Sent: 2017-07-10T15:46:33-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Secretary's itinerary for Bangor, Maine on June13
Received: 2017-07-10T15:46:42-04:00
[CT-NH-ME-MA Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

Here's the trip schedule.

On Mon, Jul 10, 2017 at 2:03 PM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello - hoping you can send me the itinerary and also if you have any DI-2000's for this one as I'm doing Downey's voucher.

Thanks!

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Gisella Ojeda-Dodds
Executive Assistant to Douglas Domenech, Senior Advisor
Downey Magallanes, Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Vincent DeVito, Counselor to the Secretary for Energy Policy

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Massachusetts
June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT (Tuesday AM)	High 89°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Thunderstorms
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday PM)	High 88°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Precipitation
Augusta, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 85°, Low 53°; Cloudy; 40% Chance of AM Precipitation
Bangor, ME (Tuesday PM)	High 84°, Low 52°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of AM Precipitation
Katahdin National Monument	High 91°, Low 67°; Mostly Sunny
Boston, MA (Friday)	High 69°, Low 60°; Cloudy; 80% Chance of PM Precipitation

Time Zone:

New England Eastern Daylight Time

Advance (Connecticut):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (New Hampshire):

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Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Katahdin National Monument):

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Advance Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

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Advance (Freeport, ME)

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Advance Caroline Boulton

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Advance (Boston, MA):

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Advance Rusty Roddy

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary	Jim Cason
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes
Communications Director	Laura Rigas
Press Secretary	Heather Swift
Deputy Director of External Affairs	Tim Williams
Photographer	Tami Heilemann
Personal Aide	Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Mohegan Sun, CT (Tuesday):	Business Attire
Hooksett, NH (Tuesday):	Business Casual
Boston, MA (Friday):	Casual

Tuesday, June 13, 2017

Washington, DC → Mohegan Sun, CT → Hooksett, NH → Bangor, ME

5:45-6:15am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

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Drive time: ~30 minutes

7:05am EDT-

8:22am EDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Hartford, CT (Bradley)

Flight: JetBlue 798

Flight time: 1 hour, 17 minutes

RZ Seat: 17B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Jim Cason

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

8:22-8:35am EDT:

Wheels down Hartford, CT // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: Schoepfoester Road

Windsor Locks, CT 06096

8:35-9:35am EDT:

Depart Hartford, CT en route Mohegan Sun, CT

Location: 1 Mohegan Sun Boulevard

Uncasville, CT 06382

Vehicle Manifest:

CT State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Jim Cason

Tami Heilemann

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele (Driver)

Drive time: ~1 hour, 2 minutes

9:35-9:40am EDT:

Arrive NCAI Conference & Proceed to Green Room

Met by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

Governor Dannel Malloy (Tentative)

Note: Rusty Roddy & Laura Regis will meet upon arrival

9:40-9:55am EDT:

Hold in Green Room for Briefing

Location: Conka Room

Staff: Jim Cason

Laura Regis

Note: If Governor Dannel Malloy is unable to greet upon arrival, he would

Like to say hi to RKZ while he is holding

9:55-10:00am EDT:

Depart Green Room for NCAI Conference

Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B

Escorted by: Robert Holden, Deputy Director, NCAI

- 10:00-10:35am EDT: National Congress of American Indians Mid-Year Conference Remarks // Q & A Session with NCAI Members**
 Location: Uncas Ballroom A & B
 Participants:
 Attendees: 500 - 600
 Press: Open
 Staff: Jim Cason
 Laura Rigas
 Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Advance: Rusty Roddy
 Staging:: Black pipe & drape; NCAI Logo / NCAI Theme banner; Video screens to either sides of the stage; U.S. / CT / Tribal / NCAI Flags; podium & mic
 Format: RKZ introduced by Brian Cladoosby, Chairman - Swinomish Indian Tribal Community & President - NCAI Executive Board
 Remarks followed by Q&A
 For Q & A session, NCAI members will form lines at microphones
 Plenary session of tribal leaders; podium in center of the stage with board members on both sides; tribal delegates will be sitting in the tables in the front of the room
 Note: Upon arrival to stage & before giving remarks, RKZ should shake hands with all 17 stage participants
- 10:35-10:40am EDT: NCAI Gift Presentation to RKZ**
 Note: An Honor Song will be performed
- 10:40-10:45am EDT: Depart NCAI Conference en route Photo Op**
- 10:45-10:50am EDT: Photo Op with NCAI Youth Commission**
 Location: Foyer
 Note: Group is made up of Leaders in Training Ages 16 - 24
 Note: Group will be preset for photo upon RZ's arrival
- 10:50-1:05pm EDT: Depart Mohegan Sun en route Hooksett, NH**
 Location:
 Vehicle Manifest:
 CT / NH State Vehicle Lead:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Laura Rigas
 Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
 Tami Heilemann
 Drive time: ~2 hours, 15 minutes
- 1:05-1:15pm EDT: Lunch at Subway**
 Location: 3 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106
 Note: Lunch to go, eat at hold room at Bass Pro Shop
- 1:15-1:20pm EDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Bass Pro Shop**
 Location: 2 Commerce Drive, Hooksett, NH 03106

Note: Pull into rear loading dock
Met by: Martin MacDonald, Director of Conservation, Bass Pro Shops
Bob Pope, Store Manager, Bass Pro Shop Hooksett

1:20-2:25pm EDT: Lunch and Briefing in Hold Room Bass Pro Shop Conference Room

2:25-2:30pm EDT: Depart Hold en route Sportsmen's Roundtable
Escorted by: Glenn Normandeau, Executive Director, NH Fish and Game Department

2:30-3:15pm EDT: Sportsmen's Roundtable
Location: Bass Pro Shop Warehouse
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Closed
Format: - Welcome by Bob Pope
- MC - Glenn Normandeau invites participants to introduce themselves
- RZ brief Remarks and opens roundtable for discussion
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Group photo opportunity at conclusion of roundtable

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Meeting with Governor Chris Sununu
Location: Bass Pro Shop
Participants: RZ
Governor Chris Sununu (R-NH)
Jayne Millerick, Chief of Staff
Press: Closed
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Pittman-Robertson Grant Announcement & Media Availability
Location: Bass Pro Shop in store Aquarium
Escorted by: Ron Regan, Executive Director, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Nick Wiley, President, Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Office of Senator Jeanne Shaheen
Mike Ollen, State Director, Office of Senator Maggie Hassan
Corey Garry, Deputy District Director, Office of Rep. Ann Kuster
Press: Open
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Stage with podium/mic w/ DOI seal
Backdrop; huge fish aquarium, rock walls, trees

- Program:**
- Glenn Normandeau introduces himself and Gov. Chris Sununu
 - Gov. welcomes RZ to NH and introduces RZ
 - RZ brief remarks
 - RZ invites "A few friends," two sportsmen who carry grant check onto stage
 - RZ signs check
 - Nick Wiley gives remarks regarding benefit of grants for outdoor groups
 - Everyone exits stage except RZ, state directors, and Bass Pro Shop Leadership
 - Press Avail

4:00-6:45pm EDT: Depart Hooksett, NH en route Augusta, ME

Location: 192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Vehicle Manifest:

NH / ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

7:00-8:30pm EDT: Dinner with Governor LePage

Location: The Blaine House
192 State Street
Augusta, ME 04330

Participants: Governor Paul LePage
First Lady Ann LePage
Lance Libby, Senior Policy Advisor
Doug Denico, Director of Maine Forest Service
Mary Adams, Forest Product Activist
Anne Mitchell, President of Maine Woods coalition

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Drinks in the Reception Room followed by dinner in the Dining Room

8:30-9:45pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Bangor, ME

Location: Hilton Garden Inn Bangor
250 Haskell Road
Bangor, ME 04401

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

9:45pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, June 14, 2017

Bangor, ME → Katahdin National Monument

8:30-9:30am EDT: **Depart Bangor, ME en route Medway, ME**

Location: Park & Ride by Medway Irving Big Stop
1941 Medway Road
Medway, ME 04460

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton (Driver)
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele (Driver)
Downey Magallanes
Tami Heilemann
Press Van: Heather Swift
Laura Rigas

Drive time: ~1 hour

9:30-9:45am EDT: **Arrive Medway // Proceed to Vehicles**

Location: Park & Ride
Greeted By: Tim Hudson, Superintendent, Katahdin Wood and Waters National Monument
Lucas St. Clair, Elliotsville Plantation, Inc.
Note: Press will join at this point

9:45-11:30am EDT: **Depart Medway, ME en route Katahdin National Monument**

Location: Enter via Swift Brook Road
Note: Stop on way to discuss public-private partnerships

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
ME State Police
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

Drive time: ~1.5 hours

11:30-12:00pm EDT: Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road
Note: Stops at Sandbank Campsite for bathroom break & immediately after
Campsite for photo opportunity with sign

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

ME State Police

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Tim Hudson

Lucas St. Clair

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Tami Heilemann

Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas

Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner

Press Overflow

Press Van: Heather Swift

Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Lunch

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Box lunch provided by EPI; to be paid back in cash

12:20-12:45pm EDT: Press Availability

Location: Scenic Viewpoint at Milepost 6
Katahdin Loop Road

Format: Backdrop is Mount Katahdin, Appalachian Trail, and various lakes

12:45-2:00pm EDT: Continue Driving Tour of Monument

Location: Katahdin Loop Road

Note: Stop at Barnard Trail Entrance to discuss International Appalachian
Trail & recreation

Note: Stop at Orin Falls on the Wassataquoik Stream (10 minute round
trip hike); Press Van will empty into staged SUV by posted off area

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle: ME State Police
RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift

2:00-2:30pm EDT:

Finish Loop Road & Drive to Lunksoos

Location: Lunksoos Camp

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle: ME State Police
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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
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Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow
Press Van: Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

2:30-2:45pm EDT:

Pre-Canoeing Safety Briefing

Location: Lunksoos Camp

2:45-3:00pm EDT:

Depart Lunksoos en route Seboeis River Bridge

Location: Seboeis River Bridge

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Police Lead Vehicle:

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Secretary's Vehicle: ME State Police
RZ
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Tim Hudson
Lucas St. Clair
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Staff Vehicle 2: Laura Rigas
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Press Overflow

Press Van:

Heather Swift
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy
Superintendent

3:00-5:30pm EDT:

Canoe Trip

Location: Seboeis River Bridge
East Branch of Penobscot River

Participants: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Tami Heilemann
Aaron Thiele
Caroline Boulton

Note: Press take photos as canoes pull away then depart for Medway

Note: Each canoer will be paired with an experienced NPS or EPI paddler

Note: RZ will canoe with Lucas St. Clair

5:30-7:30pm EDT:

Set up at Lunksoos Camp // Dinner

Location: Lunksoos Camps

Participants: Tim Hudson, Superintendent
Lynn Sanderson, NPS Acting Deputy Superintendent
Ellen Carlson, NPS Planner
Carol Woodcock Senator Collins staff
Brandi Leathers, Rep. Poliquin staff
Barbara Hayslett, Senator King staff
Lucas St. Clair
David Farmer
Mark & Susan Adams
Matt Polstein
Lindsay Hill Downing
Donna Davidge
Joe Pratt
John & Peter Ellis
Steve & Vicki Richardson
Tom & Marie Chase
Roger Milliken
Rhonda Brophy

8:00pm EDT:

RON at Cabins at Lunksoos Camps

Note: Sleeping bags will be provided

Thursday, June 15, 2017

Katahdin National Monument → Boston, MA

7:00-8:00am EDT:

Depart Katahdin National Monument en route Millinocket, ME

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift
Laura Rigas

Drive time: ~1 hour

8:00-8:25am EDT: Arrive New England Outdoor Center // Shower

Location: Cabin No. 11 ("Lookout")

8:25-8:30am EDT: Walk from Cabin to River Driver's Restaurant

8:30-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Meeting with Katahdin Chamber of Commerce & Local Councilmen

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub

Greeted By: Gail Fanjoy, President, Katahdin Chamber of Commerce

Participants: Jamie Brundrett

Joseph Clark
Dan Corcoran
Barry Davis
Nancy Dewitt
Pete Didisheim
James Dill
Marsha Donahue
Gail Fanjoy
John Hafford
Barbara Hartford
Tina Jamo
Chip Lamson
Jeff Lee
Catherine LeMay
Rick Levasseur
Larry MacArthur
Tom Malcom
Georgia Manzo
Cody McEwen
Marcia McKeague
Rick McLaughlin
Anita Mueller
Bob Peterson
Matt Polstein
Jaimie Renaud
Deb Rountree
Wende Sairio
Richard Schmidt

Press: Open

Format: Gail Fanjoy introduces RZ

RZ gives short remarks

Discussion with Members regarding Monument

Set Up: Outdoor event on restaurant patio

Food set up indoors, event around banquet table outdoors

9:30-9:45am EDT:

Brief Media Availability

Location: River Driver's Restaurant & Pub
10 Chanterelle Lane
Millinocket, ME 04462

9:45-11:00am EDT:

Depart Millinocket en route Indian Island

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

ME State Vehicle Lead:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

Heather Swift

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

11:00am EDT:

Arrive Indian Island Bridge // Proceed to Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
27 Wabanaki Way
Indian Island, ME

Note: Chief of Police Bob Bryant and two cruisers will escort to meeting

11:05-11:07am EDT:

Arrive Nicholas Sapiel, Jr. Natural Resources Building

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building

Greeted By: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation

Note: Introduction to WWII Penobscot Veteran Charles Norman Shay

11:07-11:10am EDT:

Opening Prayer & Introductions

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building

Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation

Maulian Dana, Council Member

Charlene Virgilio, Council Member

Donna Loring, Council Member

Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel

Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources

Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts

James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation

Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

Press: Closed

11:10-11:35am EDT:

Presentation of Interior-Funded Programs at the Penobscot Nation

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building

Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation

Maulian Dana, Council Member

Charlene Virgilio, Council Member

Donna Loring, Council Member

Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel

Bob Bryant, Chief of Police

John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:35-11:55am EDT: Discussion of the Importance of the Interior Department as a Trustee

Location: Nicholas Sapiel Jr. Natural Resources Building
Attendees: Kirk Francis, Chief of the Penobscot Nation
Maulian Dana, Council Member
Charlene Virgilio, Council Member
Donna Loring, Council Member
Mark Chavaree, Internal Legal Counsel
Bob Bryant, Chief of Police
John Banks, Director of Natural Resources
Jill Thompkins, Director of Courts
James Francis, Director of Culture and Historic Preservation
Dr. Ben Huerth, Medical Director

11:55-12:00pm EDT: Conclusion of Meeting

12:00-1:00pm EDT: Lunch

1:00-2:15pm EDT: Depart Indian Island en route Augusta, ME

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Heather Swift
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

2:15-2:20pm EDT: Arrive Maine Woods Coalition // Hold in Conference Room

Location: Back Entrance, Conference Room to the Right
Maine Forest Products Council (MFPC) Building
535 Civic Center Drive
Augusta, ME 04330
Greeted By: Patrick Strauch, Executive Director, MFPC
Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition

2:20-3:15pm EDT: Roundtable with Maine Woods Coalition

Location: Downstairs Conference Area
Participants: Stuart Kallgren, President, Maine Woods Coalition
Patrick Strauch, Maine Forest Products Council
Doug Denico, Director, Maine Forest Service
Bob Meyers, Maine Snowmobile Association
Dana Doran, Professional Logging Contractors of Maine
David Trahan, Sportsman's Alliance of Maine

Ben Carlisle, Prentiss & Carlisle Co.
Tom Gardner (possible), W.T. Gardner & Sons
Mike Grass, Maine Snowmobile Association
Benny Lumbra, Lumbra Hardwoods Inc.
Mark Wellman, New England Cost Management
Scott Madden, Madden Logging
Dan Qualey, Qualey Logging Inc
Peter Triandafillou, Huber Resources
John Raymond, Northern Timber Cruisers ATV Club
Real Deschaine (possible), ATV Maine
Doug Thomas, Thomas Firewood
Eugene Mahar, Landvest Inc
Anne Mitchell, East Branch Land Co.
John Monk, Maine Snowmobile Association
Carol Woodcock, Senator Collins' staff
Carol Woodcock intern
Edie Smith, Senator King's staff
TBD, Rep. Poliquin's staff

Press: Closed
Staff:
Advance:
Format: Introduced by Stuart Kallgren
Discussion Format

3:15-6:00pm EDT: Depart Augusta, ME en route Revere, MA

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
ME State Vehicle Lead:
Secretary's Vehicle: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Sgt. Rob Kramer
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Heather Swift
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Downey Magallanes

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 30 minutes

6:00-8:30pm EDT: Private Dinner

Location: 94 Whitin Avenue
Revere, MA 02151

8:30-9:00pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall
89 Broad Street
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle 2: Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Heather Swift

9:00pm EDT: RON

Friday, June 16, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

8:30-8:40am EDT: Depart RON en route New England Aquarium

Location: New England Aquarium
Main Entrance
1 Central Wharf
Boston, MA 02110

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

8:40-9:15am EDT: Arrive New England Aquarium & Proceed to Aquarium Tour

Met by: Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium

Participants: RKZ
Mark Smith, Vice President of Animal Care, New England Aquarium
(Tour Guide)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Note: The focus of the tour will be on species found within the Marine
National Monument

9:15-9:45am EDT: Participate in Virtual Tour of Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor

Participants: RKZ

Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief

Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research,
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
Seamounts National Marine Monument

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Press: Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Note: Coffee & Pastries will be served

9:45-10:40am EDT: Northeast Canyons & Seamounts National Marine Monument Management & Planning Discussion

Location: Howland Trustee Conference Room - 2nd Floor
Participants: RKZ
Brian Benedict, Interim Superintendent, Northeast Canyons &
Seamounts National Marine Monument
Dr. Scott Kraus, Vice President, Senior Science Advisor, & Chief
Scientist for Marine Mammals, New England Aquarium
Laurence Madin, Executive Vice President & Director of Research,
Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Advance: Rusty Roddy

10:40-10:55am EDT: Depart New England Aquarium en route Legal Sea Foods Harborside

Location: Legal Sea Foods Harborside
2nd Floor Dining Room
270 Northern Avenue
Boston, MA 02210
Vehicle Manifest:
MA State Lead Vehicle:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

10:55-11:00am EDT: Arrive Legal Sea Foods Harborside & Proceed to Fishermen Roundtable

Met by: Bob Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Derek Miller, Accounts & Business Development, Saving Seafood

11:00-12:00am EDT: Fishermen Roundtable

Participants: Drew Minkiewicz, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
David Frulla, General Counsel, Fisheries Survival Fund
Eric Hansen, Board Member, Fisheries Survival Fund
Bonnie Brady, Executive Director, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Dan Farnham, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Marty Scanlon, Member, Long Island Commercial Fisheries Association
Grant Moore, President, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
David Borden, Executive Director, Atlantic Offshore Lobstermen's Association
Beth Casoni, Executive Director, Massachusetts Lobstermen's Association
Rich Ruais, President, Atlantic Bluefin Tuna Association
Eric Reid, General Manager, Seafreeze Ltd,
Meghan Lapp, Fisheries Liaison, Seafreeze Ltd.
John Quinn, Chairman, New England Fishery Management Council
Angela Santilippo, President, Gloucester Fishermens Wives Association & Executive Director, Massachusetts Fishing Partnership
Michelle Bachmann, Lead Fishery Analyst for Habitat, New England Fishery Management Council
Jonathan Wood, Attorney, Pacific Legal Foundation
Dick Allen, Fisheries Consultant
Putnam MacLean, Blue Water Fishermen's Association
Robert Vanasse, Executive Director, Saving Seafood
Dewey Hemilright, Council Member, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Kate Machet, Regional Representative, Boston Office of Senator Ed Markey (MA)
TBD Staffer, Office of Senator Elizabeth Warren (MA)
Karen Bradbury, Projects Director, Providence Office of Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (RI)
Bob Fowkes, District Director, Office of Rep. Stephen Lynch (MA)

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Press: Open for first 10 minutes; Closed during discussion

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Format: Participants seated at large square table with seating for 24

Topic: Fishermen affected by the Marine Monument

Program: 11:00 am: Robert Vanasse, Executive Director of Saving Seafood delivers opening remarks & introduces RKZ
11:05 am: RKZ delivers remarks
11:10 am: Participants introduce themselves
11:15 am: Roundtable Discussion
11:50 am: RKZ photo op with participants on outside deck

Note: RKZ should thank Congressional staffers for attending and Representing their Members

Note: Congressional staff representatives, DOI staff, & Press will be seated

In chairs on the outskirts of the room
Note: Saving Seafood staff will coordinate individual press avail for Participants upon conclusion of the roundtable

12:00-12:15pm EDT: Proceed to Vehicle & Depart Legal Sea Foods Harborside en route Moakley Courthouse Pier

Location: Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier
Fort Point Channel
1 Courthouse Way
Boston, MA 02210

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann
Valerie Volcovici, Reuters
Brian Snyder, Reuters

12:15-12:30pm EDT: Arrive Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier & Board MV Abigail

Met by: Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston
Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Vessel: MV *Abigail* (35 Passenger boat)

Boat Manifest: RKZ

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Secretary Matt Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Laura Regis

Heather Swift

Aaron Thiele

Tami Heilemann

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Giles Parker, Chief of Staff, NPS Boston

Gregg Tinkham, Chief Ranger, NPS Boston

Marc Albert, NPS Program Director - Natural Resources & Research

Beth Jackendorf, Supervisory Park Ranger, NPS Boston

Ned Bartlett, MA Undersecretary for Energy & Environmental Affairs

Leo Roy, MA Commissioner, Department of Conservation & Recreation

Susan Hamilton, Northeast Regional Director for MA Department of Conservation & Recreation

Fred Laskey, Executive Director, Massachusetts Water Resources Authority

Austin Blackmon, Chief of Environment, Energy & Open Space, City

Of Boston

Kathy Abbott, President & CEO, Boston Harbor Now

CDR Brad Kelly, U.S. Coast Guard

Arthur Pearson, President & CEO, Thompson Island Outward Bound

Alicia Leuba, Vice President, Eastern Region, Trustees of Reservations

Note: MV *Abigail* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

Note: Upon RKZ arrival to pier, all passengers will be boarded & ready for departure

Note: Boat will not be returning to Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier. Vehicles will be moved by NPS staff from Moakley Pier to Charlestown Harbor

12:30-1:00pm EDT: Depart Moakley Courthouse Fan Pier en route Georges Island

Note: Box lunches will be provided by DECCA

1:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Georges Island & Proceed via Hike to Fort Warren

Met by: National Park Service Rangers

MA Department of Conservation & Recreation Staff

Note: During tour, RKZ will meet with Student Conservation Corps Preservation Team doing work at Fort Warren

2:00-2:30pm EDT: Board Boats & Depart Georges Island en route Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One

Boat Manifest:

NPS MV *Buffalo*:

RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Michael Creasey, General Superintendent, National Parks of Boston

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Tami Heilemann

MV *Thomas Paine*:

Laura Regis

Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Valerie Volcovici, Reuters

Brian Snyder, Reuters

Note: Boats returning from Georges Island & departing for Charlestown Navy Yard are different than original vessel arriving at Georges Island

Note: MV *Thomas Paine* is hosted by Matthew Beaton, MA Secretary of Energy & Environmental Affairs

2:30-3:30pm EDT: Arrive Charlestown Navy Yard Pier One & Proceed to Walking Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard

Met by: Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer, USS Constitution

Tim Anderson, Lieutenant Commander, USS Constitution

Anne Rand Grimes, President, USS Constitution Museum

Paul George, Chairman, USS Constitution Museum

Representatives from Freedom Trail Partners

Secretary Francisco Urena, MA Department of Veterans' Services

Becky Ullman, Chief of Staff for MA Energy & Environmental Affairs

NPS Employees

Tour Stops: USS Cassin Young (Overview of Boston National Historical Park & Navy Yard Unit)

USS Constitution Dry Dock One (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; Robert Moore, Chief, Naval History & Heritage Detachment Boston; and Anne Grimes-Rand, President, USS Constitution Museum. Tour will include Taking dry dock stairs down to witness the restoration of the Ship taking place on the hull)

USS Constitution (Tour led by Robert Gerosa, Commanding Officer; RKZ to receive NPS Passport Stamp)

Note: In front of the USS Cassin Young, Superintendent Michael Creasey Will ask RKZ to assist in an informal presentation of service Awards to five employees

Note: Minimal staff will take the dry dock stairs down to the hull Restoration area.

Note: Prior to tour of USS Constitution, RKZ will select 1 or 2 families from Line to join on tour

3:30-4:00pm EDT: Conclude Tour of Charlestown Navy Yard & Proceed to USS Constitution Museum Reception

Location: Constitution Museum Courtyard

Note: Reception hosted by USS Constitution Museum. Light finger foods / Beverages

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
Heather Swift
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann

Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:00-4:30pm EDT: Meeting with Secretary Matt Beaton & Lt. Governor Karyn Polito

Location: Constitution Museum Education Center

Participants: RKZ
Secretary Matt Beaton
Lt. Governor Karyn Polito (Tentative)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Rusty Roddy

4:30-4:40pm EDT: Depart Charlestown Navy Yard en route Warren Tavern

Location: 2 Pleasant Street
Charlestown, MA 02129

Vehicle Manifest:

MA State Lead Vehicle:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele

Staff Vehicle 2: Heather Swift
Tami Heilemann

4:40-6:15pm EDT: Dinner

Note: Reservation for 14 are under "Michael Creasey"

6:15-6:30pm EDT: **Depart en route Embassy Suites by Hilton Boston at Logan Airport**
Location: 207 Porter Street
 Boston, MA 02128

6:30pm EDT: **RON**

Saturday, June 17, 2017
Boston, MA → Washington, DC

6:45-7:00pm EDT: **Depart en route Logan International Airport**
Location: 1 Harborside Drive
 Boston, MA 02128

8:00am EDT-

9:46am EDT: **Wheels up Boston, MA (BOS) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**

Flight: American Airlines 2173

Flight time: 1 hour, 46 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Aaron Thiele, Tami Heilemann,
 Rusty Roddy

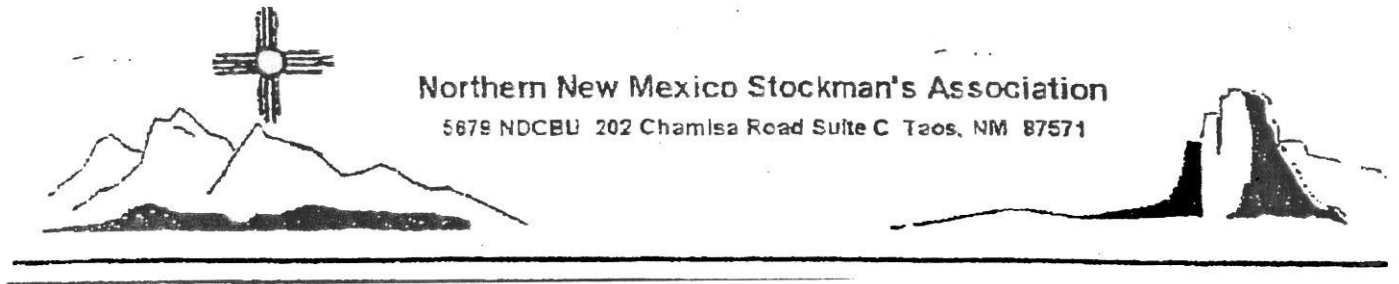
To: Micah Chambers (micah_chambers@ios.doi.gov)[micah_chambers@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: Downey Magallanes (downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov)[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
From: MacGregor, Robert
Sent: 2017-07-10T20:05:41-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: FW: Rio Grande National Monument (RGN) Comments Letter
Received: 2017-07-10T20:07:54-04:00
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FYI – This came in from a couple people this weekend. You may find it useful when reviewing the RGDN Monument.

From: Carlos Salazar [mailto:(b)(6)]
Sent: Sunday, July 09, 2017 12:39 PM
To: MacGregor, Robert
Cc: Marquez, Gloria, GOV
Subject: Rio Grande National Monument (RGN) Comments Letter

Rob, attached are my comments to the RGN opposing the massive land grab.

Carlos Salazar



COMMENTS REGARDING RIO DEL NORTE NATIONAL MONUMENT July 07, 2017

I would like to offer the following comments and concerns regarding the designation of the Rio Grande Del Norte National Monument (RGN) in northern New Mexico. As part of the designation it was proposed to rural folks as a “Heritage Area” to protect all the historical and traditional uses and the custom and culture of the area. The proposed designation at the time sounded great the way it was preached to get widespread community support.

Obviously, what was said back then is not what was legislated and is not what we’re seeing today. All the traditional land uses are being gradually taken away. The access roads too are being closed to stop folks from frequenting the area. Livestock grazing a monumental concern was not placed on equal footing with all the other land uses. With that said, the government deceived the rural folks into thinking the designation would provide all these protections. A prime example of this is where the Spanish names of the landmarks within the designation were changed to English on the maps to deceive folks to give them the false impression the area the government was proposing was in a different area and not part of their historic domain.

As a farmer, rancher, and President of Northern New Mexico Stockman’s Association (NNMSA), NNMSA represents over 5,000 ranchers and farmers. I reside in Rio Arriba County, one of the poorest counties in New Mexico and the United States. This County was once thriving because of the logging industry, but that no longer is the case.

On or about 2013 when the RGN was proposed, there was this fallacy being preached around that designations of National Monuments like the RGN would bring economic prosperity and economic boom to rural communities. The other myth, was the RGN had overwhelming support from everyone in the affected rural communities. NNMSA and Rio Arriba County strongly opposed the RGN designation. We’ve yet to experience any of this prosperity.

In the community meetings that I attended in Taos and Abiquiu New Mexico everyone from the local communities who would be affected through a show of hands overwhelmingly opposed the establishment of the RGN. Only those folks who were not native to the area or lived elsewhere were in favor. Those folks who had family ties to the area also were in extreme opposition. Folks who do not reside in the affected areas do not share the same sentimental values to the land as those folks raised on the land. Many of the outsiders truly support these designations because they are not happening in their backyards. It is obvious the local concerns were ignored in their entirety because of the enormous acreage taken by the establishment of the RGN.

Furthermore, reducing the size of the RGN is critical as the Federal Government already administers the most of the area, so why do we need to add another layer of bureaucracy. It certainly seems all these designations are nothing more than the government wanting to control all land uses. And appeasing the environmental agenda of usurping private property rights. The Rio Grande Gorge because of its unique landscape is virtually inaccessible, other than through water rafting. This landscape itself affords the area remarkable protection without intervention from anyone else. NNMSA cannot eliminate the designation already made to protect the Gorge, but we oppose totally the inclusion of the other landmarks. These land marks (Cerro San Antonio and Ute Mountain etc.) are part of the general landscape where folks have used these lands since New Mexico was colonized back in 1598 by Juan De Onate. These landmarks are part of the Land Grants granted to folks by the King of Spain. Putting these Land Grants into Monuments or Wilderness is the taking away of private property rights, and an assault on rural folk's way of life. These folks have used these areas for centuries to sustain their livelihoods, whether it be through livestock grazing, firewood gathering, pinon picking etc. This area is historically very rich and unique because of Hispanic descent. Kearney's Code set the blueprint for the 1848 Treaty of Guadalupe which granted property protections of every kind that were to be held inviolate. The Treaty is being ignored like many of the other Public Land Laws passed by Congress like the 1964 Multiple Use and Sustained Yield Act and the 1975 Federal Land Management Policy Act. All these laws were passed subject to protecting " valid pre-existing rights."

The Bureau of Land management was largely responsible for the establishment of the RGN. The BLM in this process as aforementioned attempted to deceive the rural folks by translating the Spanish names of the landmarks into English and putting these names on the maps. In this manner, they would confuse the rural folks into thinking the designation was an area somewhere else far removed from their historic domain. This would eliminate conflict and opposition to the designation.

I will enumerate the other reasons why the RGN should be reduced in acreage:

1. The land exchange requested by the New Mexico State Land Office (NMSLO) gives this land grab the appearance the NMSLO supports the designation provided their land exchange (kickback) of equal value or greater is granted acre per acre somewhere else in the State.
2. Grazing permittees have no longer renewed their grazing leases with the NMSLO because of the designation and their inability to access the areas where their grazing operations have been impaired by road closures. These road closures have impacted also all other traditional land uses.
3. If the NMSLO is granted their land exchange why not afford the same opportunity to folks with private land claims within the monument, or exclude the private claims and access from the designation.
4. This monument designation doesn't impact the Wild Scenic River Designation because it caters to a certain group of "elite" folks who are not Hispanics. This surely sounds like racial discrimination.
5. This monument designation is part of a larger effort to prohibit land from being developed and put into preservation to appease the environmental agenda.
6. S. 4698 signed June 8, 1906, *may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected,* " We're not opposed to protecting historical features, but we are opposed to taking of landmarks and customary use areas which we the locals consider a unique part of our custom

and culture to sustain our livelihoods, especially livestock grazing which the enviros despise with a passion.

7. Most if not all the rural folks consider these monument or wilderness designations as “culture genocide”. Ranchers own the stock water rights on these lands administered by the federal government in these monument designations. This designation has taken the water rights away from rural folks who graze livestock by the federal government. Where is the compensation?
8. All traditional uses such as firewood and medicinal herb gathering, pinon picking, range improvement projects, wildfire suppression, logging, thinning, etc. are essential to sustaining local economies, and this designation is now severely destroying this social fabric.
9. The RGN is a huge federal land grab of control over Local People, Private, and State Property and needs to be reduced!!
10. Ranchers provide food for this country and contribute significantly toward the County Coffers and local businesses. Many of these small businesses are going to be put out of business therefore we must REDUCE the RGN.!!!
11. Local Ranchers cherish the lands and animals in which they have become stewards of for hundreds of years. They care for the lands because they know the lands care for them. Hundreds of cows are permitted to graze within the monument boundary. The tax value for both Rio Arriba and Taos Counties will be greatly affected. This doesn't factor in the taxes received on any sales or additional business generated to local business owners that provide products to these ranchers. These monuments directly reduce revenue into our counties and the RGN must be reduced.
12. There is a bill that has been introduced into Congress by two of our Democratic New Mexico Senators to turn this Monument into Wilderness to make certain access and all traditional uses are paralyzed. How can there be economic boom or economic prosperity from the RGN when the access to the area is closed, rural folks must go outside their historic domain to sustain their livelihoods, livestock grazing operations without a doubt will be eliminated knowing the culture of our government, and traditional uses will be severely hampered or done away with because of road closures. Why would outsiders travel hundreds or thousands of miles to tour an area that has no access? Who wants to tour from a distance without setting footprints on the RGN?
13. This monument designation was pursued by outsiders with political influence over our New Mexico congressional delegation, except Congressman Steve Pearce to appease the environmental movement of this State. Our Congressional folks have sold the rural folks out to the environmental community. These enviros folks have nothing to lose or gain economically and otherwise but they certainly want to stop development of any kind from occurring and remove any uses of the land.

14. REDUCE the RGN because The State of New Mexico has lost income for New Mexico children's education!!
15. The 30,000 acres of state trust land in the RGN will lose the ability to generate maximum revenue for the state, which is designated for educational purposes

The list can go on and on as to why the RGN should be reduced according to the 1906 Antiquities Law. Protect the objects and let's not use the monument as a huge land grab. We need to manage everything judiciously. Preservation is only successful through careful planning. National Monument designations are job killers and can devastate economies. The government needs to butt out of our lives and listen to those folks who live and make their livelihoods off the land. They are the good stewards, not the government.

If you have any questions on this, please feel to contact me at 505-927-9818 or my home at 505-685-4541. My email is casalazar98@yahoo.com.

Sincerely,

Carlos Salazar

President-Northern New Mexico Stockman's Association

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Micah & Scott—

I wanted to sure to share the invitations which we have been cc'ed on from local officials and constituents to Secretary Zinke inviting him to see parts of Southern New Mexico with them during this trip. I am sure these are not the only invitations, but figured I should share what we received. We look forward to working with you to accommodate these invitations and other commitments he has made during the Secretary's visit.

As always, if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call.

Cheers,
Stephenne

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Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

June 28, 2017

Dear Secretary Zinke:

Last week you announced your intent to visit New Mexico, and you committed to visit with a wide range of stakeholders here including federal, state and local officials about the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. As the mayors of Las Cruces, Mesilla, Anthony and Sunland Park, we represent constituents who live in close proximity to the monument and whose livelihoods and families are connected to the monument. We also see the day-to-day effects of the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks National Monument's designation on our cities and towns, including the positive economic impacts the monument has brought to the region.

As the mayors, we invite you to participate in a public meeting we will host when you are in southern New Mexico so that you can hear from community members about the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. We know that your attendance will be viewed as an important opportunity for the public to be heard. As local leaders, we can facilitate a constructive discussion with those who have great stakes in the monument and provide the kind of input you are seeking during your review.

We understand you are still planning your trip. We look forward to working with you so you can attend a public meeting with our constituents as well as visit the monument itself to see the spectacular landscape in which we live. We ask that you please have your staff reply as quickly as possible so that we can make the appropriate arrangements to accommodate your schedule. Please contact Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez, Mesilla town clerk-treasurer, 575-524-3262, ext. 105, or at cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov, and she will share your office's information with the other mayors.

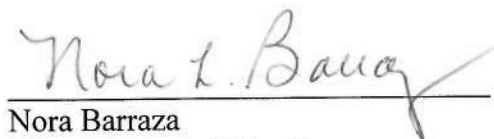
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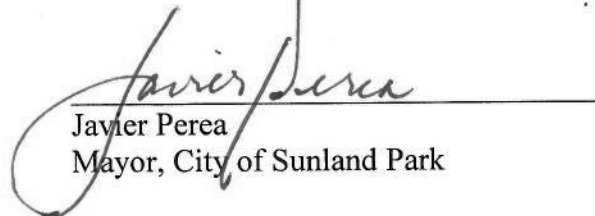
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Mayor, City of Sunland Park

Southwest Consolidated Sportsmen
Las Cruces, New Mexico

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June 28, 2017

The Honorable
Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior
1849 C Street N. W.
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Mr. Secretary:

As representatives of the Southwest Consolidated Sportsmen, a coalition of the organized sportsmen and outdoor enthusiasts groups in the Las Cruces area, we wish to convey our concerns about the ongoing consideration to reduce the footprint of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

Many members of our organization have been actively involved in the discussions regarding the formation of the monument since the initial consideration of protection for these areas began back in the late 1980s. Some of our members have been hunting and recreating in these areas for better than fifty years and, as such, are intimately familiar with all of them, the opportunities they present for the public and the cultural, social, and economic values they hold for the region.

Granted, we as sportsmen were initially concerned for the future of these special locations in the direction of the debates and discussions among the various stakeholders. We feared that our values as wildlife enthusiasts and hunters would be dismissed or, worse yet, eliminated altogether in the process. What we found instead was a refreshing willingness to compromise and accept differing viewpoints and outlooks among almost all of the stakeholders involved.

The result of all of those interactions, debates and discussions was a final product that objectively took into consideration every reasonable request for consideration from all of the parties involved, while still maintaining the overall perspective of protecting these areas as a whole.

We are concerned that the political bickering at the national level has led us to a place where all of our efforts over the last few decades to, first, protect these landscapes because they are deserving of protection, while second, providing reasonable multiple uses to all stakeholders involved are being jeopardized. They are being threatened because of a small minority of special interests and individuals that somehow believe their perspective supersedes the overall interest of the public as a whole and, even more importantly, the protection the monument designation affords these special places.

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument, in its entirety, has overwhelming support from a large majority of the citizens of this area. On behalf of those citizens, we would hope that your ultimate recommendation would be to preserve our monument as it is.

Finally, we are aware that you are making an effort to visit the various monuments being reviewed. As representatives of the local sportsmen's community, we would like to meet with you, at your convenience, to discuss the monument "in person." In fact, if time allows, we would be delighted to show you around "our" monument from a sportsmen's perspective. Also, if you would like to hone your shotgun skills, we would like to challenge you to a little competition at Butterfield Shooting Range, our state-of-the-art trap and skeet range sited just on the edge of the monument. We could do

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this early in the morning or at an evening shoot to stay out of the heat and any potential wind, and local sportsmen will provide wild game fare for either breakfast or dinner.

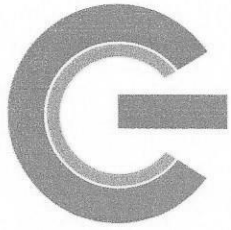
Please feel free to contact either of us by phone or email: John Cornell at 575-740-1759 or jcls1010@gmail.com; Jim Bates at 575-644-7751 or jim_bates2@hotmail.com.


We look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

John Cornell & Jim Bates, Co-chairmen

Southwest Consolidated Sportsmen




LAS CRUCES
GREEN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
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July 11, 2017

Secretary Ryan Zinke
Monument Review MS-1530
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke,

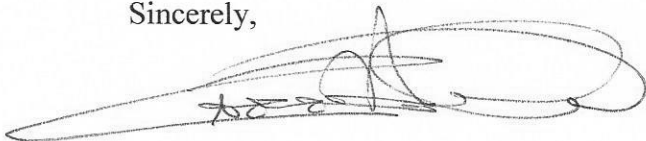
On behalf of the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce, I would like to extend an invitation to you and your office to visit Las Cruces, New Mexico to experience the culture, the food, and our Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

As the only organization in town that focuses specifically on the economic impact of our locally owned businesses, the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce has the honor of highlighting the hard work and dedication to our community that small business owners have and exhibit every day. We have also seen our local businesses take ownership of our National Monument and would like to share with you their stories.

We would be honored if you and your staff were able to visit Southern New Mexico to experience our incredible sunrises and sunsets, meet the amazing people here who are working hard every day to make our region the great place it is, and to see how our National Monument has impacted our city.

I look forward to hearing from your office.

Sincerely,



Carrie Hamblen
CEO/President
Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce
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Friends of Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks
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Secretary Ryan Zinke
Department of the Interior
1849 C St. NW
Washington, D.C. 20240

July 7, 2017

RE: Invitation to learn about Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks National Monument on the ground

Dear Secretary Zinke:

Friends of Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks is pleased to learn that you plan to visit Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks National Monument as part of the Monument Review process undertaken by the Department of Interior. We cordially invite you to join us on the ground to see firsthand the natural, cultural and historic resources protected by Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks National Monument and the diverse base of community support that the Monument enjoys.

Friends of Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks is a non-profit community-based organization based in Las Cruces, New Mexico. We represent diverse voices and stakeholders including sportsmen and women, local businesses, recreation users, faith leaders and local citizens. The Friends work closely with the Bureau of Land Management on shared goals and projects that connect our community with our public lands including community education and outreach programs, trail maintenance, trash cleanups and an Artist in Residence Program. We also provide significant volunteer resources to BLM to achieve their multipurpose mission.

Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks National Monument was designated in 2014 at our community's request, following an extensive outreach and engagement process that included local sportsmen and sportswomen's groups, businesses, recreational users, scientists and citizens who all weighed in to create a Monument that protected our most important cultural, historical and natural resources.

New Mexico's U.S. Senate offices, the Department of the Interior and the State Land Office worked closely with stakeholders to ensure that ranching, Border Patrol and national security activities could continue unimpeded by the new designation. By the time then-Secretary of the

Interior Sally Jewel visited to inspect the proposed Monument, the proposal enjoyed overwhelming support in polling, from stakeholder groups throughout Doña Ana County, and at a massive event held for the community at large.

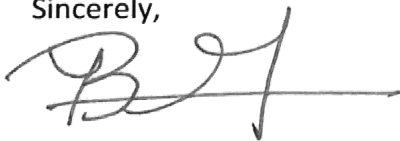
In the three years since designation of the National Monument in 2014, our community has even more fully embraced the Monument. The Las Cruces Convention & Visitor's Bureau's annual Monuments to Main Street celebration is a growing focal point of regional tourism and economic development for Southern New Mexico. Local businesses have incorporated the Monument into their marketing and developed new products connect visitors and locals to Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks. User groups have organized to volunteer and help maintain trails and build community identity around the Monument. National and international publications recognize Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks as a top destination for travelers.

As you might understand, our community was surprised to hear of a Monument Review process, given the positive impacts and continued community support we have witnessed since designation. In response to the review, thousands of comments have been generated by Doña Ana County residents in support of the Monument, and local boards and commissions have passed formal resolutions of support, citing overwhelming community support, economic impact, and the importance of the protected cultural, historical and natural resources to our region. These include the Doña Ana County Board of County Commissioners, Las Cruces City Council, Anthony City Council, Town Council of Mesilla and Sunland Park City Council.

Please reach out to me to arrange to visit the Monument and meet with community leaders and citizens. I look forward to meeting with you and showing you our Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks National Monument.

I can be reached at ben@organmtnfriends.org or via phone at (575) 489-4709.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Benjamin Gabriel', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Benjamin Gabriel

Executive Director
Friends of Organ Mountains – Desert Peaks



July 7, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary of the Interior
1849 C St NW
Washington, DC 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke,

You would know better than many Americans that serving in the U.S. military is about more than defending our nation's people and its values; it's also about fighting to ensure that the very lands on which we live and recreate are still here for our children and grandchildren to enjoy.

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks is special place of unparalleled rugged beauty. It stands at the crossroads of American history including pre-historical places sacred to Native Americans, the Camino Real traversed by Spanish settlers for centuries, and the Butterfield Stage Route used by Americans traveling east-west across the country in the 19th century. These kinds of sites tell us something about our past and how far we've come as a nation.

Thus, I would like to offer you the opportunity to hike and discover some of the special places the Organ Mountain-Desert Peaks contains with a group of military veterans who worked very hard to make their support of the monument heard by the previous administration. I understand you will be in New Mexico at the end of July. Please let me know what day and time you would like to hike with our veterans through the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks. We are happy to accommodate your schedule.

As a veteran who understands and appreciates the military contribution to our country, you might enjoy seeing some of the rich military history connected to the monument. During this hike, we can show you how the Organ Mountains Desert-Peaks also is home to some more recent pieces of history that are particularly important to veterans. Perhaps the best examples are the Deming aerial bombing targets, which were used to help train Army Air Corps pilots during World War II. These large bull's eye targets gave our Greatest Generation critical training to defeat the enemies of freedom during some of the darkest days the world has ever known.

Though I served my country in the armed forces, I believe fighting for this monument was another kind of service – a type of service that will allow my children and grandchildren to explore and enjoy these public lands as well as learn more rich chapters of the American story.

The proximity of military installations like Ft. Bliss and White Sands Missile Range means that these lands offer great opportunities for our service members, veterans and their families to enjoy and explore. Las Cruces and the surrounding region has a proud military tradition and a strong veteran community.

Thank you in advance and look forward to showing you this special part of my community.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Garrett Reppenhagen", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Garett Reppenhagen
US Army 1st Infantry, Kosovo and OIF II Veteran
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[4. csnm-guide.pdf](#)

[5. CSNM Expansion 070617.pdf](#)

[6. PCT Hike.pdf](#)

[1. Schedule Oregon July15.pdf](#)

[2. Advance Memo Template 07-15.pdf](#)

[3. Visit to Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument 7-15.pdf](#)

Hey Caroline, can you do me a favor por favor? Can you put together two binders with the attached documents; one for the boss and the other for Downey to take on the plane tomorrow. Gracias, I numbered the documents for the order in which they would go in the binder. Thanks.



United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: Saturday, July 15 **TIME:** All Day

FROM: Kathy Benedetto

SUBJECT: Background on the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument and its impact on local timber and ranching industries.

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The opening sentence should clearly state the purpose of the memo (i.e. to inform/update the Secretary (i.e. to inform the Secretary about an issue, topic, or event he has a need to be aware of). Briefing memos should NOT raise issues for decision.

II. BACKGROUND

Fast Facts

- Original monument is approximately 65,000 acres in southwestern Oregon (designated 6/9/2000)
- Managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Expansion is approximately 42,000 acres in Oregon and 5,000 acres in California (designated 1/12/2017)

Timber Harvest

Approximately 80,000 acres within both the original Monument and the expansion area are designated as Oregon and California Railroad Revested (O&C) Lands (see attached map). These lands are covered by the O&C Act of 1937, which mandates that those lands determined to be suitable for timber production shall be managed for, “permanent forest production and the timber shall be sold, cut and removed in conformity with the principal [sic] of sustained yield for the purpose of providing a permanent source of timber supply, protecting watersheds, regulating stream flow, and contributing the economic stability of local communities and industry, and providing recreational facilities.”

- The Presidential proclamations for both the original Monument and expansion explicitly prohibit commercial timber production and sustained yield forestry. The proclamation allows for harvest when it is part of an authorized science-based ecological restoration project for protection and old growth enhancement objectives, consistent with the purposes of the proclamation. In addition, the proclamation specifies that removal of trees from within the monument may take place only if clearly needed for ecological restoration and maintenance or public safety.



United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

- Within the Monument expansion, approximately 310,000 (0.310 million) board feet have been harvested from within the OR portion of the expansion area under timber sale contracts that were entered into prior to January 12, 2017. The contracts are considered valid existing rights and will be completed, including the approximately 2.9 million board feet of timber that remain to be harvested. In the expansion area, the remaining harvest to be operated under valid existing rights is approximately 511 acres across three timber sales.
- The monument expansion area within the OR portion is administered under the 2016 Southwestern Oregon ROD and RMP (signed in August 2016) and includes about 16,700 acres of Harvest Land Base (i.e. dedicated to sustained yield timber production). The expansion area likely reduces sustained yield timber production opportunities in the harvest land base by 4-6 million board feet per year, and commercial harvest in reserved land use allocations by 400,000 (0.400 million) board feet per year.

Grazing

- The original proclamation requires a study of the impacts of grazing on the ecosystem, and provides that existing authorized permits or leases may continue with appropriate terms and conditions under existing laws and regulations. It provides that if grazing is found incompatible with protecting the objects of biological interest, the Secretary of the Interior will retire the grazing allotments pursuant to the processes of applicable law.
- The Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 enabled grazing leases within the original CSNM to be voluntarily retired.
- The Proclamation for the expansion describes grazing be managed under the same laws and regulations that apply to the rest of the monument, including the management provisions of the original proclamation.
- If grazing permits or leases are relinquished by existing holders, the Secretary will not reallocate the forage available under those permits or for grazing purposes unless that reallocation will advance the purposes of the monument.

Tribal

- The CSNM is culturally significant to the Grand Ronde, Siletz, Shasta and Klamath Tribes. There are 214 cultural resource sites recorded within the Monument. Many historic sites are related to early 18th century homesteading and livestock rearing activities.
- The annual Maka Oyate Sundance event is not officially associated with a Federally Recognized Tribe; however, participants in the ceremony include members of the Klamath Tribes which is a Federally Recognized Tribe.

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

Cascade Siskiyou National Monument (Oregon)

July 14-17, 2017

Draft: 7/14/17



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
Cascade Siskiyou National Monument
July 14 - July 17, 2017

Weather:

Ashland, OR (Saturday)
Medford, OR (Sunday)

High 96°, Low 59°; Plenty of Sunshine
High 95°, Low 59°; Plenty of Sunshine

Time Zone:

Oregon

Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance:

Security Advance
Advance

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Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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202-897-7178

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge
Deputy Chief of Staff
Communications Director
Videographer

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Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Maria Thi Mai

Cell Phone:

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Attire:

Hiking Attire Saturday, Montana Casual Sunday

Friday, July 14, 2017

Washington, DC → Medford, OR

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

Depart DOI en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Drive time: ~30 minutes

4:55pm EDT-

7:40pm MDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Salt Lake City, UT (SLC)

Flight: Delta 2994

Flight time: 4 hours, 45 minutes

RZ Seat: 28F

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

7:40-10:05pm MDT:

Layover in Salt Lake City, UT // 2 hour, 25 minute layover

Note: Downey will use this time to brief on the Secretary on the Friday meetings

10:05pm MDT-

10:50pm PDT:

Wheels up Salt Lake City, UT (SLC) en route Medford, OR (MRF)

Flight: Delta 4764

Flight time: 1 hour, 45 minutes

RZ Seat: 4C

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

10:50-11:00pm PDT:

Wheels down Rogue Valley International-Medford Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 1000 Terminal Loop Parkway
Medford, OR 97504

11:00-11:10pm PDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott
1389 Center Drive
Medford, OR 97501

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive time: ~10 minutes

11:15pm PDT:

RON

Note: Per Diem is \$91; M&IE is \$51

Saturday, July 15, 2017

Medford, OR → Cascade Siskiyou National Monument → Medford, OR

7:20-7:30am PDT:

Meet BLM Staff at Hotel

Note: Introductions and Discuss Hike

7:30-8:30am PDT:

Depart RON en route Monument

Location: Hiking Trail

Participants: Theresa Hanley, BLM Oregon State Director
Jody Weil, BLM Deputy State Director for Communications
Elizabeth Burghard, BLM Medford District Manager
Kristi Mastrofini, BLM Field Office Manager
Jim Whittington, BLM Medford Public Affairs Officer
Maria Thi Mai, BLM Public Affairs Officer

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Downey Magallanes

Theresa Hanley, BLM Oregon State Director

Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele

Laura Rigas

WSJ Reporter

Note: BLM staff will have their own vehicles.

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TBD other Cattlemen

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Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele
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Maria Thi Mai, Video/Photo

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Location: Wildlife Viewing Area

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Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott
1389 Center Drive
Medford, OR 97501

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes

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Laura Rigas
WSJ Reporter
Maria Thi Mai

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Format:

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8:15pm PDT:

RON

Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott
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DATE: Monday, May 29, 2017
LOCATION: Medford, OR
TIME: 7:20am - 8:15pm PDT
FROM: Aaron Thiele

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V. ATTACHMENTS

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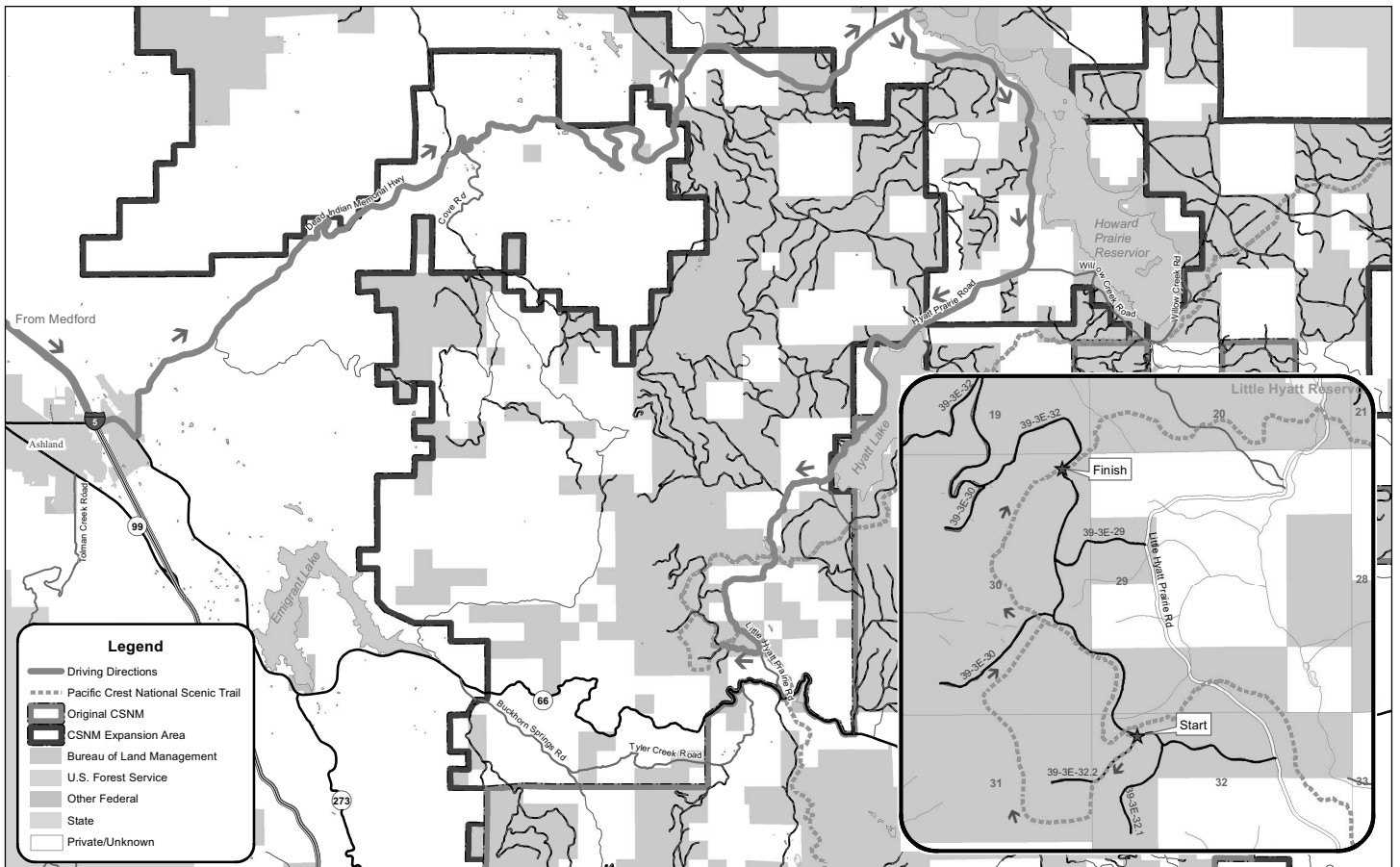
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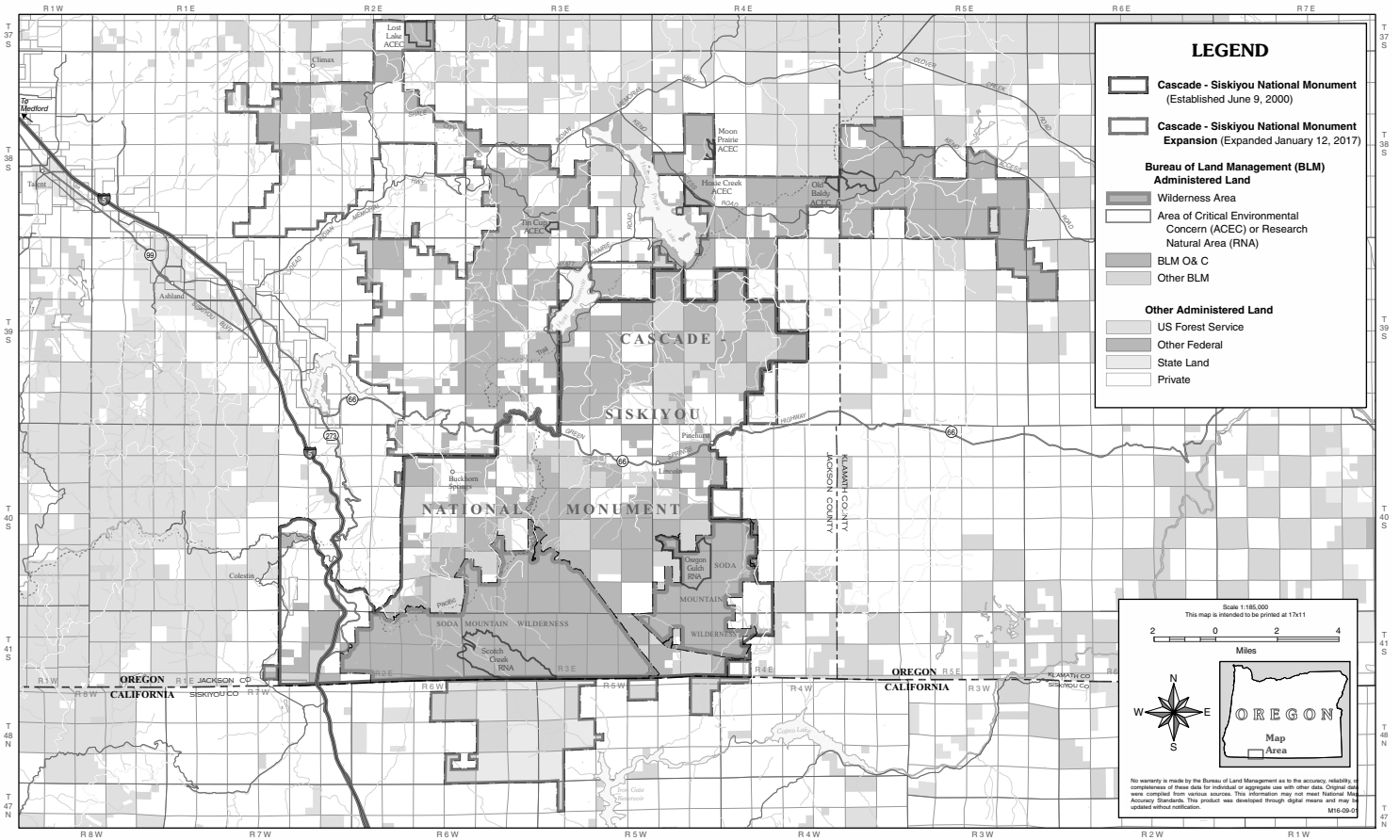
Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument Pacific Crest Trail Hike - Greensprings Loop





CASCADE-SISKIYOU NATIONAL MONUMENT EXPANSION

July 6, 2017



To: G Hackett[elaine_hackett@nps.gov]
From: Downey Magallanes
Sent: 2017-07-14T12:09:22-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Fwd: Friday Travel Binder
Received: 2017-07-14T12:10:16-04:00

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[5. CSNM Expansion 070617.pdf](#)

[ATT00002.htm](#)

[6. PCT Hike.pdf](#)

[ATT00003.htm](#)

[1. Schedule Oregon July15.pdf](#)

[ATT00004.htm](#)

[2. Advance Memo Template 07-15.pdf](#)

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[3. Visit to Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument 7-15.pdf](#)

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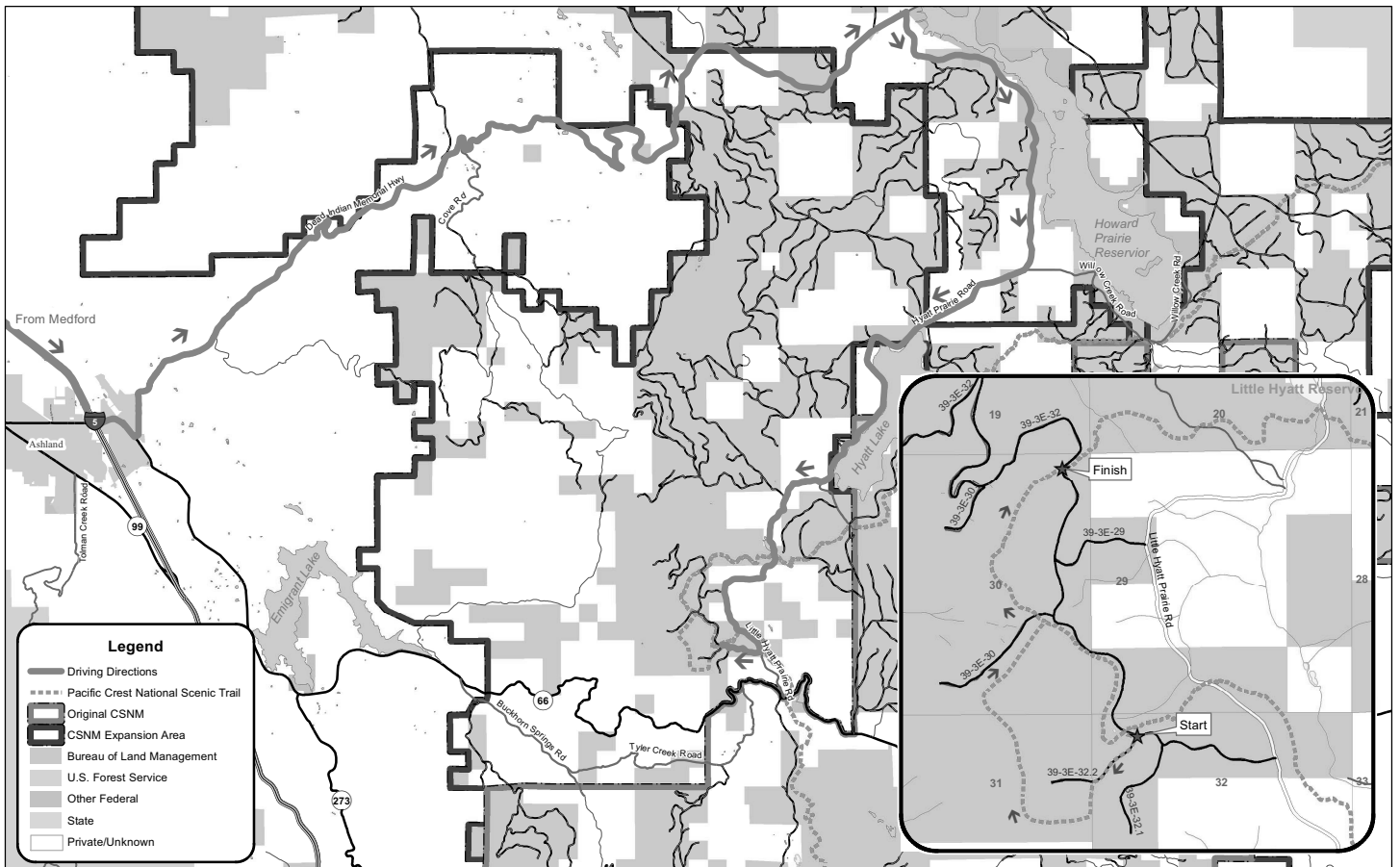
Would you mind terribly printing all these documents for me. No binder

Begin forwarded message:

From: "Thiele, Aaron" <aaron_thiele@ios.doi.gov>
To: Caroline Boulton <caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: "Magallanes, Downey" <downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Friday Travel Binder

Hey Caroline, can you do me a favor por favor? Can you put together two binders with the attached documents; one for the boss and the other for Downey to take on the plane tomorrow. Gracias, I numbered the documents for the order in which they would go in the binder. Thanks.

Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument Pacific Crest Trail Hike - Greensprings Loop



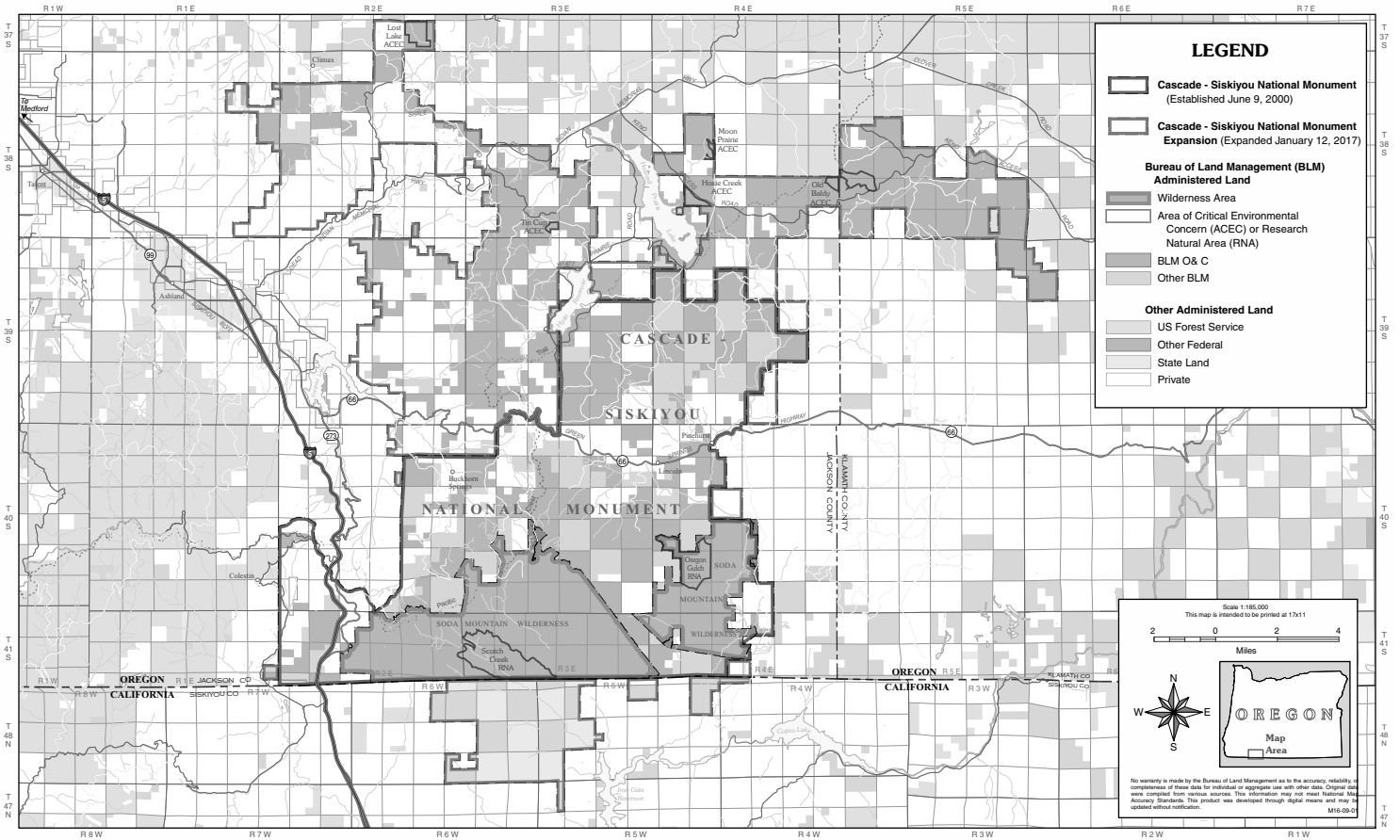
Legend

- Driving Directions
- Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail
- Original CSNM
- CSNM Expansion Area
- Bureau of Land Management
- U.S. Forest Service
- Other Federal
- State
- Private/Unknown



CASCADE-SISKIYOU NATIONAL MONUMENT EXPANSION

July 6, 2017





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Washington, D.C. 20240

INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: Saturday, July 15 **TIME:** All Day

FROM: Kathy Benedetto

SUBJECT: Background on the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument and its impact on local timber and ranching industries.

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The opening sentence should clearly state the purpose of the memo (i.e. to inform/update the Secretary (i.e. to inform the Secretary about an issue, topic, or event he has a need to be aware of). Briefing memos should NOT raise issues for decision.

II. BACKGROUND

Fast Facts

- Original monument is approximately 65,000 acres in southwestern Oregon (designated 6/9/2000)
- Managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Expansion is approximately 42,000 acres in Oregon and 5,000 acres in California (designated 1/12/2017)

Timber Harvest

Approximately 80,000 acres within both the original Monument and the expansion area are designated as Oregon and California Railroad Revested (O&C) Lands (see attached map). These lands are covered by the O&C Act of 1937, which mandates that those lands determined to be suitable for timber production shall be managed for, “permanent forest production and the timber shall be sold, cut and removed in conformity with the principal [sic] of sustained yield for the purpose of providing a permanent source of timber supply, protecting watersheds, regulating stream flow, and contributing the economic stability of local communities and industry, and providing recreational facilities.”

- The Presidential proclamations for both the original Monument and expansion explicitly prohibit commercial timber production and sustained yield forestry. The proclamation allows for harvest when it is part of an authorized science-based ecological restoration project for protection and old growth enhancement objectives, consistent with the purposes of the proclamation. In addition, the proclamation specifies that removal of trees from within the monument may take place only if clearly needed for ecological restoration and maintenance or public safety.



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- Within the Monument expansion, approximately 310,000 (0.310 million) board feet have been harvested from within the OR portion of the expansion area under timber sale contracts that were entered into prior to January 12, 2017. The contracts are considered valid existing rights and will be completed, including the approximately 2.9 million board feet of timber that remain to be harvested. In the expansion area, the remaining harvest to be operated under valid existing rights is approximately 511 acres across three timber sales.
- The monument expansion area within the OR portion is administered under the 2016 Southwestern Oregon ROD and RMP (signed in August 2016) and includes about 16,700 acres of Harvest Land Base (i.e. dedicated to sustained yield timber production). The expansion area likely reduces sustained yield timber production opportunities in the harvest land base by 4-6 million board feet per year, and commercial harvest in reserved land use allocations by 400,000 (0.400 million) board feet per year.

Grazing

- The original proclamation requires a study of the impacts of grazing on the ecosystem, and provides that existing authorized permits or leases may continue with appropriate terms and conditions under existing laws and regulations. It provides that if grazing is found incompatible with protecting the objects of biological interest, the Secretary of the Interior will retire the grazing allotments pursuant to the processes of applicable law.
- The Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 enabled grazing leases within the original CSNM to be voluntarily retired.
- The Proclamation for the expansion describes grazing be managed under the same laws and regulations that apply to the rest of the monument, including the management provisions of the original proclamation.
- If grazing permits or leases are relinquished by existing holders, the Secretary will not reallocate the forage available under those permits or for grazing purposes unless that reallocation will advance the purposes of the monument.

Tribal

- The CSNM is culturally significant to the Grand Ronde, Siletz, Shasta and Klamath Tribes. There are 214 cultural resource sites recorded within the Monument. Many historic sites are related to early 18th century homesteading and livestock rearing activities.
- The annual Maka Oyate Sundance event is not officially associated with a Federally Recognized Tribe; however, participants in the ceremony include members of the Klamath Tribes which is a Federally Recognized Tribe.

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July 14-17, 2017

Draft: 7/14/17



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Laura Rigas
Maria Thi Mai

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Attire:

Hiking Attire Saturday, Montana Casual Sunday

Friday, July 14, 2017

Washington, DC → Medford, OR

3:30-4:00pm EDT:

Depart DOI en route Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Drive time: ~30 minutes

4:55pm EDT-

7:40pm MDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Salt Lake City, UT (SLC)

Flight: Delta 2994

Flight time: 4 hours, 45 minutes

RZ Seat: 28F

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

7:40-10:05pm MDT:

Layover in Salt Lake City, UT // 2 hour, 25 minute layover

Note: Downey will use this time to brief on the Secretary on the Friday meetings

10:05pm MDT-

10:50pm PDT:

Wheels up Salt Lake City, UT (SLC) en route Medford, OR (MRF)

Flight: Delta 4764

Flight time: 1 hour, 45 minutes

RZ Seat: 4C

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

10:50-11:00pm PDT:

Wheels down Rogue Valley International-Medford Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 1000 Terminal Loop Parkway
Medford, OR 97504

11:00-11:10pm PDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott
1389 Center Drive
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Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele
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Drive time: ~10 minutes

11:15pm PDT:

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Note: Per Diem is \$91; M&IE is \$51

Saturday, July 15, 2017

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Note: Introductions and Discuss Hike

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Location: Hiking Trail

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Staff: None
Format:

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[1. Schedule Oregon July15.pdf](#)

All, attached is the final schedule for tomorrow's events.

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Rancher Stop:

Lee Bradshaw, Bradshaw County Company, Permittee

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Dalton Straus, Board Member Jackson County Farm Bureau

Bob Strosser, Commissioner, Jackson County

Donnie Boyd, Commissioner, Klamath County

Recreation Stop:

Bob McNeely, Owner, Hyatt Lake Resort

Dennis Jordan, Former President, Rogue Snowmobilers Association
David Jordan, President, Rogue Snowmobilers Association
Dave Eaton, Motorcycle Riders Association

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Agenda: 11:20-11:40am - Timber Stop at Baldy Ridge
11:40-12:00pm - Drive to Timber Stop #2
12:00-12:30pm - Lunch and Timber Stop #2
12:30-12:45pm - Drive to Rancher Stop #1
12:45-1:00pm - Rancher Stop #1
1:00-1:15pm - Drive to Rancher Stop #2
1:15-1:30pm - Rancher Stop #2
1:30-1:50pm - Drive to Timber Stop #3
1:50-2:20pm - Timber Stop #3
2:20-2:45pm - Drive to Hyatt Lake Resort
2:45-3:15pm - Recreation Stop

3:15-3:25pm PDT: Hold Time at Hyatt Lake Resort
Location: Cabin 25
Campers Cove
7900 Hyatt Prairie Road
Ashland, OR 97520

3:25-4:15pm PDT: Media Availability
Location: Campers Cove
Lake as a backdrop

4:15-4:45pm PDT: Interview: Wall Street Journal
Location: Cabin 25
Campers Cove

4:45-5:45pm PDT: Depart Media Availability en route Medford, OR
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[Sunday, July 16 Oregon - Schedule.pdf](#)

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Cameron Krauss, Senior Vice President, Seneca Sawmill
Steve Swanson, President and CEO, Swanson Group
Bob Freres, CEO and Chairman of the Board, Freres Lumber Co.
Valerie Johnson, DR Johnson Lumber
Tim Freeman, President, Association of O&C Counties; Commissioner,
Douglas County
Colleen Roberts, Commissioner, Jackson County
Kelly Minty Morris, Commissioner, Klamath County
Doug Robertson, Association of O&C Counties
Amy Amrhein, Senator Merkley Staff

Format: Tables arranged in U shape, Mr. Walden sitting next to RZ

11:15-11:30am PDT:

Depart Roundtable en route Lunch

Travel Time: ~5 minutes

11:30-12:30pm PDT:

Lunch

Location: Las Morenas Taqueria
628 N Riverside Ave # A
Medford, OR 97501

12:30-1:00pm PDT:

Depart Lunch en route BLM Office

Location: ~5 minutes

1:00-2:00pm PDT:

Meeting with Governor

Location: BLM Office Conference Room
3040 Biddle Road
Medford, OR 97504

Participants: Governor Kate Brown

Jason Miner, Natural Resources Staffer
Bryan Hockaday, Press Secretary
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Aaron Thiele
Topics: Establishing a good working relationship
Monument
Klamath River
Sage Grouse

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Hold

2:30-3:30pm PDT: Meeting with Klamath Tribes
Location: BLM Office Conference Room
3040 Biddle Road
Medford, OR 97504
Participants: Don Gentry, Chairman
Gail Hatcher, Vice Chair
Roberta Frost, Secretary
Brandi Hatcher, Treasurer
George Lopez, Administration General Manager
Devery Saluskin, Tribal Council Member at Large

3:30-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Soda Mountain Wilderness Council
Location: BLM Office Conference Room
3040 Biddle Road
Medford, OR 97504

4:15-4:30pm PDT: Depart BLM Office en route Dinner
Location: Common Block Brewing
315 E 5th Street
Medford, OR 97501
Travel Time: ~6 minutes

4:30-5:45pm PDT: Dinner
Location: Common Block Brewing
315 E 5th Street
Medford, OR 97501

5:45-6:00pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route Airport
Location: 1000 Terminal Loop Parkway
Medford, OR 97504
Travel Time: ~8 minutes

7:06pm PDT-8:30pm PDT: Wheels up Medford, OR (MRF) en route San Francisco (SFO)
Flight: United 5811
Flight time: 1 hour, 24 minutes
RZ Seat: 5C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes

8:30-10:35pm PDT: Layover in San Francisco, CA // 2 hour, 5 minute layover

10:35pm PDT-6:54am EDT: Wheels up San Francisco, CA (SFO) en route Washington, DC (BWI)
Flight: United 1153

Flight time: 5 hours, 19 minutes
RZ Seat: 29C
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes

To: heather_swift@ios.doi.gov[heather_swift@ios.doi.gov]
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July 18, 2017

Six-State Monuments to America RV Road Tour Comes to Albuquerque

*New Mexico leaders call on Interior Secretary Zinke to support and protect
public lands, national monuments*

ALBUQUERQUE, NM—The Center for Western Priorities' [Monuments to America](#) RV road tour stopped in Albuquerque today, where leaders urged President Donald Trump and Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke to stop the assault on popular national monuments that boost local economies.

During a press briefing at Tiguex Park, business leaders, outdoor advocates and elected officials discussed how national monuments and other protected public lands help create jobs, support the local economy and define the West's outdoor way of life.

Lucy Livesay, Center for Western Priorities:

"Our parks and public lands, particularly national monuments, are a testament to our history and culture. They form the very fabric of our Western way of life. Eliminating national monuments sends us down an unprecedented path that puts all of our treasured outdoor spaces at risk. We are calling on President Trump and Secretary Zinke to respect America's public lands and let our national monuments stand."

Greg Bloom, State Director, office of U.S. Senator Tom Udall:

"Our national monuments are treasured by New Mexicans and all Americans. They hold

enormous significance for Tribes, and help fuel New Mexico's growing outdoor recreation industry. If President Trump and Secretary Zinke attempt to eliminate or shrink national monuments in New Mexico, Senator Udall will fight them every step of the way."

Chris Lang, founder, Organ Mountain Outfitters:

"Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument has been a boon to Doña Ana County. Visitors spend money at our hotels, restaurants and other businesses. I have seen firsthand the economic benefits our region has received since the monument's designation through the founding of my own business, Organ Mountain Outfitters."

Kent Salazar, advisory board member at HECHO and Western Vice Chair at the National Wildlife Federation:

"Rio Grande del Norte is a crown jewel that highlights New Mexico's natural and cultural heritage. We've been working on protecting it for 15 years. Hunters, anglers, rancher and businesses support the monument, which ensures it will be preserved for generations to come. The Trump administration should keep it the way it is."

Gabe Vasquez, southern New Mexico coordinator for the New Mexico Wildlife Federation and New Mexico coordinator for Latino Outdoors:

"Our public lands belong to all Americans, not just oil and gas companies and wealthy citizens who would rather them be private playgrounds. That's why Las Cruces overwhelmingly support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. Our community is seeing the benefits of this national monument and we want President Trump and Secretary to hear this message loud and clear: our heritage and our land is not for sale."

John Olivas, Owner, JACO Outfitters:

"I grew up hunting and fishing on public lands across New Mexico. Now, national monuments like Rio Grande del Norte will ensure future generations will have the same opportunities that I've had. We must protect these monuments, which not only protect our clean air and water, but honor the generations that have come before us."

In late April, President Trump issued an executive order instructing the Department of the Interior to review 27 national monuments protected over the last 21 years. Every indication from President Trump, Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke and politicians close to them is that the outcome is preordained and review will lead to attempts to shrink or eliminate national monuments.

Rolling back national monument protections through executive action is an unprecedented, and likely illegal, move that puts all of America's protected lands, parks, forests and monuments at risk.

The [Center for Western Priorities](#) recently conducted an [analysis of public comments](#) submitted to the Department of Interior and found 98 percent expressed support for keeping or expanding the national monument under review.

Two of New Mexico's national monuments are among the 27 monuments threatened under President Trump's executive order.

Organ Mountains–Desert Peaks National Monument near Las Cruces includes numerous archaeological and historical sites, including the volcanic field where American astronauts practiced for the moon landing.

Rio Grande del Norte National Monument in Taos County includes portions of several volcanic peaks on the Taos Plateau, then descends into the Rio Grande valley, where rafting and boating are popular activities that drive a thriving outdoor recreation economy.

The Center for Western Priorities' Monuments to America tour is a six-state RV road-trip highlighting national monuments across the West that are threatened by President Trump's executive order. The tour — featuring a wrapped RV and oversized inflatable State of Liberty — will conclude at the final Outdoor Retailer trade show in Salt Lake City. Outdoor Retailer is leaving Salt Lake City for Denver after 20 years in protest of Utah politicians' anti-public lands agenda.

This spring, the Center for Western Priorities launched a [multi-state ad campaign](#) encouraging national leaders to respect the heritage and history of America's national monuments.

Broadcast and print-quality photos, video and audio of the press conference will be available this afternoon at bit.ly/monumentsmedia.

For more information, visit westernpriorities.org. To speak with an expert on public lands, contact Aaron Weiss at 720-369-9252 or aaron@westernpriorities.org.

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Subject: RE: Gold Butte
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Hi again, Downey,

Andrew indicated that I should give you a bit of background information about Partners In Conservation (PIC). I have copied our comments below which were submitted to www.regulations.gov and those comments include a bit of info about our non-profit.

I'll add these few facts: We organized in 1998 and have been fully operational since that time; we are not a fly-by-night entity. We decided that we wanted to earn our money (as opposed to having sponsors, etc.) so we write grants and proposals to do common-sense conservation work which enables us to be an information conduit between the public land management agencies and the rural communities we live in. We also work with and represent many groups that have ties to public lands such as OHV groups, civic organizations, other recreational groups, scouts, etc. We turn to these groups and the overall communities as volunteers for our projects because we believe:

“Show me and I forget,
Teach me and I remember,
Involve me and I understand.”

I was at a meeting yesterday when a gentleman asked me how it was going and told me ‘to this day, whenever I drive across the mesa (on I15) I can recognize the exact spot my boy scouts installed tortoise fencing. It’s something my scouts and I will never forget.’ That’s why we do common-sense conservation and work with volunteers; because hands-on conservation work leaves a lasting impression, both on the ground and with the people that do the work.

To date we have completed over \$2.1 million dollars in projects with almost 30,000 volunteer hours adding over \$650,000.00 value to our projects and our public lands.

Here are our comments regarding Gold Butte National Monument: Thank you for your time and I will try calling again, Elise

“Partners In Conservation (PIC) is a rural non-profit in northeastern Clark County; we live in the rural communities closest to Gold Butte. Thank you so much for reviewing the monuments and asking for our input.

Please indulge us while we explain our decades of involvement and the history of what has happened at Gold Butte from the perspective of those who live nearest to this land, who have direct ties to it, whose families made a living and enjoyed life on that land--long before someone decided to call it ‘Nevada’s Piece of the Grand Canyon’ and started advocating to protect it.

The desert tortoise became the dominant public land issue in Clark County in the late 1980s and the board and staff of PIC were all directly affected by the decision to list the tortoise as threatened. (Most of us were from ranching families; over 50 families eventually became willing sellers of their grazing permits and water rights because that was the only viable option they had.) We all attended meetings and were active for over a decade before we formed our organization.

The precise reason we formed our NP was because of a 1998 meeting in Overton wherein we were

told that 25% of our dirt roads would be closed as a conservation action to protect the desert tortoise. The room was over-flowing with a loud angry crowd of which we were a part. It was so frustrating to all of us that after being involved and attending meetings for over a decade, we were essentially 'told' that our roads were going to be closed at that meeting and we had no chance to have input into that decision. About 10 of us resolved that there had to be a better way to be involved with public land issues and so we formed our non-profit that night in the parking lot.

Soon after, in 2002, the Clark County Public Lands Bill was introduced; we found out about it and discovered the wilderness coalition had a proposal requesting almost every acre in Gold Butte (330,000) to be wilderness. We worked with the local town boards and city councils and wrote a proposal with NO wilderness; the Senators held public meetings where all 5 proposals were discussed and where the public got to ask questions and make comments----our point is THAT WAS THE ONLY TIME THAT REAL PUBLIC OUTREACH HAS HAPPENED REGARDING GOLD BUTTE. There was no public outreach before Gold Butte was proclaimed a National Monument. It is not public outreach when one group advocating for a designation has meetings, invites like-minded folk, and talks about a designation—that's preaching to the choir. Public outreach is the exact opposite. It is reaching out into communities where designation is NOT wanted and asking why? Asking 'what is your idea?'; 'what would you suggest/propose/like? This never happened with the monument designation. It absolutely DID happen with the Clark County Public Lands Bill of 2002 where all sides discussed the issue, officials listened to all sides and ultimately 32,000 acres were designated wilderness in Gold Butte, not 330,000.

So, our 1st point is that the local communities' history, tradition, culture, and values were never considered (no coordination or even recognition of relevant stakeholders, i.e., the people that live at the doorstep of Gold Butte). Our 2nd point is that no public outreach has ever happened regarding monument designation.

Our third point is the most obvious: Size. Thank you so much for realizing that a return to the actual language and meaning of the Antiquities Act is necessary. Gold Butte contains some petroglyph areas. We therefore think that small monuments protecting each petroglyph site is a perfect fit with the smallest size doctrine. However, as with Bears' Ears, vast stretches of drop-dead gorgeous land exist between and around the small areas of petroglyphs; those large areas of public land are not monument worthy. Every plant, animal, and geologic formation in Gold Butte is already protected somewhere else. The Joshua tree, desert tortoise, bearpoppy, even the sandstone---all are protected already in Valley of Fire State Park, Red Rock NCA, etc.

The astonishing fact is: Designating almost 200,000 acres as a national monument adds to the already over-whelming percentage of designated/restricted public land 75-80% compared to multiple-use public land 20-25% in Clark County. Gold Butte is not 'Nevada's Piece of the Grand Canyon'; that is a marketing slogan. Gold Butte is remote, beautiful multiple-use public land and only small petroglyph areas should be designated monuments--as with the original intent of the Antiquities Act—the smallest area compatible with the proper care of historic & prehistoric structures, landmarks, or objects. Thank you again for asking for our input."

Elise
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Partners In Conservation (PIC)
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From: Elise McAllister [mailto:picorg@mvdsl.com]
Sent: Wednesday, July 19, 2017 10:32 AM
To: downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov
Subject: Gold Butte

Hi Downey,

Andrew Williams gave me your contact information and asked me to give you a call—to discuss Gold Butte. I was just finishing a meeting when Andrew called and now I am back at my desk for the rest of today. Please feel free to call me back at 702-219-2033 at any time. Thank you so much, Elise

Elise McAllister

Administrator

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To: [REDACTED] (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) @nps.gov]
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Sent: 2017-07-20T18:41:40-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: New Mexico-Nevada Trip Schedule
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[New Mexico-Nevada Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

Here's the most updated version of the trip schedule. Thanks again for your help.

Tim

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 Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
- 4:00-5:30pm MDT: Driving tour with BLM (1.5 hours)**
- 6:30-8:00pm MDT: Dinner**
- 8:15pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
 1641 Hickory Loop
 Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

- 8:00-10:30am MDT: Hike with Vet Voice Foundation**
 Location:
 Participants:
 Staff:
 Advance: Caroline Boulton
- 10:30-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route TBD Location**

Other pro meetings

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12:30-1:30 Meeting with Council tribes
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3:00-7:00pm MDT: Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
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Drive Time: ~4 hour

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Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom

Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail

Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area

Horses: RZ
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
BLM (1)

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Wilderness Land Trust (1)

Sportsman to lead

TBD DOI staff (1-2)

Hiking: All others (staff, other sportsmen)

1:30-2:30pm MDT: Elk Lunch on Trail

Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness

Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-4:30pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route TBD

4:30-6:00pm MDT: Meet & Greet Reception with Stakeholders

Location: TBD Rio Mora National Wildlife Refuge

Note: Paid for by Refuge Friends Group

Participants: Those involved in hike, other locals

Format: Very brief remarks by Senators, Secretary at beginning; informal reception

Note: Space to change clothes at the Wildlife Refuge if desired

6:00-7:30pm MDT: Depart Santa Fe, NM en route Albuquerque, NM
7:30-8:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel
8:00-9:30pm MDT: Dinner
9:30pm MDT: RON

Sunday, July 30, 2017
Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-
7:35am PDT:

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight:

Flight time:

RZ Seat:

AiC:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter

Note: RZ (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT:

Wheels down Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Whitney Pocket at Civilian Conservation Corps storage structure site

Note: Walk to CCC Dam; meet with staff at dam

10:00-11:30am PDT:

Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west

View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket

Kohta Circus

Kirt's Grotto

Little Finland

Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west

Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite

Jumbo Springs Wilderness

Flies north towards Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff

Location: White River Narrows
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
Note: Lunch from Ely District

12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Note: To view rock art panels up close

1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City

Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

1:45-3:15pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
Rudy Evenson, BLM
Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art

4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles
Location: 2730 Airport Drive
 North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00PM PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON
Location: Homewood Suites Las Vegas Airport
 230 Hidden Well Road
 Las Vegas, NV 89119
Drive Time: ~22 minutes without traffic

Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:45-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility

2:30-3:30pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes

3:30-5:00pm PDT: Depart en route Las Vegas, NV

HOLD: potential other meeting

To: Ojeda-dodds, Gisella[gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov]
From: Nigborowicz, Timothy
Sent: 2017-07-21T12:34:18-04:00
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Received: 2017-07-21T12:34:26-04:00
[New Mexico-Nevada Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

Attached.

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 12:28 PM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello,

Hoping you can send the trip schedule?

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Gisella Ojeda-Dodds
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Downey Magallanes, Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Vincent DeVito, Counselor to the Secretary for Energy Policy

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Senator Udall

BLM (1)

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3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Dinner

8:30pm MDT: RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT:

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
Note: RZ, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C), and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT:

Wheels down Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Whitney Pocket at Civilian Conservation Corps storage structure site
Note: Walk to CCC Dam; meet with staff at dam

10:00-11:30am PDT:

Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

11:30-12:15pm PDT:

Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range

National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff

Location: White River Narrows
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
Note: Lunch from Ely District

12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Note: To view rock art panels up close

1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City

Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

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Location: City Site
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
Rudy Evenson, BLM
Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art

4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00PM PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
555 Highland Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV
Location: Overton Community Center
320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials
Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch
2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility
3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes
4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart en route Las Vegas, NV

HOLD: potential other meeting

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5:24am EDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Cincinnati, OH (CVG)**
Flight: Delta 1431
Flight time: 3 hours, 44 minutes
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AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

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8:26am EDT: Wheels up Cincinnati, OH (CVG) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**
Flight: Delta 6259
Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes
RZ Seat: 9B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

To: Laura Rigas[laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov]
From: Boulton, Caroline
Sent: 2017-07-21T15:26:43-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Updated NV/NM trip
Received: 2017-07-21T15:27:20-04:00
[Trip 7.26-7.31 NM NV.pdf](#)

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 3:21 PM, Laura Rigas <laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hi-- can you pls send me the latest trip agenda? Trying to figure out staffing for photog. Thx!

Laura Keehner Rigas
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
Draft: 7/20/17**



Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

**4:30pm EDT-
6:59pm CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)**
Flight: American 327
Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes
RZ Seat: 28B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT: Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

**8:25pm CDT-
8:59pm MDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)**
Flight: American 5800
Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT: Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles
Location: 6701 Convair Road
El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT: Depart Airport en route RON
Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT: RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:
Van: RZ

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-11:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains
3.5 hour tour, departs from El Paso, TX (Fort Bliss)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
TBD 2 Fort Bliss Personnel

11:00-12:00pm MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM
45 min drive back to Las Cruces, NM

12:00-1:00pm MDT: Lunch
Lunch: La Posta de Mesilla
2410 Calle de San Albino
Mesilla, NM 88046

1:00-2:30pm MDT: Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

2:30-3:15pm MDT: Roundtable on Border Security
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

3:30-4:00pm MDT: Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar

4:00-4:30pm MDT: HOLD: Media Availability
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:00pm MDT: Driving Tour with BLM
Note: Will meet at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum

6:30-8:00pm MDT: Dinner

8:15pm MDT: RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

8:00-10:30am MDT: Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Location:
Participants:
Staff:
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:30-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route TBD Location

Other pro meetings

11:00-12:00 Meeting with Apache Tribes

12:30-1:30 Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors tribes

1:30-2:30 Lunch

3:00-7:00pm MDT: Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~4 hour

7:00-7:30pm MDT: Drop Bags Off at Hotel

7:30-9:00pm MDT: Dinner

9:00pm MDT: RON

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Location: Rte 1, Las Vegas, NM 87701
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Rep. Lujan and Consolidate Vehicles.

9:30-1:30pm MDT: Hike to Canyon Bottom // Horseback Riding & Hiking
 Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom
 Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail
 Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area
 Horses: RZ
 Senator Heinrich
 Senator Udall
 Rep. Ben Jay Lujan
 James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
 Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Brad B
 Sportsman to lead
 TBD DOI staff (1-2)
 Hiking: All others (staff, other sportsmen)

1:30-2:30pm MDT: Elk Lunch on Trail
 Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness
 Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Dinner

8:30pm MDT: RON
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
 RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
 AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
 NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport
 Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
 Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT: Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
 Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
Note: RZ, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT: Wheels down Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Whitney Pocket at Civilian Conservation Corps storage structure site
Note: Walk to CCC Dam; meet with staff at dam

10:00-11:30am PDT: Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff

Location: White River Narrows
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
Note: Lunch from Ely District

12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Note: To view rock art panels up close

1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City

Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

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Location: City Site
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
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 Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
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 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site
Location: Mt. Irish
Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
 Rudy Evenson, BLM
Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art

4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
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Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
 555 Highland Drive
 Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
 Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV
Location: Overton Community Center
320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials
Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility

3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes

4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart en route Las Vegas, NV

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Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes
RZ Seat: 9B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

To: 'Downey Magallanes'[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
From: Elise McAllister
Sent: 2017-07-21T17:51:59-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: RE: Gold Butte
Received: 2017-07-21T17:52:06-04:00

Hi Downey,

I am so sorry; I had to mail some items and go to the credit union (1/2 hr each way)—I probably left just a minute or two before you called. Darn it. I hope you have a lovely weekend and maybe we can visit early next week. I have a meeting to help the local police dept. write a grant about 10 am (pacific) Monday and I need to leave by 9:30 for that. I'll try you early Monday morning and call again when I get back from that meeting. I should be at my desk all day Tuesday and now Wednesday as I understand Secretary Zinke's round table meeting has been rescheduled for the 31st. Thank you again, Elise

Elise
Administrator
Partners In Conservation (PIC)
702-219-2033

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<https://www.facebook.com/partnersinconservation/>

From: Downey Magallanes [mailto:downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Friday, July 21, 2017 1:56 PM
To: Elise McAllister <picorg@mvdsl.com>
Subject: Re: Gold Butte

Hi there tried to call you back. Are you available? Thank you.
On Jul 19, 2017, at 1:32 PM, Elise McAllister <picorg@mvdsl.com> wrote:

Hi Downey,

Andrew Williams gave me your contact information and asked me to give you a call—to discuss Gold Butte. I was just finishing a meeting when Andrew called and now I am back at my desk for the rest of today. Please feel free to call me back at 702-219-2033 at any time. Thank you so much, Elise

Elise McAllister

Administrator

Partners In Conservation (PIC)

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To: Rusty Roddy[russell_rodde@ios.doi.gov]; Caroline Boulton[caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: Marci Todd[m1todd@blm.gov]; Paul Petersen[ppeterse@blm.gov]; Clutter, Stephen[scutter@blm.gov]; Shaw, Steven[srshaw@blm.gov]; Eric Boik[eboik@blm.gov]; Timothy Smith[tsmith@blm.gov]; Michael Herder[mherder@blm.gov]
From: Evenson, Ronald (Rudy)
Sent: 2017-07-24T19:09:40-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Gold Butte Tour Itinerary Update: Kirt's Grotto instead of Whitney Pocket
Received: 2017-07-24T19:12:32-04:00
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Hey Rusty and Caroline,

Upon the recommendation of our Southern Nevada helicopter team, we suggest changing the landing site in Gold Butte National Monument from Whitney Pocket to Kirt's Grotto. Kirt's Grotto is cooler and shadier and also has examples of petroglyphs, whereas Whitney Pocket is exposed and the only cultural resources there relate to the Civilian Conservation Corps. Kirt's Grotto will not change any flight times, so for Plan A, there are no changes to the itinerary except to replace "Whitney Pocket" with "Kirt's Grotto." However, due to the extra drive time to reach Kirt's Grotto, the day gets somewhat longer in Plan B (ground transportation only.)

Please find attached an updated itinerary that reflects stopping at Kirt's Grotto in Gold Butte. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thanks!

PS Rusty if you can advise regarding who, if anyone, from BLM is invited to the meetings on Monday, we are still looking for that info. Thanks.

Rudy Evenson
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SECRETARY OF THE INTERIOR NEVADA VISIT, JULY 30-31, 2017

OVERVIEW AND LOGISTICS

REVISED DRAFT 7/24 (Kirt's Grotto)

1. Monument tours, July 30 (tick-tocks attached)

- a. Please note that we have provided 2 contingency plans as follows:
 - i. PLAN A: Uses a mix of air and ground transportation.
 - ii. PLAN B: In case there is an issue using the aircraft, uses ground transportation only.
- b. BLM NV has reserved an A-Star B3E private-contract helicopter with air conditioning. Papillon, the contractor, normally uses the helicopter for Grand Canyon tours. We will not be using a DOI firefighting aircraft.
 - i. BLM Nevada can provide the Secretary, security and staffer with nomex flight suits and helmets, but but they will also need to wear their fire boots.
 - ii. Per regulations, a DOI-qualified helicopter manager will be accompanying the Secretary on the aircraft to advise the contract pilot. This role will be filled by Las Vegas Helicopter Crew Supervisor Lucas Rhea. Lucas is a helicopter pilot himself and well-versed in the geography of Southern Nevada as well as military flight restrictions in the area.
- c. The ground portions of the monument tours will involve hiking in temperatures over 100 degrees. All participants are advised to dress lightly with good sun protection and walking shoes.
- d. BLM will be providing shade structures (pop-up canopies) and water at stops as needed.

2. Stakeholder Meetings, July 31 (tick-tock TBD, depending on stakeholder meeting schedule)

- a. BLM Nevada's understanding is that DOI will be reaching out to stakeholder groups to set up meetings, with the exception of the Moapa Tribe.
INFORMATION REQUEST FOR DOI SCHEDULERS: Please advise if BLM needs to secure venues for any stakeholder meetings, or if the stakeholders will be providing facilities.
- b. We understand that current meeting time and locations are 10 a.m. in Mesquite; 12:30-1:30 p.m. in Overton; and meeting with the tribes around 2:30 at tribal facilities in Moapa (per Tim Smith's call with the Moapa Tribal vice-chair.) We are awaiting word as to whether BLM staff are invited.

ATTACHMENT 1: MONUMENT TOURS TICK-TOCK

PLAN A: Air + Ground Transportation: Both Monuments on July 30				
1. Gold Butte National Monument				
Leg	Start Time	Route / Destination	Time Allotted	End Time
1	0600	Depart Southern Nevada District Office (SNDO) in Las Vegas for Whitney Pocket: 2 BLM support vehicles (John Asselin, Tim Smith, Steve Leslie, Jimmy Linares, Marci Todd, Rudy Evenson) + LE vehicle (Ian Kanan + 1)	2.5 hrs	0830
2	0735	Secretary's flight lands at Las Vegas Airport, deplane	40 min	0815
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2	1515	White River Narrows Rock Art site tour with up close view of rock art panels.	15 min	1530
3	1530	Depart White River Narrows for City with views of Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, rock shelter, and Water Gap. (Drive S on SR 318 to Seaman Wash Rd, turn R and head N on Seaman Wash Rd to Water Gap, then W to City)	60 min	1630
4	1630	City landscape art site tour (NV Attorney General Laxalt has requested photo op with Secretary at this stop) (Meet with reps from LA County Museum of Art: Michael Govan and Erin Wright)	90 min	1800
5	1800	Depart City for Alamo via Garden Valley and Mail Summit with views of all 3 ranges and both basins within BARNM, Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, and Mail Summit Wash. (Drive E to Water Gap, turn R to route 433 S through Garden Valley, continue S on route 433 to Mail Summit Road until reaching asphalt on SR 318; continue S on 318 to intersection with Hwy 93, turn R and continue S to Alamo)	105 min	1945
6	1945	Drive from Alamo back to Secretary's hotel in Las Vegas	90 min	2115

To: Domenech Douglas[douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: Roddy Rusty[russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov]
From: Caroline Boulton
Sent: 2017-07-25T12:59:31-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Please provide scheduling plans for the trips
Received: 2017-07-25T12:59:40-04:00

7/26 fly to El Paso, TX

7/27 helicopter tour of organ mtns desert peaks with fort bliss, roundtable with ranchers and stakeholders, meeting on border security, meeting with ranchers on rio grande del Norte NM, media availability, driving tour with BLM

7/28 hike in monument with veterans, tribal meetings, meeting with friends of organ mountains

7/29 sabinoso wilderness horseback riding with senators Heinrich and udall

7/30 fly to Las Vegas NV, helicopter tour of basin and range NM and gold butte NM, TBD dinner with senators

7/31 round table with friends group on monuments, round table with elected officials, meeting with moapa tribe, red eye to D.C.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 25, 2017, at 10:34 AM, Roddy, Russell <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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From: Domenech, Douglas <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Tue, Jul 25, 2017 at 12:27 PM
Subject: Fwd: Please provide scheduling plans for the trips
To: Russell Roddy <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov>

Doug Domenech
Senior Advisor
US Department of the Interior

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From: Domenech, Douglas <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Tue, Jul 25, 2017 at 12:22 PM
Subject: Please provide scheduling plans for the trips
To: rusty_rodny@ios.doi.gov, "Bauserman, Christine"
<christine_bauserman@ios.doi.gov>

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To: Domenech, Douglas[douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov]; Leila Getto[leila_getto@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: rusty_rodgy@ios.doi.gov[rusty_rodgy@ios.doi.gov]
From: Bauserman, Christine
Sent: 2017-07-25T14:50:56-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Please provide scheduling plans for the trips
Received: 2017-07-25T14:51:04-04:00
[Trip 7.26-7.31 NM NV.docx](#)

On Tue, Jul 25, 2017 at 12:22 PM, Domenech, Douglas <douglas_domenech@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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Christine Bauserman
U.S. Department of the Interior
Special Assistant to Secretary
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

New Mexico, Nevada

July 26-31, 2017

Draft: 7/20/17



**TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO**

New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM
Las Vegas, NV

Time Zone:

New Mexico Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance
Advance

Det. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance
Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
202-897-7178

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance
Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff Downey Magallanes
Communications Director Laura Rigas

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)

Attire:

Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire

Van: RZ

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:30am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains
3.5 hour tour, departs from El Paso, TX (Fort Bliss)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
TBD 2 Fort Bliss Personnel

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM
45 min drive back to Las Cruces, NM

10:30-12:30pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch
Lunch: La Posta de Mesilla
2410 Calle de San Albino
Mesilla, NM 88046

1:00-2:30pm MDT: Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011
Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce
Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT: Roundtable on Border Security
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

- 3:30-4:00pm MDT: Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM**
 Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
 Organ View Terrace
 Participants: David Sanchez
 Carlos Salazar
- 4:00-4:30pm MDT: HOLD: Media Availability**
 Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
 Organ View Terrace
- 4:30-6:00pm MDT: Driving Tour with BLM**
 Note: Will meet at the New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
- 6:30-8:00pm MDT: Dinner**
- 8:15pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
 1641 Hickory Loop
 Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

- 7:20-7:30am MDT: Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso**
 Location: 1733 East University Avenue
 Las Cruces, NM 88001
 Drive Time: ~10 minutes
 Vehicle Manifest:
 Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
 (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Det. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
 Laura Rigas
- 7:30-8:30am MDT: Meet at Milagros Coffee Shop // Convoy to Trailhead**
 Location: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
 Drive on improved county road E006 to hike start
- 8:30-10:00am MDT: Hike with Vet Voice Foundation**
 Hike Start: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
 Hike End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W
 Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road
 Note: 3.65 mile hike
 Participants: Bernie Digman
 Andrea Sandavol
 Nate Cote
 Brett Myrick
 Tony Martinez
 Brian Redington
 Jerry Nachison
 Staff: Downey Magallanes
 Laura Rigas

Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route TBD Location

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar

Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady

Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton

Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes

12:30-1:00pm MDT: HOLD: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors tribes

1:30-2:30pm MDT: Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: TBD

2:30-3:00pm MDT: Brief Lunch

3:00-7:00pm MDT: Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

[Det. (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)]

Staff Vehicle:

Caroline Boulton

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~4 hour

7:00-7:30pm MDT: Drop Bags Off at Hotel

7:30-9:00pm MDT: Dinner

9:00pm MDT: RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe

828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Location: Rte 1, Las Vegas, NM 87701

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Rep. Lujan and Consolidate Vehicles.

9:30-1:30pm MDT: Hike to Canyon Bottom // Horseback Riding & Hiking

Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom

Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail

Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area

Horses: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Senator Heinrich

Senator Udall

Rep. Ben Jay Lujan

Downey Magallanes

James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program

Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager

Brad Borst, President, Wilderness Land Trust

John Olivas, JACO Outfitters

Hiking:

Aaron Thiele

Laura Rigas

Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief

Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager

Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director

Maya Hermann, Legislative Assistant, Sen. Heinrich

Sen. Heinrich Press Staff

Sen. Udall Press Staff

Sen. Udall Leg. Staff

Rep. Lujan Staff

Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust

Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation

Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation

Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair

Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers

Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's Organizer

John Cornell, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership

Christine Gonzales, Artemis

Sherman Hogue, BLM Photographer

Press (multiple)

1:30-2:30pm MDT: Elk Lunch on Trail

Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness

Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Dinner with Senators

8:30pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

**7:05am MDT-
7:35am PDT:**

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
Note: RZ, (b)(6) and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Kirt's Grotto

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT:

Wheels down Kirt's Grotto // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Kirt's Grotto
Note: View petroglyphs at Kirt's Grotto

10:00-11:30am PDT:

Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff

Location: White River Narrows
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
Note: Lunch from Ely District

12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Note: To view rock art panels up close

1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City

Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

1:45-3:15pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
Rudy Evenson, BLM
Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art

4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
555 Highland Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV
Location: Overton Community Center
320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials
Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch
2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility
3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes
4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart en route Las Vegas, NV

HOLD: potential other meeting

**10:40pm PDT-
5:24am EDT:**

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Cincinnati, OH (CVG)

Flight: Delta 1431
Flight time: 3 hours, 44 minutes
RZ Seat: 11D
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

5:24-7:00am EDT: Layover in Cincinnati, OH // 1 hour, 36 minute layover

**7:00am EDT-
8:26am EDT:**

Wheels up Cincinnati, OH (CVG) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: Delta 6259
Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes
RZ Seat: 5B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

To: Timothy Williams[timothy_williams@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: Downey Magallanes[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]; Caroline Boulton[caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]; Funes, Jason[jason_funes@ios.doi.gov]; Jocelyn Torres[jocelyn@conservationlands.org]
From: Jaina Moan
Sent: 2017-07-25T17:19:48-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Gold Butte National Monument supporters round table list and new point of contact
Received: 2017-07-25T17:19:56-04:00

Hi Tim and Rusty,

Pasted below is the list of people who we have invited to our roundtable meeting. Please note that we are waiting to hear back from several people on this list. I know the list is long now, but it is likely that several folks are out of town.

Also, I want to connect you to Jocelyn Torres. I will be out of contact starting on Friday, 7/28 and Jocelyn will be the point of contact for our supporters round table meeting. Her contact information is provided below and I copied her on this email.

Jocelyn Torres
 702-767-2089
jocelyn@conservationlands.org

I regret that I am not able to make it to the meeting. I was looking forward to welcoming Secretary Zinke to Nevada but I will certainly be there in spirit--Gold Butte National Monument is an amazing place, truly deserving of its designation under the Antiquities Act.

First	Last	Affiliation
Greg	Anderson	Moapa Band of Paiutes
Jim	Boone	Friends of Gold Butte
Tim	Buchanan	Barrick Gold
Clair	Christensen	Mesquite resident and FoGB member
Betty	Conway	Nevada Site Steward program coordinator for Gold Butte; jeeper
Catherine	Cortez Masto	U.S. Senator, Nevada (or staff representative)
Darren	Daboda	Moapa Band of Paiutes
Linda	Faas	Gold Butte Site steward
Chris	Giunchigliani	Clark County Commissioner, District C
Frank	Golden	Veteran and Friends of Gold Butte volunteer, plant team
John	Hiatt	Friends of NV Wilderness
Susan	Holecheck	Former Mesquite Mayor
Ron	Hunter	Patagonia

Marilyn	Kirkpatrick	Clark County Commissioner, District B
John	Lacenski	Dessert Fossils Hiking Club
Andy	Maggi	Nevada Conservation League
Olivia	Manz	Office of Ruben Kihuen, Rep. District 4
Elise	McAllister	Partners in Conservation
Jenna	Morton	Morton Group
Patrick	Naranjo	Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
Sandra	Ramaker	Former VVWD Board member
Eric	Roberts	Friends of NV Wilderness and local southern NV business voice, owner of S&H Architecture
Steve	Rowland	UNLV geology professor
Terri	Rylander	Friends of Gold Butte Vice Chair, owner of Advanced Marketing Collateral, and President of Mesquite Senior Games
Vickie	Simmons	Moapa Band of Paiutes
John	Taing	Office of Ruben Kihuen, Rep. District 4
Dina	Titus	Rep. District 1 (or staff representative)
Jocelyn	Torres	Conservation Lands Foundation
Benny	Tso	Las Vegas Paiute Tribe
Virginia	Valentine	Nevada Resort Association

Thank you.

Jaina Moan
Executive Director
Friends of Gold Butte
702-208-8377
www.friendsofgoldbutte.org

To: 'Boulton, Caroline'[caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]
Cc: Rusty Roddy[russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov]
From: Gregory L. Zunino
Sent: 2017-07-25T19:11:12-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: RE: Email Address
Received: 2017-07-25T19:11:23-04:00

Thanks Caroline.

Rusty, it appears to me that "City" is just west (maybe a mile or two) of the area marked "Water Gap" on BLM maps. When you have a chance, please call to confirm so that we can make travel arrangements.

Greg
775 722-1831

From: Boulton, Caroline [mailto:caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 25, 2017 3:44 PM
To: Gregory L. Zunino
Cc: Rusty Roddy
Subject: Re: Email Address

Hi Greg,

Apologies for the delay. The Secretary's schedule is below on Sunday the 30th (apologies it doesn't copy/paste perfectly). I've highlighted the City tour as mentioned over the phone. It is the longest portion the Secretary is on the ground and would likely be the best place for AG Laxalt to meet up with the group. I've cc'ed Rusty Roddy, who will be advancing the trip and coordinating the Secretary's NV travel going forward.

Best,
Caroline

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Kirt's Grotto

9:30-10:00am PDT: Wheels down Kirt's Grotto // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

10:00-11:30am PDT: Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range

National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument //

Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff

12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for *City*

1:45-3:15pm PDT: Wheels down *City* // *City* Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: *City* Site

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
 Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up *City* en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport

5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 6:54 PM, Gregory L. Zunino <GZunino@ag.nv.gov> wrote:
Thanks Caroline for the info. You may reply to this address.

Greg Zunino
Acting Chief of Staff
Office of the Nevada Attorney General
(775) 684-1237 (Office)
(775) 722-1831 (Cell)

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Caroline Boulton
Department of the Interior
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To: Funes, Jason[jason_funes@ios.doi.gov]
From: Landon Stevens
Sent: 2017-07-26T13:52:31-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Follow Up Press Release: Zinke Secretarial Order 6/8/17
Received: 2017-07-26T13:53:28-04:00
[Bears Ears Comment 2.pdf](#)
[MonumentComment 2.pdf](#)
[SageGrouse-Final.pdf](#)

Jason,
Looking forward to the call in a few minutes, as a reference I have attached the two Public Interest comments we submitted. One on Bears Ears and one on the monuments generally since 1996. I have also included a draft of our sage grouse study. This hasn't been publicly released yet, so please don't share it. But it should be out next week.

On Tue, Jul 25, 2017 at 10:24 AM, Landon Stevens <landon.stevens@strata.org> wrote:

Jason,
Thanks again for reaching out. I am free for a call tomorrow from 1pm - 3pm, Thursday from 3pm - 5pm or Friday pretty much anytime noon - 4pm (These are all in EST). Let me know if you have some time in those slots and we can set up for a call. Thanks.

On Mon, Jul 24, 2017 at 2:10 PM, Funes, Jason <jason_funes@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hey Landon,

Thanks for taking my call and enjoy the rest of Pioneer Day!!

Below is a link to an SO regarding Sage Grouse from 6/8/17.

<https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-zinke-signs-order-improve-sage-grouse-conservation-strengthen-communication>

Feel free to call or email me tomorrow and we'll set up a time to speak this week.

Take care,

Jason Funes
Special Assistant
Intergovernmental and External Affairs
Office of the Secretary
Department of the Interior
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Introduction and Background

The Department of the Interior's request for comment on national monuments designated over the past twenty years responds to Executive Order 13792, issued by President Trump.² The Executive Order instructs the Secretary of the Interior to consider past designations' adherence to statutory language in the Antiquities Act of 1906, among other criteria, including:

1. The requirements and original objectives of the Act, including the Act's requirement that reservations of land not exceed "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected";
2. whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest";
3. the effects of a designation on the available uses of designated Federal lands, including consideration of the multiple-use policy of section 102(a)(7) of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (43 U.S.C. 1701(a)(7)), as well as the effects on the available uses of Federal lands beyond the monument boundaries;
4. the effects of a designation on the use and enjoyment of non-Federal lands within or beyond monument boundaries;
5. concerns of State, tribal, and local governments affected by a designation, including the economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities;
6. the availability of Federal resources to properly manage designated areas.

The current review examines 21 recent national monument designations or enlargements: Basin and Range, Bears Ears, Berryessa Snow Mountain, Canyons of the Ancients, Carrizo Plain, Cascade-Siskiyou, Craters of the Moon, Giant Sequoia, Gold Butte, Grand Canyon-Parashant, Grand Staircase-Escalante, Hanford Reach, Ironwood Forest, Mojave Trails, Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, Rio Grande del Norte, Sand to Snow, San Gabriel Mountains, Sonoran Desert, Upper Missouri River Breaks, and Vermilion Cliffs.

Strata is a public policy think tank based in Logan, Utah, that uses public choice theory and political economy to evaluate the legal and economic ramifications of government actions, especially as they relate to environmental policy. We are interested in the review of these national monuments because we are concerned about the rule of law, the abuse of government power, and the effects of government policies on a wide range of people. Our organization is composed of academics and policy professionals who engage in research to better understand the incentives behind government policies and the consequences that result from these policies.

With the Secretary's criteria in mind, we find that many of the national monuments under review, as currently designated, do not comport with the Act's requirements and original objectives. We also find that many designations do not "appropriately balance the protection of

² Exec. Order No. 13792, 82 Fed. Reg. 82 (2017).

landmarks, structures, and objects against the appropriate use of federal lands and the effects on surrounding lands and communities."³

Below, we have listed several of our conclusions that the Department of the Interior should consider in its review of recently established national monuments. The conclusions of our analysis are listed in the order we discuss them throughout the document.

1. The creation of many recent national monuments seems to be motivated by presidents' interest in building an environmental legacy, rather than the stated purposes of the Antiquities Act.
2. Many monuments violate the law by being significantly larger than "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected."
3. Many recent national monuments do not contain sites that are unique or specific enough to fulfill the "historic or scientific interest" clause of the Antiquities Act.
4. Historical precedent gives ample evidence that the executive may unilaterally reduce the size of improperly large designations.
5. Federal laws and regulations make monument designations superfluous in many cases because monuments do little to give additional protection to the amenities described in presidential proclamations.
6. Federal agencies, including the National Park Service, Forest Service, and Bureau of Land Management, suffer from backlogs and limited budgets that restrain how well they can manage large national monuments.

We also provide a specific comment on each of the 21 national monuments under review. Some of the national monuments under consideration appear to adhere to the statutory language of the Antiquities Act. Other monuments appear to violate that statutory language. We make a number of policy recommendations the President and Secretary could pursue in reevaluating national monuments.

³ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996; Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment. 82 Fed. Reg. 90 (2017).

Analysis

Many Recent National Monuments Violate the Stipulations in the Antiquities Act

Legal Historical Background

The Department of the Interior's request for public comment asks for information regarding "[t]he requirements and original objectives of the Act, including the Act's requirement that reservations of land not exceed 'the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected'" and "whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as 'historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest.'"⁴

The phrase "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest" is drawn from the Antiquities Act and establishes the criteria the President may use to determine whether a given site can appropriately be designated as a national monument.⁵ The statute does not supply any formal definition for these criteria. The Act's legislative history is long and complex, but many contemporary legislative documents and remarks by representatives indicate that the Act's original purpose was to protect small geographic areas associated with specific relics and sites.⁶ The phrase "other objects of historic or scientific significance" was not included in early drafts of the Act, but was instead added by a committee appointee from the American Anthropological Association. The Department of the Interior, interested in preserving greater swaths of land, approved the change, but Western congressional delegations disagreed, fearing land grabs. To appease concerned stakeholders in the West, the "smallest area compatible" language was included in the final bill.⁷

The ways that presidents have used the Antiquities Act have evolved over the past century. Between 1906 and 1943, various presidents established 82 national monuments with relatively little resistance or controversy. The first major attempt to limit the power of the president under the Antiquities Act occurred in 1920 in *Cameron v. United States*. In this case, the Supreme Court found that the federal government had a right to evict Ralph H. Cameron from his mining claims on the south rim of the Grand Canyon because President Theodore Roosevelt's creation of the Grand Canyon National Monument was within the scope of authority granted under the Antiquities Act. Cameron had argued that the monument exceeded the Act's

⁴ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996, *supra*.

⁵ 54 U.S.C. § 320301(a).

⁶ Hartman, B. J. (2011). "Extending the Scope of the Antiquities Act." *Public Land and Resources Law Review* 32, 153-191. <http://scholarship.law.umt.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1026&context=plrlr>

⁷ Rusnak, E. C. (2003). "The Straw that Broke the Camels Back? Grand Staircase-Escalante Antiquates the Antiquities Act." *Ohio State Law Journal* 64, 669-730. <http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/students/groups/oslj/files/2012/03/64.2.rusnak.pdf>

authority, but the Supreme Court stated that the Grand Canyon qualified as an object of historic or scientific interest because it "is the greatest eroded canyon in the United States, if not in the world, is over a mile in depth, has attracted wide attention among explorers and scientists, affords an unexampled field for geologic study, [and] is regarded as one of the great natural wonders."⁸ This case widened the president's discretion to designate national monuments.

Another landmark case that shaped how presidents could use the Antiquities Act was *State of Wyoming v. Franke*. In 1943, President Franklin Roosevelt created Jackson Hole National Monument in Wyoming, which was strongly opposed by many locals. In this case, Wyoming charged that Jackson Hole National Monument exceeded the scope of the Antiquities Act because it lacked "historic landmarks, historic or prehistoric structures [or] objects of historic or scientific interest." The Wyoming Federal District Court upheld the establishment of the monument, stating that "whenever a statute gives a discretionary power to any person, to be exercised by him upon his own opinion of certain facts, it is a sound rule of construction, that the statute constitutes him the sole and exclusive judge of the existence of those facts."⁹

In response to the controversy over Jackson Hole National Monument, Congress passed a law to abolish the monument, which President Roosevelt vetoed. Again in 1947, Congress attempted to abolish the monument, but public sentiment had changed, and it became politically expedient to preserve the monument designation. In 1950, Congress incorporated Jackson Hole National Monument into the bordering Grand Teton National Park. This legislation, however, amended the Antiquities Act, prohibiting any new national monuments or extensions to national monuments in Wyoming without Congressional approval. The political battle over Jackson Hole National Monument slowed the creation of new national monuments. Between 1943 and 1977, only six national monuments were established by presidents.¹⁰

The next landmark court case occurred in December 1978, when President Carter designated fifteen national monuments in Alaska, most of which covered over a million acres each. These designations reignited the controversy and disputes over the legality of national monument designations. In *Anaconda Copper v. Andrus*, the Supreme Court again refused to limit the president's authority under the Antiquities Act. In the case, the Supreme Court stated that it did "believe there are limitations" to the president's authority and discretion. The Court, however, did not define those limitations, and never has to this day. Because the courts and Congress did not restrict or define presidential authority when the Alaskan designations were made in 1978, the president appears to have ever-widening and unchecked authority under the Act.¹¹ Past abuses of the Antiquities Act, however, do not justify continuing abuses, and past abuses should be remedied by the executive branch or Congress. The judicial branch's failure to

⁸ Quigley, J. J. (1999). Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument: Preservation or Politics. *Journal of Land, Resources, & Environmental Law*, Vol. 19, Issue 1 (1999), pp. 55-102.

⁹ Ibid.

¹⁰ Ibid.

¹¹ Halden, A. E. (1997). The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument and the Antiquities Act [notes]. *Fordham Environmental Law Journal*, Vol. 8, Issue 3 (Symposium 1997), pp. 713-740.

restrict usage of the Antiquities Act to a reasonable domain only makes it more important that the executive provide intertemporal checks and balances on its own.

Political Economy Explanation for the Designation of National Monuments

Over the course of the 20th century and into the 21st century, presidents have used the Antiquities Act to designate increasingly large and controversial pieces of federal land as national monuments. One of the most striking uses of the Antiquities Act has been what we call "midnight monuments."¹² Many presidents have used their lame duck months in office to designate some of the largest and most controversial national monuments.

Rather than following the stated purpose of the Antiquities Act, the creation of many monuments seems to be rooted in the desire for an "environmental legacy." For example, Presidents Obama, Bush, and Clinton designated monuments during their lame duck periods between the final presidential election of their terms and the next president's inauguration. This pattern strongly suggests that these monument designations served mainly as a tool for environmental legacy building. Using the Antiquities Act as a means of self-aggrandizement on the part of lame duck presidents is inconsistent with the Act's original objectives.

Although difficult to prove that a designation is used for motives other than the protection of historic or scientific amenities, economic theory can illuminate conditions linked to designations that are used for motives other than those expressly written in the Act. First, the lame duck period between an election and an inauguration is a strategic time for controversial actions on the part of the president and Congress alike. The ability of the electorate to punish the president and his party for overreach is vastly diminished in the lame duck period, which explains why presidents often save their most controversial designations and regulations for this period. Second, national monument designations, especially large ones, help build an environmental legacy because presidents are seen as having "saved" the largest amount of land possible. National monuments are popular with average Americans, especially those that live in cities and are located far from the monuments themselves. This popularity is the main mechanism that leaves a lasting legacy. Third, national monument designations are one of the lowest cost ways for presidents to build an environmental legacy. Alternative means, such as landmark legislation or national park designations, are difficult and costly for a president to achieve because engaging with Congress to create such policies is time consuming and requires extensive coalition building, among other costs. Designating a national monument, on the other hand, can be done unilaterally. The judiciary's lax enforcement of the Antiquities Act's restrictions makes this even easier.

With the nearly unlimited discretion of the Antiquities Act, recent two-term presidents have used their authority to designate national monuments in the lame duck period between the election and the next president's inauguration. For example, President Obama designated five

¹² Much of the research of this section and the terminology of "midnight monuments" comes from an ongoing and unreleased research project of Lofthouse, Harmer, and Wardle. We are available for further comment on this research if it interests the Department.

national monuments in his lame duck period, George W. Bush designated four, and Clinton designated eight. For perspective, Obama designated twenty-four national monuments before his lame duck period, George W. Bush designated two, and Clinton designated ten, despite the fact that the lame duck period makes up less than 100 days of these presidents' long tenures. Environmental legacy building is inconsistent with the original objectives and intent of the Antiquities Act, and such uses of the law are an overreach of executive power.

Many National Monuments Exceed the Antiquities Act's Size Limitations

Many recent national monuments do not fulfill the requirements of the Antiquities Act because their size is much larger than "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected." Although the Act implicitly gives the president wide discretion to designate national monuments on federal lands, the law should not be read to give the president unlimited authority to unilaterally designate vast areas.

Devils Tower National Monument, the first national monument in the United States, protects approximately two square miles. President Theodore Roosevelt used the Antiquities Act in 1906 to create Devils Tower National Monument, but his designation was only slightly larger than the footprint of the Devils Tower butte itself. This seems more consistent with the wording to protect "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected." Despite this precedent, presidents have made increasingly large designations. Over the years, the Supreme Court and other federal courts have consistently upheld presidential designations of national monuments, creating the incentive for presidents to abuse their fiat power.¹³

The majority of national monuments that were established in the early 1900s were also of similar size and scope to Devils Tower. Over time, national monuments designations have become increasingly large as presidents have used the Antiquities Act more loosely. Prior to 1970, the average size of national monuments was roughly 80,000 acres. After 1970, the average size of national monuments was over ten times larger at nearly 1.013 million acres. In Appendix 1, we have listed all national monuments that presidents created through the Antiquities Act and the acreage of those monuments at the time they were created.

Some recent national monuments clearly are larger than the Antiquities Act was meant to protect. Bears Ears in Utah is 1.353 million acres, Grand Staircase-Escalante in Utah is 1.7 million acres, and Mojave Trails in California is 1.6 million acres.. To put this into perspective, the State of Delaware is 1.251 million acres. The Antiquities Act was never meant to protect areas larger than some states, nor was it meant to give presidents the unbridled authority to redesignate such large tracts of public land.

¹³ See e.g. *Cappaert v. United States*, 426 U.S. 128 (S.C. 1976), *Cameron v. United States*, 252 U.S. 450 (S.C. 1920), and Squillace, M. (2003). "The Monumental Legacy of The Antiquities Act of 1906." *Georgia Law Review* 37, 473-610. https://www.nps.gov/parkhistory/online_books/antiquities/antiquities.pdf

Many Recent National Monuments Do Not Contain Unique Features of Historic or Scientific Interest

Most national monuments that were created before the 1970s contained specific and unique features that had historic or scientific interest. Some of the oldest national monuments preserved distinct archaeological or geological features. For example, Devils Tower National Monument protected a particular and unique igneous rock tower, and Montezuma Castle National Monument preserved an ancient cliff dwelling.

Through the end of the 20th century and into the 21st, presidents became much looser with the features they deemed to be worthy of national monument protection. For example, many recent presidents have justified their national monuments by citing the presence of abundant and widespread species of vegetation and wildlife. Many recent national monuments have used such vague and wide-sweeping justifications for "historic or scientific interest" that the term loses nearly all meaning. With vague justifications, presidents could potentially establish national monuments that included the entire Colorado Plateau or the entire Mojave Desert. In the "Specific Comments on the National Monuments Under Review" section of this paper, we show how and why many recent national monuments do not comport with the "historic and scientific interest" stipulations of the Antiquities Act.

The Executive Has the Authority to Reduce the Size of Existing National Monuments Under Some Circumstances

No president has ever attempted the wholesale removal of a national monument designation. There is legal disagreement over whether such an attempt would ultimately be upheld in the courts, with reasonable arguments to be made for both sides.¹⁴ Ultimately, executive-led full revocation of monument status is legally uncharted territory. Reductions in size, however, have occurred multiple times without court challenges. First, President Taft reduced his own designation of Navajo National Monument, cutting its land area by 89 percent. Multiple presidents cut pieces from Mount Olympus National Monument, reducing its size by nearly half. President Truman removed nearly half of Santa Rosa Island National Monument from designation, and President Eisenhower diminished Great Sand Dunes National Monument by 25 percent. This is not an exhaustive list—it merely highlights major reductions.¹⁵

President Taft's proclamation vastly reducing Navajo National Monument is illustrative. It specifically states that the decision was a result of finding that the designation constituted "a

¹⁴ *Presidential Authority to Revoke or Reduce National Monument Designations* by John Yoo and Todd Gaziano, cited later in this paragraph, begins with the argument that the president has the general authority to revoke designations under a number of well accepted legal principles. For legal opinions arguing that the executive does not have the right to remove monuments, see Wyatt, A. M. (2016). *Antiquities Act: Scope of Authority for Modification of National Monuments*. Congressional Research Service Report R44687. Retrieved from http://www.law.indiana.edu/publicland/files/national_monuments_modifications_CRS.pdf

¹⁵ Yoo, J. & Gaziano, T. (2017). *Presidential Authority to Revoke or Reduce National Monument Designations*. American Enterprise Institute. Retrieved from <https://www.aei.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Presidential-Authority-to-Revoke-or-Reduce-National-Monument-Designations.pdf>

much larger tract of land than is necessary for the protection of such of the ruins as should be reserved.”¹⁶ Even without general authority to rescind monument status, there is a strong case to be made that the president retains the power to shrink existing monuments according to a finding that an original designation was inappropriately large. No federal court has ever ruled directly on these reductions, but in *Alaska v. United States*, the Supreme Court “accepted without discussion” that the boundaries of Glacier Bay National Monument redrawn by President Eisenhower were legitimate.¹⁷ Eisenhower’s proclamation made reductions on three different plots for separate reasons: the land could serve a more critical federal purpose; it was improvidently included in the designation to begin with; and Antiquities Act protection was no longer necessary.¹⁸ The Congressional Research Service’s report on presidential authority under the Antiquities Act concludes (albeit with an air of legal uncertainty) that these and other reductions are legally legitimate.¹⁹

Historical examples of presidents shrinking previous monument designations abound, including some which are quite large. The Department of the Interior should reevaluate previous designations to ascertain both whether they were originally valid and/or continue to be necessary. If either of those conditions is not met, the President and Secretary should seek to redraw monument boundaries in accordance with the size and scope limitations present in the text of the Antiquities Act.

Many Monument Designations Do Little to Give Additional Protections

Federal Laws and Regulations Already Protect Most Public Land

The Antiquities Act was passed in 1906 under a set of unique circumstances and with particular intentions. In the late 19th century and early 20th century, policymakers, academics, and the general public were concerned that development and looting were destroying archeological sites and other artifacts across the country. Congress passed the Antiquities Act as a relatively low-cost means of quickly protecting cultural and natural resources that were in immediate danger of destruction.²⁰

As the 20th century progressed, other legislation and regulations were enacted to protect cultural and natural resources. These additional protections should have limited the need for presidents to use the Antiquities Act, at least in theory. For example, the Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) of 1979 protects archaeological resources found on federally-owned and tribal lands, making monument designations to protect these resources redundant in many cases. ARPA also bans the trafficking of archaeological resources that people obtain when

¹⁶ Proclamation No. 1186, (1912). Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=76605>

¹⁷ 545 U.S. 75. (S.C. 2005). Quotation and analysis from Yoo & Gaziano, *Presidential Authority*, *supra*.

¹⁸ Proclamation No. 3089, (1955). Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=107264>

¹⁹ Wyatt, *Antiquities Act*, *supra*.

²⁰ National Park Service. (2016). *About the Antiquities Act*. Retrieved from <https://www.nps.gov/archeology/sites/antiquities/about.htm>

violating existing laws and regulations.²¹ Despite increasing protections for cultural and natural resources, presidents continued to use their authority under the Act to designate monuments. In many cases, the Antiquities Act has evolved into a political tool, rather than a last-resort means of preserving endangered amenities of historic or scientific interest.

Advocates for a designation often want to ensure protection for artifacts and sacred sites. These areas are already protected by ARPA, which states “No person may [or attempt to] excavate, remove, damage, or otherwise alter or deface [...] any archaeological resource located on public lands or Indian lands” unless they have been issued a permit by the proper governing body. People that knowingly violate this law can be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned for up to a year. Laws that prohibit removing or damaging Native American artifacts already exist, so a national monument designation does little to provide extra protection. Current laws and regulations could protect areas of historic or scientific interest if they are enforced by federal land management enforcement officers.

In addition to ARPA, the federal land management agencies must follow dozens of other laws and regulations intended to protect public lands. Here is a list of just some of the laws that federal land managers must obey:

- Clean Air Act
- Clean Water Act
- Coastal Zone Management Act
- Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (Superfund)
- Endangered Species Act
- Energy Policy Act of 1992
- Energy Policy Act of 2005
- Federal Land Policy and Management Act
- Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act
- Federal Power Act
- Fish and Wildlife Coordination Act
- Fisheries Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens)
- Lacey Act
- Marine Mammal Protection Act
- Migratory Bird Treaty Act
- Mineral Leasing Act
- National Environmental Policy Act
- National Forest Management Act
- National Historic Preservation Act
- Noise Control Act
- Nuclear Waste Policy Act
- Ocean Dumping Act

²¹ Gerstenblith, P. (2016). “The Legal Framework for the Prosecution of Crimes Involving Archaeological Objects.” *Cultural Property Law* 64(2), 5-16. Retrieved from <https://www.justice.gov/usao/file/834826/download>

- Oil Pollution Act
- Resource Conservation and Recovery Act
- Rivers and Harbors Act
- Safe Drinking Water Act
- Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act
- Toxic Substances Control Act
- Wild and Scenic Rivers Act

Each land management agency also makes management plans to protect the ecological and historic amenities on federal land. For example, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) creates resource management plans (RMPs) to protect the plants, animals, landscapes, and historic features of the land under its purview. RMPs guide the BLM in how it manages public lands. The BLM must balance between competing land uses, while also protecting valuable resources for the future.²² RMPs may consider a wide variety of aspects on public land, such as air quality, areas of critical environmental concern, climate change, cultural and paleontological resources, fire and fuels, fisheries, forest management, hydrology, invasive species, lands and realty, lands with wilderness characteristics, livestock grazing, minerals, national trails systems, rare plants and fungi, recreation and visitor services, socioeconomics, soil resources, sustainable energy, trails and travel management, tribal interests, visual resource management, wildlife, and wild-and-scenic rivers.²³

The United States Forest Service (USFS) also creates a management plan for every national forest or grassland under their purview. Managers of individual forests and grasslands adhere to planning rules to develop a specific land management plan. The planning process for USFS management plans meets the requirements of the National Forest Management Act (NFMA), the Multiple-Use Sustained-Yield Act (MUSYA), and the Endangered Species Act, as well as all other legal requirements. USFS land management plans are required to promote "ecological sustainability and contribute to social and economic sustainability, using public input and the best available scientific information to inform plan decisions." In particular, USFS planning rules emphasize protecting water resources, restoring ecosystems, supporting biodiversity, and promoting multiple uses.²⁴

Past presidents have failed to show why the list of federal laws, regulation, and management plans are insufficient for protecting the lands they have designated as national monuments. The Antiquities Act was passed in a time when few environmental or historic preservation laws existed, but in recent decades, the United States has implemented dozens of

²² Utah Public Lands Coordinating Office. (n.d.). "BLM Resource Management Plans Litigation." Retrieved from <http://publiclands.utah.gov/current-projects/blm-resource-management-plan-litigation/>

²³ Bureau of Land Management. (2015). Proposed Resource Management Plan Western Oregon – Final EIS – Volume 1. Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/or/plans/rmpswesternoregon/files/prmp/RMPWO_V1_Summary.pdf

²⁴ National Forest System Land Management Planning. 77 Fed. Reg. 21162 (2012). Retrieved from https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/stelprdb5362536.pdf.

laws that protect nearly every aspect of our federal lands. Some national monuments are designated in areas that already have federally designated wilderness, wilderness study areas, or wildlife refuges. These designations make national monuments largely superfluous for environmental protections, but monuments do serve as a way for presidents to build environmental legacies without expending much political capital.

Failed Attempt at Preservation: Fossil Cycad National Monument

Designating an area as a national monument does not automatically ensure that the area will be protected into the future. For example, Fossil Cycad National Monument in South Dakota was created in 1922, but in 1957, Congress removed the national monument designation. The area was named for the rich collection of fossils that abounded in the monument, but in only 33 years, nearly all the above-ground fossils within the monument were looted by visitors. The monument designation did not prevent visitors from stealing fossils as souvenirs from the monument. Without the fossils, justifications for the monument no longer existed.

Without proper enforcement, monument designations are little more than a name change of federal lands. Sally Shelton, the collections director of the Museum of Geology at the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology, said about Fossil Cycad, “If you want to manage something as a public resource, you need to make sure that you’ve got the resources to make that commitment. Just saying it’s a national park or monument doesn’t give it any protection.”²⁵

If the Secretary finds that some national monuments are not afforded greater levels of protection from their designations, he should consider alternatives to the designation. In some cases, state and local officials may have more resources, knowledge, and incentive to protect an area than a federal manager would. Particularly in areas containing Native American artifacts, allowing tribes to take a greater role in managing the area may provide greater protections for artifacts.

Funding Shortfalls for Public Lands

The federal government may not always have the resources available to properly manage designated areas. Serious funding issues limit federal land managers ability extend current protections. For example, the National Park Service currently has a \$12 billion backlog of deferred maintenance projects, which is roughly five times more than the average amount that Congress appropriates to the entire Service annually.²⁶ The BLM, which manages several national monuments under the National Landscape Conservation System, has overextended its resources protecting the monuments under its control. These National Conservation Lands

²⁵ Tupper, S. (2016, June 26). SD’s forgotten national monument: A cautionary tale for the Park Service centennial. *Rapid City Journal*. Retrieved from http://rapidcityjournal.com/news/local/sd-s-forgotten-national-monument-a-cautionary-tale-for-the/article_94f03f22-1c00-54bc-b73a-df4c737f337c.html

²⁶ Fretwell, H., Gilroy, L., Regan, S. & Watson, R. (2016). *Breaking the Backlog: 7 Ideas to Address the National Park Deferred Maintenance Problem*. Property and Environment Research Center Public Lands Report. Retrieved from https://www.perc.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/BreakingtheBacklog_7IdeasforNationalParks.pdf

compose 12 percent of BLM land but only receive 6 percent of total BLM funding. The BLM has only \$2.23 per acre for its National Conservation Lands.²⁷ The USFS also struggles with funding, due in large part to the high expense of fighting fires. The USFS claims that the "trend of rising fire suppression costs is predicted to continue as long as the 10-year average serves as the funding model and presents a significant threat to the viability of all other services that support our national forests."²⁸

Given the perpetual funding issues with the NPS, USFS, and BLM, national monuments will continue to struggle with the same issues that existed prior to the designation. The title of "national monument" does not automatically solve any fiscal issues.

National monument designations may have the unintended consequence of degrading the very things the monuments were intended to protect. Newly designated national monuments often increase tourism, so considering the fiscal issues that the NPS, USFS, and BLM face, federal agencies may not have the resources to properly protect the objects of interest found within national monuments, especially ones that are hundreds of thousands of acres. Even in well-funded national parks, vandalism and degradation commonly occur. In less-funded national monuments that span for hundreds of thousands of acres, the small number of enforcement officers may not be able to stop vandalism, looting, poaching, or other forms of degradation. Increasing funding may not be the proper answer because the funding necessary to establish adequate enforcement may exceed the benefit of the added enforcement.

Specific Comments on the National Monuments Under Review

In this section, we evaluate each of the 21 monuments under review. For each monument, we discuss the justifications specified in each of the presidential proclamations. Then we evaluate whether the justifications are valid under the "smallest area compatible" and "historic and scientific interest" clauses.

We also provide courses of action that the executive branch may take. For many monuments, we recommend that the President collaborate with Congress to reevaluate land protections. Congress, being a more democratically responsive institution, is more likely to succeed at drawing compromise between competing public land interests. Congressional collaboration also expands the slate of policy options, as the Constitution states "Congress shall have Power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States."²⁹

There is a long history of national monuments being made into national parks by Congress. Many of America's most beloved national parks began as presidentially created national monuments that were later sanctioned by Congress to become national parks. Some of

²⁷ Conservation Lands Foundation. (2016). *National Conservation Lands: 2016 Policy Handbook*. Retrieved from <http://conservationlands.org/documents/2016/03/2016-policy-handbook.pdf>

²⁸ U.S. Forest Service. (2015). *The Rising Cost of Wildfire Operations: Effects on the Forest Service's Non-Fire Work*. Retrieved from <https://www.fs.fed.us/sites/default/files/2015-Fire-Budget-Report.pdf>

²⁹ U.S. Const. art. 4, § 3.

these national parks include Grand Canyon, Olympic, Zion, Joshua Tree, and Denali.³⁰ Congress also combined some presidentially created national monuments into adjacent national parks, such as the combination of Jackson Hole National Monument and Grand Teton National Park in 1950.

Congress also has the authority to redesignate land as national wilderness, which would give far stricter regulations than national monument status. For monuments that contain sites that are especially important to Native American tribes, the President and the Secretary could also work with Congress to turn over the land to those tribes.³¹ Finally, the President could work with Congress to evaluate the acceptability of turning land over to individual States or even land privatization. State control of lands may be beneficial because states have a better ability to respond to localized information and utilize federalism to innovate with different land management strategies. Privatization, while politically difficult, should be strongly considered because of the strong stewardship incentive created by private ownership of land.³² We urge the President and the Department of the Interior to consider that the best potential management for many of these areas might require a mixture of designations.

Monuments that May Adhere to the Antiquities Act

Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument

President Barack Obama designated Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument on July 10, 2015. The monument is in Northern California and covers 330,780 acres. The area is home to several endemic species and contains unique geologic features, including the seismically active Bartlett Springs fault zone and two tension-crack caves. The area's soils "lack the nutrients most plants need and often contain heavy metals toxic to many plants, resulting in plants that are unique and endemic to this region."³³ In addition, the area contains historic settlements including mineral collection sites, camps from fur trappers, and villages left over from Native Americans. President Obama's proclamation creating the area provides few specific details about the historic features protected within the area. Additionally, while many of the species mentioned in the proclamation are "rare, sensitive, or threatened under Federal or State

³⁰ Others include Lassen Volcanic, Katmai, Great Basin, Bryce Canyon, Carlsbad Caverns, Arches, Glacier Bay, Great Sand Dunes, Death Valley, Saguaro, Black Canyon of the Gunnison, Capitol Reef, Channel Islands, Gates of the Arctic, Kenai Fjords, Kobuk Valley, Lake Clark, and Wrangell-St. Elias.

³¹ Regan, S. (2014, March 13). "5 Ways The Government Keeps Native Americans In Poverty." PERC. Retrieved from <https://www.perc.org/articles/5-ways-government-keeps-native-americans-poverty>

Anderson, T. (1996, July 1). "Conservation Native American Style." PERC. Retrieved from <https://www.perc.org/articles/conservation-native-american-style-full>

³² Anderson, T. L., Smith, V. L., Simmons, E. (1999). *How and Why to Privatize Federal Lands*. Cato Policy Analysis No. 363. Washington, D.C.: The Cato Institute.

³³ Obama, B.H. (2015, July 10). "Presidential Proclamation -- Establishment of the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument." The White House Office of the Press Secretary. Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2015/07/10/presidential-proclamation-establishment-berryessa-snow-mountain-national>

law,” others, like rainbow trout, common king snake, American badger, etc., are common and can be found across much of North America.³⁴

The area contains important geologic features and historic artifacts. The area also contains two wilderness areas that were both created in 2006. Protecting the wilderness areas within the monument is redundant, as a wilderness provides much stricter protection to an area than most other land designations. In addition, historic artifacts within wilderness areas are already protected under several other laws and do not require further legal protection.

The monument undoubtedly contains areas of “scientific interest,” as required by the Antiquities Act, but it also contains features that are already protected, or can be found in numerous other places throughout the country. The President could decrease the area of the monument to more closely encompass specific geologic features and specific historic sites.

Canyons of the Ancients National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Canyons of the Ancients National Monument on June 9, 2000. The monument is in western Colorado near the Utah border and includes over 175,000 acres. President Clinton's justifications for the designation highlighted the fact that the area contains the "highest known density of archaeological sites in the Nation." For example, the presidential proclamation states that "[t]he Mockingbird Mesa area has over forty sites per square mile, and several canyons in that area hold more than three hundred sites per square mile."³⁵

Out of all the recent national monuments under review, Canyons of the Ancients seems to be most in line with the stipulations of the Antiquities Act. The boundaries of the monument, while extensive, do protect areas of historic and scientific interest that comport with the original intention of the Antiquities Act. This monument protects one of the large concentrations of antiquities that the Act was meant to protect.

The President could collaborate with Congress to reevaluate the designation of the area. Mesa Verde National Park is roughly 5.5 miles from the southeast corner of Canyons of the Ancients, which would allow Congress to fold the monument into the existing park if it considered such a decision prudent. If Congress does not believe that the area should be redesignated, leaving the current monument as it is would still comport with the original intentions of the Antiquities Act.

Carrizo Plain National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Carrizo Plain National Monument on January 17, 2001, in the lame duck period of his presidency. The monument is in southern California and spans just over 204,000 acres. President Clinton's proclamation that created the monument said that the

³⁴ Obama, B.H. (2015, July 10). “Presidential Proclamation -- Establishment of the Berryessa Snow Mountain National Monument.” The White House Office of the Press Secretary. Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2015/07/10/presidential-proclamation-establishment-berryessa-snow-mountain-national>

³⁵ Clinton, W.J. (2000). "Proclamation 7317—Establishment of the Canyons of the Ancients National Monument." The American Presidency Project. Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62331>

area is the "largest undeveloped remnant" of the grasslands that once existed in the San Joaquin Valley. The monument also contains Soda Lake, which is "the largest remaining natural alkali wetland in southern California." The Carrizo Plain is unique because of its "size, isolation, and relatively undeveloped nature."³⁶

Californians' public response to the review of Carrizo Plain has been nearly unanimously in support of the monument.³⁷ Carrizo Plain is one of the smallest monuments under review. The monument covers the grassland between the Temblor Range and the Caliente Range. Leaving the monument as it is would be justifiable because of the area's unique objects of scientific interest and inconsequential because of minimal public opposition. If the Secretary is looking for a more democratic alternative to the monument designation, the executive branch could work with Congress to redesignate the area.

Craters of the Moon National Monument

In 2000, President Bill Clinton enlarged Craters of the Moon National Monument, originally created in 1924, from 54,000 acres to 661,000 acres.³⁸ The monument is in southern Idaho and is frequently described as a "lunar" landscape. It is the result of ancient volcanic activity, and the expanded monument includes "craters, cones, lava flows, caves, and fissures of the 65-mile-long Great Rift, a geological feature that is comparable to the great rift zones of Iceland and Hawaii." The monument boundaries were adjusted five times prior to Clinton's adjustment. Clinton's presidential proclamation lists specific volcanic features that the monument enlargement contains, including the Kings Bowl lava field, the Wapi lava field, and the Bear Trap lava tube.³⁹

The Great Rift is the longest known rift zone in the contiguous United States, and as such, qualifies as an object of scientific interest. While Craters of the Moon National Monument is exceptionally large, the monument covers area that is not viable for farming or grazing. The designation of the monument and subsequent enlargements have generated little controversy, as the land itself is not directly useful to local communities.

In recent years, some Idahoans have suggested turning the area into Idaho's first national park. Residents of Arco and other surrounding towns think that a national park designation

³⁶ Clinton, W.J. (2001). "Proclamation 7393—Establishment of the Carrizo Plain National Monument." Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nlcs_web/sites/style/medialib/blm/ca/nlcs/Carrizo_Plain_NM/docs.Par.35275.File.dat/Carrizo%20Plain%20Proclamation.pdf

³⁷ The Reporter News. (2017, June 10). Legislature urges continued protection of California's national monuments. Retrieved from <http://www.thereporter.com/article/NG/20170610/NEWS/170619990>
Becerra, X. (2017, June 8). Trump administration threatens protections for California's cherished national monuments. Retrieved from <https://medium.com/@AGBecerra/trump-administration-threatens-protections-for-californias-cherished-national-monuments-22dcf519975e>

³⁸ Stahl, G. (2000). Craters expansion finalized. *Idaho Mountain Express and Guide*. Retrieved from <http://archives.mtexpress.com/2000/11-15-00/11-15rift.htm>

³⁹ Clinton, W.J. (2000, November 9). "Proclamation 7373—Boundary Enlargement of the Craters of the Moon National Monument." Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62283>

would increase tourism in the area and revitalize the local economy.⁴⁰ The President could work with Congress to designate the area as a national park to increase visitation to the area and bring it greater public attention. As it stands now, the monument covers valuable scientific resources and has little to no negative impact on surrounding communities.

Giant Sequoia National Monument

President Bill Clinton created Giant Sequoia National Monument in April 2000. The monument covers 327,769 acres in California and protects several giant sequoia groves. Clinton's proclamation creating the monument states that part of the purpose of the monument is to restore the forests to "counteract the effects of a century of fire suppression and logging." In addition, the proclamation states that since sequoias are so large, their rings contain many "records of past environmental changes such as climate, fire regimes, and consequent forest response." The giant trees provide nesting areas for the California condor, a critically endangered species.⁴¹

Because the main justification for Giant Sequoia National Monument is the scientific value of the forest, the size and scope of the monument is likely valid. The goal of counteracting the effects of fire suppression and logging, however, could be better served through other means, such as more active management plans from the Forest Service. Simply designating the area as a national monument has done nothing on its own to counteract those impacts.

Giant Sequoias are the world's largest trees and exist only in California. The proclamation demonstrates that the area contains objects of scientific interest that should be preserved. As such, the monument is likely valid under the Antiquities Act. The President could encourage Congress to consider incorporating the area into the adjacent Sequoia and Kings Canyon National Parks.

Monuments that May Not Adhere to the Antiquities Act

Basin and Range National Monument

President Barack Obama designated Basin and Range National Monument in July 2015. The monument is found in southeastern Nevada and is approximately 700,000 acres. President Obama's justifications for the monument include the area's topography, ecology, and history. Many historic events, including mining, Native American hunting and gathering, and European settlement occurred within the area, but the only remaining artifacts mentioned by Obama's proclamation are petroglyphs. Many parts of the monument were already federally protected

⁴⁰ Sevren, M., Shaw, S., & Cramer, J. (2016, May 23). *KIVTV*. Retrieved from <http://www.kivitv.com/news/craters-of-the-moon-a-push-for-idahos-1st-national-park>

⁴¹ Clinton, W.J. (2000, April 15). "Proclamation 7295—Establishment of the Giant Sequoia National Monument." Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62321>

before President Obama's designation. These protected areas included White River Narrows Historic District, Mount Irish Archaeological Area, and the Shooting Gallery rock art site.⁴²

The vague justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands from the Sierra Nevada in California to the Wasatch Range in Utah. The only unique feature of the monument is that it is one of the more undisturbed areas of the Great Basin. Other areas of historic or scientific interest were already protected prior to the monument's designation. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Basin and Range National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic interest, reasonably defined.

The President and the Department of the Interior could work with Congress to incorporate the area into nearby Great Basin National Park if the members of Congress deem it as an appropriate addition. If Congress does not believe that the area should be established as a national park, the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation to promote more democratic management of public lands or consider alternative designations.

Bears Ears National Monument

See Strata's previous public comment titled "Public Interest Comment from Strata Policy on Bears Ears National Monument Designation" submitted to the Department of the Interior on May 24, 2017.⁴³ We would also like to express general support for the ideas contained in the Public Interest Comment filed by Brian Seasholes on behalf of the Property and Environment Research Center regarding Bears Ears, especially with respect to a stronger Native American role in the land's management.⁴⁴

Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument

President Bill Clinton originally designated Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument on June 9, 2000. President Barack Obama enlarged the designation in his lame duck period on January 12, 2017. The original monument was located in southwestern Oregon, but the Obama

⁴² Obama, B.H. (2015). "Presidential Proclamation -- Establishment of the Basin and Range National Monument." The White House Office of the Press Secretary. Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2015/07/10/presidential-proclamation-establishment-basin-and-range-national>.

⁴³ Lofthouse, J.K., Harmer, C., Wardle, A.R., Hansen, M.E., & Stevens, L.C. (2017, May 24). Public interest comment from Strata Policy on Bears Ears National Monument designation. Retrieved from <http://strata.org/pdf/papers/bears-ears-5-17.pdf>

⁴⁴ Seasholes, B. (2017, May 25). "Public Comment to the U.S. Department of the Interior on the Review of Certain National Monuments Established Under the Antiquities Act of 1906 Regarding Bears Ears National Monument." Retrieved from <https://www.perc.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/PERC%20Public%20Comment%20to%20the%20U.S.%20Department%20of%20the%20Interior%20on%20the%20Review%20of%20Certain%20National%20Monuments%20Established%20Under%20the%20Antiquities%20Act%20of%201906.pdf>

expansions now include a section in California. The expanded monument now spans roughly 100,000 acres. The original monument designation was meant to protect the biodiversity of the region due to the intersection of several distinct ecoregions. Another protected feature is Pilot Rock, which is a volcanic formation with vertical cliffs. The Obama expansions were meant to protect the biodiversity of the area by creating "habitat connectivity corridors for species migration and dispersal."⁴⁵

The enlargements have been controversial in Oregon. Conservation groups and Oregon's Democratic U.S. Senators lauded the expanded monument. Other organizations, including the Oregon Cattleman's Association, have expressed concern with the enlargement because of the effects on local ranchers, farmers, and recreationists.⁴⁶ The wide justifications in the presidential proclamation could be used to designate nearly all public lands from the Canadian border to central California. The Cascade Range stretches for several hundred miles and is highly biodiverse for its entire length due to the fact that the western slope is largely a temperate rainforest and the eastern slope borders the deserts of the Great Basin and Columbia Plateau. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

Gold Butte National Monument

On December 28, 2016, President Obama created Gold Butte National Monument in southeast Nevada. The monument covers 296,937 acres of an area known as Gold Butte within the Mojave Desert. The monument contains the remnants of Native American habitation in the area, including roasting pits, bones, "projectile points," pottery fragments, and petroglyphs. To this day, the Southern Paiute people use the area for religious ceremonies. The monument contains critical habitat for the Mojave desert tortoise, a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act, and is home to Joshua trees, pinyon pine, Utah juniper, sagebrush, and "a variety of creatures, including birds and insects, and [...] a number of plant species."⁴⁷

The proclamation fails to demonstrate that the area contains anything of particular historic or scientific interest that is not already protected under other laws. Most of the species listed in the proclamation can be found throughout deserts of the western United States, and

⁴⁵ Clinton, W.J. (2000, June 9). "Proclamation 7318—Establishment of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument." Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/or/resources/recreation/csnm/files/Proclamation_7318.pdf

Obama, B.H. (2017, January 12). "Presidential Proclamation—Boundary Enlargement of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument." Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2017/01/12/presidential-proclamation-boundary-enlargement-cascade-siskiyou-national>

⁴⁶ The Associated Press. (2017, January 13). " Cascade-Siskiyou Monument Expanded." Bend Bulletin. Retrieved from <http://www.bendbulletin.com/localstate/4978577-151/cascade-siskiyoumonument-expanded>

⁴⁷ Obama, B. J. (2016, December 28). "Presidential Proclamation -- Establishment of the Gold Butte National Monument" Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2016/12/28/presidential-proclamation-establishment-gold-butte-national-monument>

those that are listed as endangered or threatened could be safeguarded by existing or future critical habitat designations, which would provide the species more specific protections.

The President and the Department of the Interior could work with Congress to decrease the size of the area to protect specific artifacts and return much of the land to multiple use management or give management authority or ownership to the Moapa Band of Paiutes, some of whom encouraged the designation to protect their ancestral land.⁴⁸ This decision would likely be more democratic than President Obama's executive order and ensure that the specific features of the area that do fit the stipulations of the Antiquities Act are better protected.

Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument in January 2000, several months before the presidential election and his lame duck period. The monument is found in northern Arizona near the Nevada and Utah borders and is just over one million acres. President Clinton's justifications for the monument include the area's large sandstone cliffs, paleontological resources, and biodiversity, as well as the area's history with Native Americans, Spanish explorers, and Mormon pioneers.⁴⁹

These justifications do not constitute the "smallest area compatible" with the designation of the monument. The broad justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands north of Grand Canyon National Park and south of Utah's Wasatch Range. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

The President could collaborate with Congress to use its authority to incorporate the area into Grand Canyon National Park if the members of Congress deem it as an appropriate addition. If Congress does not believe that the area should be incorporated into Grand Canyon National Park, the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation for a more democratic approach to federal land management.

Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in September 1996, shortly before the presidential election that would win him a second term. The monument is found in southern Utah and is approximately 1.7 million acres. President Clinton's justifications for the monument include the area's geological formations, such as colorful

⁴⁸ Siegler, K. (2016, August 18). "In Nevada, Tribes Push to Protect Land at the Heart of Bundy Ranch Standoff." *NPR*. Retrieved from <http://www.npr.org/sections/codeswitch/2016/08/18/490498442/in-nevada-tribes-push-to-protect-land-at-the-heart-of-bundy-ranch-standoff>

⁴⁹ Clinton, W.J. (2000). "Proclamation 7265—Establishment of the Grand Canyon-Parashant National Monument". The American Presidency Project. Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62310>.

sandstone cliffs, natural arches, and slot canyons. In addition, the justifications include the area's biodiversity and history of Native Americans, Spanish explorers, and Mormon pioneers.⁵⁰

Grand Staircase-Escalante may be the largest abuse of the Antiquities Act in recent history. President Clinton's justifications do not constitute the “smallest area compatible” with the 1.7 million acre designation. The extensive justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands in southern Utah or the entire Colorado Plateau. While there may be legitimate sites of historic or scientific interest within the boundaries of the current designations, the 1.7 million acre designation is much larger than necessary. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

The President could encourage Congress to use its authority to designate the area as a separate national park or other preserve, as it has done with other national monuments in the past. Congress could also use its authority to incorporate the area into an adjacent national park or national recreation area, such as Bryce Canyon National Park, Capitol Reef National Park, or Glen Canyon National Recreation Area if the members of Congress find that the entire designation is worthy of protection under the National Park System. If Congress does not believe that the area should be incorporated into the nearby national parks or national recreation areas, the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation to promote more democratic management of public lands.

Hanford Reach National Monument

President Bill Clinton created Hanford Reach National Monument on June 9, 2000. The monument is located in the State of Washington along the Columbia River and is over 194,000 acres. The proclamation justifies the designation by specifying the area's sagebrush ecosystems and riparian habitats along the Columbia River. The proclamation also specifies the area's geology, such as the White Bluffs and the Hanford Dune Field, and the area's archeology, including the remains of pithouses, graves, and hunting sites.⁵¹

The wide justifications in the proclamation could be used to designate many public lands across the Columbia Plateau and do not fit within the “smallest area compatible” clause of the Antiquities Act. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Hanford Reach National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

The area could likely be decreased to cover only specific archeological sites, which would return much of the land to its previous multiple use management. Or, if the intent of the monument is just to provide protections to a general stretch of land, the President could work with Congress to redesignate the land as a national park, wilderness, or preserve.

⁵⁰ Clinton, W.J. (1996). "Proclamation 6920—Establishment of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument". The American Presidency Project. Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=51948>.

⁵¹ Clinton, W.J. (2000, June 9). "Proclamation 7319—Establishment of the Hanford Reach National Monument." Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62329>

Ironwood Forest National Monument

President Bill Clinton created Ironwood Forest National Monument on June 9, 2000. The monument is found in Arizona's Sonoran Desert and is nearly 130,000 acres. President Clinton's justifications for the monument include the presence of desert plants and animals. The monument also contains "more than 200 sites from the prehistoric Hohokam period," as well as two areas that had already been listed on the National Register of Historic Places, the Los Robles Archeological District and the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District.⁵²

The proclamation's wide justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands in the Sonoran Desert. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Ironwood Forest National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

Mojave Trails National Monument

President Barack Obama designated Mojave Trails National Monument in February 2016. The monument is found in southern California and is approximately 1.6 million acres. President Obama's justifications for the monument include the area's geology, paleontological resources, rare plants, Native American history, and history of transportation with the Southern Pacific railroad and Route 66.⁵³

The sweeping justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands in from the in the Mojave Desert of southern California. All areas of the Mojave Desert contain the same features that are mentioned in the monument's proclamation. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation.

The President could work with Congress to use its authority to incorporate the area into the adjacent Mojave National Preserve or Joshua Tree National Park. Congress could also designate the monument as its own national park. If members of Congress do not find that the monument is worthy of protecting as a national park or national preserve, then the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation to promote more democratic management of public lands.

Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

President Barack Obama established Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument on May 21, 2014. The monument is located in southern New Mexico and contains approximately

⁵² Clinton, W.J. (2000, June 9). "Proclamation 7320—Establishment of the Ironwood Forest National Monument." Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62320>

⁵³ Obama, B.H. (2016). "Presidential Proclamation -- Establishment of Mojave Trails National Monument." The White House Office of the Press Secretary. Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2016/02/12/presidential-proclamation-establishment-mojave-trails-national-monument>

496,000 acres. President Obama's justifications for the monument include "five iconic mountain ranges," Native American archaeology, history of the Wild West, and Chihuahuan Desert ecology.⁵⁴

The wide justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands in the Chihuahuan Desert. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

Rio Grande del Norte National Monument

On March 25, 2013, President Barack Obama established Río Grande del Norte National Monument in northern New Mexico. The monument spans 242,555 acres. The presidential proclamation justifies the designation by specifying the area's unique geology of volcanic cones and deep canyons, as well as scattered archaeological remains, such as petroglyphs, rock art, and other remnants of daily life for ancient Native Americans.⁵⁵

The wide justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands in southern Colorado and northern New Mexico. These justifications do not fit within the "smallest area compatible" clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Río Grande del Norte National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

The President could work with Congress to redesignate the land or turn the land over to Native American tribes who have cultural and historic ties to it. For example, leaders of the Taos Pueblo have supported the national monument. The War Chief of the Taos Pueblo, Benito Sandoval, said, "I applaud President Obama protecting Río Grande del Norte National Monument because many of the wildlife species that live in that corridor come in and out of this area. Left unprotected, there may be very few animals available that the Native American people of Taos Pueblo depend on for food, clothing and shelter."⁵⁶ The President could work with Congress to turn over part or all of the national monument so that local Native Americans can manage the lands to maintain the amenities that they depend on. If Congress does not believe

⁵⁴ Obama, B.H. (2014, May 21). "Presidential Proclamation—Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument." Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>

⁵⁵ Obama, B.H. (2013, March 25). "Presidential Proclamation—Río Grande del Norte National Monument." Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2013/03/25/presidential-proclamation-r-o-grande-del-norte-national-monument>

⁵⁶ ICMN Staff. (2013, March 26). "Obama Proclaims Río Grande del Norte a National Monument, Significant Site for Natives." Indian Country Today. Retrieved from <https://indiancountrymedianetwork.com/travel/destinations/obama-proclaims-ro-grande-del-norte-a-national-monument-significant-site-for-natives/>

that the area should be established as a national park or returned to Native American tribes, Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation to promote more democratic management of public lands.

Sand to Snow National Monument

On February 12, 2016, President Barack created Sand to Snow National Monument in southern California. The monument includes 154,000 acres of federal land. President Obama justified his use of the Antiquities Act by citing the area's geology and ecology of deserts and mountains. President Obama also cites that 30 miles of the already-protected Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail run through Sand to Snow. The area also contains scattered artifacts of Native American history, Spanish settlement, and Wild West exploration.⁵⁷

Of Sand to Snow's 154,000 acres, over 100,000 acres of that designation are already congressionally-designated wilderness area.⁵⁸ This makes almost all of the national monument designation superfluous because most of the monument already has the strictest protections that the federal government can extend. The wide justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands along the eastern slope of the Sierra Nevada. These justifications do not fit within the “smallest area compatible” clause of the Antiquities Act. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Sand to Snow National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

San Gabriel Mountains National Monument

President Barack Obama designated San Gabriel Mountains National Monument on October 10, 2014. The monument is located near Los Angeles, California, and is over 346,000 acres. President Obama justified the monument by citing the area's already-existing protections. For example, the proclamation mentions several protected areas like the Aliso-Arrastre Special Interest Area, four designated wilderness areas, Angeles National Forest, several National Recreational Trails, and the Pacific Crest National Scenic Trail.⁵⁹

The justifications for this monument do not fit within the “smallest area compatible” clause of the Antiquities Act and do not comport with the "historic or scientific interest" clause. Because the area was already one of the most heavily protected areas in the United States prior to the 2014 designation, the national monument does little, if anything, to give additional

⁵⁷ Obama, B.H. (2016, February 12). “Presidential Proclamation—Establishment of the Sand to Snow National Monument.” Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2016/02/12/presidential-proclamation-establishment-sand-snow-national-monument>

⁵⁸ U.S. Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.). Sand to Snow National Monument. Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nlcs_web/sites/ca/st/en/prog/nlcs/Sand-to-Snow.html

⁵⁹ Obama, B.H. (2014, October 10). "Presidential Proclamation -- San Gabriel Mountains National Monument." Retrieved from <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/10/10/presidential-proclamation-san-gabriel-mountains-national-monument>

protections to the area. The proclamation does not adequately justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of San Gabriel Mountains National Monument to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

Sonoran Desert National Monument

President Bill Clinton created Sonoran Desert National Monument on January 17, 2001, during his lame duck period. The monument lies just south of Phoenix and covers 486,149 acres of the Sonoran Desert. The area contains many desert species, including the saguaro cactus, bobcats, mule deer, mountain lions, junipers, along with some endangered species like the Sonoran Pronghorn, acuna pineapple, and the lesser long-nosed bat. In addition, the area contains historic trails like the Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail, the Mormon Battalion Trail, and the Butterfield Overland Stage Route.⁶⁰

The area may contain specific features of historic or scientific interest, such as the historical trails that cross the land. These trails were already protected before the monument designation, making the monument designation largely superfluous. Many of the species that live in the monument can be found throughout the entire Sonoran Desert, and those that are listed as endangered or threatened could be protected through existing or future critical habitat designations, which would provide the species more specific protections.

Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument during his lame duck period in January 2001. The monument is found in northern Montana along the Missouri River and is nearly 400,000 acres. President Clinton's justifications for the monument include the area's historical connections to Native Americans and the Lewis and Clark Expedition, as well as eroded sedimentary cliffs and common wildlife. Even in the proclamation that established the monument, President Clinton admits that the monument designation is redundant because of other federal protections to the area: "In 1976, the Congress designated the Missouri River segment and corridor in this area a National Wild and Scenic River (Public Law 94-486, 90 Stat. 2327). The monument also encompasses areas that are already protected, including the Lewis and Clark National Historic Trail, the Nez Perce National Historic Trail, and the Cow Creek Island Area of Critical Environmental Concern."⁶¹ The monument also includes six wilderness study areas and the Fort Benton National Historic Landmark.⁶²

These justifications do not constitute the "smallest area compatible" with the designation

⁶⁰ Clinton, W.J. (2001, January 17). "Sonoran Desert National Monument Proclamation." Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nlcs_web/sites/style/medialib/blm/az/images/son_des.Par.30940.File.dat/proclamation.pdf

⁶¹ Clinton, W.J. (2001). "Proclamation 7398—Establishment of the Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument." The American Presidency Project. Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62516>.

⁶² Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.) "Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument." Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nlcs_web/sites/mt/st/en/prog/nlcs_new/UMRB_NM.html

of the monument. The wide-sweeping justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands from the headwaters of the Missouri River to the North Dakota border. Sedimentary cliffs, the Lewis and Clark Trail, and wildlife are common for hundreds of miles in every direction from Upper Missouri River Breaks. The sites of historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation do not justify the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Upper Missouri River Breaks to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined.

The President could work with Congress to use its authority to combine the monument with the adjacent Charles M. Russell National Wildlife Refuge. Alternatively, the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation. Both of these approaches would be more democratic.

Vermilion Cliffs National Monument

President Bill Clinton designated Vermilion Cliffs National Monument during his lame duck period in November 2000. The monument is found in northern Arizona along the Utah border and is nearly 300,000 acres. President Clinton's justifications for the monument include the area's "sandstone slickrock, brilliant cliffs, and rolling sandy plateaus," as well as the area's history of Spanish explorers and Mormon pioneers. The presidential proclamation that established the national monument also extolled the area's plant and animal species, such as desert bighorn sheep, pronghorn antelope, and mountain lion.⁶³ In 1984, Congress protected much of the land within the current national monument in the Paria Canyon-Vermilion Cliffs Wilderness.⁶⁴

It is difficult to argue that these justifications constitute the "smallest area compatible" with the designation of the monument — such justifications could be used to designate nearly all public lands on the Colorado Plateau. Sandstone cliffs, Mormon historical sites, and desert bighorn sheep are common for hundreds of miles in every direction from Vermilion Cliffs. None of the sites of legitimate historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation fulfill the burden of defending the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Vermilion Cliffs to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined. The definition of "scientific interest" can easily be extended to the point of legal meaninglessness, but without a robust explanation for a particular area's unique value, the Antiquities Act is left open for rampant abuse.

Because the area contains some areas of interest, the President could work with Congress to designate the entire area or parts of the current monument as a national park, as it has done

⁶³ Clinton, W. J. (2000). "Proclamation 7374—Vermilion Cliffs National Monument." The American Presidency Project. Retrieved from <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=62318>.

⁶⁴ Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.) "VERMILION CLIFFS NATIONAL MONUMENT PARIA CANYON/VERMILION CLIFFS WILDERNESS PARIA CANYON PERMIT AREA." Retrieved from <https://www.blm.gov/programs/recreation/permits-and-passes/lotteries-and-permit-systems/arizona/paria-canyon>

with national monuments in the past. The President could also work with Congress to incorporate all or parts of the monument into the adjacent Glen Canyon National Recreation Area or nearby Grand Canyon National Park. Alternatively, the executive branch or Congress could revert the area back to its multiple use mandates that were in place before the designation. This approach would be more democratic.

Conclusion

Although many Americans value the idea of land preservation, many recent national monument designations have abused executive power and done little to increase land protections. The current review is about more than just national monuments themselves. This review of national monuments can be an opportunity for the President and the Secretary to restore the appropriate use of executive power.

As requested by the Department of the Interior, we have identified several reasons why some recent national monuments do not reflect the “requirements and original objectives” of the Antiquities Act and do not “appropriately balance the protection” of objects of interest.⁶⁵ Many of the monuments violate the plain reading of law by being significantly larger than “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected” and include many objects for protection beyond the scope of the Antiquities Act. Several monuments violate the stated purpose of the Antiquities Act because their designations were used as a tool to build a president’s environmental legacy. There is historical precedent for the executive to unilaterally reduce the size of improper designations. Many national monument designations do little to give additional protection to the amenities described in presidential proclamations, and federal land managers may not have adequate resources to properly fulfill their responsibilities on recently designated national monuments.

We recommend that the Secretary of the Interior take several courses of action. First, the Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of some national monuments to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historic and scientific interest, reasonably defined. Second, the Department of the Interior should reevaluate previous designations to ascertain both whether they were originally valid and/or continue to be necessary. If either of those conditions is not met, the President and Secretary should seek to redraw the monuments’ boundaries in accordance with the size and scope limitations present in the text of the Antiquities Act.

The President and Secretary could also work with Congress to redesignate these national monuments as national parks or revert the land back to its multiple use mandates as public land. Article 4, section 3, clause 2 of the U.S. Constitution expressly gives Congress the “power to dispose of and make all needful Rules and Regulations respecting the Territory or other Property belonging to the United States.” By collaborating more with Congress on national monuments, the President and the Secretary could take advantage of the democratic compromises that take place within Congress. More democratic approaches to public land designations are important to balance many competing interests. Limiting the nearly unlimited power of the president to designate national monuments is important for checks and balances as well as the rule of law.

⁶⁵ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996, *supra*.

Appendix 1: Sizes of All President-Created National Monuments at their Establishment

Our calculated averages for before and after 1970 do not include marine monuments, post-designation enlargements or reductions, or monuments designated by Congress. They do include the initial designations of monuments that were later redesignated as some different form of land protection.

Monuments established prior to 1970:

Monument Name	Date Established	President	Initial Acreage
Devils Tower	9/24/06	T. Roosevelt	1193.91
Petrified Forest	12/8/06	T. Roosevelt	60776.02
Montezuma Castle	12/8/06	T. Roosevelt	161.39
El Morro	12/8/06	T. Roosevelt	160
Chaco Canyon	3/11/07	T. Roosevelt	10643.13
Lassen Peak	5/6/07	T. Roosevelt	1280
Cinder Cone	5/6/07	T. Roosevelt	5120
Gila Cliff Dwellings	11/16/07	T. Roosevelt	160
Tonto	12/19/07	T. Roosevelt	640
Muir Woods	1/9/08	T. Roosevelt	295
Grand Canyon	1/11/08	T. Roosevelt	808120
Pinnacles	1/16/08	T. Roosevelt	1320

Jewel Cave	2/7/08	T. Roosevelt	1274.56
Natural Bridges	4/16/08	T. Roosevelt	120
Lewis and Clark Cavern	5/11/08	T. Roosevelt	160
Tumacacori	9/15/08	T. Roosevelt	10
Wheeler	12/7/08	T. Roosevelt	300
Mount Olympus	3/2/09	T. Roosevelt	639200
Navajo	3/20/09	Taft	360
Oregon Caves	7/12/09	Taft	465.8
Mukuntu-weap/Zion	7/31/09	Taft	16000
Shoshone Cavern	8/21/09	Taft	210
Salinas Pueblo Missions (previously Gran Quivira)	11/1/09	Taft	160
Sitka	3/23/10	Taft	57
Rainbow Bridge	5/30/10	Taft	160
Big Hole Battlefield	6/23/10	Taft	5
Colorado	5/24/11	Taft	13883.06
Devils Postpile	7/6/11	Taft	768.46
Cabrillo	10/14/13	Wilson	0.5
Papago Saguaro	1/31/14	Wilson	2050.43

Dinosaur	10/4/15	Wilson	80
Walnut Canyon	11/30/15	Wilson	960
Bandelier	2/11/16	Wilson	23352
Sieur de Monts	7/8/16	Wilson	5000
Capulin Volcano (previously Capulin Mountain)	8/9/16	Wilson	640.42
Old Kasaan	10/25/16	Wilson	43
Verendrye	6/29/17	Wilson	253.04
Casa Grande Ruins	8/3/18	Wilson	480
Katmai	9/24/18	Wilson	1088000
Scotts Bluff	12/12/19	Wilson	2053.83
Yucca House	12/19/19	Wilson	9.6
Lehman Caves	1/24/22	Harding	593.03
Timpanogos Cave	10/14/22	Harding	250
Fossil Cycad	10/21/22	Harding	320
Aztec Ruins	1/24/23	Harding	4.6
Mound City Group	3/2/23	Harding	57
Hovenweep	3/2/23	Harding	285.8
Pipe Spring	5/31/23	Harding	40

Bryce Canyon	6/8/23	Harding	7440
Carlsbad Cave	10/25/23	Coolidge	719.22
Chiricahua	4/18/24	Coolidge	3655.12
Craters of the Moon	5/2/24	Coolidge	22651.8
Fort Matanzas	10/15/24	Coolidge	1
Castillo de San Marcos (previously Fort Marion)	10/15/24	Coolidge	18.51
Fort Pulaski	10/15/24	Coolidge	20
Castle Pinckney	10/15/24	Coolidge	3.5
Statue of Liberty (previously Fort Wood)	10/15/24	Coolidge	2.5
Wupatki	12/9/24	Coolidge	2234.1
Meriwether Lewis	2/6/25	Coolidge	50
Glacier Bay	2/26/25	Coolidge	1379315.58
Father Millet Cross	9/5/25	Coolidge	0.0074
Lava Beds	11/21/25	Coolidge	45589.92
Arches	4/12/29	Hoover	4520
Holy Cross	5/11/29	Hoover	1392
Sunset Crater Volcano (previously Sunset Crater)	5/30/30	Hoover	3040

Canyon de Chelly	4/1/31	Hoover	83840
Great Sand Dunes	3/17/32	Hoover	35528.36
Grand Canyon II	12/22/32	Hoover	273145
White Sands	1/18/33	Hoover	131486.84
Death Valley	2/11/33	Hoover	848581.36
Saguaro	3/1/33	Hoover	53510.08
Black Canyon of the Gunnison	3/2/33	Hoover	10287.95
Cedar Breaks	8/22/33	F. Roosevelt	5701.39
Fort Jefferson	1/4/35	F. Roosevelt	47125
Joshua Tree	8/10/36	F. Roosevelt	825340
Zion II (Kolob)	1/22/37	F. Roosevelt	49150
Organ Pipe Cactus	4/13/37	F. Roosevelt	330690
Capitol Reef	8/2/37	F. Roosevelt	37060
Channel Islands	4/26/38	F. Roosevelt	1119.98
Fort Laramie	7/16/38	F. Roosevelt	214.41
Santa Rosa Island	5/17/39	F. Roosevelt	9500
Tuzigoot	7/25/39	F. Roosevelt	42.67
Jackson Hole	3/15/43	F. Roosevelt	210950

Effigy Mounds	10/25/49	Truman	1000
Edison Laboratory	7/14/56	Eisenhower	1.51
Chesapeake & Ohio Canal	1/18/61	Eisenhower	5263.94
Russell Cave	5/11/61	Kennedy	310.45
Buck Island Reef	12/28/61	Kennedy	850
Marble Canyon	1/20/69	Johnson	32546.69

Monuments Established After 1970:

Misty Fjords	12/1/78	Carter	2285000
Aniakchak	12/1/78	Carter	350000
Admiralty Island	12/1/78	Carter	1100000
Becharof	12/1/78	Carter	1200000
Bering Land Bridge	12/1/78	Carter	2590000
Cape Krusenstern	12/1/78	Carter	560000
Denali	12/1/78	Carter	3890000
Gates of the Arctic	12/1/78	Carter	8220000
Kenai Fjords	12/1/78	Carter	570000
Kobuk Valley	12/1/78	Carter	1710000

Lake Clark	12/1/78	Carter	2500000
Noatak	12/1/78	Carter	5880000
Wrangell-St. Elias	12/1/78	Carter	10950000
Yukon-Charley Rivers	12/1/78	Carter	1720000
Yukon Flats	12/1/78	Carter	10600000
Grand Staircase-Escalante	9/18/96	Clinton	1700000
Agua Fria	1/11/00	Clinton	71100
Grand Canyon-Parashant	1/11/00	Clinton	1014000
California Coastal	1/11/00	Clinton	883
Giant Sequoia	4/15/00	Clinton	327769
Hanford Reach	6/8/00	Clinton	195000
Ironwood Forest	6/9/00	Clinton	128917
Canyons of the Ancients	6/9/00	Clinton	164000
Cascade-Siskiyou	6/9/00	Clinton	52000
President Lincoln and Soldiers' Home	7/7/00	Clinton	2.3
Vermilion Cliffs	11/9/00	Clinton	293000
Carrizo Plain	1/12/01	Clinton	204107
Sonoran Desert	1/17/01	Clinton	486149

Pompeys Pillar	1/17/01	Clinton	51
Upper Missouri River Breaks	1/17/01	Clinton	377346
Kasha-Katuwe Tent Rocks	1/17/01	Clinton	4148
Virgin Islands Coral Reef	1/17/01	Clinton	12708
Minidoka Internment	1/17/01	Clinton	72.75
Governors Island	1/19/01	Clinton	20
African Burial Ground	2/27/06	Bush	0.345
Papahānaumokuākea Marine (previously Northwestern Hawaiian islands)	6/15/06	Bush	140000 (sq. miles)
World War II Valor in the Pacific	12/5/08	Bush	6310
Rose Atoll Marine	1/6/09	Bush	13451 (sq. miles)
Marianas Trench Marine	1/6/09	Bush	95216 (sq. miles)
Pacific Remote Islands Marine	1/6/09	Bush	86888 (sq. miles)
Fort Monroe	11/1/11	Obama	325.21
Fort Ord	4/20/12	Obama	14651
Chimney Rock	9/21/12	Obama	4726
César E. Chávez	10/8/12	Obama	10.5
First State	3/25/13	Obama	1108

Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad	3/25/13	Obama	11750
Río Grande del Norte	3/25/13	Obama	242555
Charles Young Buffalo Soldiers	3/25/13	Obama	59.65
San Juan Islands	3/25/13	Obama	970
Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks	5/21/14	Obama	496330
San Gabriel Mountains	10/10/14	Obama	346177
Browns Canyon	2/19/15	Obama	21586
Honouliuli	2/19/15	Obama	123
Pullman	2/19/15	Obama	0.2397
Berryessa Snow Mountain	7/10/15	Obama	330780
Basin and Range	7/10/15	Obama	704000
Waco Mammoth	7/10/15	Obama	7.11
Sand to Snow	2/12/16	Obama	154000
Mojave Trails	2/12/16	Obama	1600000
Castle Mountains	2/12/16	Obama	20920
Belmont-Paul Women's Equality	4/12/16	Obama	0.34
Stonewall	6/24/16	Obama	0.12
Katahdin Woods and Waters	8/24/16	Obama	87500

Northeast Canyons and Seamounts Marine	9/15/16	Obama	4913 (sq. miles)
Gold Butte	12/28/16	Obama	296937
Bears Ears	12/28/16	Obama	1351849
Birmingham Civil Rights	1/12/17	Obama	0.88
Freedom Riders	1/12/17	Obama	5.96
Reconstruction Era	1/12/17	Obama	15.56

Public Interest Comment from Strata Policy on Bears Ears National Monument Designation

Public Interest Comment on The Department of the Interior's Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996

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Introduction and Background

The Department of the Interior’s request for comment on the designation of Bears Ears National Monument and other monuments designated over the past 20 years responds to Executive Order 13792 (hereafter ‘The Executive Order’), issued by President Trump.² The Executive Order instructs the Secretary of the Interior to consider past designations’ adherence to statutory language in the Antiquities Act of 1906 (54 U.S. Code § 320301), among other criteria.

One of the most controversial of these designations has been Bears Ears National Monument. Strata is a public policy think tank based in Logan, Utah, that uses public choice theory and constitutional political economy to evaluate the legal and economic ramifications of government actions, especially as they relate to environmental policy. We are interested in the review of Bears Ears National Monument because we are concerned about the rule of law, the abuse of government power, and the effects of government policies on a wide range of people. Our organization is composed of academics and policy professionals who engage in research to better understand the incentives behind government policies and the consequences that result from these policies. We have found that Bears Ears National Monument, as currently designated, does not comport with the Act’s “requirements and original objectives.” We have also found that the current designation does not “appropriately balance the protection of landmarks, structures, and objects against the appropriate use of federal lands and the effects on surrounding lands and communities.”³

In December 2016, President Obama signed a presidential proclamation establishing Bears Ears National Monument in southeast Utah. In this proclamation, President Obama extolled the scenic amenities of the region and cited the area’s cultural and historical importance to local Native American people. The language of the proclamation argues that the natural, historical, and cultural amenities in the area need protection. President Obama claimed that the monument’s 1.35 million acres are “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.”⁴ In the five months since President Obama established the monument, the debate for and against it has been widely publicized and contentious. The heightened emotions surrounding the review of this national monument should not influence how the Department of the Interior analyzes the monument’s economic impacts, legal implications, and effects on conservation. Below, we have listed seven factors that the Department of the Interior should consider in its review of Bears Ears National Monument. The factors are listed in the order we discuss them throughout the document.

² Exec. Order No. 13792, 82 Fed. Reg. 82 (2017).

³ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996; Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment. 82 Fed. Reg. 90 (2017).

⁴ Proclamation No. 9558, 82 Fed. Reg. 1139 (2017).

1. The monument violates the law by being significantly larger than “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected” and includes many objects for protection beyond the scope of the Antiquities Act.
2. The creation of the monument seems to be rooted in the desire to establish an “environmental legacy,” rather than the stated purpose of the Antiquities Act.
3. Historical precedent gives ample evidence that the executive may unilaterally reduce the size of improperly large designations.
4. The monument designation does little to give additional protection to the amenities described in the presidential proclamation.
5. Federal, state, and local lawmakers supported land use policies that would balance the use of federal lands between competing interests. The monument designation overrode local interests.
6. The proclamation heavily emphasizes the importance of the area to Native Americans, but the future management may not actually reflect the desires of the Native peoples who value the land.
7. The designation does not necessarily give more freedom to Native Americans to use their sacred land as they see fit.

Analysis

Bears Ears National Monument Exceeds the Size Stipulations in the Antiquities Act

Legal Historical Background

The Department of the Interior’s request for public comment asks for information regarding “[t]he requirements and original objectives of the Act, including the Act’s requirement that reservations of land not exceed ‘the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected’” and “whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as ‘historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest.’”⁵

The phrase “historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest” is drawn from the Antiquities Act and establishes the criteria the President may use to determine whether a given site can appropriately be designated as a national monument.⁶ The statute does not supply any formal definition for these criteria. The Act’s legislative history is long and complex, but plenty of contemporary legislative documents and remarks by representatives indicate that the Act’s

⁵ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996, *supra*.

⁶ 54 U.S.C. § 320301(a).

original purpose was to protect small geographic areas associated with specific relics and sites.⁷ The phrase “other objects of historic or scientific significance” was not included in early proposals of the Act, but was instead added by a committee appointee from the American Anthropological Association. The Department of the Interior, interested in preserving greater swaths of land, approved the change, but Western congressional delegations disagreed, fearing land grabs. To appease concerned stakeholders in the West, the “smallest area compatible” language was included in the final bill.⁸

President Obama’s Proclamation Includes Many Objects for Protection Beyond the Scope of the Antiquities Act

President Obama’s proclamation includes several references to sites that clearly fall within the scope of the Antiquities Act. Lime Ridge Clovis Site and Moon House Ruin, both located within Bears Ears National Monument, are two examples of candidates for legitimate designation because of their clear historic interest. The proclamation, however, goes much further in both geographic scope and in terms of what is considered an appropriate justification for designation. The proclamation talks at length about unique geological features, long-gone explorers, and “star-filled nights and natural quiet.” It contains seven long paragraphs listing species present in the area; though a few are rare or even endemic; many, like sagebrush, are extensively present throughout the Intermountain West and beyond.

It is difficult to argue that “scientific interest” extends so far that the mere presence of pine trees, rabbits, and mule deer is sufficient to justify a “smallest area compatible” designation of over a million acres — such a conclusion could be used to designate nearly all public lands on the Colorado Plateau. Bona fide historic sites exist in the monument, but these areas could just as easily be protected by a significantly smaller designation. The same is true for scientific sites and the presence of paleontological digs or habitat for endemic species like the moth *Eucosma navajoensis*. None of the sites of legitimate historic or scientific interest offered in the proclamation fulfill the burden of defending the full extent of the designation. The Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Bears Ears to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historical and scientific interest, reasonably defined. The definition of “scientific interest” can easily be extended to the point of legal meaninglessness, but without a robust explanation for a particular area’s unique value, the Antiquities Act is left open for rampant abuse.

It is also difficult to argue that the “historic interest” arguments for the monument are justifiable. With a loose interpretation of “historic interest,” the monument’s boundaries could potentially include the entire Four Corners region. The proclamation includes a description of the cultural and historical importance of

⁷ Hartman, B. J. (2011). “Extending the Scope of the Antiquities Act.” *Public Land and Resources Law Review* 32, 153-191. <http://scholarship.law.umt.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1026&context=plrlr>

⁸ Rusnak, E. C. (2003). “The Straw that Broke the Camels Back? Grand Staircase-Escalante Antiquates the Antiquities Act.” *Ohio State Law Journal* 64, 669-730. <http://moritzlaw.osu.edu/students/groups/oslj/files/2012/03/64.2.rusnak.pdf>

Bears Ears, but the proclamation also includes archeological sites from the Clovis culture, the ancestral Puebloans, and more recent archeological findings from the Ute, Navajo, and Paiute cultures. By justifying the extent of the current monument on these grounds, the monument could be extended several hundred miles in every direction. Such a hypothetical designation would be politically unviable and an extreme abuse of the Antiquities Act. This thought experiment, however, suggests that the boundaries of the monument have been strategically drawn to maximize the extent of the monument while minimizing the political backlash from an overly large monument. Although strategic on the part of the Obama Administration, the scope of this designation and its ad hoc justifications erode the rule of law by increasing the expanding power of the executive branch.

Political Economy Explanation for the Designation of National Monuments

Rather than following the stated purpose of the Antiquities Act, the creation of the monument seems to be rooted in the desire for an “environmental legacy.” The fact that President Obama designated this controversial monument during the lame duck period between the 2016 election and the presidential inauguration strongly suggests that this was a classic case of environmental legacy building. There is strong evidence to suggest that several past presidents have used the Antiquities Act for this motive, but such designations are inconsistent with the wording and original intention of the Act. Using the Antiquities Act as a means of self-aggrandizement on the part of lame duck presidents is inconsistent with the Act’s requirements and original objectives.

Although difficult to definitely prove that a designation is used for motives other than the protection of antiquities, economic theory can inform us of likely cases where designations are used for motives other than those expressly written in the Act. First, the lame duck period between an election and an inauguration is a strategic time for controversial actions on the part of the president and Congress alike. The chance for retribution on the part of the electorate is minimal for both the president and his party, which explains why presidents often save their most controversial designations for this period. Second, the size of monuments helps build up an environmental legacy because presidents are seen as having “saved” the largest amount of land possible. Third, national monument designations are one of the lowest cost ways for presidents to build an environmental legacy. Alternative means, such as landmark legislation or national park designations, are difficult and costly for a president to achieve because engaging with Congress to create such policies is time consuming and requires extensive coalition building, among other costs. Designating a national monument, on the other hand, can be done unilaterally. The judiciary’s lax enforcement of the Antiquities Act’s restrictions makes this even easier.

For presidents who want to have an environmental legacy, the Antiquities Act is a relatively low cost means to designate the largest amount of land possible at the most strategic time. President Obama appears to have followed this strategy with his designation of Bears Ears National Monument. Our comment is not to say that environmental legacy-building is good or bad, but simply that this use of the Antiquities Act is inconsistent with the original objectives and intent of the law. Such uses of the law are an overreach of executive power.

Bears Ears National Monument Exceeds the Antiquities Act's Size Limitations

Bears Ears National Monument does not fulfill the requirements of the Antiquities Act because the size of the monument is much larger than “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.” Although the Act implicitly gives the president wide discretion to designate national monuments on federal lands, the law should not be read to give the president unlimited authority to unilaterally designate vast areas. Past abuses of the Antiquities Act do not justify continuing abuses. The Bears Ears, the monument’s namesake, are two mesas located in Utah’s San Juan County. The mesas are only a small fraction of the large area within Bears Ears National Monument.

Devils Tower National Monument, the first national monument in the United States, protects a geological feature similar to the Bears Ears, but the area of the monument is approximately two square miles. President Theodore Roosevelt used the Antiquities Act in 1906 to create Devils Tower National Monument, but his designation was only slightly larger than the footprint of the Devils Tower butte itself. This seems more consistent with the wording to protect “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.” Despite this precedent, presidents have made increasingly large designations. Over the years, the Supreme Court and other federal courts have consistently upheld presidential designations of national monuments, creating the incentive for presidents’ to abuse their fiat power.⁹

According to a strict interpretation of the Act, a monument designation protecting only the Bears Ears mesas would include an area of roughly five by five miles. Various other legitimate historic and scientific sites throughout the area could be protected by narrow piecemeal designations. The current monument, however, extends approximately 80 miles from north to south, and 50 miles from east to west. The monument also completely encapsulates other heavily protected areas, including Natural Bridges National Monument, Dark Canyon Wilderness Area, and Cedar Mesa Primitive Area. This suggests that many areas within the monument were already protected well before the national monument designation. The dimensions of Bears Ears National Monument are clearly larger than “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management” of the Bears Ears mesas and their immediate surroundings.

The Executive Has the Authority to Reduce the Size of Existing National Monuments Under Some Circumstances

No president has ever attempted the wholesale removal of a national monument designation. There is legal disagreement over whether such an attempt would ultimately be upheld in the courts, with reasonable arguments to be made for both sides.¹⁰ Ultimately, executive-led full revocation of monument

⁹ See e.g. *Cappaert v. United States*, 426 U.S. 128 (S.C. 1976), *Cameron v. United States*, 252 U.S. 450 (S.C. 1920), and Squillace, M. (2003). “The Monumental Legacy of The Antiquities Act of 1906.” *Georgia Law Review* 37, 473-610. https://www.nps.gov/parkhistory/online_books/antiquities/antiquities.pdf

¹⁰ *Presidential Authority to Revoke or Reduce National Monument Designations* by John Yoo and Todd Gaziano, cited later in this paragraph, begins with the argument that the president has the general authority to revoke designations

status is legally uncharted territory. Reductions in size, however, have occurred multiple times without court challenges. First, President Taft reduced his own designation of Navajo National Monument, cutting its land area by 89 percent. Multiple presidents cut pieces from Mount Olympus National Monument, reducing its size by nearly half. President Truman removed nearly half of Santa Rosa Island National Monument from designation, and President Eisenhower diminished Great Sand Dunes National Monument by 25 percent. This is not an exhaustive list — it merely highlights major reductions.¹¹

President Taft's proclamation vastly reducing Navajo National Monument is illustrative. It specifically states that the decision was a result of finding that the designation constituted "a much larger tract of land than is necessary for the protection of such of the ruins as should be reserved."¹² Even without general authority to rescind monument status, there is a strong case to be made that the president retains the power to shrink existing monuments according to a finding that an original designation was inappropriately large. No federal court has ever ruled directly on these reductions, but in *Alaska v. United States*, the Supreme Court "accepted without discussion" that the boundaries of Glacier Bay National Monument redrawn by President Eisenhower were legitimate.¹³ Eisenhower's proclamation made reductions on three different plots for separate reasons: the land could serve a more critical federal purpose; it was improvidently included in the designation to begin with; and Antiquities Act protection was no longer necessary.¹⁴ The Congressional Research Service's report on presidential authority under the Antiquities Act concludes (albeit with an air of legal uncertainty) that these and other reductions are legally legitimate.¹⁵

Historical examples of presidents shrinking previous monument designations abound, including some which are quite large. The Department of the Interior should reevaluate previous designations to ascertain both whether they were originally valid and/or continue to be necessary. If either of those conditions is not met, the President and Secretary should seek to redraw monument boundaries in accordance with the size and scope limitations present in the text of the Antiquities Act.

under a number of well accepted legal principles. For legal opinions arguing that the executive does not have the right to remove monuments, see Wyatt, A. M. (2016). *Antiquities Act: Scope of Authority for Modification of National Monuments*. Congressional Research Service Report R44687.

http://www.law.indiana.edu/publicland/files/national_monuments_modifications_CRS.pdf

¹¹ Yoo, J. & Gaziano, T. (2017). *Presidential Authority to Revoke or Reduce National Monument Designations*. American Enterprise Institute. <https://www.aei.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/03/Presidential-Authority-to-Revoke-or-Reduce-National-Monument-Designations.pdf>

¹² Proclamation No. 1186, (1912). <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=76605>

¹³ 545 U.S. 75. (S.C. 2005). Quotation and analysis from Yoo & Gaziano, *Presidential Authority*, *supra*.

¹⁴ Proclamation No. 3089, (1955). <http://www.presidency.ucsb.edu/ws/?pid=107264>

¹⁵ Wyatt, *Antiquities Act*, *supra*.

The Monument Designation Does Little to Give Additional Protections

The monument designation does little to give additional protection to the amenities described in the presidential proclamation. The U.S. Forest Service (USFS) and the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will continue to manage the land within the monument that they were already managing prior to the designation.¹⁶

President Obama’s proclamation also stipulates that the USFS and the BLM “shall consult with other Federal land management agencies in the local area, including the National Park Service” when deciding on a management plan for the monument. Management plans must include “maximum public involvement,” which includes federally recognized tribes, state governments, and local governments. Management plans must also be drafted to “maximize opportunities [...] for shared resources, operational efficiency, and cooperation.”¹⁷ Prior to the monument designation, agencies collaborated to manage the area and members of the community were involved in land management decisions. Many laws already direct the USFS and the BLM to protect and preserve the scientific, historical, and cultural amenities of the area.¹⁸ Although national monuments historically served a critical role in protecting artifacts, the Bears Ears designation serves little purpose in protecting any sites or amenities because newer federal laws and regulations, as well as USFS and BLM management plans, already protected the sites and amenities listed in the presidential proclamation.

Protections for the Area Prior to the National Monument Designation

The Antiquities Act was passed in 1906 under a set of unique circumstances and with particular intentions. In the late 19th century and early 20th century, policymakers, academics, and the general public were concerned that development and looting were destroying archeological sites and other artifacts across the country. Congress passed the Antiquities Act as a relatively low-cost means of quickly protecting cultural and natural resources that were in immediate danger of destruction.¹⁹

As the 20th century progressed, other legislation and regulations were enacted to protect cultural and natural resources. These additional protections should have limited the need for presidents to use the Antiquities Act, at least in theory. For example, the Archaeological Resources Protection Act (ARPA) of

¹⁶ Proclamation No. 9558, *supra*.

¹⁷ *Id.*

¹⁸ See e.g. 36 C.F.R. 800, 42 U.S.C. § 4331 *et seq.*, 16 U.S.C. § 470aa *et seq.*, Exec. Order No. 13287, 68 Fed. Reg. 43 (2003).

¹⁹ National Park Service. (2016). *About the Antiquities Act*. <https://www.nps.gov/archeology/sites/antiquities/about.htm>

1979 protects archaeological resources found on federally-owned and tribal lands, making monument designations to protect these resources redundant in many cases. ARPA also bans the trafficking of archaeological resources that people obtain when violating existing laws and regulations.²⁰ Despite increasing protections for cultural and natural resources, presidents continued to use their authority under the Act to designate monuments. In many cases, the Antiquities Act has evolved into a political tool, rather than a last-resort means of preserving endangered antiquities.

Advocates for the designation of Bears Ears National Monument wished to ensure protection for Native American artifacts and sacred sites. The Inter-Tribal Coalition, one of the groups that advocated for the designation of the monument, argued that more protection was needed for artifacts within the proposed area. These areas are already protected by ARPA, which states “No person may [or attempt to] excavate, remove, damage, or otherwise alter or deface [...] any archaeological resource located on public lands or Indian lands” unless they have been issued a permit by the proper governing body. People that knowingly violate this law can be fined up to \$10,000 or imprisoned for up to a year. The Inter-Tribal Coalition argued that Native American artifacts in the Bears Ears area needed additional protection, since laws that prohibit removing or damaging Native American artifacts were enforced by a single BLM law enforcement officer that covered all of San Juan County, almost 8,000 square miles.²¹

The USFS and the BLM have failed to make it clear how the monument designation will provide the area any protection beyond what current laws and resources already provide the area. Following the designation of the area, the USFS released a report on the recreation conditions of the monument. The report states that outfitter and guide permits, hunting, and firewood gathering would continue in the same manner that they had in the past, subject to USFS regulations and standards. The report also provided “etiquette for preserving [archeological] sites.” The guidelines inform visitors how to interact with historic sites and artifacts within the area, but they do not provide any information on the enforcement of laws prohibiting the removal of Native American artifacts.²² The BLM has yet to release management guidelines specifically for Bears Ears National Monument, but the BLM provides general guidelines for the management of national monuments. These guidelines stipulate that the BLM must continue to manage the areas as multiple use, maintain relationships with local governments, land managers, and tribal governments, and “conserve, protect, and restore nationally significant landscapes,”

²⁰ Gerstenblith, P. (2016). “The Legal Framework for the Prosecution of Crimes Involving Archaeological Objects.” *Cultural Property Law* 64(2), 5-16. <https://www.justice.gov/usao/file/834826/download>

²¹ Bears Ears Inter-Tribal Coalition. (n.d.) *Proposal Overview*. <http://bearscoalition.org/proposal-overview/>

²² U.S. Forest Service. (2017). *Bears Ears National Monument: Manti-La Sal National Forest Recreation Conditions*. https://www.fs.usda.gov/Internet/FSE_DOCUMENTS/fseprd529897.pdf

among other things.²³ These guidelines provide no explanation of how a national monument designation will increase protections relative to the BLM's prior management.

The monument designation specifically maintains the status quo for many aspects of the monument's management, further making the designation superfluous. President Obama's proclamation states:

1. "Laws, regulations, and policies followed by USFS or BLM in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on lands under their jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument."
2. "Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the jurisdiction of the State of Utah, including its jurisdiction and authority with respect to fish and wildlife management."
3. "Nothing in this proclamation shall preclude low-level overflights of military aircraft...or the use or establishment of military flight training routes."
4. "Nothing in this proclamation shall be construed to alter the authority or responsibility of any party with respect to emergency response activities within the monument, including wildland fire response."
5. "Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to revoke any existing withdrawal, reservation, or appropriation; however, the monument shall be the dominant reservation."

All of these stipulations appear to preserve the status quo of grazing, wildlife management, military activities, emergency response, wildland fire response, or other existing land and water use rights.

Lack of Funding for Public Lands

Although Bears Ears National Monument was meant to further protect the land, serious funding issues limit federal land managers ability extend current protections. For example, the National Park Service currently has a \$12 billion backlog of deferred maintenance projects, which is roughly five times more than the average amount that Congress appropriates to the entire Service annually.²⁴ The BLM, which will manage parts of Bears Ears under the National Landscape Conservation System, is also severely underfunded. These National Conservation Lands compose 12 percent of BLM land but only receive 6 percent of total BLM funding. The BLM has only \$2.23 per acre for its National Conservation Lands.²⁵ The USFS also struggles with funding, due in large part to the high expense of fighting fires. The USFS

²³ Bureau of Land Management. (2017). "National Monuments, National Conservation Areas, and Similar Designations." *BLM Manual 6220*.
https://www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/uploads/mediacenter_blmmanual6220.pdf

²⁴ Fretwell, H., Gilroy, L., Regan, S. & Watson, R. (2016). *Breaking the Backlog: 7 Ideas to Address the National Park Deferred Maintenance Problem*. Property and Environment Research Center Public Lands Report.
https://www.perc.org/sites/default/files/pdfs/BreakingtheBacklog_7IdeasforNationalParks.pdf

²⁵ Conservation Lands Foundation. (2016). *National Conservation Lands: 2016 Policy Handbook*.
<http://conservationlands.org/documents/2016/03/2016-policy-handbook.pdf>

claims that “rising fire suppression costs is predicted to continue as long as the 10-year average serves as the funding model and presents a significant threat to the viability of all other services that support our national forests.”²⁶ Given the perpetual funding issues with the NPS, USFS, and BLM, Bears Ears National Monument will continue to struggle with the same issues that existed prior to the designation. The title of “national monument” does not automatically solve the fiscal issues that presented challenges in managing the lands prior to the designation.

As has been the case with national monuments in the past, Bears Ears National Monument designation may increase tourism to the area. Considering the fiscal issues that the USFS and BLM face, they may not have the resources to properly protect the objects of interest found within the monument. The designation may have the unintended consequence of degrading the very things the monument was intended to protect.

Concerns of State, Tribal, and Local Governments and Economic Impacts

The Department of the Interior’s request for public comment asks for information regarding “concerns of State, tribal, and local governments affected by a designation, including the economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities.”

Concerns of State and Local Governments

Utah’s delegation to Congress, as well as many local officials in San Juan County, supported an alternative proposal to Bears Ears National Monument. Two of Utah’s Representatives, Rob Bishop and Jason Chaffetz, sponsored the Public Lands Initiative (PLI) to balance the desires for conservation against local economic development and funding for public schools. The PLI was one way to balance the competing uses of the area in two ways. First, it proposed a massive conservation effort, including new national conservation areas, a new national monument, and new wilderness areas in Utah. Second, the bill would have promoted economic development by opening up some of Utah’s federally owned lands to energy development.²⁷ Representative Chaffetz said, “Instead of the arrogance of a unilateral designation by a president who has never visited these areas, this bill enjoys broad local support after a very open and transparent process.”²⁸ Despite the attempt at compromise, the PLI became highly controversial within

²⁶U.S. Forest Service. (2015). *The Rising Cost of Wildfire Operations: Effects on the Forest Service’s Non-Fire Work*. <https://www.fs.fed.us/sites/default/files/2015-Fire-Budget-Report.pdf>

²⁷ A bill to provide greater conservation, recreation, economic development and local management of Federal lands in Utah, and for other purposes. H.R. __. 114th Cong. (2016). http://robbishop.house.gov/uploadedfiles/utah_public_land_initiative_act.pdf

²⁸ Burr, T. (2016). Public Lands Initiative, meant to block Bears Ears monument, passes House committee. *The Salt Lake Tribune*. <http://www.sltrib.com/home/4386530-155/public-lands-initiative-meant-to-block>

Utah and across the country. With the establishment of Bears Ears, the PLI died in Congress. The concerns that prompted the PLI are still salient because the monument designation will affect local economic development.

Concerns of Tribal Governments and Native Americans

The presidential proclamation heavily emphasizes the importance of the area to Native Americans, but future management may not actually reflect the desires of the Native peoples who value the land. Within the proclamation, President Obama established the Bears Ears Commission to “ensure that management decisions affecting the monument reflect tribal expertise and traditional and historical knowledge.” The Commission’s duties are described as providing “guidance and recommendations on the development and implementation of management plans and on management of the monument.” The Commission is composed of one elected officer each from the Hopi Nation, Navajo Nation, Ute Mountain Ute Tribe, Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah Ouray, and Zuni Tribe, designated by the officers’ respective tribes.

Within the wording of the proclamation, both the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture “shall meaningfully engage the Commission or, should the Commission no longer exist, the tribal governments through some other entity composed of elected tribal government officers (comparable entity), in the development of the management plan and to inform subsequent management of the monument.” Although the Commission can put forward suggestions to the Secretaries, they have no specific obligation to follow the desires of the Commission. If the Secretaries choose to deviate from the suggestions of the Commission, the Secretaries must provide the Commission with a written explanation of their reasoning. Any management plans created by the Secretaries and their agencies must also include “parameters for continued meaningful engagement with the Commission.” The vague wording and arbitrary nature of these directives indicate that current and future Secretaries can simply disregard the Commission’s suggestions as long as they give a written justification for their actions. There is no definition for “meaningful engagement,” so nearly any interpretation could be considered valid. Although some Secretaries may give considerable deference to the wishes of the Commission, some Secretaries in the future, depending on politics and other constraints, may choose to completely disregard the Commission’s guidance.

The designation does not necessarily give more freedom for Native Americans to use their sacred land as they see fit. President Obama’s proclamation specifically states that “[n]othing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the rights or jurisdiction of any Indian tribe.” The proclamation also states that the monument’s management will be “consistent with the American Indian Religious Freedom Act (42 U.S.C. 1996) and Executive Order 13007 of May 24, 1996 (Indian Sacred Sites), including collection of medicines, berries and other vegetation, forest products, and firewood for personal noncommercial use in a manner consistent with the care and management of the objects identified above.”

Both the Indian Religious Freedom Act and Executive Order 13007 have allowed Native Americans across the country to engage in traditional activities. The national monument designation does not give

any tribe additional jurisdiction over the area, which means that Native Americans do not have more access to their sacred lands than they did before the designation.

Conclusion

While many Americans value the idea of land preservation, the designation of Bears Ears National Monument is an abuse of executive power and does little to increase the area's protections. The argument over Bears Ears National Monument is about more than just the monument itself. Rather, it is about the overextension of the Antiquities Act. The stakes of the current debate are not about how scenic or how beloved the land may or may not be, but the rule of law and the appropriate use of executive power granted by the Antiquities Act.

As requested by the Department of the Interior, we have identified seven reasons why Bears Ears National Monument does not reflect the "requirements and original objectives" of the Antiquities Act, and it does not "appropriately balance the protection" of objects of interest.²⁹ First, the monument violates the law by being significantly larger than "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected" and includes many objects for protection beyond the scope of the Antiquities Act. Second, the creation of the monument violates the stated purpose of the Antiquities Act because it was clearly used as a tool to build an environmental legacy. Third, there are many historical cases where the executive has unilaterally reduced the size of improvidently large designations. Fourth, the monument designation does little to give additional protection to the amenities described in the presidential proclamation. Fifth, federal, state, and local lawmakers supported land use policies that would balance the use of federal lands between competing interests, but the monument designation overrode local say in the matter. Sixth, the proclamation heavily emphasizes the importance of the area to Native Americans, but the future management may not actually reflect the desires of the Native peoples who value the land. Seventh, the designation does not necessarily give more freedom for Native Americans to use their sacred land as they see fit.

We recommend that the Secretary take several courses of action. First, the Department of the Interior, in its review, should consider reducing the size of Bears Ears to more appropriately encompass sites of legitimate historical and scientific interest, reasonably defined. Second, the Department of the Interior should reevaluate previous designations to ascertain both whether they were originally valid and/or continue to be necessary. If either of those conditions is not met, the President and Secretary should seek to redraw the monument's boundaries in accordance with the size and scope limitations present in the text of the Antiquities Act.

²⁹ Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996, *supra*.



A BIRD IN THE HAND
STATE-DRIVEN SUCCESS IN SAGE-GROUSE CONSERVATION

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Executive Summary

The greater sage-grouse, a wild bird that lives across the Western United States, has become one of the most controversial species in American history. Over the past few decades, a political movement has worked to place the greater sage-grouse under the protection of the Endangered Species Act (ESA). After the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) announced its interest in listing the species in 2010, several Western states increased their efforts to preserve the greater sage-grouse. In 2015, the FWS decided not to list the sage-grouse as threatened or endangered under the ESA, in large part because the states proved that they could effectively protect the species.

The fight over the sage-grouse illustrates how state governments can and do conserve species. States cooperate with federal agencies to increase decentralized decision-making and more successfully protect species. By deferring to states, the federal government could be more effective at conserving species and limiting the economic harm caused by the ESA. The purpose of this policy brief is to illustrate why increasing state management of endangered species would be an improvement over the current approach.

Cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making occur when the federal government allows lower levels of government to make their own policies. This type of decision-making is beneficial in three ways. First, states serve as “laboratories” of innovation for testing various approaches to conservation. Second, state agencies may have better data and expertise regarding species conservation than federal agencies. Third, state governments are often more responsive to the needs of local people better than federal decision-makers. They are able to create policies and conservation plans that more carefully account for local economic and geographic factors.

The federal government could enhance species recovery by cooperating more with the states and by deferring many conservation decisions to lower levels of government. Over the past twenty years, many scholars have noted the “lack of consistent and sustained cooperation between state and federal agencies” on endangered species issues.¹ Following the example demonstrated by state-level sage-grouse management, the federal government could allow for more cooperative and decentralized policies that may improve overall species conservation. In particular, the federal government could change the implementation of the ESA’s Section 6 or Section 4(d) to increase cooperation and decentralization.

Introduction

In this Strata report, we first show why cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making are important for the effective conservation of species, especially the greater sage-grouse. Then we explain how the political battle over the greater sage-grouse illustrates that states can protect species without a listing under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). We conclude with recommendations for how state and federal agencies can improve species conservation through cooperation and decentralization. The purpose of this policy brief is to summarize the benefits of increasing state management of species and their habitats.

Giving States More Power Helps Conservation

The federal government could improve species conservation if it cooperated more fully with state governments and decentralized much of its decision-making power. Cooperative federalism occurs when the federal government and state governments share responsibility over public policy. There is a sharp divide in how cooperative federalism is used in environmental policy, particularly between pollution control and resource management. Many federal environmental laws are largely based on cooperative federalism, such as the Clean Water Act or the Clean Air Act. In these acts, the federal government sets overarching goals that states can attain through their own individualized plans. Pollution control laws may still be costly and onerous, but states have more flexibility in how they implement these laws.

1 Arha, K., and Thompson, B. (n.d.) “Endangered Species Act and Federalism: Effective Species Conservation through Greater State Commitment.” Woods Institute for Environment Stanford Law School. Policy Paper. Retrieved from <https://woods.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/files/Endangered-Species-Act-Policy-Paper-20050224.pdf>

The ESA could be more effective if federal policymakers adopted the pollution-control model of cooperative federalism. Federal policymakers could change the ESA so that federal coordination with state and local jurisdictions is more common. If federal agencies, especially the FWS, were to certify local programs for meeting ESA goals more often, local people could use grassroots conservation effectively without the need for redundant efforts of federal managers.²

Decentralized decision-making occurs when lower levels of government have the ability to make their own policies. This type of decision-making is beneficial in a few ways. First, the states serve as “laboratories” of innovation where many approaches are tried. Second, state agencies may have better available science, expertise, mapping capabilities, biological inventories, biological management goals, state wildlife action plans, and other important data than federal agencies. Third, state governments often are often more responsive to local preferences and know the needs of local people better than federal decision-makers.

States as Laboratories of Innovation

Allowing states to take the lead on species conservation may be beneficial because state governments can test out a variety of approaches. When states are free to experiment with different management regimes, they are more likely to find the most efficient and effective policies. State officials can adopt policies that have worked in other states and avoid policies that have not. This type of experimentation and innovation has been compared to a “laboratory of democracy.” Michael S. Greve, a professor at the Antonin Scalia Law School at George Mason University, writes that “one can make a powerful theoretical case for the experimental, decentralized politics that the laboratory metaphor suggests.”³ Smaller, localized policies are more capable of adapting to changing circumstances, whether economic or ecological.

One of the most pragmatic reasons for decentralized decision-making is that policymakers, at both the federal and state levels, do not always know exactly what they are doing or what the consequences of their actions will be. When federal policymakers face uncertainty, one overarching policy that applies the same solution to many different problems makes little sense because policymakers can make a mistake that affects the entire country. Using state-based policies allows for gradual changes that foster a system of “feedback and institutional learning.” State-based policies can more easily address the needs, circumstances, and preferences of people nearest to the problem.⁴

In recent years, some scholars argue that the federal government’s approach to working with states has become less cooperative and more coercive through the use of statutory mandates, conditional grants, preemption, and administrative regulations. These tactics force the states to comply with the wishes of federal decision-makers.⁵ Over the past forty years, Congress and the president have increasingly relied on mandates and preemption to impose national priorities on state governments, especially regarding environmental issues.⁶

The coercive federalism we know today arose in the 1970s. In particular, the federal government began to use regulatory tools to supercede state policies. Prior to this shift, the federal government used mainly fiscal tools to facilitate cooperation with state governments. John Kincaid, the executive director of the U.S. Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, claims that during the 1970s and 1980s, the federal government eroded “constitutional and political limits” on federal regulatory power, which led to “a more coercive system of

2 Fischman, R.L. (2005). Cooperative Federalism and Natural Resources Law. Articles by Maurer Faculty. Paper 219. Retrieved from <http://www.repository.law.indiana.edu/facpub/219>

3 Greve, M. S. (March 31, 2001). Laboratories of democracy. *American Energy Institute*. Retrieved from <http://www.aei.org/publication/laboratories-of-democracy/>

4 Ibid.

5 McGovern, S. (2011). New Model for States as Laboratories for Reform: How Federalism Informs Education Policy. *New York University Law Review* 86(5), 1519-1555.

6 Posner, P. (2007). “The Politics of Coercive Federalism in the Bush Era.” *Publius*; 37 (3): 390-412. Retrieved from <https://academic.oup.com/publius/article/37/3/390/1922375/The-Politics-of-Coercive-Federalism-in-the-Bush>.

federal preemptions of state and local authority and unfunded mandates on state and local governments.”⁷ Kincaid also asserts that a coercive system undermines government responsibility and public accountability, but state and local governments lack the leverage to reverse this trend.⁸ If the federal government were to revert back to a more cooperative system, as opposed to a coercive system, states may be better equipped to create innovative policies for species conservation.

States Often Have Better Data and Resources than the Federal Government

State governments often have better information on the needs of endangered species within their borders, and they have better knowledge of the needs of the people who are affected by endangered species policies. Elinor Ostrom, a Nobel Prize winner in economics, argued that many environmental issues can be solved most effectively by the people closest to the problem. Top-down, one-size-fits-all policies often replace local ways of managing environmental issues, and can compound existing problems by implementing policies that fail to consider local issues.⁹

State agencies frequently have more employees on the ground, documenting state species populations and ecological factors. For example, in Wyoming, the state’s wildlife agency employs 173 field biologists and wardens, while the FWS only has 24 employees working on similar projects in the state. California employs 1,236 wardens and biologists, but the FWS only employs 188 and NOAA Fisheries employs only 66.¹⁰ A larger number of government employees do not automatically lead to better knowledge and better policies, but, compared to the federal government, states often employ more people to gather data and enforce public policies. Because states often employ local people, states may have more knowledge relating to the needs of local people and ecosystems than the federal government.¹¹

For example, Utah’s Division of Wildlife Resources manages the Utah Conservation Data Center (UCDC), which is the comprehensive repository for the state’s biodiversity information. The UCDC holds data on all of Utah’s vertebrate wildlife species, including rare native species and game animals, as well as many invertebrate and plant species. The UCDC collects its information from a wide variety of sources, including the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources, the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, the United States National Park Service, the United States Forest Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, the United States Bureau of Land Management, Utah State University, the University of Utah, Brigham Young University, the network of state/province Natural Heritage Programs and Conservation Data Centers, The Nature Conservancy, NatureServe, museums, and numerous individuals.¹²

Other states have similarly robust wildlife agencies that collect and manage extensive data repositories. For example, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife’s (CDFW) Data Portal holds information on angling records, CDFW special hunts, coho salmon recovery tasks, conservation and mitigation banking, ecosystem restoration programs, habitat tracking and reporting, steelhead trout management tasks, and wildlife incident reporting, among other data.¹³ The Idaho Fish and Wildlife Information System employees a team of professionals, including biologists, data managers, GIS professionals, and programmers, to compile data on the state’s wildlife. In particular, the Idaho Species Diversity Database, which is a subset of the Information System, holds the most complete set of site-specific data on Idaho’s fish, wildlife, and plant diversity.¹⁴

7 Kincaid, J. (1990). From Cooperative to Coercive Federalism. *The Annals of the American Academy of Political and Social Science*, 509, 139-152. Retrieved from <http://www.jstor.org/stable/1046444>

8 Ibid.

9 Ostrom, E. 1990. *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*. p. 90

10 Arha, K., and Thompson, B. (n.d.) “Endangered Species Act and Federalism: Effective Species Conservation through Greater State Commitment.” Woods Institute for Environment Stanford Law School. Policy Paper. Retrieved from <https://woods.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/files/Endangered-Species-Act-Policy-Paper-20050224.pdf>

11 Ibid.

12 Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. (n.d.) “Utah Conservation Data Center.” Retrieved from <https://dwrcdc.nr.utah.gov/ucdc/>

13 California Department of Fish and Wildlife. (2017). “Data Portal.” Retrieved from <https://nrm.dfg.ca.gov/>.

14 Idaho Department of Fish and Game. (n.d.) “Idaho Fish and Wildlife Information System.” Retrieved from <https://idfg.idaho.gov/data>. Idaho Department of Fish and Game. (n.d.) “Idaho Species.” Retrieved from <https://idfg.idaho.gov/species/>.

Although the FWS also has large amounts of population and geospatial data for wildlife and plants, states often have more comprehensive datasets and more employees to collect and catalog the data. The entire FWS employs approximately 9,000 people in its central administrative office, eight regional offices, and nearly 700 field offices.¹⁵ California, for comparison, has roughly 2,500 employees in its Department of Fish and Wildlife.¹⁶ The Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission has approximately 2,100 full-time employees working in law enforcement, research, management, and outreach.¹⁷ Even Wyoming, the state with the smallest population, employs roughly 350 people in its Game and Fish Department who manage the state's 800 wildlife species.¹⁸

States Often Know and Respond to Local Needs Better

The main flaw of a heavily centralized system is that a uniform policy for the entire country does not necessarily reflect local needs and preferences.¹⁹ Public policies for ecological problems cannot be reduced to a single prescription that will completely solve the issue. Ecological issues, especially endangered species issues, are incredibly complex, which is why a diversity of decentralized approaches may be the most effective means of addressing these problems. Elinor Ostrom asserts that “a set of rules used in one physical environment may have vastly different consequences if used in a different physical environment.” Using local knowledge and a diversity of approaches makes public policy more adaptable in a changing world.²⁰ Ostrom and Andersson assert that the complexity of many natural resources requires sophisticated governance systems. They argue that multilevel governance arrangements are necessary for the proper governance of natural resource issues, like endangered species.²¹

Terry Anderson and Peter Hill, PhD economists and senior research fellows at the Property and Environment Research Center, argue that federalism has several advantages over a single sovereign government. First, federalism allows lower levels of government to craft their policies and programs in a way that their citizens demand. Second, federalism allows citizens to better monitor and constrain policymakers and policies. Federal politicians and bureaucrats are much more difficult to monitor and constrain than state or local policymakers. Third, federalism facilitates a common market without trade barriers between states, which allows ideas for policies to move more freely.²²

Anderson and Hill state that national control is necessary in some circumstances, such as when pollution crosses state borders or when states must share water in rivers. Centralization, however, comes with costs that policymakers must balance if they desire the most effective and efficient outcomes. One of these costs is that centralization distances the decision-makers from the people they affect, and citizens can no longer monitor and constrain policymakers as well as they did before. When decision-makers are farther removed, it becomes more difficult to discern whether their decisions are for the benefit of the public or special interest groups. One of the largest costs of centralization is that it becomes prohibitively expensive for citizens to “vote with their feet” by moving to a different

15 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2016). “About the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.” Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/help/about_us.html

16 AllGov California. (2016). “Department of Fish and Wildlife.” Retrieved from http://www.allgov.com/usa/ca/departments/natural-resources-agency/department_of_fish_and_wildlife?agencyid=159

17 Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission. (n.d.) “Overview - Fast Facts.” Retrieved from <http://myfwc.com/about/overview>

18 Wyoming Game and Fish Department. (2017). “About the Wyoming Game and Fish Department: History of the Wyoming Game and Fish.” Retrieved from <https://wgfd.wyo.gov/About-Us/About-the-Department>.

19 Cheikbossian, G. (2008). “Rent-seeking, spillovers and the benefits of decentralization.” *Journal of Urban Economics* 63, 217–228. Retrieved from http://ac.els-cdn.com/mutex.gmu.edu/S0094119007000228/1-s2.0-S0094119007000228-main.pdf?_tid=893af2b8-665f-11e7-8472-00000aab0f6b&acdnat=1499794797_edf304718f549c80db3cadc403ea43a3

20 Ostrom, E. 1990. *Governing the Commons: The Evolution of Institutions for Collective Action*. Pp. 1–28.

Brook, R.K., Mclachlan, S.M. (2008, December). Trends and prospects for local knowledge in ecological and conservation research and monitoring. *Biodiversity and Conservation*, 17:3501–3512. DOI 10.1007/s10531-008-9445-x

Keppel, G., Rounds, I. (2015, January). Local and expert knowledge improve conservation assessment of rare and iconic Fijian tree species. *Pacific Conservation Biology*, 21(3) 214–219 <https://doi.org/10.1071/PC14920>

21 Andersson, K., & Ostrom, E. (2008). Analyzing Decentralized Resource Regimes from a Polycentric Perspective. *Policy Sciences*, 41(1), 71–93. Retrieved from <http://www.jstor.org/stable/25474353>

22 Anderson, T. and Hill, P. (1996). “Environmental Federalism: Thinking Smaller.” Property and Environmental Research Center. Retrieved from <https://www.perc.org/articles/environmental-federalism-2>

jurisdiction. Citizens cannot easily escape a policy they disagree with when they feel that the national government abuses its power, but they can more easily escape a state policy they disagree with.²³

With overarching federal regulations, local people may change their behavior because they fear inflexible, stringent policies. For example, before the black-footed ferret was listed as endangered, Montana ranchers saw the ferrets as allies. Ranchers viewed prairie dogs as pests, and the black-footed ferrets would prey on them. The number of ferrets dwindled, and they were eventually listed on the federal endangered species list. Instead of working to preserve the ferrets, landowners have fought attempts to reintroduce them because landowners are subject to FWS regulations and are required to provide habitat without compensation. This approach has created the incentives for landowners to “shoot, shovel, and shut up” when they encounter ferrets on their land, instead of preserving the species.²⁴

Finding the right balance between individual, state, and national control of wildlife management is a key goal for policymakers if they want to find the most effective and efficient way of preserving species. That balance, however, is lacking under the current system.²⁵ Because state governments are generally more responsive to their constituents’ preferences, allowing individuals and state governments to take the lead on species conservation may help strike the balance between species preservation and economic impacts.

Experimenting with More Cooperation and Decentralization

Decentralization can be problematic because it involves the redistribution of power and resources among different units of a government. Elinor Ostrom argues that federal officials may be hesitant to pursue decentralization because they must voluntarily give up some of their power to state officials. With this in mind, it is important to understand who is involved in the transfer of power and what their incentives are. Effective decentralization involves aligning the interests of federal decision-makers among themselves and with state officials. When incentives are aligned, it becomes easier and less costly to decentralize power.²⁶ One-size-fits-all approaches are unlikely to align the interests of different levels of policymakers. The federal government and the states could take many approaches to rearrange decision-making responsibilities.

Below, we explain how decentralization and cooperative federalism can benefit conservation policy through the story of the greater sage-grouse. State governments proved that they had the knowledge and resources to conserve a particular species innovatively while also meeting the needs of local people. The case of the sage-grouse shows how the states and the federal government worked together for a mutually beneficial solution. The federal government wanted to ensure that the sage-grouse was conserved, so they retained the power to list the species under the ESA with all its stringent protections. State policymakers were granted the power to choose how to conserve the species, which led to effective compromise between local interests and the preservation of the sage-grouse. The example of the greater sage-grouse illustrates how the federal government could delegate more management of species to the states.

The Political Battle over the Greater Sage-Grouse

Petitions and Reviews for Listing the Greater Sage-Grouse As Endangered

The sage-grouse is an important species because it serves as a proxy for other political battles. The species is considered an “umbrella species” for other sagebrush-associated animals. An umbrella species is used in conservation

23 Ibid.

24 Stroup, R. (1995). “The Endangered Species Act: Making Innocent Species the Enemy.” PERC Policy Series, PS-3. Bozeman, MT: Political Economy Research Center. Retrieved from

25 Anderson, T. and Hill, P. (1996). “Environmental Federalism: Thinking Smaller.” Property and Environmental Research Center. Retrieved from <https://www.perc.org/articles/environmental-federalism-2>

26 Agrawal, A., Ostrom, E. (December 2001). Collective action, property rights, and decentralization in resource use in India and Nepal. *Politics and Society*, 29(4). Retrieved from <http://www-personal.umich.edu/~arunagra/papers/Collective%20Action%20Property%20Rights%20and%20Decentralization%20in%20Resource%20Use%20in%20India%20and%20Nepal.pdf>

planning to protect the biodiversity of lesser known species. While the umbrella species concept has shown to be useful in certain situations, some biologists are skeptical of the concept.²⁷

Outside of the scientific community, conservationists often fight for the listing of an umbrella species under the ESA as a way to protect landscapes or other animals. For example, the habitat of the greater sage-grouse stretches across much of the Western United States. Listing the species could initiate strict protections across tens of millions of acres. For the same reason, it is strategic for people who wish to use the land for purposes other than conservation to fight against the listing of such a widespread umbrella species.

Beginning in 2002, several individuals submitted petitions to list the greater sage-grouse as endangered under the ESA. The FWS began the 90-day finding process in December 2003 and found in April 2004 that there was substantial evidence to complete a status review of the species. As required by the ESA, the Service then began its yearlong status review to determine whether a listing was warranted. In January 2005, the FWS published its 12-month finding that the listing of the greater sage-grouse was not warranted under the ESA.²⁸

This first status review, however, was controversial. Western Watersheds Project (WWP) filed a court complaint on July 14, 2006, stating that the FWS's 12-month finding was incorrect and arbitrary. On December 4, 2007, the 9th District Court agreed with the WWP and found that the FWS's decision was arbitrary and capricious under the Administrative Procedure Act. The court reversed the FWS's decision and remanded the finding back to the FWS.²⁹

Due to the Court's decision, the FWS announced that it was initiating a new status review for the greater sage-grouse in February 2008. The Service also began the collection of information regarding the species from interested parties. The requested information included the status of and any potential threats to the species. Once the status review was completed, the FWS would then decide whether listing the greater sage-grouse as threatened or endangered was warranted.³⁰

In April 2008, the FWS extended the period for submitting information on the status review of the greater sage-grouse. The stated purpose of the extension was to "provide the public and Federal, State, and local agencies with an additional opportunity to submit information for the status review."³¹

27 Caro, T. (2003). Umbrella species: Critique and lessons from East Africa. *Animal Conservation*, 6(2), 171-181. doi:10.1017/S1367943003003214

Rowland, Mary M. ; Wisdom, Michael J. ; Suring, Lowell H. ; Meinke, Cara W. Greater sage-grouse as an umbrella species for sagebrush-associated vertebrates. *Biological Conservation*, 2006, Vol.129(3), pp.323-335

Roberge J.M. and Angelstam, P.E.. Usefulness of the umbrella species concept as a conservation tool. *Conservation Biology*. 2004 Feb 1;18(1):76-85

Bifulchi, Aline and Lode Thierry. Efficiency of conservation shortcuts: an investigation with otters as umbrella species. *Biological Conservation*. 2005. 126(4):523-527. DOI: 10.1016/j.biocon.2005.07.002

28 Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 12-Month Finding for Petitions To List the Greater Sage-Grouse as Threatened or Endangered, 70 Fed. Reg. 2244 (January 12, 2005) (to be codified at 50 C.F.R. pt. 17). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2005-01-12/pdf/05-583.pdf>.

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2008). "Summary of Sage-Grouse Listing Petitions Submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service." Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/nevada/nv_species/documents/sage_grouse/SG_petition_sum_8_27_2008.pdf

29 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2008). "Summary of Sage-Grouse Listing Petitions Submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service." Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/nevada/nv_species/documents/sage_grouse/SG_petition_sum_8_27_2008.pdf

Western Watersheds Project v. United States Forest Service, United States District Court for the District of Idaho. (2007). Retrieved from <https://sagemap.wr.usgs.gov/Docs/Greater%20Sage-Grouse%20SJ%20Decision%20%20WWP%20v%20FWS%2012-4-07.pdf>.

30 Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of Status Review for the Greater Sage-Grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) as Threatened or Endangered, 73 Fed. Reg. 10218 (February 26, 2008) (to be codified at 50 C.F.R. pt. 17). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2008-02-26/pdf/E8-3374.pdf#page=1>

31 Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of Status Review for the Greater Sage-Grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) as Threatened or Endangered, 73 Fed. Reg. 23172 (April 29, 2008) (to be codified at 50 C.F.R. pt. 17). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2008-04-29/pdf/E8-9181.pdf#page=1>

States and Federal Agencies Protect the Greater-Sage Grouse

After the new 12-month review, the FWS found in March 2010 that the range-wide listing of the greater sage-grouse was “warranted but precluded” by higher priority listing actions.³² Warranted but precluded means that the FWS believes a listing under the ESA is warranted but will develop a proposed rule to list the species when their “priorities allow.” With this designation, the greater sage-grouse was identified as a “candidate species” for full listing under the ESA, which entitles it to certain protections that are less stringent than a threatened or endangered listing.

Many political leaders in Western states feared the listing of the greater sage-grouse under the ESA because such a listing would limit productive land use in their states and prevent states from protecting the species as they best saw fit. In 2011, Secretary of the Interior Ken Salazar invited the 11 states with sage-grouse populations to produce sage-grouse management plans. These plans could be individualized to each state, and Secretary Salazar encouraged state policymakers to balance economic development and management of the species. By 2015, most of these Western states implemented new conservation strategies or strengthened their existing strategies for sage-grouse preservation to avoid the need for federal listing of the species.³³

For example, Wyoming’s Governor Matthew Mead issued Executive Order 2015-4 dealing with greater sage-grouse core area protections. One of the expressly stated reasons for these additional protections was because “the United States Department of the Interior has determined that listing the greater sage-grouse range-wide as a threatened or endangered species is currently precluded making it a candidate species.”³⁴

In February 2013, the State of Utah issued a new conservation plan for greater sage-grouse specifically “to protect high-quality habitat, enhance impaired habitat, and restore converted habitat to support, in Utah, a portion of the range-wide population of greater sage-grouse [...] necessary to eliminate threats to the species and negate the need for the listing of the species under the provisions of the federal Endangered Species Act.”³⁵

Idaho’s Governor Butch Otter signed Executive Order 2012-02 to establish Idaho’s Sage-Grouse Task Force specifically because “listing of the species would have a significant impact on the State’s custom, culture and way of life.”³⁶ The Task Force’s purpose was to make recommendations for long-term viability of sage-grouse populations in Idaho and to prevent the listing of the species under the ESA.³⁷ In June 2012, the Task Force issued its recommendations which were meant avoid the need for listing the species by facilitating solutions to threats to the species and its habitat. These solutions included the establishment of Sage-Grouse Management Areas, and addressed the threats of wildfire, invasive species, large infrastructure projects, livestock grazing management, West Nile virus, grazing infrastructure, and recreation.³⁸

32 Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 12-Month Findings for Petitions to List the Greater Sage-Grouse (*Centrocercus urophasianus*) as Threatened or Endangered. 75 Fed. Reg. 13910 (March 23, 2010) (to be codified at 50 C.F.R. pt. 17). Retrieved from https://ecos.fws.gov/docs/federal_register/fr5934.pdf

33 Empowering State Management of Greater Sage Grouse: Oversight Hearing before the Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. House of Representatives, 114th Cong. Serial No. 114-7 (2015). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CHRG-114hhrg94772/pdf/CHRG-114hhrg94772.pdf>

34 State of Wyoming Executive Department Exec. Order No. 2015-4. Retrieved from https://wgfd.wyo.gov/WGFD/media/content/PDF/Habitat/Sage%20Grouse/SG_Executive_Order.pdf

35 Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. (2013). Final Conservation Plan for Greater Sage-Grouse in Utah. Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf

36 State of Idaho Executive Department Exec. Order No. 2012-02. Retrieved from <https://idfg.idaho.gov/old-web/docs/wildlife/SGtaskForce/execOrder.pdf>

37 Idaho Department of Fish and Game. (2012). Idaho Sage-Grouse Task Force. Retrieved from <https://idfg.idaho.gov/conservation/sage-grouse/task-force>

38 Idaho Governor’s Sage-Grouse Task Force. (2012). Idaho Governor’s Sage-Grouse Task Force Recommendations. Retrieved from <https://idfg.idaho.gov/old-web/docs/wildlife/SGtaskForce/FinalRecommendations.pdf>

Montana's Governor Steve Bullock issued Executive Order No. 12-2015 to amend and implement the Montana Sage-Grouse Conservation Strategy to "demonstrate to the USFWS that the sage-grouse does not warrant federal protection under the ESA."³⁹

Other Western states have similar language in their management plans for the greater sage-grouse. Nearly every state's plan was intended to avoid the listing of the greater sage-grouse because many state leaders believed that a listing would harm the economy and the management of lands within Western states. Some states included this language before the 2005 finding of "not warranted," while others included the language after the 2010 finding of "warranted but precluded."⁴⁰ Oregon, for example, created the Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy, which cites that "[f]ull protection for sage-grouse under ESA would have serious economic, social, and cultural consequences across the Western United States."⁴¹

Federal lawmakers from Western states also feared the listing of the greater sage-grouse. For example, Representative Rob Bishop (R-UT) and Representative Cynthia Lummis (R-WY) served on the House Committee on Natural Resources during this time and argued that the states could adequately protect the species without the need for a listing. Lummis stated,

"In 2011, Secretary Salazar invited the states to take the lead in conserving sage-grouse. [...] The states have responded with tens of millions of dollars, countless man hours, and an unprecedented dedication to sage-grouse conservation. [...] The issues that threaten sage-grouse populations in these 11 states are so different, a cookie-cutter approach won't work."⁴²

Not all federal lawmakers on the Committee on Natural Resources were in agreement. Representative Jared Polis (D-CO) opposed Bishop's and Lummis's arguments, stating, "The greater sage-grouse [...] is threatened by industrial oil and gas development, fragmentation of its sagebrush habitat, fire, and invasive weeds. Due to these threats, the greater sage-grouse occupies only half of the historic range and, therefore, based entirely on its merits has become a candidate for listing under the Endangered Species Act."⁴³

Kathleen Clarke, the former Director of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and current Director of the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office for the State of Utah, argued that state and federal agencies were capable of protecting the species without an ESA listing. During her time as Director of the BLM, she implemented the BLM's sage-grouse strategy for conservation in 2003 and 2004. This national plan established a comprehensive approach to sage-grouse habitat management on BLM lands.⁴⁴ Clarke attributed the 2005 finding of "not warranted" to the BLM's effective conservation strategies. After the 2010 finding of "warranted but precluded," she argued before the House Committee on Natural Resources that states were protecting the greater sage-grouse:

39 State of Montana Office of the Governor Exec. Order No. 12-2015. Retrieved from https://governor.mt.gov/Portals/16/docs/2015EOs/EO_12_2015_Sage_Grouse.pdf

40 Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; 12-Month Finding for Petitions To List the Greater Sage-Grouse as Threatened or Endangered, 70 Fed. Reg. 2244 (January 12, 2005) (to be codified at 50 C.F.R. pt. 17). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2005-01-12/pdf/05-583.pdf>.
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2008). "Summary of Sage-Grouse Listing Petitions Submitted to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service." Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/nevada/nv_species/documents/sage_grouse/SG_petition_sum_8_27_2008.pdf

41 Hagen, C. (2011). Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Assessment and Strategy for Oregon: A Plan to Maintain and Enhance Populations and Habitat. Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. Retrieved from http://www.dfw.state.or.us/wildlife/sagegrouse/docs/20110422_GRSG_April_Final%2052511.pdf

42 Empowering State Management of Greater Sage Grouse: Oversight Hearing before the Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. House of Representatives, 114th Cong. Serial No. 114-7 (2015). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CHRG-114hhrg94772/pdf/CHRG-114hhrg94772.pdf>

43 Ibid.

44 Bureau of Land Management. (2004). Bureau of Land Management National Sage-Grouse Habitat Conservation Strategy. Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nhp/spotlight/sage_grouse/docs/Sage-Grouse_Strategy.pdf

“[...] I think there is a dichotomy developing between the state’s collaborative approach and Federal unilateralism. What started out as a very promising partnership is becoming increasingly imbalanced and, sadly, adversarial. [...] The State of Utah is absolutely committed to the conservation, long-term conservation, of the sage-grouse. Over \$50 million have been invested in the last 10 years in sage-grouse conservation, and Utah has only 4 percent of the birds. But that is the second-highest amount that any state has invested in the grouse conservation.”⁴⁵

Not only were state officials worried about the potential listing of the greater sage-grouse, many federal land management officials in both the BLM and United States Forest Service (USFS) thought that a listing would be detrimental. For example, the BLM National Policy Guidance specifically states that “it is in the interest of the Federal government [...] to conserve sensitive species with the intent to avoid a need to list.”⁴⁶ Roughly half of all remaining sage-grouse live on BLM or USFS land. Both BLM and USFS plans are intended to facilitate collaboration between federal, state, and local entities to improve species conservation. These sage-grouse plans have three objectives. First, the plans are meant to reduce habitat fragmentation by protecting undisturbed habitat. Second, the plans are meant to improve habitat through “purposeful management.” Third, the plans work to reduce the threat of rangeland fire, which can have long-term impacts on sagebrush.⁴⁷

The BLM and USFS adopted new federal management plans in September 2015, which amended the land-use plans for 98 BLM and USFS units. The 2015 federal plans increased protection for sage-grouse in nearly 70 million acres of federal land across much of the Western United States.⁴⁸ The BLM and USFS also partnered with more than 1,100 private individuals across the West through the Sage-Grouse Initiative (SGI). The United States Department of Agriculture’s Natural Resources Conservation Service runs the SGI to restore about 4.4 million acres of habitat and simultaneously allow economic development on federal public lands.⁴⁹ The SGI was set up as a voluntary, incentive-based conservation effort. Since 2010, the Natural Resources Conservation Service has spent more than \$296.5 million on the SGI. Another \$128 million has come from other conservation partners and landowners, making total SGI investment \$424.5 million.⁵⁰

45 Empowering State Management of Greater Sage Grouse: Oversight Hearing before the Committee on Natural Resources, U.S. House of Representatives, 114th Cong. Serial No. 114-7 (2015). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/CHRG-114hhrg94772/pdf/CHRG-114hhrg94772.pdf>

46 Bureau of Land Management. (2004). Bureau of Land Management National Sage-Grouse Habitat Conservation Strategy. Retrieved from https://www.blm.gov/nhp/spotlight/sage_grouse/docs/Sage-Grouse_Strategy.pdf

47 Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.). Fact Sheet: BLM, USFS Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Effort. Retrieved from <https://www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/BLM-USFS%20Plans%20Fact%20Sheet%20Final915.pdf>

48 Streater, S. (2017). Western governors fret as Zinke ponders review of grouse plans. E&E News. Retrieved from <https://www.eenews.net/greenwire/stories/1060055357>
Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.). Fact Sheet: BLM, USFS Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Effort. Retrieved from <https://www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/BLM-USFS%20Plans%20Fact%20Sheet%20Final915.pdf>

49 Bureau of Land Management. (n.d.). Fact Sheet: BLM, USFS Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Effort. Retrieved from <https://www.blm.gov/sites/blm.gov/files/BLM-USFS%20Plans%20Fact%20Sheet%20Final915.pdf>

50 Natural Resources Conservation Service. (2015). Sage Grouse Initiative 2.0 Investment Strategy, FY 2015-2018. U.S. Department of Agriculture. Retrieved from http://www.sagegrouseinitiative.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/08/SGI2.0_Final_Report.pdf
Natural Resources Conservation Service. (2015). “Greater Sage-Grouse 2015 Progress Report.” U.S. Department of Agriculture. Retrieved from http://www.sagegrouseinitiative.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/02/GSG_FINAL.pdf

The SGI has five main objectives. First, the SGI works to promote grazing practices that will reduce threats to annual grasses. This includes restoring disturbed areas, eliminating noxious weeds, and decreasing the potential for wildfire. Second, the SGI incentivizes the removal of conifer trees that are encroaching on sagebrush habitat. Third, the SGI helps to acquire conservation easements to limit urban and exurban development in sage-grouse habitats, as well as the spread of cropland and grazing land. Fourth, the SGI works to preserve and restore wetlands and irrigated fields, which are key to sage-grouse health and reproduction. Fifth, the SGI works to reduce sage-grouse fence collisions by marking fences in high-risk areas to make them more easily visible to sage-grouse. Sage-grouse can die when they collide with infrastructure such as fences. Marking fences can reduce collision rates by roughly 83 percent. (Stevens, B. S., Reese, K. P., Connelly, J. W. and Musil, D. D. (2012). Greater sage-grouse and fences: Does marking reduce collisions?. *Wildlife Society Bulletin*, 36: 297–303. doi:10.1002/wsb.142)

From 2013 to 2015, the FWS and the BLM entered into Candidate Conservation Agreements (CCA) on 5.5 million acres of both private and federal lands.⁵¹ CCAs are voluntary agreements between the FWS and another party that are meant to aid in the conservation of candidate species. People who participate in CCAs voluntarily commit to reduce threats to candidate species, which may eliminate the need for a listing. The FWS has entered into many CCAs with other federal agencies, state governments, local governments, tribal governments, and private property owners.⁵² Idaho, Wyoming, and Oregon, for example, all entered into CCAs with the FWS for sage-grouse protection.⁵³

The 2015 Decision Not to List the Greater Sage-Grouse

In September 2015, the FWS decided that it would not list the greater sage-grouse as threatened or endangered. The Service also chose to withdraw the species from the Candidate Species list. The FWS justified its decision by stating that “multiple conservation efforts across the range, particularly the regulatory protections in federal and state management plans, have sufficiently addressed the primary threats which originally caused the bird to be designated as warranted for ESA protection in 2010.”⁵⁴ The FWS concluded that a listing was not necessary because of “thousands of other conservation efforts across the species’ 173- million-acre range, including the voluntary commitment of millions of acres of private rangeland to sage-grouse conservation.”⁵⁵

The sage-grouse largely faded from public debate until 2017 when Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke began considering how the Department of the Interior [DOI] approaches sage-grouse management. In May 2017, Secretary Zinke announced that the DOI was considering switching sage-grouse conservation plans from a habitat management model to population objectives. Then in June 2017, Secretary Zinke issued Secretarial Order 3353, stating that the DOI would review federal greater sage-grouse conservation plans. The basis of this review is to determine whether the plans are limiting energy production on public lands.⁵⁶ State governments and the DOI could use this review as an opportunity to incorporate cooperative federalism and decentralization into species management more greatly.

51 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2015). “Frequently Asked Questions: Greater Sage-Grouse Status Review.” Retrieved from <https://www.fs.fed.us/sites/default/files/fws-faqs-greater-sage-grouse.pdf>

52 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2017). Candidate Conservation Agreements. Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/CCAs.pdf>

53 Draft Candidate Conservation Agreement With Assurances, Receipt of Application for an Enhancement of Survival Permit for the Greater Sage-Grouse on Oregon Department of State Lands, and Draft Environmental Assessment, 80 Fed. Reg. 9475 (February 23, 2015). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2015-02-23/pdf/2015-03565.pdf>
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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Enhancement of Survival Permit Application; Draft Greater Sage-Grouse Umbrella Candidate Conservation Agreement With Assurances for Wyoming Ranch Management, and Environmental Assessment. 78 Fed. Reg. 9066 (February 7, 2013). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2013-02-07/pdf/2013-02728.pdf>
Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Permit Application; Greater Sage-Grouse; Washington, Adams, Gem, and Payette Counties, Idaho. 74 Fed. Reg. 36502 (July 23, 2009). Retrieved from <https://www.gpo.gov/fdsys/pkg/FR-2009-07-23/pdf/E9-17523.pdf#page=1>
Department of the Interior. (n.d.) Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation in Idaho. Retrieved from [https://www.fws.gov/greatersagegrouse/factsheets/IdahoGrSGFactSheet_FINAL%20\(1\).pdf](https://www.fws.gov/greatersagegrouse/factsheets/IdahoGrSGFactSheet_FINAL%20(1).pdf)
Correll, L. (2014). A Landowner’s Approach to Greater Sage-Grouse Umbrella CCAA for Wyoming Ranch Management. Wyoming Stock Growers Association. Retrieved from http://www.wysga.org/CMDocs/WyomingSGA/CCAA/CCAA%20Brochure_2014_Plain%20for%20Web.pdf
Department of the Interior. (n.d.) Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation in Oregon. Retrieved from [https://www.fws.gov/greatersagegrouse/factsheets/OregonGrSGFactSheet_FINAL%20\(1\).pdf](https://www.fws.gov/greatersagegrouse/factsheets/OregonGrSGFactSheet_FINAL%20(1).pdf)

U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2014). Farmers and Ranchers in Eastern Oregon sign on as Partners to Conserve the Sage-grouse, a Candidate Species. Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/endangered/map/ESA_success_stories/OR/OR_story4/index.html

54 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2015). Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Campaign. Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/greatersagegrouse/PDFs/GrSG_ConsCampaignESASStatusReview_FINAL.pdf

55 Ibid.

56 Office of the Secretary. (2017, June 8). *Secretary Zinke Signs Order to Improve Sage-Grouse Conservation, Strengthen Communication and Collaboration Between States and Feds*. [Press Release]. Retrieved from <https://www.doi.gov/pressreleases/secretary-zinke-signs-order-improve-sage-grouse-conservation-strengthen-communication>

Some governors would rather use a habitat management model rather than population objectives. Governor Matthew Mead of Wyoming and Governor John Hickenlooper of Colorado co-signed a letter to Secretary Zinke on May 26, 2017, emphasizing “the need for coordination between the Department of the Interior and the sage-grouse states through the Sage-Grouse Task Force.” The letter also expressed the governors’ concerns that population objectives for the states are “not the right decision.” The governors wrote that their states are “willing to work with [the DOI] to develop the best approach for managing the species on federal lands.”⁵⁷ Other states, such as Nevada and California, argue that the current resource management plans may not be the most effective and efficient means of conservation and a change in direction is needed.⁵⁸ The current review of sage grouse management and future reviews could allow some states to continue with habitat management models, but other states could use population objectives. Allowing states to choose their species conservation method ensures that they can meet the varying needs of their local culture and ecology.

Utah’s Example of Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation

Most western states have sage-grouse conservation plans or initiatives, but Utah’s plan is a particularly clear example of how states can incorporate tradeoffs between different interest groups, while also prioritizing the conservation of the sage-grouse. Utah has been protecting the sage-grouse since 1996 through Local Area Working Groups. The Utah Wildlife Board implemented the state’s first Strategic Plan for the Management of Sage Grouse in Utah in 2005. The plan was updated in 2009.⁵⁹ The most recent version of Utah’s plan was created in 2013, but was implemented in 2015 through an executive order from Governor Herbert. The plan lists five main objectives:

1. Sustain an average male sage-grouse population of 4,100 between all Sage-Grouse Management Areas (SGMAs) and increase those populations to an average of 5,000
2. Annually protect an additional 10,000 acres of sage-grouse habitat on private land and on lands owned by Utah’s School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) through “conservation covenants, leases, easements or other legal tools”
3. Annually improve an average of 25,000 acres of sage-grouse habitat
4. Increase the total area of SGMAs by 50,000 acres per year
5. “Maintain viable populations within each SGMA”⁶⁰

The government of Utah created the new sage-grouse conservation plan to avoid the listing of the species as endangered because the listing would “have a significant adverse effect on the economy, custom and culture of the

57 Mead, M. and Hickenlooper, J. (2017). Letter to Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke. Retrieved from https://www.cenews.net/assets/2017/05/31/document_gw_09.pdf

58 Bi-State Technical Advisory Committee Nevada and California. (2012). “Bi-State Action Plan: Past, Present, And Future Actions for Conservation of the Greater Sage-Grouse Bi-State Distinct Population Segment.” Retrieved from http://www.ndow.org/uploadedFiles/ndoworg/Content/public_documents/Nevada_Wildlife/Bi-State%20Action%20Plan.pdf

59 Conservation plan for greater sage-grouse in Utah. (2013, February 14). State of Utah. p. 6 Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf
State of Utah Office of the Governor Exec. Order No. 2015-001. Retrieved from <http://publiclands.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/EO-Sage-Grouse1.pdf>

60 Conservation plan for greater sage-grouse in Utah. (2013, February 14). State of Utah. p. 4 Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf

There are currently 11 defined SGMAs within the state. Adjustments of the SGMA boundaries are reviewed every five years, unless other events require that the areas be reviewed more frequently. These events include wildfire or successful habitat improvement (Conservation plan for greater sage-grouse in Utah. (2013, February 14). State of Utah. p. 8. Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf).

Under the plan, state agencies are to coordinate with the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office and the Division of Wildlife Resources to ensure that state activities do not interfere with the protection of the greater sage-grouse (State of Utah Office of the Governor Exec. Order No. 2015-001. Retrieved from <http://publiclands.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/EO-Sage-Grouse1.pdf>).

State of Utah.”⁶¹ The longest-lived strategy for conserving the greater sage-grouse in Utah has been Local Area Working Groups. Since 1996, these groups have brought together state and federal agents, local landowners, and other interested parties to conserve sage-grouse. Each group has its own conservation plan and works to reverse the decline of sage-grouse in their area. Utah currently has 12 Local Working Groups, but there are more than 60 across the West.⁶²

Local Area Working Groups were the state’s pioneer efforts to conserve the sage-grouse and have become a crucial part of more recent state conservation plans. The state’s current conservation plan promotes several policies to combat the many threats to the greater sage-grouse population. These threats include the destruction of habitat from wildfire, invasive species, predators, mineral extraction, roads, renewable energy development, recreation, livestock grazing, and hunting. The plan contains guidelines for mitigating each of these risks, while still maintaining a balance between conservation and other activities. For example, the plan suggests controlling predator populations, removing conifers from sage-grouse habitat, and only allowing recreation on defined trails and roads during winter and nesting season. Hunting sage-grouse is allowed in SGMAs with a permit. In addition, the plan requires that mineral extractors “engage in reclamation efforts as projects advance or are completed.”⁶³

Unlike the ESA, Utah’s conservation plan prioritizes the rights of local governments and private landowners. The conservation plan allows the protection of sage-grouse to be a compromise between local considerations and the requirements of federal agencies. All 11 SGMAs contain land owned by private citizens, local governments, SITLA, Division of Wildlife Resources, Division of State Parks and Recreation, the BLM, and the USFS. Using SITLA or private lands for the conservation purposes of the SGMA requires compensation to or a contractual agreement with the landowner. In the development of the state’s sage-grouse conservation plan, the future use of lands was also taken into account. Areas that were identified as likely places for future development were not included in SGMAs, and sage-grouse populations in these areas were identified as non-essential.⁶⁴

The Utah Community-Based Conservation Program (CBCP), run by a Utah State University extension program and staffed predominantly by university-affiliated researchers, conserves the greater sage-grouse by working with local landowners to ensure the protection of the species. The CBCP works with local groups across Utah that have their own sage-grouse conservation plans.⁶⁵ These groups are “composed of private interests and governmental

61 State of Utah Office of the Governor Exec. Order No. 2015-001. Retrieved from <http://publiclands.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/EO-Sage-Grouse1.pdf>

62 U.S. Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Agricultural Wildlife Conservation Center, Utah State University. (2009, April). Working with sage-grouse local working groups: A practical guide for NRCS staff. Retrieved from http://digitalcommons.usu.edu/cgi/viewcontent.cgi?article=1092&context=extension_curall
Reese, A., Sachs, K. (2005, October 3). Utah Sage Grouse Working Groups. *Red Lodge Clearinghouse*. Retrieved from <http://rlch.org/stories/utah-sage-grouse-working-groups>

Even before the greater sage-grouse came into the limelight in 2002, the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) was interested studying and protecting the species. A 2001 report from the UDWR details conservation efforts, population statistics, and research efforts within the state. While the state’s conservation efforts increased following the threat of listing, it’s clear that the state was engaged in protecting the sage-grouse long before it became a popular issue (Utah Division of Wildlife Resources. (2001). “Sage Grouse in Utah.” Retrieved from https://efotg.sc.egov.usda.gov/references/public/UT/Utah_SG_status_110901.pdf).

63 Conservation plan for greater sage-grouse in Utah. (2013, February 14). State of Utah. p. 12-19. Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf

Terry Messmer, a Utah State University Extension wildlife specialist, said, “Removing trees goes against what we typically think is good for the environment.” He explains, however, that research done by members of the CBCP shows that removing conifers from sage-grouse habitat helps the sage-grouse thrive. (Ruud, S. (2017, April). It’s official - Clearing conifers conserves sage-grouse. *The Communicator*, 13(2), 3. Retrieved from <http://utahcbcp.org/cbcpnewsletters/CommunicatorApril2017.pdf>)

64 State of Utah Office of the Governor Exec. Order No. 2015-001. Retrieved from <http://publiclands.utah.gov/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/EO-Sage-Grouse1.pdf>

65 Conservation plan for greater sage-grouse in Utah. (2013, February 14). State of Utah. p. 6 Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/greater_sage_grouse_plan.pdf

entities, and were charged to assess the local nature and scope of the threats to the species, and to recommend a course of action to address those threats.”⁶⁶ The extension program also publishes peer-reviewed research on the sage-grouse, which better helps the State of Utah understand the complexities of greater sage-grouse conservation and implement more effective conservation methods.⁶⁷

Utah’s exemplary conservation of the sage-grouse illustrates that states can and do succeed in the conservation of sage-grouse. In 2014, SGMAs contained 7.5 million acres of land, and from 2013-2014, Utah’s sage-grouse population increased by 40 percent.⁶⁸ This should show that cooperation between federal interests and state control can be a win-win compromise for states, the federal government, local interests, and environmental concerns.

Recommendations for Using the ESA More Effectively

Greater sage-grouse conservation illustrates cooperation between the federal and state governments. Using the example of the sage-grouse, we highlight two ways that the ESA could be better used to protect species and minimize impacts to surrounding communities:

1. The federal government could use the ESA’s Section 6 more fully to enhance cooperation in species conservation.
2. The federal government could be more flexible in the way works with state and local governments by using and expanding Section 4(d).

Increasing Cooperation Between the Federal Government and States

State governments are capable of species conservation, but the ability of states to manage species within their boundaries is limited under the current implementation of the ESA. Section 6 of the ESA states that the federal government “shall cooperate to the maximum extent practicable with the States” to protected listed species.⁶⁹ Under Section 6, the FWS is supposed to consult with state governments when working to conserve endangered or threatened species, but cooperation has only played a minor role.

Many scholars and policy analysts consistently agree that there has been a “lack of consistent and sustained cooperation between state and federal agencies.”⁷⁰ From the 1970s through the 1990s, the FWS heavily relied on threatening states with regulatory action under the ESA. This tactic has fostered a culture of distrust between state and federal agencies. The decades of tension have led to incoherent policies and a lack of comprehensive commitments by both levels of government. In recent years, there seems to be more signs of cooperation between federal and state agencies, but partnership between the different levels of government is still strained.⁷¹

The case of the greater sage-grouse shows that the federal government can work with state governments to successfully promote the conservation and recovery of species. The FWS could incorporate more cooperative federalism into its policies before and after a species is listed. Congress or the FWS could change the

66 Ibid.

67 Utah Community-Based Conservation Program. (n.d.) Utah’s Community-Based Conservation Program. Retrieved from <http://utahcbcp.org/index>

68 Utah Department of Natural Resources. (2014). “Implementing Utah’s Greater Sage-Grouse Conservation Plan.” Retrieved from https://wildlife.utah.gov/uplandgame/sage-grouse/pdf/14_annual_report.pdf

69 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2013). Endangered Species Act | Section 6. Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/laws-policies/section-6.html>

70 Arha, K., and Thompson, B. (n.d.) “Endangered Species Act and Federalism: Effective Species Conservation through Greater State Commitment.” Woods Institute for Environment Stanford Law School. Policy Paper. Retrieved from <https://woods.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/files/Endangered-Species-Act-Policy-Paper-20050224.pdf>

71 Ibid.

implementation of the law to facilitate state programs that would allow for local permitting and federal oversight. The federal government could also delegate to the states the ability to set standards with site-specific tailoring.⁷²

Section 6 is also important because it authorizes funding for a variety of state conservation programs, as long as they are at least as stringent as federal programs. Some states have created comprehensive endangered species programs that match the ESA's stringency. For example, California created the Coordinated Regional Strategy to Conserve Biological Diversity, also known as the Agreement on Biological Diversity, in 1991.⁷³ Most states have signed cooperative agreements for limited projects. Under Section 6, the federal government can extend funding to states and territories to conserve species and habitats on non-federal lands. To receive these funds, states or territories must have a cooperative agreement with the Secretary of the Interior.⁷⁴ In FY 2016, the FWS used the Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund to award approximately \$56.3 million to states.⁷⁵ Although ESA grants given to states under Section 6 have been growing over the past 30 years, grants alone will not solve endangered species issues. On top of grant funding, one of the most important cooperative actions would be allowing states to issue permits for "taking" species, which are currently available only from FWS Regional Offices.⁷⁶

The federal government could use Section 6 of the ESA as it was originally intended for a more consistent, sustained partnership between the different levels of government. States could lead the recovery efforts for threatened and endangered species if the federal government granted them the authority and resources necessary. Overcoming the neglect of Section 6 is a complex issue, but working toward better cooperation may help increase the recovery of species, as well as mitigate the economic harm inflicted on the people who are affected by endangered species designations. State lawmakers and agencies would be more likely to take on a greater role in species conservation if such actions were a positive experience, not a frustrating one.⁷⁷

Collaborative conservation could fail if the fragile trust between the federal and state agencies were undone. For example, litigation could undermine the fragile collaborative conservation of sage-grouse and other species. The umbrella species status of the sage-grouse increases the incentive of conservation groups to sue the FWS to list these species. If the FWS chooses to list the greater sage-grouse after states, landowners, industry leaders, and taxpayers have spent large sums of money to protect it, then distrust between the states and the federal government will likely increase.⁷⁸

Increasing Flexibility for Protecting Species

Section 4(d) of the ESA allows the FWS to make special rules and regulations to protect species that are listed as threatened. The section states that, "Whenever any species is listed as [...] threatened [...] the Secretary shall issue such regulations as he deems necessary and advisable to provide for the conservation of such species."⁷⁹ In essence,

72 Fischman, R. L. (2005). Cooperative Federalism and Natural Resources Law. Articles by Maurer Faculty. Paper 219. Retrieved from <http://www.repository.law.indiana.edu/facpub/219>

73 California Biodiversity Council. (2014). "History and MOU: Memorandum of Understanding." Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources, University of California. Retrieved from http://ucanr.edu/sites/CBC/About_the_Council/History_and_MOU/

74 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2017). "Grants | Overview." Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/grants/>

75 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (2016). "Cooperative Endangered Species Conservation Fund Grants (Section 6 of the Endangered Species Act)." Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/endangered/esa-library/pdf/section6.pdf>.

76 To "take" a species is defined as "to harass, harm, pursue, hunt, shoot, wound, kill, trap, capture, or collect or attempt to engage in any such conduct." Permitting takings allows loggers, miners, farmers, and other land owners to still operate on their properties without fear of legal repercussions. Taking permits typically require that the permit holder engage in other conservation activities to offset their takings. Fischman, R. L. (2005). Cooperative Federalism and Natural Resources Law. Articles by Maurer Faculty. Paper 219. Retrieved from <http://www.repository.law.indiana.edu/facpub/219>

77 Arha, K., and Thompson, B. (n.d.) Endangered Species Act and Federalism: Effective Species Conservation through Greater State Commitment. Woods Institute for Environment Stanford Law School. Policy Paper. Retrieved from <https://woods.stanford.edu/sites/default/files/files/Endangered-Species-Act-Policy-Paper-20050224.pdf>

78 Baier, L. (2015). Inside the Equal Access to Justice Act: Environmental Litigation and the Crippling Battle over America's Lands, Endangered Species, and Critical Habitats. Rowman & Littlefield Publishers, pp. 272-274.

79 Endangered Species Act of 1973, 16 U.S.C. § 1531 et seq.

Section 4(d) gives the FWS flexibility to create guidelines and policies for the conservation of threatened species, which often involves deferring decision-making power to the states.

Section 4(d) allows the FWS to enhance the preservation of a threatened species by allowing local governments more flexibility to oversee the preservation of a species. The FWS has had some success using Section 4(d) in the past. For example, the FWS has used the section to allow the trapping and killing of Minnesota wolves that have killed domestic animals.⁸⁰ The FWS has also used the section to simplify the definition of what is considered a “take” of a threatened species, which provides more flexibility for those that work with or around threatened species.⁸¹ In addition, the FWS has allowed the State of Washington to run local conservation programs for the Puget Sound Chinook salmon.⁸²

Section 4(d) allows the federal government to expand the role of state governments in the protection of threatened species and to be more flexible in the way that it approaches threatened-species conservation. The FWS could create more 4(d) rules that would allow states to create conservation plans for threatened species. These rules might make it less costly for states to take part in conservation. Deferring to states would decrease costs for the FWS and allow local officials and community members to make conservation decisions.

Congress could amend the ESA to expand the flexibility of Section 4(d) to more than just threatened species, such as endangered species, candidate species, and other species of concern. If the FWS and state agencies had more flexibility, they may be more effective at conserving species. For the most part, the ESA currently acts as a blanket policy that gives the federal government unilateral power to make decisions regarding species protection. By allowing states to take flexible approaches to species conservation in diverse circumstances, the federal government could oversee more effective conservation strategies. The federal government could still hold the power to oversee state decisions while also giving states the ability to make policies that are most appropriate and effective for their unique circumstances. If Congress amended the ESA to allow more flexibility for state-led conservation, it could lessen the burden of ESA designations on states.

The federal government can use the ESA more effectively to conserve species and limit economic harm by decentralizing much of the decision-making. Overhauling the wording of the ESA to make it more palatable to states would be a difficult task, but Sections 6 and 4(d) are two existing mechanisms that the FWS could use more fully to improve species conservation. These two sections already allow for state conservation programs, but they are not used to their fullest potential. Cooperation and flexibility may improve species conservation both before and after an ESA designation.

Conclusion

When the federal government allows states to take the lead on conservation strategies, states can effectively implement their own plans to protect species. In 2015, the FWS chose not to list the greater sage-grouse because state governments and federal land management agencies proved that they could sufficiently cooperate to protect the species without the need for listing under the ESA. The saga of the sage-grouse shows that, when allowed to work properly, cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making can effectively conserve species and minimize economic harm.

Cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making are beneficial because states can experiment with diverse approaches to conservation. State agencies often have better data and expertise than federal agencies, which can

80 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (n.d.) Little known but important features of the Endangered Species Act. Retrieved from <https://www.fws.gov/pacific/news/grizzly/esafacts.htm>

81 U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. (February, 2014). Endangered Species Act Special Rules: Questions and Answers. Retrieved from https://www.fws.gov/mountain-prairie/factsheets/ESA%20SpecialRules%20Factsheet_020714.pdf

82 Fischman, Robert L., “Cooperative Federalism and Natural Resources Law” (2005). Articles by Maurer Faculty. Paper 219. <http://www.repository.law.indiana.edu/facpub/219>

make them better equipped to address conservation issues. In addition, state governments often know and respond to the needs of local people better than federal decision-makers.

The ESA could be improved in many ways to take advantage of cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making, but two of the most practical ways to improve ESA implementation is to improve the use Section 6 and Section 4(d) of the ESA.

Section 6 states that the federal government shall cooperate with the states on species conservation, but this section has been largely ignored over the course of the ESA's history. The FWS already has the ability under the Act to defer power to the states through this section. The federal government already uses cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making in environmental policies, such as the Clean Air Act and the Clean Water Act. These laws show that the federal government can and will cooperate with states to address environmental issues. Expanding the use of Section 6 will likely be one of the simplest ways to take advantage of the benefits of decentralization.

Section 4(d) allows the federal government to provide exemptions and defer power to the states to protect species that are listed as threatened. The FWS could use 4(d) rules more often, and Congress could amend the ESA to widen Section 4(d) so that states have more power and flexibility to conserve species before and after they are listed.

The federal government's approach of threatening states and private landowners with restrictions and regulations has built a culture of distrust that has limited the effectiveness of species conservation. The benefit of cooperative federalism and decentralized decision-making is that we can achieve the national goal of species conservation while also using local knowledge and limiting economic harm. If federal officials changed the implementation of the ESA, they could use the Act as a guide to help the states create their own plans, rather than imposing harsh regulations from above.

The saga of the sage-grouse illustrates two important points. First, state governments can and do conserve species, and they often do it in a less burdensome way than the federal government. Second, the ESA stands in need of reform to help species recover more effectively and to limit economic harm to American citizens.

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

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TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM

7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Sabinoso Wilderness, NM

7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation

Las Vegas, NV

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Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

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Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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**4:30pm EDT-
6:59pm CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)**
Flight: American 327
Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes
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6:59-8:25pm CDT: Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

**8:25pm CDT-
8:59pm MDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)**
Flight: American 5800
Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes
RZ Seat: TBD
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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8:59-9:15pm MDT: Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles
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El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT: Depart Airport en route RON
Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT: RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:
Van: RZ

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:30am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains
3.5 hour tour, departs from El Paso, TX (Fort Bliss)
Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
TBD 2 Fort Bliss Personnel

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM
45 min drive back to Las Cruces, NM

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch
Lunch: La Posta de Mesilla
2410 Calle de San Albino
Mesilla, NM 88046

12:15-12:45pm MDT: HOLD: Potential Tribe Meeting

1:00-2:30pm MDT: Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders
Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011
Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
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Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce
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Organ View Terrace
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Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

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Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar

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Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT: Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Dinner

8:45pm MDT: RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT: Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton

Laura Rigas

- 7:20-7:30am MDT: Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break**
- 7:30-8:30am MDT: Convoy to Trailhead**
Location: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
Drive on improved county road E006 to hike start
- 8:30-10:00am MDT: Hike with Vet Voice Foundation**
Hike Start: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
Hike End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W
Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road
Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Advance: Caroline Boulton
- 10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University**
- 11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe**
Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Advance: Caroline Boulton
- 11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache**
Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
- 12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors**
Location: New Mexico State University
- 1:00-1:30pm MDT: HOLD: Meeting with Mayors**

1:30-2:00pm MDT: Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks
Location: New Mexico State University

2:00-2:45pm PDT: Quick Lunch
Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT: Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT: Drop Bags Off at Hotel

7:00-9:00pm MDT: Dinner

9:00pm MDT: RON
Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Location: Rte 1, Las Vegas, NM 87701
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Rep. Lujan and Consolidate Vehicles

9:30-1:30pm MDT: Hike to Canyon Bottom // Horseback Riding & Hiking
Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom
Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail
Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Rep. Ben Jay Lujan
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Brad Borst, President, Wilderness Land Trust
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters

Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Legislative Assistant, Sen. Heinrich
Sen. Heinrich Press Staff
Sen. Udall Press Staff
Sen. Udall Leg. Staff
Rep. Lujan Staff
Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
Organizer
John Cornell, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Christine Gonzales, Artemis
Sherman Hogue, BLM Photographer
Press (multiple)

1:30-2:30pm MDT: Elk Lunch on Trail
Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness
Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Dinner

8:30pm MDT: RON
Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017
Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
 RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
 AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
 NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport
 Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
 Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT: Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
 Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
 Note: RZ, (b)(6), (b)(7)(C) and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Kirt's Grotto
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT: Wheels down Kirt's Grotto // Meeting with BLM Support Staff
 Location: Kirt's Grotto
 Note: View petroglyphs at Kirt's Grotto

10:00-11:30am PDT: Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
 Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
 View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
 Kohta Circus
 Kirt's Grotto
 Little Finland
 Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
 Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
 Jumbo Springs Wilderness
 Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Pilot

11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff
 Location: White River Narrows
 Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
 Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff

Note: Lunch from Ely District

12:45-1:00pm PDT:

White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows

Note: To view rock art panels up close

1:00-1:45pm PDT:

Wheels up White River Narrows for *City*

Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

1:45-3:15pm PDT:

Wheels down *City* // *City* Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: *City* Site

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:15-4:00pm PDT:

Wheels up *City* en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

4:00-4:30pm PDT:

Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish

Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
Rudy Evenson, BLM

Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art

4:30-5:15pm PDT:

Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

5:15-5:30pm PDT:

Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON

Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109

Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

6:00-7:05pm PDT:

Downtime at Hotel

7:05-7:30pm PDT:

Depart RON en route Dinner

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT:

Dinner with Senator Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Participants: RZ

Senator Heller

Ashley Jonkey, Senator Heller's Staff, State Director

Downey Magallanes

9:00-9:20pm PDT:

Depart Dinner en route RON

Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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Downey Magallanes

9:20pm PDT:

RON

Monday, July 31, 2017

Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT:

Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV

Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
555 Highland Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle:

Rusty Roddy

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT:

Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV

Location: Overton Community Center

320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials

Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility

3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes

4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart en route Las Vegas, NV

**10:40pm PDT-
5:24am EDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Cincinnati, OH (CVG)**

Flight: Delta 1431
Flight time: 3 hours, 44 minutes
RZ Seat: 11D
AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

5:24-7:00am EDT: Layover in Cincinnati, OH // 1 hour, 36 minute layover

**7:00am EDT-
8:26am EDT: Wheels up Cincinnati, OH (CVG) en route Washington, DC (DCA)**

Flight: Delta 6259
Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes
RZ Seat: 5B
AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

To: Ojeda-dodds, Gisella[gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov]
From: Nigborowicz, Timothy
Sent: 2017-07-27T09:55:18-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Trip Schedule for next week (Texas)
Received: 2017-07-27T09:55:26-04:00
[New Mexico-Nevada Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

Attached.

On Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 9:52 AM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello - by chance is there a more updated one? I am putting stuff on Downey's calendar.

Gisella

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 12:34 PM, Nigborowicz, Timothy <timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Attached.

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 12:28 PM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello,

Hoping you can send the trip schedule?

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
Draft: 7/26/17**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM

7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation

Sabinoso Wilderness, NM

Las Vegas, NV

Time Zone:

New Mexico

Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)

Nevada

Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Deputy Chief of Staff

Downey Magallanes

Communications Director

Laura Rigas

Photographer

Sherman Hogue

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual

Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

4:30pm EDT-

6:59pm CDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American 327

Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes

RZ Seat: 19B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT:

Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

8:25pm CDT-

8:59pm MDT:

Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)

Flight: American 5800

Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes

RZ Seat: TBD

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT:

Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 6701 Convair Road

El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport

1770 Airway Boulevard

El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT:

RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
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Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
Drive on improved county road E006 to hike start

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W

Hike End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W
Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road
Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: HOLD: Meeting with Mayors

Location: New Mexico State University

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants:

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT:

Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Location: Rte 1, Las Vegas, NM 87701

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT:

Greet Senators and Rep. Lujan and Consolidate Vehicles

9:30-1:30pm MDT:

Hike to Canyon Bottom // Horseback Riding & Hiking

Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom
Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail

Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area

Horses: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Rep. Ben Ray Lujan
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Brad Borst, President, Wilderness Land Trust
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters

Hiking:

Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Legislative Assistant, Sen. Heinrich
Sen. Heinrich Press Staff
Sen. Udall Press Staff
Sen. Udall Leg. Staff
Rep. Lujan Staff
Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's Organizer
John Cornell, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Christine Gonzales, Artemis
Sherman Hogue, BLM Photographer
Press (multiple)

1:30-2:30pm MDT:

Elk Lunch on Trail

Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness

Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT:

Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT:

Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT:

Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT:

Dinner

8:30pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE

Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT:

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
Note: RZ, (b)(6),(b)(7)(C) and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Kirt's Grotto

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT:

Wheels down Kirt's Grotto // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Kirt's Grotto
Note: View petroglyphs at Kirt's Grotto

10:00-11:30am PDT:

Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

- 11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument**
- 12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff**
 Location: White River Narrows
 Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
 Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
 Note: Lunch from Ely District
- 12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour**
 Location: White River Narrows
 Note: To view rock art panels up close
- 1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City**
 Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Pilot
- 1:45-3:15pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour**
 Location: City Site
 Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
 Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
 Note: Helicopter refuels during this time
- 3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish**
 Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
 (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
 Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Pilot
- 4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site**
 Location: Mt. Irish
 Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
 Rudy Evenson, BLM
 Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art
- 4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport**
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
 (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
 Downey Magallanes
 Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
 Pilot
- 5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles**
 Location: 2730 Airport Drive
 North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

6:00-7:05pm PDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:05-7:30pm PDT: Depart RON en route Dinner
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)
Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT: Dinner with Senator Heller
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Participants: RZ
Senator Heller
Ashley Jonkey, Senator Heller's Staff, State Director
Downey Magallanes

9:00-9:20pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)
Downey Magallanes

9:20pm PDT: RON

Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
555 Highland Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV
Location: Overton Community Center
320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials
Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch // Media Availability

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility

3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes
Location: 1 Lincoln Street
Moapa, NV 89025
Participants:

4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart Moapa, NV en route Las Vegas, NV

10:40pm PDT-5:24am EDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Cincinnati, OH (CVG)
Flight: Delta 1431
Flight time: 3 hours, 44 minutes
RZ Seat: 11D
AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

5:24-7:00am EDT: Layover in Cincinnati, OH // 1 hour, 36 minute layover

**7:00am EDT-
8:26am EDT:**

Wheels up Cincinnati, OH (CVG) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: Delta 6259

Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes

RZ Seat: 5B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

To: Downey Magallanes[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
From: Ojeda-dodds, Gisella
Sent: 2017-07-27T10:31:44-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Fwd: Trip Schedule for next week (Texas)
Received: 2017-07-27T10:31:52-04:00
[New Mexico-Nevada Trip Schedule.pdf](#)

More updated one for today - am updating your calendar now.

Gisella

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **Nigborowicz, Timothy** <timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 9:55 AM
Subject: Re: Trip Schedule for next week (Texas)
To: "Ojeda-dodds, Gisella" <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov>

Attached.

On Thu, Jul 27, 2017 at 9:52 AM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello - by chance is there a more updated one? I am putting stuff on Downey's calendar.

Gisella

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 12:34 PM, Nigborowicz, Timothy <timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Attached.

On Fri, Jul 21, 2017 at 12:28 PM, Ojeda-dodds, Gisella <gisella_ojeda-dodds@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Hello,

Hoping you can send the trip schedule?

G

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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
Draft: 7/26/17**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM

7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Sabinoso Wilderness, NM

7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation

Las Vegas, NV

Time Zone:

New Mexico

Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)

Nevada

Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Caroline Boulton

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Advance

Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Deputy Chief of Staff

Downey Magallanes

Communications Director

Laura Rigas

Photographer

Sherman Hogue

Cell Phone:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6)

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual

Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

4:30pm EDT-

6:59pm CDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American 327

Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes

RZ Seat: 19B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT:

Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

8:25pm CDT-

8:59pm MDT:

Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)

Flight: American 5800

Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes

RZ Seat: TBD

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT:

Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 6701 Convair Road

El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport

1770 Airway Boulevard

El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT:

RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°32'23.99"N ; 107° 8'2.92"W
Drive on improved county road E006 to hike start

8:30-10:00am MDT:

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Note: 3.65 mile hike
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Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: HOLD: Meeting with Mayors

Location: New Mexico State University

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants:

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta
Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT:

Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Las Vegas National Wildlife Refuge

Location: Rte 1, Las Vegas, NM 87701

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT:

Greet Senators and Rep. Lujan and Consolidate Vehicles

9:30-1:30pm MDT:

Hike to Canyon Bottom // Horseback Riding & Hiking

Note: All hike .25 miles to canyon bottom
Note: BLM providing horses (limited numbers available); will be staged on trail
Note: Porta-Potties will be set up at staging area
Horses: RZ

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Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Rep. Ben Ray Lujan
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Brad Borst, President, Wilderness Land Trust
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters

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Maya Hermann, Legislative Assistant, Sen. Heinrich
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Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's Organizer
John Cornell, Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
Christine Gonzales, Artemis
Sherman Hogue, BLM Photographer
Press (multiple)

1:30-2:30pm MDT:

Elk Lunch on Trail

Location: At bottom of initial hike, .25 miles into wilderness
Note: Lunch provided by TBD sportsman, self-hunted

2:30-3:00pm MDT:

Hike back to Sabinoso Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT:

Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

6:00-7:00pm MDT:

Downtime at Hotel

7:00-8:30pm MDT:

Dinner

8:30pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE

Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT:

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Greeted By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Note: Lucas Rhea will escort to the helicopter
Note: RZ, (b)(6) and Downey Magallanes will travel on helicopter

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Kirt's Grotto

Helicopter Manifest: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:00am PDT:

Wheels down Kirt's Grotto // Meeting with BLM Support Staff

Location: Kirt's Grotto
Note: View petroglyphs at Kirt's Grotto

10:00-11:30am PDT:

Wheels up Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Route: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man, Whitney Pocket
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RZ
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- 11:30-12:15pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument**
- 12:15-12:45pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff**
 Location: White River Narrows
 Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District BLM Staff
 Harry Conwin, Ely District BLM Staff
 Note: Lunch from Ely District
- 12:45-1:00pm PDT: White River Narrows Rock Art Site Tour**
 Location: White River Narrows
 Note: To view rock art panels up close
- 1:00-1:45pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows for City**
 Route: Viewing Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
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 Pilot
- 1:45-3:15pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour**
 Location: City Site
 Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
 Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
 Note: Helicopter refuels during this time
- 3:15-4:00pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish**
 Route: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument
 (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,
 Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
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- 4:00-4:30pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site**
 Location: Mt. Irish
 Participants: Marci Todd, BLM
 Rudy Evenson, BLM
 Note: To view petroglyphs and rock art
- 4:30-5:15pm PDT: Wheels up Mt. Irish en route North Las Vegas Airport**
 Helicopter Manifest: RZ
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 Pilot
- 5:15-5:30pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicles**
 Location: 2730 Airport Drive
 North Las Vegas, NV 89032

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

6:00-7:05pm PDT: Downtime at Hotel

7:05-7:30pm PDT: Depart RON en route Dinner
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6)
Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT: Dinner with Senator Heller
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Participants: RZ
Senator Heller
Ashley Jonkey, Senator Heller's Staff, State Director
Downey Magallanes

9:00-9:20pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route RON
Location: The Westin Las Vegas Hotel & Spa
160 East Flamingo Road
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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(b)(6)
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9:20pm PDT: RON

Monday, July 31, 2017
Las Vegas, NV

8:40-9:55am PDT: Depart Las Vegas en route Mesquite, NV
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel
555 Highland Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 15 minutes

10:00-11:00am PDT: Roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte
Location: Highland Estates Resorts Hotel

11:05-11:50pm PDT: Depart Mesquite, NV en route Overton, NV
Location: Overton Community Center
320 Moapa Valley Boulevard
Overton, NV 89040

Vehicle Manifest:
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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy
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Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~40 minutes

12:00-1:00pm PDT: Roundtable with Local County, City, and State Officials
Location: Overton Community Center
Participants: Sen. Joe Hardy
Sen. Pete Goicoechea
Assemblyman James Oscarson
Assemblyman Chris Edwards
Barbara Ellestad
Lindsey Dalley
Elise Callister
Commissioner Marilyn Kirkpatrick
Kevin Brown
Mediis Cooper
Aaron Baker
Brian Haviland

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Lunch // Media Availability

2:00-2:30pm PDT: Depart Overton, NV en route Moapa Tribal Facility

3:00-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Moapa Band of Paiutes
Location: 1 Lincoln Street
Moapa, NV 89025
Participants:

4:00-5:30pm PDT: Depart Moapa, NV en route Las Vegas, NV

10:40pm PDT-5:24am EDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Cincinnati, OH (CVG)
Flight: Delta 1431
Flight time: 3 hours, 44 minutes
RZ Seat: 11D
AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

5:24-7:00am EDT: Layover in Cincinnati, OH // 1 hour, 36 minute layover

7:00am EDT-

8:26am EDT:

Wheels up Cincinnati, OH (CVG) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: Delta 6259

Flight time: 1 hour, 26 minutes

RZ Seat: 5B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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To: Rusty Roddy[russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov]; 'Boulton, Caroline'[caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]
From: Gregory L. Zunino
Sent: 2017-07-27T19:17:54-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Sunday/Monday
Received: 2017-07-27T19:18:05-04:00

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From: Russell Roddy
Sent: 2017-07-27T19:57:50-04:00
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Sent: 2017-07-27T20:48:13-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Sunday/Monday
Received: 2017-07-27T20:48:21-04:00

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From: Caroline Boulton
Sent: 2017-07-28T16:40:15-04:00
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From: Chris Edwards
Sent: 2017-07-28T19:04:30-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Sec'y Zinke Mtg in Oveton NV - Participants List
Received: 2017-07-28T19:04:40-04:00
[Secy Zinke Overton Mtg List of Participants 2.xls](#)

Rusty and Tim,

Please see below the list of participants for Sec'y Zinke's Round Table in Overton on Mon 31 Jul.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 702-715-4308.

ATB
Chris Edwards

Sheet1

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Phone</u>
Barb Ellestad	Virgin Valley Water District	702-250-3185
Dr. Joe Hardy	State Senator	702-581-3066
Pete Goicochea	State Senator	775-778-1620
Chris Edwards	State Assemblyman (Gold Butte)	702-715-4308
James Oscarson	State Assemblyman	775-513-7468
Varlin Higbee	Lincoln County Commissioner	775-962-2004
Jared Brackenberry	Lincoln County Commissioner	775-530-6780
Dan Schinhofen	Nye County Commissioner	775-513-8491
Brian Haviland	Bunkerville City Councilman	702-612-7709
Kraig Hafen	Mesquite Moapa	702-376-9624
Elise Mcallister	Exec Dir Partners In Conservation	702-219-2033
Lyndsey Dalley	Moapa Valley Water District	702-682-5415
Mendis Cooper	Overton Power District	702-397-3025
Wade Pulson	Lincoln County Water District Gen Mgr	775-962-1674
Joe Davis	Moapa Valley Water District	702-236-3175
Aaron Baker	Mesquite City Manager	702-306-0047
Kevin Brown	Virgin Valley Water District	702-378-0191
Duane Magoon	Bunkerville	702-604-7629
Troy Tanner	Public Safety – Mesquite	702-575-7633
Gracian Ualde	Chairman N4 Grazing Board	775-289-0599
Ryan Udall	Bunkerville	702-491-3955
Gene Houston	Logandale Town Board Chairman	702-204-9810
Bob Sweetin	Mesquite City Attorney	702-600-9949
Brenda Snell	Mesquite Chamber of commerce	702-346-2902
Pam Webster	Nye County Manager?	775-751-4269
Marilyn Kirkpatrick	Clark County Commissioner	702-455-3530
Office Representatives		
Pam Robinson	Governor Sandoval's Office	775-450-2784
	Senator Heller	
	Congresswoman Titus	
Michael McDonald	NV GOP Chairman	
David McKeon	(former) Clark County GOP Chairman	

To: russell_rodgy@ios.doi.gov[russell_rodgy@ios.doi.gov]
From: Chris Edwards
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Bob Sweetin	Mesquite City Attorney	702-600-9949
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	Senator Heller	
	Congresswoman Titus	
Michael McDonald	NV GOP Chairman	
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Sent: 2017-07-28T20:18:10-04:00

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Subject: Schedule and Briefing Binder for tomorrow

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[4. Sabinoso Map 1 Rimrock Rose Ranch Acquisition EA FINAL to DC.pdf](#)

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All,

Attached is the schedule for tomorrow's events at Sabinoso Wilderness and the briefings for it.

best,

Aaron

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STEVAN PEARCE
Second District, New Mexico

January 26, 2017

Sarah Schlanger
Taos Field Office Manager
Bureau of Land Management
226 Cruz Alta Road
Taos, NM 87571-5983

Dear Sarah,

I write regarding the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) proposal to amend the Taos Resource Management Plan. I believe that part of the proposal may be in violation of the law and should be withdrawn.

According to the NEPA Project Summary on the BLM's website, the Environmental Assessment (EA) is analyzing "an offer to the BLM from The Wilderness Land Trust that has three key elements; 1) a donation of some 3,595 acres of the Rimrock Rose Ranch adjacent to the Sabinoso Wilderness, to become wilderness under the provisions of the Wilderness Act of 1964, 2) an offer to sell an additional 766 acres of the ranch to BLM; and 3) the elimination of livestock grazing from the Rimrock Rose Ranch as well as from two allotments for which the ranch served as base property."

The Sabinoso Wilderness was designated by P.L. 111-11 Section 1602 in 2009 and includes roughly 16,000 acres of land administered by the BLM. Section 1602(c)(2) provides that:

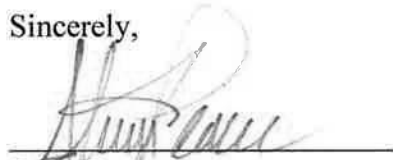
- (2) Incorporation of acquired land and interests.--Any land or interest in land within the boundary of the Sabinoso Wilderness that is acquired by the United States shall--
- (A) become part of the Sabinoso Wilderness; and
 - (B) be managed in accordance with this subtitle and any other laws applicable to the Sabinoso Wilderness.

Because the designating statute does not include a provision for lands adjacent to the Sabinoso Wilderness, and only addresses lands within the Sabinoso Wilderness, it would appear that this

donation is not eligible to be added to the wilderness area. If the Congressional intent was to allow adjacent lands to become part of the Sabinoso Wilderness, then Congress would have stipulated so in the designating statute. As a result, I request this action be paused until such time as the BLM can provide a detailed explanation of your position to my office.

I look forward to working with you on this issue moving forward.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Steve Pearce", written over a horizontal line.

Steve Pearce
Member of Congress

cc: Kristin Bail, BLM Acting Director
Amy Lueders, New Mexico BLM Director



Proposed Donation Adjacent to Sabinoso Wilderness

Fact Sheet – BLM Taos Field Office, New Mexico

The purpose of this fact sheet is to provide general information on the proposed donation adjacent to the Sabinoso Wilderness.

Donation

- The Wilderness Land Trust (WLT) is offering to donate 3,595 acres that are adjacent to the BLM managed Sabinoso Wilderness.
- A condition of the donation is to make the lands wilderness.
- The WLT also wants to make an additional 766 acres available to the BLM for a later purchase via the Land and Water Conservation Fund.
- The donation is possible due to a \$3.15M donation from the Wyss Foundation.
- As another condition of the donation of the private lands, the WLT asked that the BLM make those donated lands unavailable for grazing.

BLM Process

Environmental Assessment for Donation

- As a preliminary to the development of the EA, the BLM Taos Field Office conducted a wilderness compatibility evaluation, which determined that the donated lands are compatible with management under the Wilderness Act.
- The BLM Taos Field Office issued an Environmental Assessment (EA), Finding of No Significant Impact and Decision Record regarding the donation.
- The EA evaluated the impacts of accepting the land donation under the provision of Section 6(a) of the Wilderness Act of 1964.
- On January 17, 2017, the former Secretary of the Interior forwarded the donation proposal to Congress for a 60-day notice period per the Wilderness Act. The 60-day Congressional notice period ended March 17, 2017.
- The BLM received no appeals on the decision to accept the land donation.

Grazing Plan Amendment

- Since the condition of the donation would make the donated lands unavailable for grazing, the BLM assessed in the EA amending its 2012 Taos Resource Management Plan (RMP) to make two grazing allotments (totaling 6,260 acres) unavailable for grazing also in order to recognize management changes necessitated by the loss of grazing access on the donated property. The base property and water exists on the proposed donated private lands.
- The allotments do not have livestock permittees at this time and are currently vacant.

- The BLM received no protests on the plan amendment.
- The BLM has not signed the Decision Record for the grazing plan amendment.

Legal Implications

- The BLM and Solicitor's office concluded that the donation complies with the Wilderness Act and the Omnibus Public Lands Management Act (which designated Sabinoso as Wilderness). The statutes allow the Secretary of the Interior to accept donations of land adjacent to wilderness for inclusion in the wilderness.

Stakeholder Positions

- Senators Udall (D-NM) and Heinrich (D-NM), as well as Congressman Lujan (D-NM-3), whose district includes the Sabinoso Wilderness, are supportive of the proposal.
- Congressman Steve Pearce (R-NM-2) on January 26, 2017 wrote a letter expressing concerns about the legality of adding lands adjacent to but not within the wilderness to the Sabinoso Wilderness.
- The New Mexico Department of Game and Fish has identified Sabinoso as their highest priority area for securing hunter access per Secretarial Order 3347.
- Sportsmen's groups have also expressed their support for securing access to Sabinoso.
- The New Mexico Cattle Growers Association worked closely with the New Mexico Department of Agriculture and with the Range Improvement Task Force, a Governor appointed group that investigates and resolves potential issues involving livestock grazing across the State of New Mexico, to develop detailed comments on the EA.
- The Taos Field Office met with the Range Improvement Task Force to discuss whether the donation might have been creating a "roadmap" for the exclusion of cattle from wilderness, the possibility of re-organizing allotments to avoid reductions in livestock numbers, and clarifying the analysis presented to more fully support the decision to remove grazing on the two allotments.
- The stakeholder comments were fully addressed in the revised EA, which included an additional alternative analyzed in response to the comments.
- The Governor's office did not comment on the Proposed RMP Amendment during the Governor's Consistency Review Process.
- The Farmington Resource Advisory Committee (RAC) was briefed on the donation and acquisition opportunity in May 2016 and was supportive.
- The San Miguel County Commission has indicated support for the proposal.

Key Facts

- Acceptance of the donation would provide, for the first time, public access to the 16,000-acre Sabinoso Wilderness, which is currently surrounded by private land.
- The Sabinoso Wilderness offers exceptional opportunities for hunting, horseback riding, hiking, backcountry camping, and photography. Public interest in accessing the wilderness for hunting has been significant.
- The donated lands include a large portion of Cañon Largo, a scenic canyon that would become legally accessible to the public for the first time through the donation.

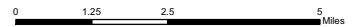
- The WLT does not hold lands for extended periods of time. They act strictly as a third-party holding company. The Rimrock Rose Ranch was acquired specifically to transfer to the BLM.

Proposed Acquisition Rimrock Rose Ranch

Alternative A - Map 1

Legend

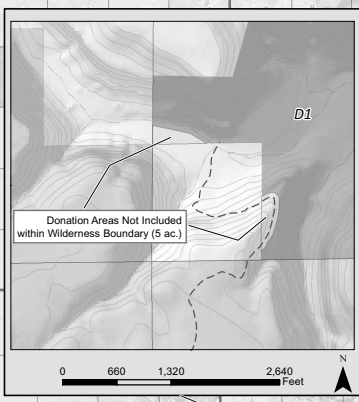
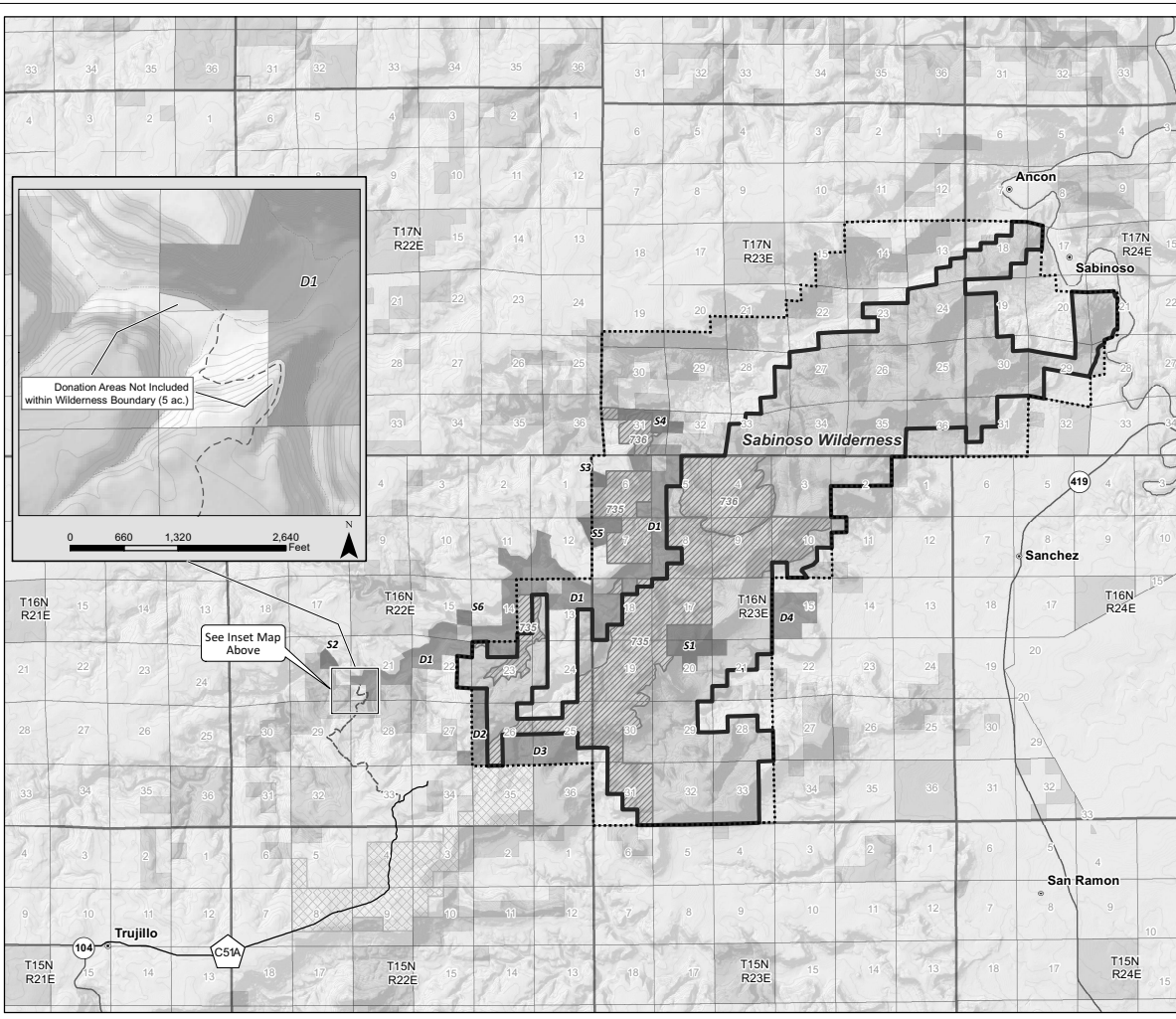
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- Sabinoso ACEC
- Sabinoso Wilderness
- Grazing Allotment Boundary
- Proposed Donation Acquisition
- Proposed Purchase Acquisition
- Caliche Rights
- Bureau of Land Management
- Private
- State



Location of Main Map



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See Inset Map Above

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

New Mexico, Nevada

July 26-31, 2017

Draft: 7/26/17



**TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017**

Weather:

Sabinoso Wilderness, NM 7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 89°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance Aaron Thiele

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

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Advance Rusty Roddy

Cell Phone:

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Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff Downey Magallanes
Communications Director Laura Rigas
Photographer Sherman Hogue

Cell Phone:

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(b)(6)

Attire:

Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM

Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT:

Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook

Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT

Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups

Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail

Horses: RZ

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Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Brad Borst, President, Wilderness Land Trust
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue

Hiking:

Aaron Thiele

Laura Rigas

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Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's Organizer
Christine Gonzales, Artemis
Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
Cody Lujan, Earned
Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

11:30am MDT:

Both Groups turn around on trail

1:30-1:45pm MDT:

Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook

Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted

2:45-3:00pm MDT:

Hike back to Parking Area

3:00-6:00pm MDT:

Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106
Drive Time: 3 Hours

6:00-7:00pm MDT: Personal Time

7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub
3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106

8:30pm MDT: RON
Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
1300 Woodward Road SE
Albuquerque, NM 87106

United States Senate

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

May 11, 2017

The Honorable Ryan Zinke
Secretary
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Zinke:

We write to you to respectfully request that you finalize the acquisition of donated private lands for the Sabinoso Wilderness in San Miguel County to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) without further delay.

The Department of Interior has long been supportive of this donation, which would provide crucial permanent public access to the Wilderness for hunters, anglers, backcountry horsemen and other recreationists, at no cost to the taxpayer. The donated private land totals 3,590 acres and was accepted under Section 6 of the Wilderness Act of 1964. Pursuant to the Act, notification was provided to Congress on January 17, 2017 that the offered land would be accepted after the 60-day notification period elapsed. There were no objections received from Members of Congress during that 60-day period and we are aware of no other reason to delay the donation. Thus, as the Ranking Democrat on the Interior Appropriations Subcommittee and a member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee, which have jurisdiction over the Department, we write to ask you to expeditiously finalize the transfer.

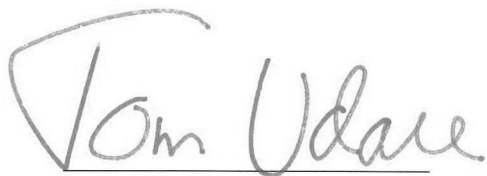
We are concerned that delays in the acquisition process may jeopardize the donation and impede the public from accessing the outstanding opportunities for recreation and enjoyment of these remote dramatic cliffs and canyons. The Sabinoso is the only Wilderness among 762 wilderness areas within the Wilderness Preservation System that does not have public access, which this donation will solve. Congress designated the Sabinoso Wilderness in 2009, and public access would finally allow present and future generations opportunities for hunting, fishing, hiking, horseback riding, backcountry camping. Thus, this acquisition needs to be finalized in a timely manner to ensure all parties can meet their obligations by the closing date and the public can access and enjoy their public lands.

We are also concerned that the delays in this acquisition could disrupt a concurrent land exchange with the State of New Mexico that would consolidate state and federal land holdings, including 2,000 acres at the entrance of the Sabinoso Wilderness, which was negotiated with the understanding this donation would be accepted. These exchanges have been carefully negotiated by the Bureau of Land Management and the New Mexico State Land Office and would provide the State with 78,000 acres of surface and mineral rights in surrounding counties that could be

opened for economic development. The land exchange should proceed through the proper public comment process to assure to is in the best interest of the federal and state taxpayers, but as a general matter we support the effort of such exchanges to facilitate improved landscape-level management where there is now a checkerboard of state and federal holdings.

We urge you finalize the Sabinoso Wilderness donation, so that the public can finally hunt, fish, hike, horseback ride and backcountry camp in this great New Mexico Wilderness so we can maximize the public's enjoyment of our federal lands.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Tom Udall". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Tom Udall
United States Senator

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Martin Heinrich". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Martin Heinrich
United States Senator



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March 23, 2017

The Honorable Steve Pearce
Member, United States House
of Representatives
2432 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Congressman Pearce:

Thank you for your letter dated January 26, 2017, regarding the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) decision to accept a donation of land to be included in the Sabinoso Wilderness in San Miguel County, New Mexico. This decision was based on an Environmental Assessment (EA) that demonstrates the importance of this opportunity to provide public access to this nationally significant designation. The Sabinoso Wilderness offers unique and exceptional opportunities for hiking, horseback riding, backcountry camping, photography, and hunting.

In the Wilderness Act, 16 U.S.C. § 1135(a), Congress authorized the Secretary of Agriculture to accept donations of land adjacent to wilderness for inclusion in the wilderness:

The Secretary of Agriculture may also accept gifts or bequests of land adjacent to wilderness areas designated by this Act for preservation as wilderness if he has given sixty days advance notice thereof to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Land accepted by the Secretary of Agriculture under this section shall become part of the wilderness area involved.

The Omnibus Public Land Management Act (OPLMA) (Public Law 111-11, § 1602(c)(1)), includes only two exceptions to the Wilderness Act as indicated below; all other parts of the Wilderness Act apply to the Sabinoso Wilderness.

(A) any reference in the Wilderness Act to the effective date of that Act shall be considered to be a reference to the date of enactment of this Act; and

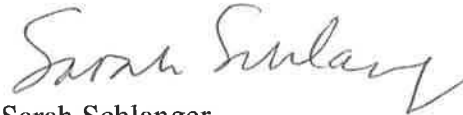
(B) any reference in the Wilderness Act to the Secretary of Agriculture shall be considered to be a reference to the Secretary of the Interior

Section 1602(c)(2) of OPLMA does not except Section 6(a), which describes donations of adjacent land, from applying to the Sabinoso Wilderness.

Providing public access to Sabinoso Wilderness achieves an important goal of the BLM, which was clearly established by the applicable land use plan, the Taos Resource Management Plan. The BLM's acceptance of the donation will enhance the values of the Sabinoso Wilderness by transferring Cañon Largo, a scenic canyon interconnected to the wilderness, into public ownership, and provide public access for the first time—to approximately 20,000 acres of public land.

Thank you again for your letter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (505) 758-8851.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah Schlanger". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

Sarah Schlanger
Taos Field Manager



United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

ADVANCE MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

Alaska Trip

DATE: Saturday, July 28, 2017
LOCATION: Santa Fe → Albuquerque
TIME: 7:00 am - 6:00 pm MT
FROM: Aaron Thiele

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Rendezvous with Sen. Heinrich and Udall, BLM staff, press and stakeholders in Trujillo, NM where you will begin on one lane roads to the trailhead of the land owned by the Land Wilderness Trust. From there you will go on a horseback ride through the proposed wilderness land, have lunch with the group, then depart en route Albuquerque for RON.

II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Hiking/Horseback riding attire.
PRESS: Open

III. NOTABLE PARTICIPANTS

Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Amy Leuders, BLM New Mexico State Director

IV. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

Weather: High 81F / Low 59F, Partly Cloudy, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Time Zone: Mountain Daylight Time

7:00	am	Depart Hotel en route Trujillo
8:15	am	Greet and Consolidate Vehicles
9:40	am	Orientation Lion's Nose Overlook
9:50	am	Groups split and begin horseback ride/hike
11:30	am	Both Groups turn back
1:45	pm	Lunch at Lion's Nose Overlook
3:00	pm	Depart parking area en route Albuquerque
6:00	pm	Arrive Hotel, personal time
7:00	pm	Dinner
8:45	pm	RON



Northern New Mexico Top Issues

Fact Sheet - BLM Farmington District, New Mexico

The purpose of this fact sheet is to provide general information on BLM's top issues in Northern New Mexico.

Taos RMP Amendment/EA for the Rimrock Rose Ranch Acquisition - The Taos Resource Management Plan (RMP) Amendment/Environmental Assessment (EA) evaluates the potential impacts of the BLM's proposal to accept the Rimrock Rose Ranch as a donation to be added to Sabinoso Wilderness in northeastern New Mexico under the provisions of Section 6(a) of the Wilderness Act of 1964. Acceptance of the donation would provide first-time public access to Sabinoso Wilderness, a 16,000-acre area currently surrounded by private land. As part of this action, the BLM is proposing to make two livestock grazing allotments for which the ranch served as base property, unavailable for grazing to protect important riparian resources, a decision that requires the BLM to amend its Taos RMP. The BLM released the proposed RMP Amendment/EA for a 30-day protest period in December, 2016 and did not receive any protests or appeals.

Río Grande del Norte National Monument RMP Amendment/EA – The Río Grande del Norte National Monument was established in 2009 to protect, conserve, and enhance the ecological, geological, historic, and cultural resources of the Taos Plateau and the Río Grande Gorge. The Monument contains 242,555 acres managed by the BLM. With close communication and input from stakeholders, the BLM is currently working to amend the 2012 RMP to create a Río Grande del Norte RMP Amendment which would provide management direction for the Monument. This RMP Amendment is currently in the alternatives development stage. The cooperating agencies have reviewed the alternatives and the BLM hopes to publish a Draft RMP Amendment/EA in 2017.

Verde Transmission Project and Taos RMP Amendment - Verde Transmission, LLC, has applied to the BLM's Taos Field Office for a right-of-way (ROW) on public land to construct a 345-kilovolt transmission line and associated facilities in Rio Arriba and Santa Fe Counties, New Mexico. Approximately one-third of the proposed 33-mile line would cross public lands administered by the BLM. A majority of the proposed line would cross Tribal lands. Pojoaque Pueblo, Santa Clara Pueblo and Ohkay Owingeh Pueblo have indicated support for the project. Rio Arriba County has indicated opposition to the proposed route. As proposed, the transmission project would not be consistent with the existing visual resource management (VRM) classifications of the area. Therefore, as part of the ROW application evaluation, the Taos Field Office is also evaluating potential amendments to the 2012 Taos RMP VRM classifications. The Bureau of Indian Affairs is one of the cooperating agencies on the project. The BLM anticipates releasing the Draft RMP Amendment/Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) in spring 2018.

Farmington Mancos-Gallup RMP Amendment/EIS – The Mancos-Gallup RMP Amendment will amend the 2003 Farmington RMP to address issues relating to oil and gas, lands and realty, vegetation, and lands with wilderness characteristics in the Mancos Shale/Gallup formation. The major issue associated with the RMP Amendment deals with minerals development on public, Indian Allotted, and Tribal Trust lands near Chaco Canyon National Historical Park and in the greater Chacoan (Anasazi) landscape, which includes three World Heritage sites in the planning area managed by BLM.

An Amended Notice of Intent (NOI) was published in the Federal Register on October 21, 2016. The Amended NOI announced the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) as a joint lead agency and that the BIA will use the EIS to inform leasing and associated activity decisions on BIA-managed minerals. The BLM/BIA conducted 10 public scoping meetings in Navajo and English during the winter of 2016/2017. The BLM and BIA met in four separate meetings with representatives of various Pueblos throughout 2016/2017 to discuss what it means to become a cooperating agency on the plan, as well as to provide a briefing on the issues the plan will cover. The BLM and BIA will be meeting with the All Pueblos Council of Governors on August 17 to follow up on these meetings and to re-encourage them to participate as a cooperating agency. The main concern of the APCG is to prevent adverse impacts to areas of cultural significance in areas the Pueblos describe as the Chaco landscape. The BLM/BIA anticipate that the draft EIS will be published in summer 2018 (see APCG resolution attached to RMPA briefing paper).

State Land Exchange - The Río Grande del Norte/Sabinoso Land Exchange involves a two-party land exchange between the BLM and the New Mexico State Land Office (SLO). In exchange for the State parcels in the Río Grande del Norte National Monument and Sabinoso Wilderness, the BLM would transfer isolated parcels of Federal land located in 15 counties in New Mexico to the SLO. The public, particularly near the Monument, will likely see benefits from the consolidation of public lands for recreational opportunities and livestock grazing management. Certain Federal lands and minerals located in isolated and difficult to manage parcels throughout much of the State of New Mexico would transfer to the SLO. The BLM Washington office is currently reviewing the feasibility report. Once approved, the parties will proceed with an Agreement to Initiate the exchange.



United States Department of the Interior
Washington, D.C. 20240
EVENT MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

TO: Secretary Zinke

FROM: Amy Lueders, BLM NM State Director **LOCATION:** Sabinoso Wilderness

EVENT DATE: July 29, 2017 **TIME:** 7:00am - 4:30pm

Name of Host Group/Organization or Requestor:

I. PURPOSE

Senator Heinrich invited the Secretary to view the Sabinoso Wilderness and specifically the private land that was purchased by the Land Wilderness Trust in hopes of donating the land to the Federal Government to be included as part of the existing Wilderness boundaries. Together with Senator Udall, you will travel by horseback through the land currently held by the Land Wilderness Trust.

II. KEY PARTICIPANTS

1. Sen. Heinrich (D-NM): Senator Heinrich has been the most vocal proponent of the project with Secretary Zinke and he is a member of the Senate Energy and Natural Resources committee which is the Department's authorizing committee. The two had an exchange during the SENR budget hearing regarding the project where the Secretary agreed to visit the site with the Senator. In addition, both Senators sent a letter to the Secretary asking him to finalize this project back in May. Below are the quotes from both Senators when the project was announced by the delegation.
 - a. "The Sabinoso Wilderness is one of New Mexico's most spectacular landscapes, with 16,000 acres of narrow mesas and rugged canyons. Yet without a legal road or trail to get there, the public has effectively been locked out of this crown jewel of our public lands. The Wilderness Land Trust and the Wyss Foundation have been dedicated partners in unlocking the Sabinoso Wilderness and the agreement announced today is a major achievement. Our public lands belong to all of the American people. Traditions like hunting, hiking, camping, and fishing are among the pillars of Western culture and a thriving outdoor recreation economy. Through this collaborative effort to improve access to the Sabinoso Wilderness we will ensure that outdoor enthusiasts from near and far can finally experience all that this special area has to offer."
2. Sen. Udall (D-NM): Sen. Udall also cosigned the letter with Sen. Heinrich to Secretary Zinke. Sen. Udall is also the Ranking Member of the Senate Interior Appropriations committee which provides the Department's funding.
 - a. "I was proud to help create the Sabinoso Wilderness in partnership with former Senator Bingaman, local leaders, land owners, ranchers and sportsmen. And now, thanks to a new partnership, we're closer to opening up public access so New Mexico families and visitors can enjoy Sabinoso's canyons, wildlife and new

recreational opportunities. I'd like to thank the Wyss Foundation and the Wilderness Land Trust for their generous donation and dedication to our public lands. Together, we'll ensure that New Mexicans can enjoy the wonders of the Sabinoso Wilderness for years to come."

To: rustyrodny@yahoo.com[rustyrodny@yahoo.com]
From: Roddy, Russell
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Weather:

Las Cruces, NM	7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation
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Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Las Vegas, NV	7/230: Mostly Sunny, High 103°, Low 83°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

**4:30pm EDT-
6:59pm CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)**
Flight: American 327
Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes
RZ Seat: 19B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT: Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

**8:25pm CDT-
8:59pm MDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)**
Flight: American 5800
Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes
RZ Seat: TBD
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT: Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles
Location: 6701 Convair Road
El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT: Depart Airport en route RON
Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT: RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike

Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM

Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants:

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University

Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue

Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs
Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state Officials have been invited to participate

10:30-12:00pm PDT:

Wheels up Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada

Participants: Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte have been invited to participate

4:15-5:10pm PDT:

Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT:

Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT:

Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board
Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

6:15-7:05pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

7:10-7:30pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT: Dinner with Senator Dean Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar

Participants: RKZ

Senator Dean Heller

Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller

Downey Magallanes

Laura Rigas

9:00-9:25pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Laura Regis

10:45pm PDT-

6:22am EDT:

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405

Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT:

Arrive Residence

To: russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov[russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov]
From: Chris Edwards
Sent: 2017-07-29T15:55:41-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Names for Gold Butte tour
Received: 2017-07-29T15:55:54-04:00

Rusty,

The 5 people to join the Gold Butte tour are:
Chris Edwards (State Assemblyman for Gold Butte area)
Lyndsay Dalley (Moapa Water District)
Elise McCallister (Partners in Conservation)
Dave McKeon (Clark County Repub Chairman)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C) (Public Safety Officer Mesquite)

Thanks for the opportunity. We all look forward to it.

ATB
Chris

To: rustyrodny [REDACTED] (b)(6)
From: Roddy, Russell
Sent: 2017-07-29T16:29:17-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Updated Sunday Schedule
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Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

4:30pm EDT-

6:59pm CDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American 327

Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes

RZ Seat: 19B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT:

Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

8:25pm CDT-

8:59pm MDT:

Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)

Flight: American 5800

Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes

RZ Seat: TBD

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT:

Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 6701 Convair Road

El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport

1770 Airway Boulevard

El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT:

RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT: Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks
Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT: Quick Lunch
Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT: Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM
Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT: Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT: Dinner

9:00pm MDT: RON
Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue
Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs
Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte Area)
* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District
* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation
* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans
* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state officials

10:30-12:00pm PDT:

Wheels up Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness

Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City
Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour
Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish
Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT:

Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte have been invited to participate

4:15-5:10pm PDT:

Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT:

Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT:

Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board
Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

- 6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport**
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot
- 7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle**
Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032
- 7:10-7:30pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar**
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Vehicle Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
- 7:30-9:00pm PDT: Dinner with Senator Dean Heller**
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
- 9:00-9:30pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)**
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis
- 10:45pm PDT-6:22am EDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)**
Flight: United Flight 1405
Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes
RZ Seat:
AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)
- 6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence**
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
- 7:10am EDT: Arrive Residence**

To: Evenson, Ronald (Rudy)[revenson@blm.gov]; John Asselin[jasselin@blm.gov]
From: Roddy, Russell
Sent: 2017-07-29T16:32:28-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Updated Sunday Schedule
Received: 2017-07-29T16:32:35-04:00

This is the most updated schedule from my end. The cut and paste messes up the format but you should be able to follow. Please share discretely. Thanks.

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Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

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Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT: Wheels down Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff //

Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Falling Man Parking Lot

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada

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Advance: Rusty Roddy

Press: Closed

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Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

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Location: White River Narrows

Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt

Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM

Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM

Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt

Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV

Attorney General Adam Laxalt

Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV

Attorney General Adam Laxalt

William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement

On site EMT

Press: Closed

Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM

Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

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Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site

Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art

Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

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RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7...

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

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Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard

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Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

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On Sat, Jul 29, 2017 at 4:43 PM, John Asselin <jasselin@blm.gov> wrote:

To avoid confusion, let's remove the words "Whitney Pocket." It is a different location than Falling Man, and we are not going to Whitney Pocket.

Thanks

John

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 29, 2017, at 1:32 PM, Roddy, Russell <russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

This is the most updated schedule from my end. The cut and paste messes up the format but you should be able to follow. Please share discretely. Thanks.

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466

Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7...

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT: Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT: Wheels down Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Falling Man Parking Lot

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada

Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada

Tim Smith,

District Manager, BLM

Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM

Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM

Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM

John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM

* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte

Area)

* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District

* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation

* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans

* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Press: Closed

Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from

cancelled

roundtable with

local county, city,

& state officials

10:30-12:00pm PDT: Wheels up Gold Butte Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte National Monument

Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to

the east

and Mormon Mesa

to the west

View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations

that

comprise Falling

Man

Kohta Circus

Kirt's Grotto

Little Finland

Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west

Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite

Jumbo Springs Wilderness

Flies north towards Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

**12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte
National Monument en route Basin and Range
National Monument**

**12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in
Basin and Range National Monument //**

Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff //

Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows

Met by: NV Attorney General Adam

Laxalt

Mike Herder, Ely District Manager,

BLM

Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM

Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau

Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of

NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt

Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy

Solicitor General, Office of NV

Attorney General Adam Laxalt

Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of

Investigations, Office of NV

Attorney General Adam Laxalt

William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law

Enforcement

On site EMT

Press: Closed

Note: Box lunches provided by Ely

District BLM

Note: Because of remote location, no
advance staff will be on site

**1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en
route City**

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art
Site Tour**

Location: City Site

Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art

Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on
site

Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob /

Mt. Irish

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument

(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater,

Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada

Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM

William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement

On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte have

been invited to participate

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite
Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk
Drive
Mesquite, NV
89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007

Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory
Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas

Advance: Rusty Roddy

**6:00-6:15pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Press Availability en
route North Las Vegas Airport**

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L

1200 Kitty Hawk Drive

Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

**6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en
route North Las Vegas Airport**

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

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Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport
// Proceed to Vehicle**

Location: 2730 Airport Drive

North Las Vegas, NV 89032

To: rustyrodny [REDACTED] (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
From: Roddy, Russell
Sent: 2017-07-29T17:40:25-04:00
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
Draft: 7/30/17**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM	7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation
	7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Las Vegas, NV	7/230: Mostly Sunny, High 103°, Low 83°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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4:30pm EDT-

6:59pm CDT:

Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American 327

Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes

RZ Seat: 19B

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT:

Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

8:25pm CDT-

8:59pm MDT:

Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)

Flight: American 5800

Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes

RZ Seat: TBD

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT:

Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 6701 Convair Road

El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT:

Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport

1770 Airway Boulevard

El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT:

RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

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Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

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Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

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Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
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Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue

Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
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Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte National Monument
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte National Monument // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs
Location: Gold Butte National Monument
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte Area)
* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District
* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation
* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans
* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state officials

10:30-12:00pm PDT:

Wheels up Gold Butte National Monument // Aerial Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite

Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City
Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour
Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish
Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT:

Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
* Patrick Naranjo, Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
* Jim Boone, Ecologist & Friends of Basin and Range
* John Hiatt, Friends of Nevada Wilderness & former member,
Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council,
Basin and Range National Monument Subcommittee
* Jocelyn Torres, Nevada Program Director, Conservation Lands
Foundation
* Gracian Uhalde, Lincoln County Rancher (If Mr. Uhalde is unable to
attend, Andy Maggi, Nevada Conservation League will join)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from
cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

4:15-5:10pm PDT:

Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT:

Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT:

Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board
Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas

Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

6:15-7:05pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT:

Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

7:10-7:30pm PDT:

Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest:

RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT:

Dinner with Senator Dean Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

9:00-9:30pm PDT:

Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis

**10:45pm PDT-
6:22am EDT:**

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405
Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC:

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff:

Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE:

TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT: Arrive Residence

To: Roddy, Russell[russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov]
From: John Asselin
Sent: 2017-07-29T19:25:12-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Updated Sunday Schedule
Received: 2017-07-29T19:25:27-04:00

Rusty

Please meet us at our office at 4701 N Torrey Pines Drive Las Vegas 89130 at 6:20 am. Give me a call when you arrive and I'll let you in.

Thanks

John

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 29, 2017, at 2:30 PM, Roddy, Russell <russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

I gave Chris from that group Rudy's contact info and I think they have been in touch.

On Sat, Jul 29, 2017 at 5:28 PM, John Asselin <jasselin@blm.gov> wrote:

How are the added people from the canceled Monday meetings getting to Falling Man? Do they all know how to get there and the vehicle requirements? If someone takes a car down the road and gets stuck, we are trapped back there.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 29, 2017, at 2:06 PM, Roddy, Russell <russell_roddey@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

The only thing I think I have added is I just received the five names of the Friends of Gold Butte group who will be at Mt. Irish. I have given Jocelyn from that group Mike's contact information to coordinate where and when to arrive.

On Sat, Jul 29, 2017 at 4:56 PM, Ronald (Rudy) Evenson <revenson@blm.gov> wrote:

Ok thanks Rusty. Looks like this version fills in all the names but does not change any times. I will forward to the BLM incident commander so he has a good roster.

Rudy Evenson

Acting Chief of Communications
Bureau of Land Management - Nevada
1340 Financial Blvd.
Reno, NV 89502
Tel 775-861-6629 cell 775-223-3158
Revenson@blm.gov

On Jul 29, 2017, at 1:48 PM, Roddy, Russell <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Roger that. I will make that change on my end but not resend.

On Sat, Jul 29, 2017 at 4:43 PM, John Asselin <jasselin@blm.gov> wrote:

To avoid confusion, let's remove the words "Whitney Pocket." It is a different location than Falling Man, and we are not going to Whitney Pocket.

Thanks

John

Sent from my iPhone

On Jul 29, 2017, at 1:32 PM, Roddy, Russell <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

This is the most updated schedule from my end. The cut and paste messes up the format but you should be able to follow. Please share discretely. Thanks.

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV
7:05am MDT-
7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)
Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

**8:15-8:45am PDT: Travel to Papillon
Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits //
Briefing on Flight**

Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

**8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran
International Airport en route Gold Butte
Whitney Pocket**

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**9:30-10:30am PDT: Wheels down Gold Butte
Whitney Pocket // Meeting with BLM Support
Staff //**

Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Falling Man Parking Lot

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM
Nevada

Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications,
BLM Nevada

Tim

Smith,
District
Manager,
BLM

Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource
Management Specialist, BLM

Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM

Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM

John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM

* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman,
District 19 (Gold Butte

Area)

* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa
Valley Water District

* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in
Conservation

* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County
Republicans

* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of
Mesquite

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Press: Closed

Note: Participants above with an asterisk before
their name were added from

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**10:30-12:00pm PDT: Wheels up Gold Butte
Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold Butte
National**

Monument

Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down
Virgin River with Virgin Peak to
the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec
Sandstone formations
that comprise Falling Man

Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto
Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

**12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs
Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin
and Range**

National Monument

**12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River
Narrows in Basin and Range National
Monument //**

**Lunch Meeting with
BLM Staff // Rock Art Site
Tour**

Location: White River
Narrows

Met by: NV Attorney
General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely
District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely
District BLM

Participants: Greg
Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting
Chief of Staff, Office of
NV Attorney General
Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky,

Deputy Solicitor General,
Office of NV
Attorney General
Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod)
Swanson, Chief of
Investigations, Office of NV
Attorney General
Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger,
BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches
provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of
remote location, no advance
staff will be on site

**1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River
Narrows en route *City***

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and
Water Gap

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down *City* // *City*

Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: *City* Site

Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum
of Art

Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location, no advance
staff will be on site

Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up *City* en route

Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges
and both basins within Monument

(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo
Bolide Impact Crater,

Coal
Valley, Mail
Summish
Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada

Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada

Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM

Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM

William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte have

been invited to participate

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L 1200 Kitty Hawk Drive

Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest:

RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)...

Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road

HWY 170

Bunkerville, NV 89007

Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners

Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville
Town Advisory Board
Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley
Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas

Advance: Rusty Roddy

**6:00-6:15pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Press
Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport**

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L

1200 Kitty Hawk Drive

Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7...

Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

**6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Municipal
Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport**

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7...

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las
Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle**

Location: 2730 Airport Drive

North Las Vegas, NV 89032

To: Scott Hommel[scott_hommel@ios.doi.gov]; Magallanes, Downey[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]; Laura Rigas[laura_rigas@ios.doi.gov]; [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@ios.doi.gov; [REDACTED]@nps.gov; [REDACTED] [REDACTED]@ios.doi.gov; [REDACTED]; Getto, Leila[leila_getto@ios.doi.gov]; Caroline Boulton[caroline_boulton@ios.doi.gov]; Aaron Thiele[aaron_thiele@ios.doi.gov]; Nigborowicz, Timothy[timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov]
From: Roddy, Russell
Sent: 2017-07-29T19:25:31-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: (I THINK) Final Schedule for Sunday
Received: 2017-07-29T19:25:35-04:00
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I think this is final for tomorrow...

**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM	7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation
	7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Las Vegas, NV	7/230: Mostly Sunny, High 103°, Low 83°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Staff Vehicle:

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue
Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

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 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
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Location: Papillon Helicopter
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Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

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Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte National Monument // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte National Monument
Falling Man Parking Lot

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Advance: Rusty Roddy

Press: Closed

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View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man

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12:00-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour Continues from Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of
NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City // Aerial Tour

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
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3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish // Aerial Tour of Basin and Range National Monument

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
* Patrick Naranjo, Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
* Jim Boone, Ecologist & Friends of Basin and Range
* John Hiatt, Friends of Nevada Wilderness & former member, Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Basin and Range National Monument Subcommittee
* Jocelyn Torres, Nevada Program Director, Conservation Lands Foundation
* Gracian Uhalde, Lincoln County Rancher (If Mr. Uhalde is unable to attend, Andy Maggi, Nevada Conservation League will join)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

6:15-7:05pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT:

Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109

7:10-7:30pm PDT:

Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest:

RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT:

Dinner with Senator Dean Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

9:00-9:30pm PDT:

Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
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Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis

**10:45pm PDT-
6:22am EDT:**

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405

Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat: 14-F

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT: Arrive Residence

To: John Asselin[jasselin@blm.gov]
From: Roddy, Russell
Sent: 2017-07-29T19:26:24-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Re: Updated Sunday Schedule
Received: 2017-07-29T19:26:27-04:00

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Flight: Southwest 4466

Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1

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Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

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Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte Whitney Pocket

Falling Man Parking Lot

Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director,

BLM Nevada

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Communications, BLM Nevada

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Smith,
District
Manager,
BLM

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Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Press: Closed

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**10:30-12:00pm PDT: Wheels up Gold Butte
Whitney Pocket // Fly Over Tour of Gold
Butte National**

Monument

Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge
down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to

the east and Mormon Mesa to the west

View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec
Sandstone formations

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Pilot

**12:30-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour departs
Gold Butte National Monument en route
Basin and Range**

National Monument

**12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White
River Narrows in Basin and Range National
Monument //**

**Lunch Meeting with
BLM Staff // Rock Art Site
Tour**

Location: White
River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney
General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely

District Manager, BLM
Harry Konwin, Ely
District BLM
Participants: Greg
Zunino, Bureau Chief &
Acting Chief of Staff, Office
of
NV Attorney General
Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky,
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Attorney General
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Swanson, Chief of
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On site EMT
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches
provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of
remote location, no advance
staff will be on site

**1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River
Narrows en route *City***

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and
Water Gap

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down *City* // *City*
Landscape Art Site Tour**

Location: *City* Site

Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager,
BLM

Participants: Michael Govan, LA County
Museum of Art

Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Press: Closed

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**3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up *City* en route
Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish**

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges

and both basins within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo
Bolide Impact Crater,

Coa
l Valley,
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Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

**3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman
Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site**

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director,
BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of
Communications, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager,
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On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance
staff will be on site
Note: 5 members of cancelled roundtable with
Friends of Gold Butte have

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participate

**4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en
route Mesquite, NV**

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Municipal
Airport 67L
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Hawk Drive

Mes
quite, NV
89027

Helicopter Manifest:

RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

**5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite
Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press
Availability**

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

**5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability
Site & Proceed en route Press Event**

Location: 950 West Riverside Road

HWY 170

Bunkerville, NV 89007

Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners

Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville

Town Advisory Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley

Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas

Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Press

Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L

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Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

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6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart Mesquite

**Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas
Airport**

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes

Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

Pilot

**7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las
Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle**

Location: 2730 Airport Drive

North Las Vegas, NV 89032

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Tour departs Gold Butte
National Monument en route
Basin and Range**

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al Monument**

**12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels
down White River Narrows in
Basin and Range National
Monument //**

**Lunch
Meeting with
BLM Staff //
Rock Art Site
Tour**

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on: White River
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Met
by: NV
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Mike
Herder, Ely
District
Manager, BLM
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Konwin, Ely
District BLM

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pants: Greg
Zunino, Bureau
Chief & Acting
Chief of Staff,
Office of

NV
Attorney
General Adam
Laxalt

Joseph
Tartakovsky,

Deputy
Solicitor
General, Office
of NV

Attorn
ey General
Adam Laxalt
Roland
(Rod) Swanson,
Chief of
Investigations,
Office of NV

Attorn
ey General
Adam Laxalt
Willia
m Hart, Ranger,
BLM Law
Enforcement

On site
EMT

Press:
Closed

Note:
Box lunches
provided by Ely
District BLM

Note:
Because of
remote location,
no advance staff
will be on site

**1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up
White River Narrows en route
City**

Tour includes: Seaman Wash,
Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft
Manager
Pilot

**2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels
down City // City Landscape Art
Site Tour**

Location: *City* Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument
Manager, BLM
Participants: Michael Govan, LA
County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum
of Art
On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location,
no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during
this time

**3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up
City en route Shaman Knob /
Mt. Irish**

Tour includes: Aerial views of all
three ranges and both basins
within Monument
(Worthington Mountains, Murphy
Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact
Crater,

Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft
Manager
Pilot

**3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels
down Shaman Knob // Tour of
Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site**

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State
Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of
Communications, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely
District Manager, BLM

Harry
Konwin, Ely
District BLM

William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law
Enforcement

On site EMT

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed

Note: Because of remote location,
no advance staff will be on site
Note: 5 members of cancelled
roundtable with Friends of Gold
Butte have

been invited to participate

**4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up
Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV**

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helico
pter Manifest:
RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft
Manager
Pilot

**5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive
Mesquite Municipal Airport &
Depart en route Press**

Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)
**5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press
Availability Site & Proceed en
route Press Event**

Location: 950 West Riverside
Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland,
Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member,
Bunkerville Town Advisory
Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager,
Virgin Valley Water District

**5:30-6:00pm PDT: Press
Availability**

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

**6:00-6:15pm PDT: Depart
Mesquite Press Availability en
route North Las Vegas Airport**

Location: Mesquite Municipal
Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)
**6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart
Mesquite Municipal Airport en
route North Las Vegas Airport**
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft
Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels

Down North Las Vegas Airport

// Proceed to Vehicle

Location: 2730 Airport Drive
North Las Vegas, NV 89032

To: downey.magallanes [REDACTED] (b)(6)
From: Magallanes, Downey
Sent: 2017-07-29T23:14:05-04:00
Importance: Normal
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From: **Roddy, Russell** <russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Sat, Jul 29, 2017 at 7:25 PM
Subject: (I THINK) Final Schedule for Sunday
To: Scott Hommel <scott_hommel@ios.doi.gov>, "Magallanes, Downey"
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<aaron_thiele@ios.doi.gov>, "Nigborowicz, Timothy" <timothy_nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov>

I think this is final for tomorrow...

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Downey Magallanes
Acting Deputy Chief of Staff
Senior Advisor and Counselor
downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov
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**United States Department of the Interior
Official Travel Schedule of the Secretary**

**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

Las Cruces, NM	7/27: Partly Cloudy, High 93°, Low 70°, 20% Chance of Precipitation
	7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Las Vegas, NV	7/230: Mostly Sunny, High 103°, Low 83°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
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(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue
Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT: Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT: Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte National Monument
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT: Wheels down Gold Butte National Monument // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs
Location: Gold Butte National Monument
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte Area)
* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District
* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation
* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans
* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state officials

10:30-12:00pm PDT: Wheels up Gold Butte National Monument // Aerial Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto

Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

12:00-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour Continues from Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of
NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City // Aerial Tour

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish // Aerial Tour of Basin and Range National Monument

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
* Patrick Naranjo, Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
* Jim Boone, Ecologist & Friends of Basin and Range
* John Hiatt, Friends of Nevada Wilderness & former member, Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Basin and Range National Monument Subcommittee
* Jocelyn Torres, Nevada Program Director, Conservation Lands Foundation
* Gracian Uhalde, Lincoln County Rancher (If Mr. Uhalde is unable to attend, Andy Maggi, Nevada Conservation League will join)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

6:15-7:05pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT:

Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109

7:10-7:30pm PDT:

Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest:

RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

7:30-9:00pm PDT:

Dinner with Senator Dean Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

9:00-9:30pm PDT:

Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis

**10:45pm PDT-
6:22am EDT:**

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405

Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat: 14-F

AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT: Arrive Residence

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**United States Department of the Interior
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**New Mexico, Nevada
July 26-31, 2017
FINAL**



TRIP SUMMARY
THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO
New Mexico, Nevada
July 26 - July 31, 2017

Weather:

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	7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
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Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

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Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue

Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017

Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

- 7:05am MDT-
 7:35am PDT: Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)**
 Flight: Southwest 4466
 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport
Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight
Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte National Monument
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte National Monument // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs
Location: Gold Butte National Monument
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte Area)
* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District
* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation
* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans
* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state officials

10:30-12:00pm PDT:

Wheels up Gold Butte National Monument // Aerial Tour of Gold Butte National Monument
Tour Includes: South from Riverside Bridge down Virgin River with Virgin Peak to the east and Mormon Mesa to the west
View Whitney Pocket area including Aztec Sandstone formations that comprise Falling Man
Kohta Circus
Kirt's Grotto

Little Finland
Lime Canyon Wilderness to the west
Devil's Throat and Gold Butte Townsite
Jumbo Springs Wilderness
Flies north towards Whitney Pocket

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

12:00-12:45pm PDT: Helicopter Tour Continues from Gold Butte National Monument en route Basin and Range National Monument

12:45-1:30pm PDT: Wheels down White River Narrows in Basin and Range National Monument // Lunch Meeting with BLM Staff // Rock Art Site Tour

Location: White River Narrows
Met by: NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
Participants: Greg Zunino, Bureau Chief & Acting Chief of Staff, Office of
NV Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Joseph Tartakovsky, Deputy Solicitor General, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
Roland (Rod) Swanson, Chief of Investigations, Office of NV
Attorney General Adam Laxalt
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Box lunches provided by Ely District BLM
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site

1:30-2:15pm PDT: Wheels up White River Narrows en route City // Aerial Tour

Tour includes: Seaman Wash, Coal Valley, and Water Gap
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

2:15-3:00pm PDT: Wheels down City // City Landscape Art Site Tour

Location: City Site
Met by: Alicia Styles, Monument Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Michael Govan, LA County Museum of Art
Erin Wright, LA County Museum of Art
On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish // Aerial Tour of Basin and Range National Monument

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
* Patrick Naranjo, Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
* Jim Boone, Ecologist & Friends of Basin and Range
* John Hiatt, Friends of Nevada Wilderness & former member, Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Basin and Range National Monument Subcommittee
* Jocelyn Torres, Nevada Program Director, Conservation Lands Foundation
* Gracian Uhalde, Lincoln County Rancher (If Mr. Uhalde is unable to attend, Andy Maggi, Nevada Conservation League will join)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event

Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board

Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District

5:30-6:00pm PDT:

Press Availability

Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy

6:00-6:15pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport

Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

6:15-7:05pm PDT:

Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

7:05-7:10pm PDT:

Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109

7:10-7:30pm PDT:

Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117

Vehicle Manifest:

RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

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Dinner with Senator Dean Heller

Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

9:00-9:30pm PDT:

Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis

**10:45pm PDT-
6:22am EDT:**

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405

Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat: 14-F

AiC: (b)(6), (b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT: Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT: Arrive Residence

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	7/28: Mostly Sunny, High 95°, Low 71°, 0% Chance of Precipitation
Sabinoso Wilderness, NM	7/29: Partly Cloudy, High 81°, Low 59°, 15% Chance of Precipitation
Las Vegas, NV	7/230: Mostly Sunny, High 103°, Low 83°, 20% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

New Mexico	Mountain Daylight Time (2 hours behind DC)
Nevada	Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance (Las Cruces, NM):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Caroline Boulton		(b)(6)

Advance (Sabinoso):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Aaron Thiele		(b)(6)

Advance (Las Vegas, NV):

Security Advance	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Advance	Rusty Roddy		(b)(6)

Traveling Staff:

Agent in Charge	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)	<u>Cell Phone:</u>	(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Deputy Chief of Staff	Downey Magallanes		(b)(6)
Communications Director	Laura Rigas		
Photographer	Sherman Hogue		

Attire:

New Mexico: Hiking attire, business casual
Sabinoso Wilderness: Horseback Riding Attire
Las Vegas, NV: Casual hiking attire

Wednesday, July 26, 2017
Washington, DC → El Paso, TX

3:15-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Reagan National Airport
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

**4:30pm EDT-
6:59pm CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)**
Flight: American 327
Flight time: 3 hours, 29 minutes
RZ Seat: 19B
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-2 hours)

6:59-8:25pm CDT: Layover in Dallas, TX // 1 hour, 26 minute layover

**8:25pm CDT-
8:59pm MDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route El Paso, TX (ELP)**
Flight: American 5800
Flight time: 1 hour, 34 minutes
RZ Seat: TBD
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE CDT to MDT (-1 hour)

8:59-9:15pm MDT: Wheels down El Paso International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles
Location: 6701 Convair Road
El Paso, TX 79925

9:15-9:20pm MDT: Depart Airport en route RON
Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:20pm MDT: RON

Thursday, July 27, 2017
El Paso, TX → Las Cruces, NM

7:00-7:15am MDT: Depart RON en route Fort Bliss

Note: RZ and staff to travel in Fort Bliss vehicle to avoid delays entering
Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

7:15-7:30am MDT: Arrive Fort Bliss // Proceed to Helicopter

7:30-9:00am MDT: Helicopter Tour of Organ Mountains

Helicopter Manifest: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Caroline Boulton
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staffer
Dr. Locke, Fort Bliss
Maj Jones, Fort Bliss
Andy Anderson, Fort Bliss
COL Murphy, Fort Bliss
Jorge Rio, Fort Bliss

9:00-9:10am MDT: Wheels Down Fort Bliss

9:10-9:25am MDT: Depart Fort Bliss en route RON

Location: Radisson Hotel El Paso Airport
1770 Airway Boulevard
El Paso, TX 79925

Vehicle Manifest:

Van: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Downey Magallanes
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Pearce Staff

9:30-10:30am MDT: Depart El Paso en route Las Cruces, NM

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-12:00pm MDT: Brunch/Lunch

Lunch: Cha Chi's Mexican Restaurant
2460 S Locust Street A
Las Cruces, NM 88001

1:00-2:30pm MDT:

Roundtable with Ranchers & Stakeholders

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace
4100 Dripping Springs Road
Las Cruces, NM 88011

Participants: Jerry Schickedanz, Dean Emeritus, NM College of Agriculture
Frank DuBois
Fred Huff, NMSU Professor
Gary Esslinger, Manager, Elephant Butte Irrigation District
Joe Delk, Former Chairman, Dona Ana Soil & Water Conservation District
Jim Hyatt, Rancher
Mark Cox, Rancher
Clay Doyle, El Paso Electric Company
Ralph Ramos, State Game Commissioner, Owner of Hunting Guide Service, Vice-Chairman of Mesilla Valley Sportsmen's Alliance
Ben Rawson, Dona Ana County Commissioner
Todd Garrison, Former Dona Ana County Sheriff
John Sweetser, Luna County Commissioner
Aubry Dunn, Commissioner of Public Lands
Jeff Witte, New Mexico Secretary of Agriculture
Robert MacGregor, Rep. Steve Pearce

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

Format: Jerry Schickendanz introduces RZ
Frank DuBois serves as moderator

2:30-3:15pm MDT:

Roundtable on Border Security

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: Stu Harris, VP El Paso Sector Border Patrol Council
Victor Manjarrez, former Chief USBP El Paso
Ron Colburn, former Chief USBP
Steve Wilmeth, Rancher near border

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

3:30-4:00pm MDT:

Meeting with Northern Ranchers on Rio Grande del Norte NM

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

Participants: David Sanchez
Carlos Salazar
Dr. John Fowler
Moises Morales

Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Advance: Caroline Boulton

4:00-4:30pm MDT:

Media Availability

Location: New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
Organ View Terrace

4:30-6:45pm MDT:

Driving Tour with BLM

Note: Start at New Mexico Farm & Ranch Heritage Museum
To View: Aguirre Spring Campground, Baylor Canyon Trailhead, Dripping Springs & Visitor Center

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle: BLM LE
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Bill Childress, BLM District Manager
Amy Lueders, BLM State Director

Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Don McClure, BLM District Office

7:30-8:30pm MDT:

HOLD: Dinner with NMSU Chancellor

8:45pm MDT:

RON

Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Las Cruces I-10
1641 Hickory Loop
Las Cruces, NM 88005

Friday, July 28, 2017

Las Cruces, NM → Santa Fe, NM

7:10-7:20am MDT:

Depart RON en route Milagro Coffee y Espresso

Location: 1733 East University Avenue
Las Cruces, NM 88001

Drive Time: ~10 minutes

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff Vehicle: Downey Magallanes
Caroline Boulton
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

7:20-7:30am MDT:

Arrive Milagros Coffee Shop // Coffee Break

7:30-8:30am MDT:

Convoy to Trailhead

Location: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

8:30-10:00am MDT:

Hike with Vet Voice Foundation

Hike Start & End: 32°30'11.96"N ; 107° 8'57.70"W

Note: Hike will go through Broad Canyon, through the Broad Canyon gorge

and up through Valles Canyon to the pickup point at Valles Tanks on the Corralitos Road

Note: 3.65 mile hike
Participants: Bernie Digman
Andrea Sandavol
Nate Cote
Brett Myrick
Tony Martinez
Brian Redington
Jerry Nachison
Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Staff
Rene Romo, Sen. Udall Staff
Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Staff
Alex Eubanks, Sen. Heinrich Staff
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

10:00-11:00am MDT: Depart Trail en route New Mexico State University

11:00-11:30am MDT: Meeting with Fort Sill Apache Tribe

Location: New Mexico State University
University Center & Residence
4501 Geothermal Drive
Las Cruces, NM
Participants: Jeff Haozous, Chairman
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

11:45-12:15pm MDT: Meeting with Mescalero Apache

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Vice President Gabe Aguilar
Tribal Council Member Pascal Enjady
Tribal Historic Preservation Officer Holly Houghton
Tribe's General Counsel John Wheeler and Nelva Cervantes
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

12:30-1:00pm MDT: Meeting with All Pueblo Council of Governors

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants:
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

1:00-1:30pm MDT: Meeting with Mayors & Local Officials

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Greg Smith, Las Cruces Mayor Pro Tem

Gill Sorg, Las Cruces City Councilor
Phil San Filipino, Las Cruces Economic Development Director
Trustee Linda Flores, Mesilla Trustee
Trustee Stephanie Burick-Johnson, Mesilla Trustee
Diana Trujillo, Anthony Mayor
John Vasquez, Doña Ana County Vice Chair
Commissioner Billy Garrett, Doña Ana County Commissioner
Joseph Cervantes, State Senator
Bill McCamley, State Representative
Doreen Gallegos, State Majority Whip
Nathan Small
Sheriff Kelly Ganaway, Luna County Sheriff (TBD)

1:30-2:00pm MDT:

Friends of Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

Location: New Mexico State University
Participants: Keith Davis
Patricia "Pat" Buls
Gabe Vasquez
Margaret Berrier
Fernando Clemente
Ben Gabriel
Wayne Suggs
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue
Advance: Caroline Boulton

2:00-2:45pm PDT:

Quick Lunch

Location: Metropolitan Deli
1001 E University Ave
Ste F-1
Las Cruces, NM 88001

2:45-6:45pm MDT:

Depart Las Cruces, NM en route Santa Fe, NM

Location:
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Staff Vehicle: Caroline Boulton
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~4 hour

6:15-7:00pm MDT:

Drop Bags Off at Hotel // Downtime

7:00-9:00pm MDT:

Dinner

9:00pm MDT:

RON

Location: Drury Plaza Hotel in Santa Fe
828 Paseo de Peralta

Santa Fe, NM 87501

Saturday, July 29, 2017

Santa Fe, NM → Sabinoso Wilderness

7:00-8:15am MDT: Depart RON en route to Rendezvous at Trujillo, NM
Location: C51A exit of NM-104
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
Note: NM State Police Lead Car, BLM Officer Chase Car
Drive Time: 1 hour 15 minutes

8:15-8:20am MDT: Greet Senators and Consolidate Vehicles

8:45-9:30am MDT: Depart en route Rimrock Rose Ranch
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele
BLM staff or others

9:40am MDT: Orientation at the Lion's Nose Overlook
Welcome provided by Senators Udall and Heinrich.
Orientation from Reid Haughey, Wilderness Land Trust

9:50am MDT Hike down to trailhead and break into Hiking/Horseback riding groups
Note: BLM providing horses; will be staged on trail
Horses: RZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Senator Heinrich
Senator Udall
Downey Magallanes
James Sippel, BLM Wilderness Program
Ernesto Hurtado, Assistant Taos Field Manager
Fred Ramero, Trujillo Resident
John Olivas, JACO Outfitters
Sherman Hogue

Hiking: Aaron Thiele
Laura Rigas
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Donna Hummel, BLM NM State Office, Comms Chief
Sarah Schlanger, Taos Field Office Manager
Amy Leuders, BLM NM State Director
Maya Hermann, Sen. Heinrich Office, LA
Carlos Sanchez, Sen. Udall Office, field rep.

Greg Bloom, Sen. Udall Office, state director
 Sean MacDougall, Sen. Udall Office, legislative fellow
 Patricia Dominguez, Sen. Heinrich Office, field rep.
 Layla Archuletta, Sen. Heinrich Office, State Operations Assistant
 Brad Borst, Wilderness Land Trust
 Reid Haughey, Special Advisor to the Wilderness Land Trust
 Garrett VeneKlasen, NM Wildlife Federation
 Andrew Black, NM Wildlife Federation
 Rock Ulibarri, San Miguel County Commission Chair
 Land Tawney, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jason Amaro, Backcountry Hunters and Anglers
 Jeremy Vesbach, Conservation Lands Foundation Sportsmen's
 Organizer
 Christine Gonzales, Artemis
 Jesse Deubel, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 John Pierce, United Bowhunters of New Mexico
 Cody Lujan, Earned
 Ryan Callaghan, First Lite
 Gregg Flores, NM Wildlife Federation videographer
 Oscar Simpson, NM Backcountry Horsemen
 Jeremy Romero, New Mexico Wildlife Federation
 Raul Scott, New Mexico Wildlife Federation

- 11:30am MDT: Both Groups turn around on trail**
- 1:30-1:45pm MDT: Discount Horse and hike to lunch at Lion's' Nose Overlook**
 Note: Lunch provided by NM Wilderness Federation, self-hunted
- 2:45-3:00pm MDT: Hike back to Parking Area**
- 3:00-6:00pm MDT: Depart Sabinoso Parking Area en route Albuquerque, NM**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106
 Drive Time: 3 Hours
- 6:00-7:00pm MDT: Downtime at Hotel**
- 7:00-8:30pm MDT: Kelleys Brew Pub**
 3222 Central Ave SE, Albuquerque, NM 87106
- 8:30pm MDT: RON**
 Location: Hampton Inn & Suites Albuquerque Airport
 1300 Woodward Road SE
 Albuquerque, NM 87106

Sunday, July 30, 2017
Albuquerque, NM → Las Vegas, NV

7:05am MDT-

7:35am PDT:

Wheels up Albuquerque, NM (ABQ) en route Las Vegas (LAS)

Flight: Southwest 4466
Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes
RKZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas
NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

7:35-8:00am MDT:

Wheels down McCarran International Airport

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

8:15-8:45am PDT:

Travel to Papillon Helicopter // Change into Flight Suits // Briefing on Flight

Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109
Met By: Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager

8:45-9:30am PDT:

Wheels up McCarran International Airport en route Gold Butte National Monument

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

9:30-10:30am PDT:

Wheels down Gold Butte National Monument // Meeting with BLM Support Staff // Hike to Falling Man Petroglyphs

Location: Gold Butte National Monument
Falling Man Parking Lot
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Rudy Evenson, Acting Chief of Communications, BLM Nevada
Tim Smith, District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Participants: Steve Leslie, Supervisory Resource Management Specialist, BLM
Jimmy Linares, Park Ranger, BLM
Jose Peralta, Range Tech (On site EMT), BLM
John Asselin, Public Affairs Specialist, BLM
* Chris Edwards, NV State Assemblyman, District 19 (Gold Butte Area)
* Lyndsay Dalley, Board of Directors, Moapa Valley Water District
* Elise McCallister, Administrator, Partners in Conservation
* Dave Mckeon, Former Chairman, Clark County Republicans
* Troy Tanner, Public Safety Officer, City of Mesquite
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Advance: Rusty Roddy
Press: Closed
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with local county, city, & state officials

On site EMT
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Helicopter refuels during this time

3:00-3:45pm PDT: Wheels up City en route Shaman Knob / Mt. Irish // Aerial Tour of Basin and Range National Monument

Tour includes: Aerial views of all three ranges and both basins within Monument (Worthington Mountains, Murphy Gap, Alamo Bolide Impact Crater, Coal Valley, Mail Summish Wash)

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

3:45-4:15pm PDT: Wheels down Shaman Knob // Tour of Mt. Irish Petroglyph Site

Location: Mt. Irish
Met by: Marci Todd, Acting State Director, BLM Nevada
Participants: Mike Herder, Ely District Manager, BLM (Tour Stop Facilitator)
Harry Konwin, Ely District BLM
William Hart, Ranger, BLM Law Enforcement
On site EMT
* Patrick Naranjo, Multi Cultural Center Coordinator, UNLV
* Jim Boone, Ecologist & Friends of Basin and Range
* John Hiatt, Friends of Nevada Wilderness & former member, Mojave-Southern Great Basin Resource Advisory Council, Basin and Range National Monument Subcommittee
* Jocelyn Torres, Nevada Program Director, Conservation Lands Foundation
* Gracian Uhalde, Lincoln County Rancher (If Mr. Uhalde is unable to attend, Andy Maggi, Nevada Conservation League will join)
Staff: Downey Magallanes
Press: Closed
Note: Because of remote location, no advance staff will be on site
Note: Participants above with an asterisk before their name were added from cancelled roundtable with Friends of Gold Butte

4:15-5:10pm PDT: Wheels up Mt Irish en route Mesquite, NV

Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027

Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot

5:10-5:25pm PDT: Arrive Mesquite Municipal Airport & Depart en route Press Availability

Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes

John Asselin, BLM (Driver)

- 5:25-5:30pm PDT: Arrive Press Availability Site & Proceed en route Press Event**
Location: 950 West Riverside Road
HWY 170
Bunkerville, NV 89007
Met by: Brian & Joy Haviland, Ranch Owners
Duane Magoon, Board Member, Bunkerville Town Advisory Board
Kevin Brown, General Manager, Virgin Valley Water District
- 5:30-6:00pm PDT: Press Availability**
Staff: Laura Rigas
Advance: Rusty Roddy
- 6:00-6:15pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Press Availability en route North Las Vegas Airport**
Location: Mesquite Municipal Airport 67L
1200 Kitty Hawk Drive
Mesquite, NV 89027
Vehicle Manifest:
Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
John Asselin, BLM (Driver)
- 6:15-7:05pm PDT: Depart Mesquite Municipal Airport en route North Las Vegas Airport**
Helicopter Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Lucas Rhea, DOI Aircraft Manager
Pilot
- 7:05-7:10pm PDT: Wheels Down North Las Vegas Airport // Proceed to Vehicle**
Location: Papillon Helicopter
275 East Tropicana Avenue
Las Vegas, NV 89109
- 7:10-7:30pm PDT: Depart North Las Vegas Airport en route Fleming's Prime Steakhouse & Wine Bar**
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
8721 West Charleston Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89117
Vehicle Manifest: RKZ
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
(b)(6), (b)(7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
- 7:30-9:00pm PDT: Dinner with Senator Dean Heller**
Location: Fleming's Prime Steakhouse and Wine Bar
Participants: RKZ
Senator Dean Heller
Ashley Jonkey, State Director, Office of Senator Dean Heller
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
- 9:00-9:30pm PDT: Depart Dinner en route McCarran International Airport (LAS)**

Location: 65757 Wayne Newton Boulevard
Las Vegas, NV 89119

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

(b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Downey Magallanes
Laura Regis

10:45pm PDT-

6:22am EDT:

Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (LAS) en route Washington, D.C. Dulles Airport (IAD)

Flight: United Flight 1405

Flight time: 4 hours, 37 minutes

RZ Seat: 14-F

AiC: (b)(6),(b)(7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas, Rusty Roddy Waitlisted

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to EDT (+3 hours)

6:22am-7:10am EDT:

Depart Dulles International Airport en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

7:10am EDT:

Arrive Residence

To: Downey Magallanes[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]; Russell Roddy[russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov]
From: Elise McAllister
Sent: 2017-08-02T20:29:22-04:00
Importance: Normal
Subject: Gold Butte observations and research
Received: 2017-08-02T20:30:04-04:00
[Summary of local perspective.docx](#)
[lindseys talking points.docx](#)
[1995 letters re full force and effect remove cattle from range.pdf](#)
[equal and small NM and recreation areas.pdf](#)

Hi Downey and Russell,

(I am sending this to both of you as Troy Tanner send me Russell's business card via text, and it was blurry—so I am guessing at Russell's email address)

First, thank you both, and thank Secretary Zinke for the amazing honor to spend a few minutes with all of you last Sunday. I cannot believe the hours you put in; I hope somewhere Monday afternoon, you got a chance for a nap!

That was such exciting news to read where the Secretary is going to let cattle graze in the refuge in Montana because the grazing allotments burned. Now that is so cool and such common-sense, out-of-the-box thinking! I am thrilled beyond words at what you all are doing.

I will be mailing the attached documents to Russell, along with the 550 petitions (asking for no designation) to you tomorrow. The main attachment is some research and observations about Gold Butte and monument/restrictive designations in general. I am attaching Lindsey's talking points too. I am also including some letters I found from 1995 when the BLM made the ranchers remove their cattle from the land—I am mainly sending those so you can see we have been doing this for decades and decades. I also attached a map as it is an idea I had for the reduction in size of the Gold Butte monument. First, I prefer rescind. That would be so wonderful. Second, I prefer small monuments around the most important petroglyph panels—a Gold Butte complex of 100 acres or so for the most unique/important petroglyph sites. Third is this map. It is a block of land wherein most of the petroglyphs and Little Finland are and it is matched by a Recreation Area of equal size. The Recreation Area includes Whitney Pockets and Devils Throat and that is where about 90% of the recreational use of that whole area occurs. The rest of the Gold Butte area would be fantastically wonderful to return to its previous ACEC designation or even better, the original multiple-use designation.

Thank you again for your time, on Sunday, for <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> reading this, for everything you have done for Gold Butte and for sensible, common-sense management of our public lands. I seriously never thought this day would come, even when President Trump won---I didn't think it would affect public lands and now it is! That is incredible beyond words! Thank you, please thank Secretary Zinke EVERY day for us!
Thank you, Elise

Elise McAllister

Administrator

Partners In Conservation (PIC)

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From: Elise McAllister,
Honorable Judge Marley Robinson,
on behalf of many citizens in Southern Nevada
P.O. Box 387
Moapa, Nevada 89025

March 13, 1995

To: Honorable Don Young
Chairman, Resources Committee
United States House of Representatives
Washington D.C. 20515

RE: MARCH 1, 1995 BLM FULL FORCE & EFFECT DECISIONS IN SOUTHERN NEVADA

Dear Representative Young:

This letter is being written, first on behalf of the livestock grazing permittees of Southern Nevada, Utah, and Arizona, and secondly, on behalf of citizens and ranchers in general who reside in the above mentioned states. The subject that we so urgently ask you to address is the 1995 BLM's full force and effect decisions in Southern Nevada and Utah.

First, let me briefly explain several pertinent facts that bring us to our present situation. In 1992 the BLM issued full force and effect decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing (March 1 to June 15) in the Las Vegas District. Administrative Law Judge Rampton stayed the implementation of those decisions until a hearing could be held to determine if livestock grazing did indeed adversely affect the desert tortoise (a threatened species). That determination still hasn't been made; but in spite of such, the BLM--on February 17, 1995--issued full force and effect decisions effective March 1, 1995.

The permittees of Southern Nevada were given less than two weeks to comply. It is insulting and wrong for a federal bureaucracy who has taken years to 'study' the desert tortoise's alleged problem and who STILL hasn't issued a final draft of that study, to demand that ranchers physically remove cattle and provide for temporary forage and temporary pastures or corrals with less than two weeks notice.

It is also either incredibly dumb or arrogant of the BLM to demand the removal of cattle right now in a year where the precipitation as of January 31, is already 110% of the total yearly amount. This wonderful amount of rain has left the desert literally green; and if there was EVER a year where adequate forage existed for all--this is the year. Yet the BLM still issued it's full force and effect decisions.

Please remember that the BLM has not proven cattle grazing adversely affects the desert tortoise. In the permittee's continual legal struggle, at the latest hearing in a Las Vegas court January 24 through February 3, 1995, the one person who claimed to be a forage competition expert stated he only had a 'gut feeling' that such competition existed. At the same hearing, "experts" from environmental groups (who are 'helping' the BLM) admitted no scientific data existed to prove cattle grazing has a negative impact on the desert tortoise.

A second point I would like to mention is that cattlemen, who have spent their entire lifes working and living in the desert, have stated over and over again in numerous meetings that cattle and tortoises CAN and DO co-exist with no harm to either species. These are eye-witness accounts. However, these statements are dismissed by BLM officials as being "biased", while, at the same time, the BLM openly embraces any claims environmentalists make. Apparently those biases are acceptable. The costs of fighting the BLM and the environmentalists are financially exhausting and incredibly time-consuming. These cattlemen, these permittees, have already spent over \$200,000.00 and have had to file a mind-numbing 67 appeals in just the last few years alone. The mammoth BLM apparently has an endless

supply of money and manhours and is relentless in their harassment and intimidation of these law-abiding, ordinary citizens.

Since the November '94 elections, much has been said about the angry, frustrated, upset mood of the voters. These emotions have sprung up because of the federal government and it's multitude of bureaucracies and regulations, AND THE WAY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TREATS IT'S CITIZENS. Itemized in this letter is a perfect example of why citizens feel the way they do. In spite of logic and reason, in spite of a miraculous amount of rain, without so much as one shred of evidence to support their actions, the BLM blatantly makes decisions with COMPLETE DISREGARD for the citizens of this land.

Finally, Chairman Young, after reading our complaints, our descriptions of unfair treatment, we appeal to your compassionate sense of justice and urge you to do everything in your power to specifically null and void the full force and effect decision binding the permittees of Southern Nevada and Utah. Please let them put their cattle back on the beautiful green desert during this lush spring season. We also, at this time, urge you to rewrite the Endangered Species Act to reflect the rights of us humans to use and enjoy the land. We will be generating many letters addressing the Endangered Species Act in the months to come, but the full force and effect decision needs immediate attention by someone higher and mightier than us RIGHT NOW to reign in the tyrannical, out-of-control BLM.

Sincerely,

February 23, 1995

VIA TELEFACSIMILE

Mike Piper
c/o Congresswoman Vuchanovich

Re: 1995 BLM Full Force and Effect Decisions in Southern
Nevada

Dear Congresswoman Vuchanovich:

Pursuant to my conversation with DeMar Dahl, this letter provides you with a short version of the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM's) action with regard to 17 livestock grazing permittees in southern Nevada. In 1992, the BLM issued full force and effect decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing (March 1 to June 15) in the BLM Las Vegas District. Administrative Law Judge Rampton stayed the implementation of those full force and effect decisions until he could convene a hearing to determine whether livestock grazing adversely effected the continued existence of the desert tortoise.

In 1994, despite Judge Rampton's stay and the fact that a final decision on the effect of livestock grazing on the desert tortoise had never been issued, the BLM issued additional full force and effect decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing. The BLM reasoned that since the grazing permittees were required to apply quarterly, the BLM could ignore the stay of the 1992 decisions and issue new adverse decisions based on the permittees' quarterly grazing applications. The permittees appealed these decisions. In this case, Judge Rampton agreed that these were new decisions and refused to continue the stay. His decision was based on the fact that there had been little rain that spring, therefore there was not enough forage for both the tortoise and livestock. However, as a practical matter, he issued his decision so late that the permittees were not forced to remove their livestock from their allotments and were not subjected to wilful trespass fees.

Because of Judge Rampton's decision that the 1994 decisions were new decisions and the 1992 decisions were moot, the BLM and permittees agreed to dismiss the 1992 decisions as moot. Now however, the BLM has changed its position and has determined that the 1992 decisions are in effect. Therefore based on the 1992

decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing, the BLM has issued 17 additional decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing for 1995. The permittees have appealed those decisions.

There are several additional facts you should know about this case. First, the only hearing regarding the merits of this case was held in Las Vegas between January 24, 1995 and February 3, 1995. At that hearing, the "experts" for the environmental groups admitted that there was NO scientific data proving that there was competition for forage between livestock and the desert tortoise. Additionally, the one person who claimed to be the expert on forage competition stated that he only had a "gut feeling" that there was competition between the two species.

Second, this has been a very good moisture year for the Mojave Desert. By January 15, 1995, the permittees' allotments had received 110% of their yearly precipitation. With that amount of moisture, there will certainly be enough forage for livestock and the tortoise.

Third, the BLM issued these new full force and effect decisions on February 17, 1995, to take effect March 1, 1995. Therefore, the BLM has given these permittees less than two weeks to seek court protection or remove their livestock from the federal lands. Even if these permittees started to gather their livestock the day that these decisions were issued, it would be physically impossible for them to comply with these decisions, let alone find adequate private forage for their livestock during the period that they are removed from their allotments.

Fourth, these are the fourth full force and effect decisions issued to most of these permittees. Thus far, we have appealed a total of 56 decisions and have cost the permittees in excess of \$200,000. The permittees cannot afford to fight the bureaucratic machinery much longer.

The permittees certainly appreciate your assistance in this matter. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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February 24, 1995

VIA TELEFACSIMILE

Mike Piper
c/o Congresswoman Vuchanovich

Re: 1995 BLM Full Force and Effect Decisions in Southern Nevada

Dear Congresswoman Vuchanovich:

As a follow up to the information I have been sending you regarding the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) full force and effect decisions eliminating spring livestock grazing, I have just been informed that these same types of decisions have been issued to the permittees in southern Utah. According to the BLM decisions in Utah, those permittees are to remove their livestock from the federal lands by April 1, 1995. Similar decisions have also been issued to the permittees in northern Arizona and California. In the case of northern Arizona, we were able to secure a stay of those decisions from the Office of Hearings and Appeals, therefore, they will not have to remove their livestock from the federal lands this year. With regard to the California Desert decisions, those permittees are simply required to "encourage" their livestock to stay away from desert tortoise habitat. I do not know what the BLM means by "encourage;" that is their word, not mine.

Although the Nevada permittees are suffering the brunt of the desert tortoise decisions at this time, perhaps your colleagues in these adjoining states would be interested in supporting your request to stay the elimination of spring livestock grazing.

We certainly appreciate any assistance that you can give us. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Local Points about Gold Butte

- Key to understanding the local community ties surrounding Gold Butte stems from the town of St. Thomas that was settled in 1865 at the confluence of the Muddy and Virgin Rivers 10 miles from here and flooded by Lake Mead in the 1930s.
- Gold Butte and the surrounding communities' history and culture stem from St. Thomas.
- A national monument designation will eclipse our local historic and cultural ties by diluting management focus in two ways.
- Diverting BLM funds away from multiple use management that allows the complex integration of our culture, history, and recreation in favor of mis-defined Monument landmarks, structures, and object preservation.
- Current Personnel and past Monument management processes won't address the local interests as this a "National" Monument not a "Local or State" Monument.
- We didn't fight the Civil War in Gold Butte or write our founding documents on its rocks. It's beautiful country, but there is nothing in Gold Butte to elevate it to national interest to warrant a national designation.
- Nevada has already preserved unique sandstone formations and many petroglyphs native to this area when we established the "Valley of Fire State Park." BLM has done the same with the "Red Rock NCA" just outside Las Vegas. It's easy for visitors to access these areas and they provide visitor safety.
- The Nevada Legislature and the Governor has already recognized St. Thomas which includes the Gold Butte area as a local community culture and historic area in 2013 by passing the resolution AB381.
- URL of AB 381 bill: legiscan.com/NV/text/Ab381/id/854078

Summary of Gold Butte through the eyes of locals: from a trip to show Gold Butte to Senator Heller's staff, from research, and from local observations.

TRIP:

1. **PROTECTION ALREADY PROVIDED:** Our first stop was the 'sheep (or goat) panel'. We wanted to show Heller's staff how the post and cable on one side of the road was put there to keep OHVs from driving over cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants and to point out that on the other side of the road, with no post and cable, but with the cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants also, there were no OHV tracks. We also wanted to show them that measures are already in place to help protect the petroglyphs such as a post and cable barrier where vehicles must park and people must walk about 3 times farther than originally—to help protect the cultural site. However, this increased distance prevents many people from viewing and admiring the petroglyphs as was evidenced in our own party where one person had to turn back before even half way there--so restrictions are already in place and these restrictions already prevent many from not being able to appreciate petroglyphs. It has been our experience that when people are denied the ability to see, enjoy, etc. things, they lose the ability to appreciate them, i.e., to care about them. While protective measures like the above help protect cultural sites, there is also a downside in that many of the young, old, not-in-good-health, etc. cannot appreciate and enjoy protected sites on public land. It is a genuine restriction to many people's access.
2. **SMALLEST SIZE, PROTECTIONS ALREADY PROVIDED:** At the sheep panel site we discussed the concept of protecting the petroglyph sites, each as their own monument because all the land in between petroglyph sites does not contain "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest". As Secretary Zinke just said, in referring to the Bear's Ear NM, "...there's a lot more drop-dead gorgeous land than there is historic landmarks, prehistoric structures, and other objects". The exact same statement can be made in Gold Butte and we all even discussed this—that the area is gorgeous and the petroglyph sites are small and scattered throughout a relatively small area. But gorgeous does not equate to a monument designation. We talked about the beautiful sandstone formations, but they are already protected in numerous places throughout the southwest, including Valley of Fire State Park and the Red Rock NCA. Additionally, Joshua Trees are protected in many other areas as are the multitude of plants and wildlife. Nothing exists exclusively in the Gold Butte area; all plants, wildlife, geology--all exist in other areas in the southwest already under protection. Indeed, almost all the Gold Butte area is already protected at the highest level it can be protected within BLM regulations, i.e. ACEC--Area of Critical Environmental Concern--and additional stipulations and restrictions are extended to the Gold Butte ACECs as they are distinctly described as protection for the desert tortoise and protection for cultural resources.
3. **RESTRICTS ECONOMY:** These ACECs already restrict use of the area. Grazing is eliminated because of the tortoise, all mining is eliminated for at least 30 years because of the tortoise, only 3 non-commercial, non-competitive events a year can be held in all the Gold Butte area. In fact, routes (designated open routes) within ½ mile of a spring cannot be used under the ACEC designations for any of the 3 (maximum per year) events in order to prevent people from getting too close to springs; the same rule also applies in these ACECs for cultural prehistoric sites. A permit for 5 routes (3 inside the Gold Butte ACECs), for 2 days, limited to 20 OHVs per trail per day cost over \$20,000 in 2012. There is NO way to recover the permit costs, let alone all the other costs. Needless to say this already existing restriction stifles economic growth. Permit regulations for Gold Butte are already very restrictive—it doesn't say, 'no you can't do this'; it just makes it cost so much that no one will ever do it twice.

4. **IMPACTS OF MORE VISITATION DUE TO DESIGNATION:** We also discussed the fact that designations increase visitor volume. Designations don't necessarily correlate to increased economic activity and more jobs—especially when balanced against additional costs that increased visitation brings. A study was recently completed in New Mexico (A Perfect Pothunting Day--An Examination of Vandalism to the Cultural Resources of Canyon de Chelly National Monument, its Motivations, and Potential Solutions) which found a distinct correlation wherein more visitation equals more vandalism and we discussed some of this as we hiked to the sheep panel.
It is amazing to those of us 'locals' that groups advocating for designations always insist increased visitation brings economic prosperity but never mention that increased visitation creates more impacts and vandalism and detracts from the primitive nature of the once pristine area, etc. All this while always noting that this designation is necessary BECAUSE of current visitor use and the impacts current use has caused. Someone noted that the hiking trails in Zion are literally lines of people non-stop; someone else noted that Red Rock NCA has 13 full-time law enforcement rangers just for the NCA, but graffiti occurs weekly anyway along with other, much worse vandalism. Hiking to this quiet spot through a wash, not yet a beaten path, we all wondered how special this petroglyph site would be with a hiking trail, hand rails to get up and out of the wash, etc. Now one still gets to discover this site; an experience that most primitive public land provides to all alike—exploration and discovery—but will that sense of wonder and respect still be felt when tours, trails, and hand rails become the norm in a monument?
5. **TRADITIONAL USERS OF LAND INHERENTLY ARE STEWARDS:** From the sheep panel we traveled to the Gold Butte townsite and discussed many topics as we traveled. Crescent made the point that ranchers and miners, because it made their job easier, better, quicker, etc., took care of the roads. He pointed out that a 2WD pickup was all that was needed to travel to the summit of Virgin Mountain before ranching and mining were removed from this area. Others agreed—now you must have 4WD to even hope to get up to the top. Lindsey pointed out that ranchers kept weeds and over-growth from crowding out the springs. If vegetation is left unchecked, plants will easily suck up all the water, but constant tending or grazing kept water flowing which benefited all the wildlife in an area. Conservation is the wise use of resources and everyone agreed that most ranchers and users were great stewards—they would literally put themselves out of business if they were not good stewards. This discussion brought up the Basin and Range National Monument and the group expressed several times that it was also very important to drastically reduce the size of the BARNM because, as someone put it, 'those folks in Lincoln and Nye County can still ranch and mine, unlike us here. They need that land to be multiple use so they can still use it'. The roads throughout parts of the state where ranchers and miners still are active are in much better shape than in Gold Butte because those that make a living off the land necessarily keep it in better condition; doing otherwise would be like shooting themselves in their foot.
6. **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS:** Rural areas are especially hard-hit when nearby or surrounding public lands become more restrictive than traditional multiple-use management policy—multiple use is the original intent of how BLM land would be managed. For example, in researching 11 monuments (each over 10,000 acres) with management plans already in place (therefore NOT Basin and Range, Bear Ear's, Gold Butte) I found that all 11 restricted or prohibited some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibited grazing. The economic viability of rural communities is devastated when traditional multiple uses are removed or heavily regulated. Small towns exist throughout the west specifically because they were the hub of commerce for surrounding ranches and mines. Remove the ranches and mines and the towns shrivel up and die—impacting generations of people who lived on that land and took care of it, plus directly supported many generational businesses in those small towns. As President Trump has pointed out, losing 70,000 factories had enormous impacts to the Midwest and the rust belt. One wonders how many ranches and small mining operations have been eliminated in the West? Around 50 ranches are gone in Clark County—losing not only that economic benefit to the rural communities, but also losing that traditional way of life. Additionally, much is done to make sure other cultures from other countries are maintained in America; what

has been done to make sure the culture of small ranching, farming, and mining communities in the West can also be maintained?

7. **HOW TO MANAGE HISTORICAL SITES:** The discussions above brought us to the old Gold Butte townsite where the discussion turned to the historic sites of this area. Many mines existed here and ranching was prevalent until the listing of the desert tortoise. While corrals and mines and other historic structures or objects are found in this area, we also discussed the fact that most of these structures, while older than 50 years, don't carry the regional or national importance that most feel a monument should protect. Local historic structures carry deep personal connections for many families and they represent a living history---a place to bring our children and friends, a place where stories of daily life can be visualized, where our history comes alive. While these corrals, foundations, and water troughs meet the definition of historic, most locals would willingly trade the security of a designation, coupled with the potential to lose access -- for the beloved ability TO visit our history and wander amongst our memories without giving up our belief of how public land should be managed.
8. **HISTORICAL SITES DON'T QUALIFY AS NATIONAL HISTORY:** As much as we love our historical sites in Gold Butte, they will never become a chapter in a U.S. history book simply because these sites are not nationally significant as are Civil War sites, etc. A national monument should protect historic objects of national significance, but protecting local and regional sites not only devalues national historic sites, it is also NOT what the locals who are directly linked to these sites want.
9. **LIVES & LIVELIHOODS IMPACTED:** At the townsite, we all tell Heller's staff of the grave desecration here; that locals quietly reminded the BLM that this was a local matter; the crime was not an archeological affront, but grave robbery, under the police's jurisdiction, and that we would take care of it (that steward thing again). Informally, we got together last year as families--young sons working with dads--to respectfully return Art to his grave. It was done without fanfare and then the day was spent visiting---a quiet homage to those 2 men who in their later years took great delight in visiting with one and all. Over 50 people were there, all with direct ties to the area, all having already lost a way of life because of the desert tortoise listing and subsequent 'conservation actions' of eliminating grazing and mining. As we stood around the gravesite, we were grateful for the opportunity to tell the stories of those whose lives were most impacted by the designation of the Gold Butte National Monument, those people who live closest to a designation, whose lives and livelihoods are most impacted by replacing traditional multiple use management with special (restrictive) designations.
10. **IN 2002, THERE WAS ADEQUATE PUBLIC OUTREACH:** 15 years earlier in January 2002 the Clark County Public Lands Bill first considered designating Gold Butte as wilderness. At that time the wilderness coalition proposed 330,000 acres of wilderness for Gold Butte (all of it). The Senators realized there were other opinions and invited groups to make their own proposals and presentations. Public meetings were held where the various proposals were discussed. Congress ended up designating about 32,000 acres as wilderness in Gold Butte, so a process that started out with just the wilderness coalition's proposal ended up, in the Gold Butte area, strongly favoring the local proposal of the town boards and PIC. Unfortunately, and literally since that time, environmental groups have been planning to get the rest of Gold Butte designated. PIC knows this; we have been on the other side for all those past 15 years as have the rural communities and many others who enjoy the biggest use of public land today---that of recreation.
11. **TRADITIONAL MULTIPLE USE:** Those graves belong to 2 men, ironically--one a prospector, one a rancher among other things. They are buried where people now like to get their photo taken while debating how restrictive the area should be and it is ironic, further, that the most binding restrictions (ACECs for Desert Tortoise & cultural resources) that can be imposed outside of Washington DC have already eliminated grazing and mining from Gold Butte, very much putting both Art and Bill out of business if they were still alive. No single place illustrates the clash between restrictions and traditional multiple use policy better than the graves of these 2 friends. Not now or ever has there been anything wrong with the traditional uses of land, the

closely-knit relationships of the prospectors and ranchers to the land--and now today--to their descendants and those that still hold to those traditional values—those people who like to come visit these places where man and land meet. For those opposed to restrictions, history weighs heavy on our conscience when we leave these graves; it feels like we have buried our past; that our traditions and values are buried here with Art and Bill—to make room for cities full of millions of people who prefer kiosks and quick trips in air-conditioned cars, who then rush back to the cities again—to do the ‘right thing’---‘to protect these wild places’. Protect from whom and for what? It seems that we should protect Gold Butte from the well-meaning do-gooders who apparently want public land categorized and boxed up. I always leave here both refreshed and depressed. Refreshed to be in this spot miles away from civilization, standing where I know my mom spent time as a young girl. Depressed because the weight of history weighs heavy upon me as I drive back. It’s not that I don’t want change, but it only makes sense to change for the better. That’s the depression that follows me home, restrictive designations of vast stretches of land NEVER seems to be for the better.

12. **ONCE PERMITTED ACTIVITIES ARE REMOVED, HISTORY BECOMES A DISTURBANCE:**

History remained the topic of choice when we next visited Horse Springs as we headed back. Some thought the possibility of also designating a few historic sites along with the petroglyph sites would be a good idea. (Insert: After the tour, I had a meeting with Lee Kirk, Acting Manager of the Gold Butte National Monument, and Lee did confirm that under the ACEC designation, history can be removed from the land once the permitted use of that structure is no longer active. Improvements made under an active permit are considered “disturbances” once the permit is no longer valid; this lets the BLM come in and remove those disturbances that we all considered historic, such as the Treasure Hawk mine or Pakoon in the Arizona Strip---so there is a higher level of protection of our historic structures under a monument designation than there is under an ACEC designation.) This information may lead to more local discussions about what, if anything, should be asked to be a small monument—such as the corrals and rock wall at Horse Springs. Of course, the other way to keep historic structures, i.e., disturbances from being removed under an ACEC designation is to have meetings with the BLM and provide them with background as to why these structures are important to the local communities and why that structure is more historic than a ‘disturbance’ and then work with local offices to make sure that happens. While there was some worry about losing our living history and/or losing our ability to access/visit that history, the prevailing opinion in this small group was to NOT want the historical structures to be considered for monument status; that the size of the Gold Butte National Monument should be reduced to the smallest number of acres needed to protect the petroglyph sites especially since Native Americans in this area want that protection for their history.

13. **WATER SOURCES:** Horse Springs is a lovely riparian area, but designations usually end up fencing off springs and eventually closing roads ¼ to ½ mile ‘back’ so the riparian area won’t be disturbed and therefore can return to its ‘natural’ state. As already discussed, ‘natural’ ends up with springs so overgrown that no water actually seeps out of the ground for wildlife. Historically, most ranchers and miners settled near a water source in the desert, so closing roads to riparian areas, closes roads to our living history. Fencing off springs so they will be natural is not beneficial to wildlife, and closing roads a bit ‘back’ prevents many people from visiting not only unique oases in the desert, but also areas of historic significance—many times one and the same. As mentioned earlier, recreation is now the biggest use of most public land and many people like to visit springs. The greenery is inviting, more wildlife live close to water, and humans are drawn to these places to explore and marvel at life in the desert.

14. **“EVERY OBJECT OF SCIENTIFIC OR HISTORIC INTEREST”:** Recreational visitors also like to check out old mines, corrals, foundations, etc. that are scattered across the landscape. They come to Gold Butte, not to drive the one main road, but to explore and enjoy all the side roads and the destinations of those side roads. Left as a 300,000-acre national monument, with other managers coming along, eventually roads will be closed. It happens. Every person you meet, who having spent time on public land over several decades, can tell you of multiple instances wherein roads they once traveled on--to places they carried about and visited repeatedly--are NOW closed. And with the language of ‘every object of scientific or historic interest’ in the

Proclamation, it is not hard to find an object that needs to be protected, and then closing that road is an effective (and easy) management practice to ensure the object is protected. Once a spring is declared an object that needs to be protected (or a plant or insect that uses the spring), closing that road usually happens. Removing the old mines or corrals (at the end of side roads) because they are 'disturbances' effectively allows future managers to say, 'that road has no use now; it doesn't go to anything anymore as that corral was removed as a disturbance.' Since there is no reason for that road, it gets closed. Between protection of every object and removal of every disturbance, over time many, many side roads get closed. This is literally the reason why there is such resistance to restrictive designations: closed roads. It happens in every restricted designation; we have all seen it and we all have personal examples where this has happened. To date in all my research, every restrictive designation, ultimately, ends up with some roads and areas closed.

15. **MANAGEMENT:** Advocates of monument designations always discuss the fabulous possibilities for recreation, but neglect to mention that those fabulous opportunities already exist under current, less restrictive management policy. Many people already come to these 330,000 acres of Gold Butte public land and as we drove back, we discussed how pristine, how untouched, these 330,000 acres are—even with all the current recreation. It is true that Whitney Pockets and its primitive camping sites gets heavy visitation, but under the current ACEC, or even if the management policy was reversed back to the traditional definition of multiple use, the BLM could manage this visitation, if it would. The fact that no BLM rangers were allowed in the Gold Butte area for over 2 years speaks volumes to the fact that users took good care of the land by themselves. The heavily used areas like Whitney Pockets and the nearby petroglyphs could actually be managed better right now under existing regulations; it does not take a restrictive designation to provide 'more management, more of a BLM presence'. The incursions of water lines and other Bundy-related incidents, documented by the Friends of Gold Butte, are because of the Bundy incident---NOT because of current recreational use. One of the biggest concerns regarding management is that all staffing (and funding) are focused on 'SPECIAL'—special designations, SRPs—special recreation permits. The Southern NV BLM office processes so many SRPs per year, that they have no staff, no time to spend managing casual use, dispersed recreation, etc. And there are so many special designations---NCAs and wilderness areas, that multiple use land receives zero attention, zero funding. Well that is NOT an excuse to designate areas as a monument, NCA, or wilderness—just to make sure it gets proper management. Proper management of multiple-use land should be the norm. Red Rock NCA has 13 full time LE officers and I don't know how many rangers. IF we are lucky, soon there will be one LE for the area northeast of Vegas; if we are really lucky, maybe 2 rangers will be hired so someone will have some time for multiple-use areas and for dispersed recreation, because proper management should be the norm for all BLM lands, not just what is 'special'.
16. **PROPERLY CLASSIFIED:** The last stop on this whirlwind tour was Devil's Throat, a big sinkhole that is a favorite place for many to visit. It is a curiosity, but it is already protected by post and cable fences which form the parking area and prevent vehicles from getting too close to the sinkhole. Additionally, chain link fencing provides a safety barrier preventing people from getting too close to the edge. Where safety protections are already in place and where it is not a prominent formation in the landscape, everyone agreed that it did not fit the definition of "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest" and therefore did not warrant being designated as a monument.
17. **FINANCIAL BURDEN:** Most private businesses never expand or upgrade without a business plan and/or funding already in place to do so. But designations happen and then afterwards the money is found, appropriated. The costs of administrating and managing restrictive and protected lands is never a concern; automatically a manager is hired, key staff people are hired, law enforcement is hired. Where does this money come from? The general budget? A special account? Yet prior to becoming a monument, the BLM did not have a ranger in the area. Was that because there was no funding for that position or was it because that position wasn't a priority when the land was only an ACEC? All the federal land management agencies have backlogs of maintenance; dispersed recreation (the ONE activity on public land that affects the

most people) is always the step-child of federal land uses. Relatively little money is ever appropriated for dispersed recreation. There are no primitive camping sites built on any non-special designated areas in Clark County; there are no maps provided to the public, no trash cans, no restrooms on 'non-special designated BLM land in Clark County except at Logandale Trails. And apparently, no money to write an EA or do a site-specific management plan so that non-profits could help the BLM by writing grants to construct restrooms at Whitney Pockets either. No money now for that area, but when it is designated, the money flows. Where does this money come from? Why aren't items of importance funded now? Why doesn't the BLM have to prepare a business plan showing where money to fund a special designation is coming from BEFORE the designation is made? Perhaps the time is finally here where financial responsibility becomes a mandate that federal land agencies must adhere to.

RESEARCH:

WISE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES / ENHANCING ECONOMIES / PROVIDING MORE JOBS:

"Earlier this year, the U.S. Geological Survey reported that, of 88 important minerals they track, the United States is more than 25 percent import-dependent for 62 of them. For 20 of those, the country relies 100 percent on imports. Many of those 20 key minerals are absolutely critical to the economy and national defense. This mounting import dependency at some point must be considered a vulnerability.

"This vulnerability is not a matter of geology, but of policy. The American West hosts one of the largest, most diverse and most unusually concentrated mineral belts in the world, extending from Colorado to the Pacific Ocean. That geological terrain houses world-class deposits of minerals such as chromium, copper, fluorine, gold, molybdenum, platinum and uranium, to name just a few."

"Tapping our Vast Mineral Resources", Review Journal, 2017. Ned Mamula (adjunct scholar with the Cato Institute) and Catrina Rorke (senior fellow with the R Street Institute).

"Mining Law Reform: Where Are the Geologists?" by Courtland Lee and Paul K. Driessen, published in the August 1994 American Mining Congress Journal stated that "over 218 million acres of our nation's public land base have already been designated as wilderness, park, preserve, and refuge areas. Altogether, more than 410 million acres—**62% of all our public lands are virtually unavailable for mineral exploration and development.**" (Editor's comment: **THAT WAS IN 1994!!** How many total acres in 2017 are virtually unavailable?!)

One of the above authors (Paul K. Dresden) released a statement on May 27, 2017: "Because of processes unleashed by plate tectonics and other geologic forces, these lands (Western states) almost certainly contain numerous world-class deposits of the metals and other resources that are essential for modern technologies and civilization. Keeping them under lockdown impairs our national security and the economic wellbeing of our western states and Alaska." (In the 11 western states and Alaska) ... "virtually every revenue-producing, recreational and other activity is regulated, restricted, prohibited or under attack in courts and other venues. No timber cutting in national forests fosters massive wildfires. No vehicles, wheelchairs, energy or mineral exploration in wilderness and many other areas. Even grazing and watershed management are under assault throughout the west."

Continuing in the same statement: "Unlike wind turbine and solar panel installations across thousands or tens of thousands of acres in perpetuity, modern mines and drill pads are comparatively small—and are restored back to natural conditions when the operations have concluded."

And, in the same statement by Mr. Driessen, "China produces 97% of the world's rare-earth oxides, largely controlling world markets."

In the Heritage Foundation's "Backgrounder", #2998, dated March 25, 2015, *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*, by Nicolas D. Loris (pg 3), the author notes that monument

designations lock up abundant natural resources in the West including conventional sources of energy, renewable energy, and unconventional sources of energy. He also adds, "For instance, several of President Clinton's monument designations prohibited the use of off-road vehicles, and President George W. Bush's designations restricted and in some cases prohibited commercial and recreational fishing. Presidents have also placed additional restrictions on timber development, grazing, and even pumping water on national monument land."

Excerpts from an American Motorcycle Association (AMA) guest blog by Cliff Koontz, Executive Director of "Ride with Respect", "The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument closed half of the existing routes open to motorized recreation. The federal land managers even prohibited off-highway motorcyclists from riding the graded, gravel roads. Fortunately, the affected county asserted its jurisdiction over those roads, but not before having to fight the federal land managers in court."

INACCURATE ANALYSIS THAT DESIGNATIONS/PROTECTED LAND IMPROVES LOCAL ECONOMIES:

This section is the most frustrating because groups advocating for designations have repeatedly presented half-facts, implied outcomes, erroneous conclusions, and ignored critical data REPEATEDLY that reputable and professional scientists and researchers would not consider doing. All to sway multitudes to support their position; it is an alarming fact in the United States of America that facts, information, and data mean nothing when it comes to politics or influencing people who do not ever question why. Well, we questioned why.

1. Why do all these studies NOT include baseline data as to the economic condition prior to protected land designations?
2. Why do all these studies NOT include uses of and on public lands when the land was designated multiple-use, before a protected land designation?
3. Why isn't grazing, mining, recreation, OHV use, permitted events, etc. included in the assessment of economic conditions of communities before protected land designations occur?
4. Why isn't the overall migration of the US population from North/East to South/West considered in evaluations of growth in areas and what caused that growth?
5. Why isn't the influx of retired folks considered in evaluations of growth and why isn't the fact that much of that 'growth' found in money from retirement and investments, NOT because protected land is nearby?
6. And all these retired folks and snowbirds moving to the southwest, maybe they moved here for other reasons besides 'protected land'? Maybe they moved here because of golf, or gaming, or mild winters, or no snow. Maybe they moved here BECAUSE of a multitude of OHV areas on multiple-use, non-designated land. Maybe they moved here for a percentage of all of the above---but to imply they only moved here because of protected land is ridiculous. Any high school teacher should reject the false outcome of all these erroneous conclusions.
7. And while we are asking questions, what about all the ranches and small mining operations that have disappeared from the landscape—just like the 70,000 factories that have disappeared from the mid-west and the rust-belt. What about all the economic benefits that are now gone because those ranches, mines, and other money-generating operations that used to support local communities and used to be part of the wise use of resources on multiple-use land—what about those losses? How much is that? How much has been LOST because of the incredible increase in protected land designations? Who will ever research this?

Many studies have been touted lately, supposedly showing that designated public lands improve an area's economy. However, Headwater Economics, published "The Economic Importance of Air Travel in High-Amenity Rural Areas" in the *Journal of Rural Studies*, July 2009 in which the authors (Ray Rasker, Patricia H. Gude, Justin A. Gude, and Jeff van den Noort) concluded, "On the one hand, the vast distances between towns and cities of the West are a challenge to economic development. On the other hand, the amenities of the public lands of the West that create those vast distances are an asset that attracts and retains people and business. Yet, (emphasis added)

amenities by themselves are not a sufficient condition for economic development.” Of course, in Headwater Economics’ recent reports wherein they proclaim that wilderness and other designations improve an area’s economy, their own conclusion (above) and data supporting that conclusion are conveniently not mentioned. (Amenities are defined by Headwater: “protected public lands, set aside for conservation and recreation rather than commodity production” and as “public lands, with vast stretches of wild country, many of them protected as National Parks and wilderness areas”)

The many economic ‘studies’ that are used to advocate for monument designation or other protected land designations do not take into account the BASIC fact that people are migrating to the west and specifically the southwest in record numbers. Especially noteworthy are retirees who either ‘snowbird’ in the southwest or move here from northern and eastern states. They move here for the WEATHER, golf, mild winters, and yes public land, but no studies have been done to even ask: Is it multiple-use public land, or are you moving here specifically because it is protected public land? You can’t claim that people are moving here to be close to protected public land if that simple, basic question has never been asked. Of course, NONE of the economic studies claiming to show increased economies for local communities once a nearby area has been designated mention the obvious.

The fact that people are migrating to the southwest has been documented extensively for years. Besides the general population migrating here, retirees, especially retirees with a little money, are migrating here in record numbers. They either come to the southwest full time or are ‘snowbirds’, coming here in the winter, returning to their original home in the summer. These facts are so common-place, every demographic study and every growth model state this obvious situation. Conveniently, all ‘economic studies showing economic growth because of protected land designations’ overlook this obvious point. One cannot discuss any kind of ‘reason’ for growth in any west or southwest area WITHOUT considering overall migration patterns from northeast to southwest, without considering retirees moving or residing in the southwest at least half the year, and without considering that many of the retirees come here with spendable money. Well, to be honest, Headwaters Economics did bury this fact in their paper, “Economic Change in the American West: Solutions to the Downside of Amenity Migration”, May 2008, Ray Rasker, wherein we learn “33 percent of net growth in personal income was in the form of non-labor income....and can be more easily described as money earned from investments and retirement.”

Interestingly enough, in 2013, in “The effect of protected federal lands on economic prosperity in the non-metropolitan West”. *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy* by Risker, R., P.H Gude, M. Delorey. 2013, the 33% number referenced above has now grown to 65%: “It is also consistent with the rapid growth of non-labor income in the non-metro West, including retirement and investment income, which has comprised 65% of net total personal income growth in the last decade.” Further down in their summary we read, “Importantly, the positive association we found between economic growth and protected public lands does not mean that protected public lands always lead to fast-growing economies. Several studies have shown that natural amenities may be an important but not sufficient condition for growth. Also needed are other factors, such as an educated workforce and access to major markets via transportation infrastructure, such as airports.” So, the truth is out there, it is just buried and not mentioned in the sound bites.

Even elected officials don’t stop to research how these erroneous conclusions were arrived at. The entire Democratic federal delegation, in every op-ed piece and every interview, talk about increased jobs, more money to Mesquite, etc. Outside Las Vegas Foundation published a paper “Gold Butte National Conservation Area, Economic Impact” by Applied Analysis around 2012 in which they draw the conclusion that non-BLM visitors coming to Mesquite (for other reasons) can be convinced to stay an extra day and visit a protected land designation such as Gold Butte NCA (or Monument). Therefore, if they stay an extra day, they will spend X amount of money—and that is the logic behind their fast and furious statements of increasing Mesquite’s economy—that people already coming to Mesquite, once Gold Butte is designated, will stay an extra day. Wow. Who needs facts when making up a scenario is so much easier.

RESEARCH SHOWING BENEFITS OF MULTIPLE-USE, NON-DESIGNATED PUBLIC LAND:

In the Heritage Foundation's "Backgrounder", #2998, dated March 25, 2015, *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*, by Nicolas D. Loris (pg. 2), we read, "Professors from Utah State University and Southern Utah University analyzed wilderness and non-wilderness counties over time and found no stimulus for local economies and, more likely, negative economic impacts." Further in the same publication, pg. 3, Loris summarizes that the "Antiquities Act:

- No longer serves a purpose
- Adds to the problem of government mismanagement of federal land
- Prohibits and restricts economic opportunity
- Takes decision making away from the states and people."

California State Parks quick facts: updated 1/23/2007, "The economic impact of OHV recreation in California is an important element to the state's economy. OHV recreation is the fastest growing form of recreation in the state and contributes an estimated **\$9 BILLION** (emphasis added) to the California economy."

Regarding the Elko Motocross and Tribal Conveyance Act, Senator Reid said, "This bill will provide critical opportunities for growth and economic development in northeastern Nevada."

"The Economic Costs of Wilderness", by Brian C. Steed, Ryan M. Yank, and Randy Simmons, Utah State University, "Local officials frequently complain that Wilderness harms local economies by limiting the opportunities for economic development. The State of Utah, for instance, recently passed House Joint Resolution 10 which requested that the U.S. Congress not designate any additional Wilderness in Utah. Through a vote by a supermajority of members, the state legislature asserted that Wilderness' limitation of multiple uses causes substantial economic hardship for the state."

"Economic Impacts of Land Use Restrictions on OHV Recreation in Utah", Utah State University, September 15, 2008, pg. 23, "As such, all the 'loss' in public lands occurs in the eastern and south-central parts of the state. Our model predicts a movement of trips out of this portion of the state and into counties located in the western and northern portions of the state, and to the surrounding states of Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming."

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS, made by rural residents over the past 5 years:

CLARK COUNTY ONLY HAS 20-25% MULTIPLE LAND LEFT; 75-80% OF OUR PUBLIC LAND IN CLARK COUNTY IS ALREADY DESIGNATED AND RESTRICTED. Soon, we will not have any traditional, multiple-use public land left in our county.

Gold Butte is not 'Nevada's Piece of the Grand Canyon'; that is a marketing slogan. Gold Butte is remote, beautiful multiple-use public land and only small petroglyph areas should be designated monuments--as with the original intent of the Antiquities Act--the smallest area compatible with the proper care of historic & prehistoric structures, landmarks, or objects.

One of the problems with the 'economic impacts' of the monument is that no one considers the impact of multiple use BEFORE a monument is designated. The alleged increase in the local economies is NEVER compared to what the economy was like before a designation. Even better would be economic analysis over 10 or 20 years to develop an average indicator of the local economic engine before designations happen. When others literally don't compare their projections to anything relevant or existing before a designation, their projections have no substance and are merely marketing ploys.

Monuments become part of the BLM's National Landscape Conservation System which manages those designations for 1) ensuring the conservation, protection, and restoration of NLCS values, 2) managing the NLCS as part of a larger landscape, 3) raising awareness of the value and benefit of NLCS, and 4) building on the commitment to conservation. The above doesn't even make sense, but it surely points out that monuments and NLCS lands (public lands) are NOT managed for public access, for recreation, for economic benefits to local communities, or for wise use of natural resources.

There is no need to have monuments larger than many US counties to protect a half a dozen objects. And really, the BLM could do that now. Laws are already in place to protect cultural resources.

Hundreds of thousands of acres full of 'objects' is mind-boggling in its implication and over-reach. Small monuments should be designated to specifically manage unique historic and prehistoric structures, landmarks, and specific, unique objects, not EVERY object in vast tracks of land.

The public lands that surround our communities are an extension of our homes. We live here BECAUSE of our relationship to the surrounding public lands; they are a part of our culture, our history, our daily lives. We visit these places full of intimate memories, community history, and our collective culture. We go back to these areas, to add to our history and culture because our history is not only of the past, it is also of now—when we weave our own stories into that infinite fabric of culture and way of live. Returning to our favorite places grows our history; it becomes more enriched with each visit and passing generation. Our history lives and when we cannot 'get' to those personal and important places, we lose an essential physical connection. If we cannot get there, the story line of our history abruptly stops for that place.

The whole concept of 'getting' to a place is lost on those who want protection and cannot understand why closing a few roads or areas is such a big deal. After all, other roads and areas are open. But 'other areas' do not have the same personal connections, other areas hold no memories, no sense of place. We do not want our history 'protected' by a monument designation. We want to be able to return to that place, time and time again, to add new memories and layers to that personal history. Our history lives and that place is as much a part of the meaning of home as is the house we live in.

The boundaries of the monument must be pushed back so the Virgin Valley Water District can access their water rights, can use them, can have rights-of-way to them, can build pipelines or other structures to bring that water that they legally own, to their customers. Land designations should not restrict utilities and communities from accessing what is necessary and beneficial to those communities.

The Bunkerville Volunteer Fire Dept. is an all-volunteer unit who has to respond to all Gold Butte emergencies, which is a serious impact to their families, the community, and to Clark County who provides volunteer departments with equipment and training. Before an area is declared a monument, business plans, assessments, and budgets should be prepared—beforehand. Any private business would do that. If a particular group is advocating for a land designation on federal land and that designation did not originate with the federal land agency, the group advocating for it should have to finance the business plans, budgets, assessments, and operating plans BEFORE designations can even be considered. Funding must be allocated before restrictive designations can be advanced. The citizens of Bunkerville should not have to volunteer to rescue people in a designation they do not support; once designated, emergency services and all other operations should be ready to go, and funded already.

Unfortunately, the Southern Nevada District Office is only focused on urban issues and special designated areas. The Red Rock NCA has 13 full time law enforcement officers, but there are less than 5 LE officers to cover 3.5 million acres of BLM land in Clark County. The BLM Recreation Planners spend all their time processing SRP (special recreation permits); they have zero time to spend on multiple-use land, multiple-use policy, and dispersed recreation.

Rural residents have not had their voices listened to for decades; many simply think making comments, even under a new administration, is a waste of time as it has been that way for so long. Many people think making comments is just 'rubber-stamping' what the BLM wants and so they don't do it anymore.

Rural residents don't generate auto-calls or auto-letters like others do. Reading through literally several thousand comments on reviewing the monuments, approximately 70% of them were duplicates; comment after comment was exactly the same or deviated from the other statements by only a word or two.

Proper monument management would require improvements to infrastructure and education FIRST so that 'monument chasers' would be informed of the area's remoteness, poor road conditions, lack of cell service, etc. Just designating an area and NOT providing such is poor management.

The Gold Butte monument designation completely disregards the safety of the public because it entices an uneducated public into an unsafe environment.

Enticing more people to an area where there is not even one single garbage can will result (as it already has in the Basin and Range NM) in more litter and trash, which then results in worse conditions to the ecosystem and the wildlife.

Instead of making Gold Butte a political designation, a more cost efficient and effective form of management would be to hire several rangers for the area.

Instead of designating this area a political monument, a more cost-effective way to manage the area would be to invest in a thorough education program and site stewardship program—both proven means of involving the public which then results in improved conservation, benefitting habitat and wildlife.

Hundreds of thousands of acres for a monument creates another layer of bureaucracy and management in federal public land agencies that are ALREADY incredibly top-heavy and unresponsive to the general public.

As with Bears' Ears, vast stretches of drop-dead gorgeous land exist between and around the small areas of petroglyphs; those large areas of public land are not monument worthy. Every plant, animal, and geologic formation in Gold Butte is already protected somewhere else. The Joshua tree, desert tortoise, bear poppy, even the sandstone---all are protected already in Valley of Fire State Park, Red Rock NCA, and multiple places throughout the southwest.

There was no public outreach before Gold Butte was proclaimed a National Monument. It is not public outreach when one group advocating for a designation has meetings, invites like-minded folk, and talks about a designation—that's preaching to the choir. Public outreach is the exact opposite. It is reaching out into communities where designation is NOT wanted and asking why? Asking 'what is your idea?'; 'what would you suggest/propose/like? This never happened with the monument designation. It absolutely DID happen with the Clark County Public Lands Bill of 2002 where all sides discussed the issue, officials listened to all sides and ultimately 32,000 acres were designated wilderness in Gold Butte, not 330,000.

The argument that designations provide economic benefit to the local economy is misleading as motorized recreation systems in Moab, and the Piute Trail in central Utah also provide economic benefit.

A quick review of 17 monuments over 10,000 acres (but not Basin & Range, NV, Bear Ears, UT, and Gold Butte, NV—no management plans are available yet) reveals that every monument has restrictions or expressly prohibits some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibit grazing.

CONCERNS ABOUT LANGUAGE IN THE PROCLAMATION:

If a smaller area is one of the primary considerations for this monument review and the proclamation states the original proclaimed size, does that then mean that the actual original proclamation must be changed to 'change' the size of the monument? Does that then mean that other statements can be changed in the proclamation? if so, we list the following items as being additionally restrictive and perhaps in need of changing or deleting if and when the proclamation is revised for size.

"For purposes of protecting and **RESTORING** (added emphasis) the objects identified above" ... (page 5, 3rd paragraph). The Antiquities Act does not say anything about restoring. Although I have read only a small number of proclamations, I have not read of 'restoring' specifically called out in other proclamations. If restoring is mandated in the proclamation—and it is---then that automatically implies additional restrictions, funding, and closures.

In the Proclamation: (page 5, second paragraph) "The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument pursuant to applicable legal authorities, which MAY (emphasis added) include the provisions of section 603 of FLPMA governing the management of wilderness study areas, to protect the objects identified above." Does this mean that the management of the Gold Butte monument could be managing the entire monument as if it were a wilderness study area?

"Except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes, motorized vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted only on roads designated as open to such use as of the date of this proclamation, unless the Secretary decides to reroute roads for public safety purposes or to enhance protection of the objects identified above. Non-motorized mechanized vehicle use shall be permitted only on roads and trails, consistent with the care and management of the objects identified above." (page 5, paragraph 5).

So, does this mean that roads can be arbitrarily re-routed for protection of objects identified above? Objects identified above is a very long list of vague items like 'unique geology', 'braided and shallow washes', etc. (see list below) and completely commonplace items like 'creosote bush', 'Joshua trees', 'sidewinders', 'California kingsnake', etc.

The Proclamation establishing the Gold Butte National Monument specifically lists the following objects that constitute the 'objects of scientific and historical interest'. As we already know, that includes every object—every ant colony, bird, rock, plant, wildlife---but to see the list of incredibly vague items and the list of commonplace items really emphasizes that this proclamation means every inch of geology and terrain, every object, everything:

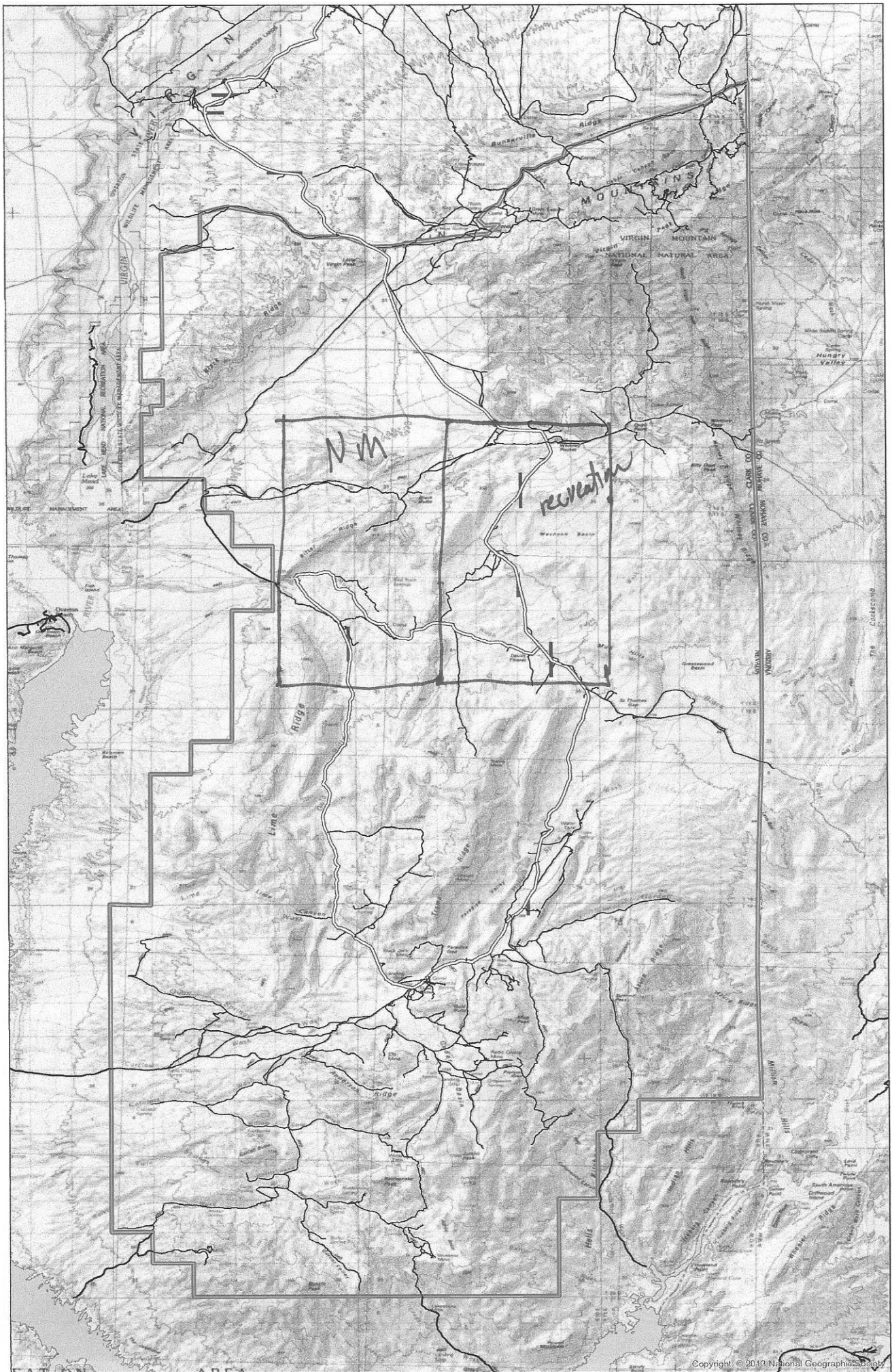
- 1) "Diverse and irreplaceable scientific, historic, and prehistoric resources including vital plant and wildlife habitat, significant geological formations, rare fossils, important sites from the history of Native Americans, and remnants of our Western mining and ranching heritage."
- 2) "Canyons and intricate rock formations,"
- 3) "the threatened Mojave Desert tortoise."
- 4) "Remnants of massive agave roasting pits, charred remains of goosefoot and pinyon pine nuts, bone fragments, and projectile points,"
- 5) "ancient rock shelters and hearth remnants"
- 6) "famed Falling Man petroglyph site and Kohat Circus."
- 7) "Pottery sherds and other archaeological artifacts"
- 8) "world renowned archaeological sites and objects"
- 9) "unique geology"
- 10) "the Gold Butte townsite"
- 11) "several building foundations and arista's"

- 12) "corrals out of wood or stone...Gold Butte townsite and Horse Springs"
- 13) "CCC...dam and remnants of a camp"
- 14) "Virgin Mountains—faulted carbonate and silicate rock form the ridges and peaks"
- 15) "southern region—laced with wide granitic ridges and narrow canyons"
- 16) "fantastical geologic formations, including vividly hued Aztec Sandstone twisted into granitic domes"
- 17) "actively-expanding 1,200 square-meter sinkhole"
- 18) "braided and shallow washes"
- 19) "several natural springs"
- 20) "creosote bush...white bursage...blackbrush scrub"
- 21) "sticky Ringstem, Las Vegas buckwheat, and Las Vegas bear poppy"
- 22) "three corner milkvetch, sticky wild buckwheat, Rosy two-tone beardtongue and the Mokiak milkvetch.... Joshua trees...Mojave yucca, cacti species, and chaparral species"
- 23) "Ponderosa pine and white fir forests.... Douglas fir.... Arizona cypress"
- 24) "pinyon pine, Utah juniper, sagebrush, and acacia woodlands.... mesquite stands"
- 25) "creatures, including birds and insects"
- 26) "relict leopard frog, banded Gila monster, banded gecko, California kingsnake, desert iguana, desert night lizard, glossy snake, Great Basin collared lizard, Mojave green rattlesnake, sidewinder, Sonoran lyre snake, southern desert horned lizard, speckled rattlesnake, western leaf-nosed snake, western long-nosed snake, and western red-tailed skink"
- 27) "desert bighorn sheep and mountain lions...white-tailed antelope squirrel, desert kangaroo rat, and desert pocket mouse. Several species of bat, including the Pallid bat, Allen's big-eared bat, western pipistrelle bat, and the Brazilian free-tailed bat...as well as the northern Mojave blue butterfly."
- 28) "Bald and golden eagles, red-tailed and Cooper's hawks, peregrine falcons, and white-throated swifts"
- 29) "western burrowing owl, common poorwill, Costa's hummingbird, pinyon jay, Bendire's thrasher, Virginia's warbler, Lucy's warbler, black-chinned sparrow, and gray vireo."
- 30) "Calliope hummingbird, gray flycatcher, sage sparrow, lesser nighthawk, ash-throated flycatcher, and the Brewer's sparrow"
- 31) "dinosaur tracks ...prints from squirrel-sized reptilian ancestors of mammals"
- 32) "cultural, prehistoric, and historic legacy"
- 33) "its many objects of historic and of scientific interest"

Three differences in the language of the Gold Butte National Monument and the Basin and Range National Monument are:

- a. Gold Butte: RESTORING is added to protecting the objects;
- b. Gold Butte: Roads can be rerouted to enhance protection of the objects; and
- c. Gold Butte: The monument can be governed as a wilderness study area.

These 3 items are unique and more restrictive in the Gold Butte National Monument as compared to the Basin and Range National Monument.



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Hi again,

To my horror, I realized I sent you the draft last night before I cleaned up the citations for my quotes, etc. If you haven't read that one yet (or if you have) please delete it and use the attached. Again, my apologies. Elise

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Hi Downey and Russell,

(I am sending this to both of you as Troy Tanner send me Russell's business card via text, and it was blurry—so I am guessing at Russell's email address)

First, thank you both, and thank Secretary Zinke for the amazing honor to spend a few minutes with all of you last Sunday. I cannot believe the hours you put in; I hope somewhere Monday afternoon, you got a chance for a nap!

That was such exciting news to read where the Secretary is going to let cattle graze in the refuge in Montana because the grazing allotments burned. Now that is so cool and such common-sense, out-of-the-box thinking! I am thrilled beyond words at what you all are doing.

I will be mailing the attached documents to Russell, along with the 550 petitions (asking for no designation) to you tomorrow. The main attachment is some research and observations about Gold Butte and monument/restrictive designations in general. I am attaching Lindsey's talking points too. I am also including some letters I found from 1995 when the BLM made the ranchers remove their cattle from the land—I am mainly sending those so you can see we have been doing this for decades and decades. I also attached a map as it is an idea I had for the reduction in size of the Gold Butte monument. First, I prefer rescind. That would be so wonderful. Second, I prefer small monuments

around the most important petroglyph panels—a Gold Butte complex of 100 acres or so for the most unique/important petroglyph sites. Third is this map. It is a block of land wherein most of the petroglyphs and Little Finland are and it is matched by a Recreation Area of equal size. The Recreation Area includes Whitney Pockets and Devils Throat and that is where about 90% of the recreational use of that whole area occurs. The rest of the Gold Butte area would be fantastically wonderful to return to its previous ACEC designation or even better, the original multiple-use designation.

Thank you again for your time, on Sunday, for <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> reading this, for everything you have done for Gold Butte and for sensible, common-sense management of our public lands. I seriously never thought this day would come, even when President Trump won---I didn't think it would affect public lands and now it is! That is incredible beyond words! Thank you, please thank Secretary Zinke EVERY day for us! Thank you, Elise

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Summary of Gold Butte through the eyes of locals: from a trip to show Gold Butte to Senator Heller's staff, from research, and from local observations.

TRIP (with Heller's staff to Gold Butte, early June, 2017):

1. **PROTECTION ALREADY PROVIDED:** Our first stop was the 'sheep (or goat) panel'. We wanted to show Heller's staff how the post and cable on one side of the road was put there to keep OHVs from driving over cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants and to point out that on the other side of the road, with no post and cable, but with the cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants also, there were no OHV tracks. We also wanted to show them that measures are already in place to help protect the petroglyphs such as a post and cable barrier where vehicles must park and people must walk about 3 times farther than originally—to help protect the cultural site. However, this increased distance prevents many people from viewing and admiring the petroglyphs as was evidenced in our own party where one person had to turn back before even half way there--so restrictions are already in place and these restrictions already prevent many from not being able to appreciate petroglyphs. It has been our experience that when people are denied the ability to see, enjoy, etc. things, they lose the ability to appreciate them, i.e., to care about them. While protective measures like the above help protect cultural sites, there is also a downside in that many of the young, old, not-in-good-health, etc. cannot appreciate and enjoy protected sites on public land. It is a genuine restriction to many people's access.
2. **SMALLEST SIZE, PROTECTIONS ALREADY PROVIDED:** At the sheep panel site we discussed the concept of protecting the petroglyph sites, each as their own monument because all the land in between petroglyph sites does not contain "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest". As Secretary Zinke just said, in referring to the Bear's Ear NM, "...there's a lot more drop-dead gorgeous land than there is historic landmarks, prehistoric structures, and other objects". The exact same statement can be made in Gold Butte and we all even discussed this—that the area is gorgeous and the petroglyph sites are small and scattered throughout a relatively small area. But gorgeous does not equate to a monument designation. We talked about the beautiful sandstone formations, but they are already protected in numerous places throughout the southwest, including Valley of Fire State Park and the Red Rock NCA. Additionally, Joshua Trees are protected in many other areas as are the multitude of plants and wildlife. Nothing exists exclusively in the Gold Butte area; all plants, wildlife, geology--all exist in other areas in the southwest already under protection. Indeed, almost all the Gold Butte area is already protected at the highest level it can be protected within BLM regulations, i.e. ACEC--Area of Critical Environmental Concern--and additional stipulations and restrictions are extended to the Gold Butte ACECs as they are distinctly described as protection for the desert tortoise and protection for cultural resources.
3. **RESTRICTS ECONOMY:** These ACECs already restrict use of the area. Grazing is eliminated because of the tortoise, all mining is eliminated for at least 30 years because of the tortoise, only 3 non-commercial, non-competitive events a year can be held in all the Gold Butte area. In fact, routes (designated open routes) within ½ mile of a spring cannot be used under the ACEC designations for any of the 3 (maximum per year) events in order to prevent people from getting too close to springs; the same rule also applies in these ACECs for cultural prehistoric sites. A permit for 5 routes (3 inside the Gold Butte ACECs), for 2 days, limited to 20 OHVs per trail per day cost over \$20,000 in 2012. There is NO way to recover the permit costs, let alone all the other costs. Needless to say this already existing restriction stifles economic growth. Permit regulations for Gold Butte are already very restrictive—it doesn't say, 'no you can't do this'; it just makes it cost so much that no one will ever do it twice.

4. **IMPACTS OF MORE VISITATION DUE TO DESIGNATION:** We also discussed the fact that designations increase visitor volume. Designations don't necessarily correlate to increased economic activity and more jobs—especially when balanced against additional costs that increased visitation brings. A study was recently completed in New Mexico (A Perfect Pothunting Day--An Examination of Vandalism to the Cultural Resources of Canyon de Chelly National Monument, its Motivations, and Potential Solutions) which found a distinct correlation wherein more visitation equals more vandalism and we discussed some of this as we hiked to the sheep panel.
It is amazing to those of us 'locals' that groups advocating for designations always insist increased visitation brings economic prosperity but never mention that increased visitation creates more impacts and vandalism and detracts from the primitive nature of the once pristine area, etc. All this while always noting that this designation is necessary BECAUSE of current visitor use and the impacts current use has caused. Someone noted that the hiking trails in Zion are literally lines of people non-stop; someone else noted that Red Rock NCA has 13 full-time law enforcement rangers just for the NCA, but graffiti occurs weekly anyway along with other, much worse vandalism. Hiking to this quiet spot through a wash, not yet a beaten path, we all wondered how special this petroglyph site would be with a hiking trail, hand rails to get up and out of the wash, etc. Now one still gets to discover this site; an experience that most primitive public land provides to all alike—exploration and discovery—but will that sense of wonder and respect still be felt when tours, trails, and hand rails become the norm in a monument?
5. **TRADITIONAL USERS OF LAND INHERENTLY ARE STEWARDS:** From the sheep panel we traveled to the Gold Butte townsite and discussed many topics as we traveled. Crescent made the point that ranchers and miners, because it made their job easier, better, quicker, etc., took care of the roads. He pointed out that a 2WD pickup was all that was needed to travel to the summit of Virgin Mountain before ranching and mining were removed from this area. Others agreed—now you must have 4WD to even hope to get up to the top. Lindsey pointed out that ranchers kept weeds and over-growth from crowding out the springs. If vegetation is left unchecked, plants will easily suck up all the water, but constant tending or grazing kept water flowing which benefited all the wildlife in an area. Conservation is the wise use of resources and everyone agreed that most ranchers and users were great stewards—they would literally put themselves out of business if they were not good stewards. This discussion brought up the Basin and Range National Monument and the group expressed several times that it was also very important to drastically reduce the size of the BARNM because, as someone put it, 'those folks in Lincoln and Nye County can still ranch and mine, unlike us here. They need that land to be multiple use so they can still use it'. The roads throughout parts of the state where ranchers and miners still are active are in much better shape than in Gold Butte because those that make a living off the land necessarily keep it in better condition; doing otherwise would be like shooting themselves in their foot.
6. **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS:** Rural areas are especially hard-hit when nearby or surrounding public lands become more restrictive than traditional multiple-use management policy—multiple use is the original intent of how BLM land would be managed. For example, in researching 11 monuments (each over 10,000 acres) with management plans already in place (therefore NOT Basin and Range, Bear Ear's, Gold Butte) I found that all 11 restricted or prohibited some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibited grazing. The economic viability of rural communities is devastated when traditional multiple uses are removed or heavily regulated. Small towns exist throughout the west specifically because they were the hub of commerce for surrounding ranches and mines. Remove the ranches and mines and the towns shrivel up and die—impacting generations of people who lived on that land and took care of it, plus directly supported many generational businesses in those small towns. As President Trump has pointed out, losing 70,000 factories had enormous impacts to the Midwest and the rust belt. One wonders how many ranches and small mining operations have been eliminated in the West? Around 50 ranches are gone in Clark County—losing not only that economic benefit to the rural communities, but also losing that traditional way of life. Additionally, much is done to make sure other cultures from other countries are maintained in America; what

has been done to make sure the culture of small ranching, farming, and mining communities in the West can also be maintained?

7. **HOW TO MANAGE HISTORICAL SITES:** The discussions above brought us to the old Gold Butte townsite where the discussion turned to the historic sites of this area. Many mines existed here and ranching was prevalent until the listing of the desert tortoise. While corrals and mines and other historic structures or objects are found in this area, we also discussed the fact that most of these structures, while older than 50 years, don't carry the regional or national importance that most feel a monument should protect. Local historic structures carry deep personal connections for many families and they represent a living history---a place to bring our children and friends, a place where stories of daily life can be visualized, where our history comes alive. While these corrals, foundations, and water troughs meet the definition of historic, most locals would willingly trade the security of a designation, coupled with the potential to lose access -- for the beloved ability TO visit our history and wander amongst our memories without giving up our belief of how public land should be managed.
8. **HISTORICAL SITES DON'T QUALIFY AS NATIONAL HISTORY:** As much as we love our historical sites in Gold Butte, they will never become a chapter in a U.S. history book simply because these sites are not nationally significant as are Civil War sites, etc. A national monument should protect historic objects of national significance, but protecting local and regional sites not only devalues national historic sites, it is also NOT what the locals who are directly linked to these sites want.
9. **LIVES & LIVELIHOODS IMPACTED:** At the townsite, we all tell Heller's staff of the grave desecration here; that locals quietly reminded the BLM that this was a local matter; the crime was not an archeological affront, but grave robbery, under the police's jurisdiction, and that we would take care of it (that steward thing again). Informally, we got together last year as families--young sons working with dads--to respectfully return Art to his grave. It was done without fanfare and then the day was spent visiting---a quiet homage to those 2 men who in their later years took great delight in visiting with one and all. Over 50 people were there, all with direct ties to the area, all having already lost a way of life because of the desert tortoise listing and subsequent 'conservation actions' of eliminating grazing and mining. As we stood around the gravesite, we were grateful for the opportunity to tell the stories of those whose lives were most impacted by the designation of the Gold Butte National Monument, those people who live closest to a designation, whose lives and livelihoods are most impacted by replacing traditional multiple use management with special (restrictive) designations.
10. **IN 2002, THERE WAS ADEQUATE PUBLIC OUTREACH:** 15 years earlier in January 2002 the Clark County Public Lands Bill first considered designating Gold Butte as wilderness. At that time the wilderness coalition proposed 330,000 acres of wilderness for Gold Butte (all of it). The Senators realized there were other opinions and invited groups to make their own proposals and presentations. Public meetings were held where the various proposals were discussed. Congress ended up designating about 32,000 acres as wilderness in Gold Butte, so a process that started out with just the wilderness coalition's proposal ended up, in the Gold Butte area, strongly favoring the local proposal of the town boards and PIC. Unfortunately, and literally since that time, environmental groups have been planning to get the rest of Gold Butte designated. PIC knows this; we have been on the other side for all those past 15 years as have the rural communities and many others who enjoy the biggest use of public land today---that of recreation.
11. **TRADITIONAL MULTIPLE USE:** Those graves belong to 2 men, ironically--one a prospector, one a rancher among other things. They are buried where people now like to get their photo taken while debating how restrictive the area should be and it is ironic, further, that the most binding restrictions (ACECs for Desert Tortoise & cultural resources) that can be imposed outside of Washington DC have already eliminated grazing and mining from Gold Butte, very much putting both Art and Bill out of business if they were still alive. No single place illustrates the clash between restrictions and traditional multiple use policy better than the graves of these 2 friends. Not now or ever has there been anything wrong with the traditional uses of land, the

closely-knit relationships of the prospectors and ranchers to the land--and now today--to their descendants and those that still hold to those traditional values—those people who like to come visit these places where man and land meet. For those opposed to restrictions, history weighs heavy on our conscience when we leave these graves; it feels like we have buried our past; that our traditions and values are buried here with Art and Bill—to make room for cities full of millions of people who prefer kiosks and quick trips in air-conditioned cars, who then rush back to the cities again—to do the ‘right thing’---‘to protect these wild places’. Protect from whom and for what? It seems that we should protect Gold Butte from the well-meaning do-gooders who apparently want public land categorized and boxed up. I always leave here both refreshed and depressed. Refreshed to be in this spot miles away from civilization, standing where I know my mom spent time as a young girl. Depressed because the weight of history weighs heavy upon me as I drive back. It’s not that I don’t want change, but it only makes sense to change for the better. That’s the depression that follows me home, restrictive designations of vast stretches of land NEVER seems to be for the better.

12. **ONCE PERMITTED ACTIVITIES ARE REMOVED, HISTORY BECOMES A DISTURBANCE:**

History remained the topic of choice when we next visited Horse Springs as we headed back. Some thought the possibility of also designating a few historic sites along with the petroglyph sites would be a good idea. (Insert: After the tour, I had a meeting with Lee Kirk, Acting Manager of the Gold Butte National Monument, and Lee did confirm that under the ACEC designation, history can be removed from the land once the permitted use of that structure is no longer active. Improvements made under an active permit are considered “disturbances” once the permit is no longer valid; this lets the BLM come in and remove those disturbances that we all considered historic, such as the Treasure Hawk mine or Pakoon in the Arizona Strip---so there is a higher level of protection of our historic structures under a monument designation than there is under an ACEC designation.) This information may lead to more local discussions about what, if anything, should be asked to be a small monument—such as the corrals and rock wall at Horse Springs. Of course, the other way to keep historic structures, i.e., disturbances from being removed under an ACEC designation is to have meetings with the BLM and provide them with background as to why these structures are important to the local communities and why that structure is more historic than a ‘disturbance’ and then work with local offices to make sure that happens. While there was some worry about losing our living history and/or losing our ability to access/visit that history, the prevailing opinion in this small group was to NOT want the historical structures to be considered for monument status; that the size of the Gold Butte National Monument should be reduced to the smallest number of acres needed to protect the petroglyph sites especially since Native Americans in this area want that protection for their history.

13. **WATER SOURCES:** Horse Springs is a lovely riparian area, but designations usually end up fencing off springs and eventually closing roads ¼ to ½ mile ‘back’ so the riparian area won’t be disturbed and therefore can return to its ‘natural’ state. As already discussed, ‘natural’ ends up with springs so overgrown that no water actually seeps out of the ground for wildlife. Historically, most ranchers and miners settled near a water source in the desert, so closing roads to riparian areas, closes roads to our living history. Fencing off springs so they will be natural is not beneficial to wildlife, and closing roads a bit ‘back’ prevents many people from visiting not only unique oases in the desert, but also areas of historic significance—many times one and the same. As mentioned earlier, recreation is now the biggest use of most public land and many people like to visit springs. The greenery is inviting, more wildlife live close to water, and humans are drawn to these places to explore and marvel at life in the desert.

14. **“EVERY OBJECT OF SCIENTIFIC OR HISTORIC INTEREST”:** Recreational visitors also like to check out old mines, corrals, foundations, etc. that are scattered across the landscape. They come to Gold Butte, not to drive the one main road, but to explore and enjoy all the side roads and the destinations of those side roads. Left as a 300,000-acre national monument, with other managers coming along, eventually roads will be closed. It happens. Every person you meet, who having spent time on public land over several decades, can tell you of multiple instances wherein roads they once traveled on--to places they carried about and visited repeatedly--are NOW closed. And with the language of ‘every object of scientific or historic interest’ in the

Proclamation, it is not hard to find an object that needs to be protected, and then closing that road is an effective (and easy) management practice to ensure the object is protected. Once a spring is declared an object that needs to be protected (or a plant or insect that uses the spring), closing that road usually happens. Removing the old mines or corrals (at the end of side roads) because they are 'disturbances' effectively allows future managers to say, 'that road has no use now; it doesn't go to anything anymore as that corral was removed as a disturbance.' Since there is no reason for that road, it gets closed. Between protection of every object and removal of every disturbance, over time many, many side roads get closed. This is literally the reason why there is such resistance to restrictive designations: closed roads. It happens in every restricted designation; we have all seen it and we all have personal examples where this has happened. To date in all my research, every restrictive designation, ultimately, ends up with some roads and areas closed.

15. **MANAGEMENT:** Advocates of monument designations always discuss the fabulous possibilities for recreation, but neglect to mention that those fabulous opportunities already exist under current, less restrictive management policy. Many people already come to these 330,000 acres of Gold Butte public land and as we drove back, we discussed how pristine, how untouched, these 330,000 acres are—even with all the current recreation. It is true that Whitney Pockets and its primitive camping sites gets heavy visitation, but under the current ACEC, or even if the management policy was reversed back to the traditional definition of multiple use, the BLM could manage this visitation, if it would. The fact that no BLM rangers were allowed in the Gold Butte area for over 2 years speaks volumes to the fact that users took good care of the land by themselves. The heavily used areas like Whitney Pockets and the nearby petroglyphs could actually be managed better right now under existing regulations; it does not take a restrictive designation to provide 'more management, more of a BLM presence'. The incursions of water lines and other Bundy-related incidents, documented by the Friends of Gold Butte, are because of the Bundy incident---NOT because of current recreational use. One of the biggest concerns regarding management is that all staffing (and funding) are focused on 'SPECIAL'—special designations, SRPs—special recreation permits. The Southern NV BLM office processes so many SRPs per year, that they have no staff, no time to spend managing casual use, dispersed recreation, etc. And there are so many special designations---NCAs and wilderness areas, that multiple use land receives zero attention, zero funding. Well that is NOT an excuse to designate areas as a monument, NCA, or wilderness—just to make sure it gets proper management. Proper management of multiple-use land should be the norm. Red Rock NCA has 13 full time LE officers and I don't know how many rangers. IF we are lucky, soon there will be one LE for the area northeast of Vegas; if we are really lucky, maybe 2 rangers will be hired so someone will have some time for multiple-use areas and for dispersed recreation, because proper management should be the norm for all BLM lands, not just what is 'special'.
16. **PROPERLY CLASSIFIED:** The last stop on this whirlwind tour was Devil's Throat, a big sinkhole that is a favorite place for many to visit. It is a curiosity, but it is already protected by post and cable fences which form the parking area and prevent vehicles from getting too close to the sinkhole. Additionally, chain link fencing provides a safety barrier preventing people from getting too close to the edge. Where safety protections are already in place and where it is not a prominent formation in the landscape, everyone agreed that it did not fit the definition of "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest" and therefore did not warrant being designated as a monument.
17. **FINANCIAL BURDEN:** Most private businesses never expand or upgrade without a business plan and/or funding already in place to do so. But designations happen and then afterwards the money is found, appropriated. The costs of administrating and managing restrictive and protected lands is never a concern; automatically a manager is hired, key staff people are hired, law enforcement is hired. Where does this money come from? The general budget? A special account? Yet prior to becoming a monument, the BLM did not have a ranger in the area. Was that because there was no funding for that position or was it because that position wasn't a priority when the land was only an ACEC? All the federal land management agencies have backlogs of maintenance; dispersed recreation (the ONE activity on public land that affects the

most people) is always the step-child of federal land uses. Relatively little money is ever appropriated for dispersed recreation. There are no primitive camping sites built on any non-special designated areas in Clark County; there are no maps provided to the public, no trash cans, no restrooms on 'non-special designated BLM land in Clark County except at Logandale Trails. And apparently, no money to write an EA or do a site-specific management plan so that non-profits could help the BLM by writing grants to construct restrooms at Whitney Pockets either. No money now for that area, but when it is designated, the money flows. Where does this money come from? Why aren't items of importance funded now? Why doesn't the BLM have to prepare a business plan showing where money to fund a special designation is coming from BEFORE the designation is made? Perhaps the time is finally here where financial responsibility becomes a mandate that federal land agencies must adhere to.

RESEARCH:

WISE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES / ENHANCING ECONOMIES / PROVIDING MORE JOBS:

"Earlier this year, the U.S. Geological Survey reported that, of 88 important minerals they track, the United States is more than 25 percent import-dependent for 62 of them. For 20 of those, the country relies 100 percent on imports. Many of those 20 key minerals are absolutely critical to the economy and national defense. This mounting import dependency at some point must be considered a vulnerability.

"This vulnerability is not a matter of geology, but of policy. The American West hosts one of the largest, most diverse and most unusually concentrated mineral belts in the world, extending from Colorado to the Pacific Ocean. That geological terrain houses world-class deposits of minerals such as chromium, copper, fluorine, gold, molybdenum, platinum and uranium, to name just a few." (Mamula, N. & Rorke, C. *Tapping our Vast Mineral Resources*. Review Journal, 2017.)

(Lee, C. & Driessen, P. *Mining Law Reform: Where Are the Geologists?* American Mining Congress Journal, 1994) stated that "over 218 million acres of our nation's public land base have already been designated as wilderness, park, preserve, and refuge areas. Altogether, more than 410 million acres—**62% of all our public lands are virtually unavailable for mineral exploration and development.**"

(Editor's comment: **THAT WAS IN 1994!!** How many total acres in 2017 are virtually unavailable?!)

One of the above authors (Driessen, P.) released a statement on May 27, 2017, (online: <https://www.iceagenow.info/>): "Because of processes unleashed by plate tectonics and other geologic forces, these lands (Western states) almost certainly contain numerous world-class deposits of the metals and other resources that are essential for modern technologies and civilization. Keeping them under lockdown impairs our national security and the economic wellbeing of our western states and Alaska." (In the 11 western states and Alaska) ... "virtually every revenue-producing, recreational and other activity is regulated, restricted, prohibited or under attack in courts and other venues. No timber cutting in national forests fosters massive wildfires. No vehicles, wheelchairs, energy or mineral exploration in wilderness and many other areas. Even grazing and watershed management are under assault throughout the west."

Continuing in the same statement: "Unlike wind turbine and solar panel installations across thousands or tens of thousands of acres in perpetuity, modern mines and drill pads are comparatively small—and are restored back to natural conditions when the operations have concluded."

And, in the same statement by Mr. Driessen, "China produces 97% of the world's rare-earth oxides, largely controlling world markets."

In (Loris, N. *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*. Heritage Foundation: Backgrounder, #2998, 2015), the author notes that monument designations lock up abundant natural resources in the West including conventional sources of energy, renewable energy, and

unconventional sources of energy. He also adds, “For instance, several of President Clinton’s monument designations prohibited the use of off-road vehicles, and President George W. Bush’s designations restricted and in some cases prohibited commercial and recreational fishing. Presidents have also placed additional restrictions on timber development, grazing, and even pumping water on national monument land.”

Excerpts from (Koontz, C. (Executive Director of “Ride with Respect”), guest blog for the American Motorcycle Association (AMA). “The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument closed half of the existing routes open to motorized recreation. The federal land managers even prohibited off-highway motorcyclists from riding the graded, gravel roads. Fortunately, the affected county asserted its jurisdiction over those roads, but not before having to fight the federal land managers in court.”

INACCURATE ANALYSIS THAT DESIGNATIONS / PROTECTED LAND IMPROVES LOCAL ECONOMIES:

This section is the most frustrating because groups advocating for designations have repeatedly presented half-facts, implied outcomes, erroneous conclusions, and ignored critical data REPEATEDLY that reputable and professional scientists and researchers would not consider doing. All to sway multitudes to support their position; it is an alarming fact in the United States of America that facts, information, and data mean nothing when it comes to politics or influencing people who do not ever question why. Well, we questioned why.

1. Why do all these studies NOT include baseline data as to the economic condition prior to protected land designations?
2. Why do all these studies NOT include uses of and on public lands when the land was designated multiple-use, before a protected land designation?
3. Why isn’t grazing, mining, recreation, OHV use, permitted events, etc. included in the assessment of economic conditions of communities before protected land designations occur?
4. Why isn’t the overall migration of the US population from North/East to South/West considered in evaluations of growth in areas and what caused that growth?
5. Why isn’t the influx of retired folks considered in evaluations of growth and why isn’t the fact that much of that ‘growth’ is found in money from retirement and investments, NOT because protected land is nearby?
6. And all these retired folks and snowbirds moving to the southwest, maybe they moved here for other reasons besides ‘protected land’? Maybe they moved here because of golf, or gaming, or mild winters, or no snow. Maybe they moved here BECAUSE of a multitude of OHV areas on multiple-use, non-designated land. Maybe they moved here for a percentage of all of the above—but to imply they only moved here because of protected land is ridiculous. Any high school teacher should reject the false outcome of all these erroneous conclusions.
7. And while we are asking questions, what about all the ranches and small mining operations that have disappeared from the landscape—just like the 70,000 factories that have disappeared from the mid-west and the rust-belt. What about all the economic benefits that are now gone because those ranches, mines, and other money-generating operations that used to support local communities and used to be part of the wise use of resources on multiple-use land—what about those losses? How much is that? How much has been LOST because of the incredible increase in protected land designations? Who will ever research this?

Many studies have been touted lately, supposedly showing that designated public lands improve an area’s economy. However, (Rasker, R., Gude, P., Gude J., and Noort, J. *The Economic Importance of Air Travel in High-Amenity Rural Areas*. Journal of Rural Studies, 2009), in an study for Headwater Economics, the authors concluded, “On the one hand, the vast distances between towns and cities of the West are a challenge to economic development. On the other hand, the amenities of the public lands of the West that create those vast distances are an asset that attracts and retains people and business. Yet, (emphasis added) **amenities by themselves are not a sufficient condition for economic development.**” Of course, in Headwater Economics’ recent reports wherein they

proclaim that wilderness and other designations improve an area's economy, their own conclusion (above) and data supporting that conclusion are conveniently not mentioned. (Amenities are defined by Headwater: "protected public lands, set aside for conservation and recreation rather than commodity production" and as "public lands, with vast stretches of wild country, many of them protected as National Parks and wilderness areas")

The many economic 'studies' that are used to advocate for monument designation or other protected land designations do not take into account the BASIC fact that people are migrating to the west and specifically the southwest in record numbers. Especially noteworthy are retirees who either 'snowbird' in the southwest or move here from northern and eastern states. They move here for the WEATHER, golf, mild winters, and yes public land, but no studies have been done to even ask: Is it multiple-use public land, or are you moving here specifically because it is protected public land? You can't claim that people are moving here to be close to protected public land if that simple, basic question has never been asked. Of course, NONE of the economic studies claiming to show increased economies for local communities once a nearby area has been designated mention the obvious.

The fact that people are migrating to the southwest has been documented extensively for years. Besides the general population migrating here, retirees, especially retirees with a little money, are migrating here in record numbers. They either come to the southwest full time or are 'snowbirds', coming here in the winter, returning to their original home in the summer. These facts are so common-place, every demographic study and every growth model state this obvious situation. Conveniently, all 'economic studies showing economic growth because of protected land designations' overlook this obvious point. One cannot discuss any kind of 'reason' for growth in any west or southwest area WITHOUT considering overall migration patterns from northeast to southwest, without considering retirees moving or residing in the southwest at least half the year, and without considering that many of the retirees come here with spendable money. Well, to be honest, Headwaters Economics did bury this fact in their paper, (Rasker, R. *Economic Change in the American West: Solutions to the Downside of Amenity Migration*, 2008) wherein we learn "33 percent of net growth in personal income was in the form of non-labor income....and can be more easily described as money earned from investments and retirement."

Interestingly enough, (Rasker, R., Gude, P., and Delorey, M. *The Effect of Protected Federal Lands on Economic Prosperity in the Non-Metropolitan West*. *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, 2013) we find that the 33% number referenced above has now grown to 65%: "It is also consistent with the rapid growth of non-labor income in the non-metro West, including retirement and investment income, which has comprised 65% of net total personal income growth in the last decade." Further down in their summary we read, "Importantly, the positive association we found between economic growth and protected public lands does not mean that protected public lands always lead to fast-growing economies. Several studies have shown that natural amenities may be an important but not sufficient condition for growth. Also needed are other factors, such as an educated workforce and access to major markets via transportation infrastructure, such as airports." So, the truth is out there, it is just buried and not mentioned in the sound bites.

Even elected officials don't stop to research how these erroneous conclusions were arrived at. The entire Democratic federal delegation, in every op-ed piece and every interview, talk about increased jobs, more money to Mesquite, etc. (Applied Analysis, *Gold Butte National Conservation Area, Economic Impact*. Outside Las Vegas Foundation, 2012) claims that a designation will bring more money to Mesquite, NV. Summarizing their presentation/powerpoint, they draw the conclusion that non-BLM visitors coming to Mesquite (for other reasons) can be convinced to stay an extra day and visit a protected land designation such as Gold Butte NCA (or Monument). Therefore, if they stay an extra day, they will spend X amount of money—and that is the logic behind their fast and furious statements of increasing Mesquite's economy—that people already coming to Mesquite, once Gold Butte is designated, will stay an extra day. Wow. Who needs facts when making up a scenario is so much easier.

RESEARCH SHOWING BENEFITS OF MULTIPLE-USE, NON-DESIGNATED PUBLIC LAND:

In (Loris, N. *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*. Heritage Foundation: Backgrounder, #2998, 2015) we read, “Professors from Utah State University and Southern Utah University analyzed wilderness and non-wilderness counties over time and found no stimulus for local economies and, more likely, negative economic impacts.” Further in the same publication, Loris summarizes that the “Antiquities Act:

- No longer serves a purpose
- Adds to the problem of government mismanagement of federal land
- Prohibits and restricts economic opportunity
- Takes decision making away from the states and people.”

California State Parks quick facts: updated 1/23/2007, “The economic impact of OHV recreation in California is an important element to the state’s economy. OHV recreation is the fastest growing form of recreation in the state and contributes an estimated **\$9 BILLION** (emphasis added) to the California economy.”

Regarding the Elko Motocross and Tribal Conveyance Act, Senator Reid said, “This bill will provide critical opportunities for growth and economic development in northeastern Nevada.”

(Steed, B., Yank, R., & Simmons, R. *The Economic Costs of Wilderness*. Utah State University, 2012. “Local officials frequently complain that Wilderness harms local economies by limiting the opportunities for economic development. The State of Utah, for instance, recently passed House Joint Resolution 10 which requested that the U.S. Congress not designate any additional Wilderness in Utah. Through a vote by a supermajority of members, the state legislature asserted that Wilderness’ limitation of multiple uses causes substantial economic hardship for the state.”

(Steed, B., Yank, R., & Simmons, R. *Economic Impacts of Land Use Restrictions on OHV Recreation in Utah*. Utah State University, 2008. “As such, all the ‘loss’ in public lands occurs in the eastern and south-central parts of the state. Our model predicts a movement of trips out of this portion of the state and into counties located in the western and northern portions of the state, and to the surrounding states of Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming.”

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS, made by rural residents over the past 5 years:

CLARK COUNTY ONLY HAS 20-25% MULTIPLE LAND LEFT; 75-80% OF OUR PUBLIC LAND IN CLARK COUNTY IS ALREADY DESIGNATED AND RESTRICTED. Soon, we will not have any traditional, multiple-use public land left in our county.

Gold Butte is not ‘Nevada’s Piece of the Grand Canyon’; that is a marketing slogan. Gold Butte is remote, beautiful multiple-use public land and only small petroglyph areas should be designated monuments--as with the original intent of the Antiquities Act—the smallest area compatible with the proper care of historic & prehistoric structures, landmarks, or objects.

One of the problems with the ‘economic impacts’ of the monument is that no one considers the impact of multiple use BEFORE a monument is designated. The alleged increase in the local economies is NEVER compared to what the economy was like before a designation. Even better would be economic analysis over 10 or 20 years to develop an average indicator of the local economic engine before designations happen. When others literally don’t compare their projections to anything relevant or existing before a designation, their projections have no substance and are merely marketing ploys.

Monuments become part of the BLM’s National Landscape Conservation System which manages those designations for 1) ensuring the conservation, protection, and restoration of NLCS values, 2) managing the NLCS as part of a larger landscape, 3) raising awareness of the value and benefit of

NLCS, and 4) building on the commitment to conservation. The above doesn't even make sense, but it surely points out that monuments and NLCS lands (public lands) are NOT managed for public access, for recreation, for economic benefits to local communities, or for wise use of natural resources.

There is no need to have monuments larger than many US counties to protect a half a dozen objects. And really, the BLM could do that now. Laws are already in place to protect cultural resources.

Hundreds of thousands of acres full of 'objects' is mind-boggling in its implication and over-reach. Small monuments should be designated to specifically manage unique historic and prehistoric structures, landmarks, and specific, unique objects, not EVERY object in vast tracks of land.

The public lands that surround our communities are an extension of our homes. We live here BECAUSE of our relationship to the surrounding public lands; they are a part of our culture, our history, our daily lives. We visit these places full of intimate memories, community history, and our collective culture. We go back to these areas, to add to our history and culture because our history is not only of the past, it is also of now—when we weave our own stories into that infinite fabric of culture and way of life. Returning to our favorite places grows our history; it becomes more enriched with each visit and passing generation. Our history lives and when we cannot 'get' to those personal and important places, we lose an essential physical connection. If we cannot get there, the story line of our history abruptly stops for that place.

The whole concept of 'getting' to a place is lost on those who want protection and cannot understand why closing a few roads or areas is such a big deal. After all, other roads and areas are open. But 'other areas' do not have the same personal connections, other areas hold no memories, no sense of place. We do not want our history 'protected' by a monument designation. We want to be able to return to that place, time and time again, to add new memories and layers to that personal history. Our history lives and that place is as much a part of the meaning of home as is the house we live in.

The boundaries of the monument must be pushed back so the Virgin Valley Water District can access their water rights, can use them, can have rights-of-way to them, can build pipelines or other structures to bring that water that they legally own, to their customers. Land designations should not restrict utilities and communities from accessing what is necessary and beneficial to those communities.

The Bunkerville Volunteer Fire Dept. is an all-volunteer unit who has to respond to all Gold Butte emergencies, which is a serious impact to their families, the community, and to Clark County who provides volunteer departments with equipment and training. Before an area is declared a monument, business plans, assessments, and budgets should be prepared—beforehand. Any private business would do that. If a particular group is advocating for a land designation on federal land and that designation did not originate with the federal land agency, the group advocating for it should have to finance the business plans, budgets, assessments, and operating plans BEFORE designations can even be considered. Funding must be allocated before restrictive designations can be advanced. The citizens of Bunkerville should not have to volunteer to rescue people in a designation they do not support; and once designated, emergency services and all other critical operations should be ready to go, and funded already.

Unfortunately, the Southern Nevada District Office is only focused on urban issues and special designated areas. The Red Rock NCA has 13 full time law enforcement officers, but there are less than 5 LE officers to cover 3.5 million acres of BLM land in Clark County. The BLM Recreation Planners spend all their time processing SRP (special recreation permits); they have zero time to spend on multiple-use land, multiple-use policy, and dispersed recreation. Now that most of the resource uses (ranching, mining, extractive) have been restricted or abolished on public lands, dispersed recreation is the activity that most people associate (and do) on public lands.

Rural residents have not had their voices listened to for decades; many simply think making comments, even under a new administration, is a waste of time as it has been that way for so long.

Many people think making comments is just 'rubber-stamping' what the BLM wants and so they don't do it anymore.

Rural residents don't generate auto-calls or auto-letters like others do. Reading through literally several thousand comments on reviewing the monuments, approximately 70% of them were duplicates; comment after comment was exactly the same or deviated from the other statements by only a word or two.

Proper monument management would require improvements to infrastructure and education FIRST so that 'monument chasers' would be informed of the area's remoteness, poor road conditions, lack of cell service, etc. Just designating an area and NOT providing such is poor management.

The Gold Butte monument designation completely disregards the safety of the public because it entices an uneducated public into an unsafe environment.

Enticing more people to an area where there is not even one single garbage can will result (as it already has in the Basin and Range NM) in more litter and trash, which then results in worse conditions to the ecosystem and the wildlife.

Instead of making Gold Butte a political designation, a more cost efficient and effective form of management would be to hire several rangers for the area.

Instead of designating this area a political monument, a more cost-effective way to manage the area would be to invest in a thorough education program and site stewardship program—both proven means of involving the public which then results in improved conservation, benefitting habitat and wildlife.

Hundreds of thousands of acres for a monument creates another layer of bureaucracy and management in federal public land agencies that are ALREADY incredibly top-heavy and unresponsive to the general public.

As with Bears' Ears, vast stretches of drop-dead gorgeous land exist between and around the small areas of petroglyphs; those large areas of public land are not monument worthy. Every plant, animal, and geologic formation in Gold Butte is already protected somewhere else. The Joshua tree, desert tortoise, bear poppy, even the sandstone---all are protected elsewhere in Valley of Fire State Park, Red Rock NCA, and multiple places throughout the southwest.

There was no public outreach before Gold Butte was proclaimed a National Monument. It is not public outreach when one group advocating for a designation has meetings, invites like-minded folk, and talks about a designation—that's preaching to the choir. Public outreach is the exact opposite. It is reaching out into communities where designation is NOT wanted and asking why? Asking 'what is your idea?'; 'what would you suggest/propose/like?' This never happened with the monument designation. It absolutely DID happen with the Clark County Public Lands Bill of 2002 where all sides discussed the issue, officials listened to all sides and ultimately 32,000 acres were designated wilderness in Gold Butte, not 330,000.

The argument that designations provide economic benefit to the local economy is misleading as motorized recreation systems in Moab, and the Piute Trail in central Utah also provide economic benefit.

A quick review of 17 monuments over 10,000 acres (but not Basin & Range, NV, Bear Ears, UT, and Gold Butte, NV—no management plans are available yet) reveals that every monument has restrictions or expressly prohibits some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibit grazing.

CONCERNS ABOUT LANGUAGE IN THE PROCLAMATION:

If a smaller area is one of the primary considerations for this monument review and the proclamation states the original proclaimed size, does that then mean that the actual original proclamation must be changed to 'change' the size of the monument? Does that then mean that other statements can be changed in the proclamation? if so, we list the following items as being additionally restrictive and perhaps in need of changing or deleting if and when the proclamation is revised for size.

"For purposes of protecting and **RESTORING** (added emphasis) the objects identified above" ... (page 5, 3rd paragraph). The Antiquities Act does not say anything about restoring. Although I have read only a small number of proclamations, I have not read of 'restoring' specifically called out in other proclamations. If restoring is mandated in the proclamation—and it is---then that automatically implies additional restrictions, funding, and closures.

In the Proclamation: (page 5, second paragraph) "The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument pursuant to applicable legal authorities, which **MAY** (emphasis added) include the provisions of section 603 of FLPMA governing the management of wilderness study areas, to protect the objects identified above." Does this mean that the entire Gold Butte monument could be managed as if it were a wilderness study area?

"Except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes, motorized vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted only on roads designated as open to such use as of the date of this proclamation, unless the Secretary decides to reroute roads for public safety purposes or to enhance protection of the objects identified above. Non-motorized mechanized vehicle use shall be permitted only on roads and trails, consistent with the care and management of the objects identified above." (page 5, paragraph 5).

So, does this mean that roads can be arbitrarily re-routed for protection of objects identified above? Objects identified above is a very long list of vague items like 'unique geology', 'braided and shallow washes', etc. (see list below) and completely commonplace items like 'creosote bush', 'Joshua trees', 'sidewinders', 'California kingsnake', etc.

The Proclamation establishing the Gold Butte National Monument specifically lists the following objects that constitute the 'objects of scientific and historical interest'. As we already know, that includes every object—every ant colony, bird, rock, plant, wildlife---but to see the list of incredibly vague items and the list of commonplace items really emphasizes that this proclamation means every inch of geology and terrain, every object, everything:

- 1) "Diverse and irreplaceable scientific, historic, and prehistoric resources including vital plant and wildlife habitat, significant geological formations, rare fossils, important sites from the history of Native Americans, and remnants of our Western mining and ranching heritage."
- 2) "Canyons and intricate rock formations,"
- 3) "the threatened Mojave Desert tortoise."
- 4) "Remnants of massive agave roasting pits, charred remains of goosefoot and pinyon pine nuts, bone fragments, and projectile points,"
- 5) "ancient rock shelters and hearth remnants"
- 6) "famed Falling Man petroglyph site and Kohat Circus."
- 7) "Pottery sherds and other archaeological artifacts"
- 8) "world renowned archaeological sites and objects"
- 9) "unique geology"
- 10) "the Gold Butte townsite"
- 11) "several building foundations and arista's"
- 12) "corrals out of wood or stone...Gold Butte townsite and Horse Springs"

- 13) "CCC...dam and remnants of a camp"
- 14) "Virgin Mountains—faulted carbonate and silicate rock form the ridges and peaks"
- 15) "southern region—laced with wide granitic ridges and narrow canyons"
- 16) "fantastical geologic formations, including vividly hued Aztec Sandstone twisted into granitic domes"
- 17) "actively-expanding 1,200 square-meter sinkhole"
- 18) "braided and shallow washes"
- 19) "several natural springs"
- 20) "creosote bush...white bursage...blackbrush scrub"
- 21) "sticky Ringstem, Las Vegas buckwheat, and Las Vegas bear poppy"
- 22) "three corner milkvetch, sticky wild buckwheat, Rosy two-tone beardtongue and the Mokiak milkvetch.... Joshua trees...Mojave yucca, cacti species, and chaparral species"
- 23) "Ponderosa pine and white fir forests.... Douglas fir.... Arizona cypress"
- 24) "pinyon pine, Utah juniper, sagebrush, and acacia woodlands.... mesquite stands"
- 25) "creatures, including birds and insects"
- 26) "relict leopard frog, banded Gila monster, banded gecko, California kingsnake, desert iguana, desert night lizard, glossy snake, Great Basin collared lizard, Mojave green rattlesnake, sidewinder, Sonoran lyre snake, southern desert horned lizard, speckled rattlesnake, western leaf-nosed snake, western long-nosed snake, and western red-tailed skink"
- 27) "desert bighorn sheep and mountain lions...white-tailed antelope squirrel, desert kangaroo rat, and desert pocket mouse. Several species of bat, including the Pallid bat, Allen's big-eared bat, western pipistrelle bat, and the Brazilian free-tailed bat...as well as the northern Mojave blue butterfly."
- 28) "Bald and golden eagles, red-tailed and Cooper's hawks, peregrine falcons, and white-throated swifts"
- 29) "western burrowing owl, common poorwill, Costa's hummingbird, pinyon jay, Bendire's thrasher, Virginia's warbler, Lucy's warbler, black-chinned sparrow, and gray vireo."
- 30) "Calliope hummingbird, gray flycatcher, sage sparrow, lesser nighthawk, ash-throated flycatcher, and the Brewer's sparrow"
- 31) "dinosaur tracks ...prints from squirrel-sized reptilian ancestors of mammals"
- 32) "cultural, prehistoric, and historic legacy"
- 33) "its many objects of historic and of scientific interest"

Three differences in the language of the Gold Butte National Monument and the Basin and Range National Monument are:

- a. Gold Butte: RESTORING is added to protecting the objects;
- b. Gold Butte: Roads can be rerouted to enhance protection of the objects; and
- c. Gold Butte: The monument can be governed as a wilderness study area.

These 3 items are unique and more restrictive in the Gold Butte National Monument as compared to the Basin and Range National Monument.

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Hi Tim,

We just had the best weekend ever! We got invited to the Sunday BLM tour at Gold Butte (thanks to Chris Edwards, thanks to you—Chris said you guys are good friends). Wow, it was so amazing I can't believe it still. The Secretary is so down to earth and I am loving beyond belief the direction the DOI is going in. I swear, even when President Trump was elected, I didn't think it would trickle down to the DOI but it certainly has. That move the Secretary just did with letting cattle graze in the Refuge in Montana is awesome! This is so exciting and wonderful! I am attaching the document I did for Gold Butte; I also sent it to Downey and Russell. Please, please let me know any time, any way I can help. Thank you again for reaching out in late January—STILL think I am dreaming sometimes! Again, if and when you need anything, please let me know, <<...>> Elise

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Summary of Gold Butte through the eyes of locals: from a trip to show Gold Butte to Senator Heller's staff, from research, and from local observations.

TRIP (with Heller's staff to Gold Butte, early June, 2017):

1. **PROTECTION ALREADY PROVIDED:** Our first stop was the 'sheep (or goat) panel'. We wanted to show Heller's staff how the post and cable on one side of the road was put there to keep OHVs from driving over cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants and to point out that on the other side of the road, with no post and cable, but with the cryptobiotic soil and bear poppy plants also, there were no OHV tracks. We also wanted to show them that measures are already in place to help protect the petroglyphs such as a post and cable barrier where vehicles must park and people must walk about 3 times farther than originally—to help protect the cultural site. However, this increased distance prevents many people from viewing and admiring the petroglyphs as was evidenced in our own party where one person had to turn back before even half way there--so restrictions are already in place and these restrictions already prevent many from not being able to appreciate petroglyphs. It has been our experience that when people are denied the ability to see, enjoy, etc. things, they lose the ability to appreciate them, i.e., to care about them. While protective measures like the above help protect cultural sites, there is also a downside in that many of the young, old, not-in-good-health, etc. cannot appreciate and enjoy protected sites on public land. It is a genuine restriction to many people's access.
2. **SMALLEST SIZE, PROTECTIONS ALREADY PROVIDED:** At the sheep panel site we discussed the concept of protecting the petroglyph sites, each as their own monument because all the land in between petroglyph sites does not contain "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest". As Secretary Zinke just said, in referring to the Bear's Ear NM, "...there's a lot more drop-dead gorgeous land than there is historic landmarks, prehistoric structures, and other objects". The exact same statement can be made in Gold Butte and we all even discussed this—that the area is gorgeous and the petroglyph sites are small and scattered throughout a relatively small area. But gorgeous does not equate to a monument designation. We talked about the beautiful sandstone formations, but they are already protected in numerous places throughout the southwest, including Valley of Fire State Park and the Red Rock NCA. Additionally, Joshua Trees are protected in many other areas as are the multitude of plants and wildlife. Nothing exists exclusively in the Gold Butte area; all plants, wildlife, geology--all exist in other areas in the southwest already under protection. Indeed, almost all the Gold Butte area is already protected at the highest level it can be protected within BLM regulations, i.e. ACEC--Area of Critical Environmental Concern--and additional stipulations and restrictions are extended to the Gold Butte ACECs as they are distinctly described as protection for the desert tortoise and protection for cultural resources.
3. **RESTRICTS ECONOMY:** These ACECs already restrict use of the area. Grazing is eliminated because of the tortoise, all mining is eliminated for at least 30 years because of the tortoise, only 3 non-commercial, non-competitive events a year can be held in all the Gold Butte area. In fact, routes (designated open routes) within ½ mile of a spring cannot be used under the ACEC designations for any of the 3 (maximum per year) events in order to prevent people from getting too close to springs; the same rule also applies in these ACECs for cultural prehistoric sites. A permit for 5 routes (3 inside the Gold Butte ACECs), for 2 days, limited to 20 OHVs per trail per day cost over \$20,000 in 2012. There is NO way to recover the permit costs, let alone all the other costs. Needless to say this already existing restriction stifles economic growth. Permit regulations for Gold Butte are already very restrictive—it doesn't say, 'no you can't do this'; it just makes it cost so much that no one will ever do it twice.

4. **IMPACTS OF MORE VISITATION DUE TO DESIGNATION:** We also discussed the fact that designations increase visitor volume. Designations don't necessarily correlate to increased economic activity and more jobs—especially when balanced against additional costs that increased visitation brings. A study was recently completed in New Mexico (A Perfect Pothunting Day--An Examination of Vandalism to the Cultural Resources of Canyon de Chelly National Monument, its Motivations, and Potential Solutions) which found a distinct correlation wherein more visitation equals more vandalism and we discussed some of this as we hiked to the sheep panel.
It is amazing to those of us 'locals' that groups advocating for designations always insist increased visitation brings economic prosperity but never mention that increased visitation creates more impacts and vandalism and detracts from the primitive nature of the once pristine area, etc. All this while always noting that this designation is necessary BECAUSE of current visitor use and the impacts current use has caused. Someone noted that the hiking trails in Zion are literally lines of people non-stop; someone else noted that Red Rock NCA has 13 full-time law enforcement rangers just for the NCA, but graffiti occurs weekly anyway along with other, much worse vandalism. Hiking to this quiet spot through a wash, not yet a beaten path, we all wondered how special this petroglyph site would be with a hiking trail, hand rails to get up and out of the wash, etc. Now one still gets to discover this site; an experience that most primitive public land provides to all alike—exploration and discovery—but will that sense of wonder and respect still be felt when tours, trails, and hand rails become the norm in a monument?
5. **TRADITIONAL USERS OF LAND INHERENTLY ARE STEWARDS:** From the sheep panel we traveled to the Gold Butte townsite and discussed many topics as we traveled. Crescent made the point that ranchers and miners, because it made their job easier, better, quicker, etc., took care of the roads. He pointed out that a 2WD pickup was all that was needed to travel to the summit of Virgin Mountain before ranching and mining were removed from this area. Others agreed—now you must have 4WD to even hope to get up to the top. Lindsey pointed out that ranchers kept weeds and over-growth from crowding out the springs. If vegetation is left unchecked, plants will easily suck up all the water, but constant tending or grazing kept water flowing which benefited all the wildlife in an area. Conservation is the wise use of resources and everyone agreed that most ranchers and users were great stewards—they would literally put themselves out of business if they were not good stewards. This discussion brought up the Basin and Range National Monument and the group expressed several times that it was also very important to drastically reduce the size of the BARNM because, as someone put it, 'those folks in Lincoln and Nye County can still ranch and mine, unlike us here. They need that land to be multiple use so they can still use it'. The roads throughout parts of the state where ranchers and miners still are active are in much better shape than in Gold Butte because those that make a living off the land necessarily keep it in better condition; doing otherwise would be like shooting themselves in their foot.
6. **NEGATIVE ECONOMIC IMPACTS:** Rural areas are especially hard-hit when nearby or surrounding public lands become more restrictive than traditional multiple-use management policy—multiple use is the original intent of how BLM land would be managed. For example, in researching 11 monuments (each over 10,000 acres) with management plans already in place (therefore NOT Basin and Range, Bear Ear's, Gold Butte) I found that all 11 restricted or prohibited some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibited grazing. The economic viability of rural communities is devastated when traditional multiple uses are removed or heavily regulated. Small towns exist throughout the west specifically because they were the hub of commerce for surrounding ranches and mines. Remove the ranches and mines and the towns shrivel up and die—impacting generations of people who lived on that land and took care of it, plus directly supported many generational businesses in those small towns. As President Trump has pointed out, losing 70,000 factories had enormous impacts to the Midwest and the rust belt. One wonders how many ranches and small mining operations have been eliminated in the West? Around 50 ranches are gone in Clark County—losing not only that economic benefit to the rural communities, but also losing that traditional way of life. Additionally, much is done to make sure other cultures from other countries are maintained in America; what

has been done to make sure the culture of small ranching, farming, and mining communities in the West can also be maintained?

7. **HOW TO MANAGE HISTORICAL SITES:** The discussions above brought us to the old Gold Butte townsite where the discussion turned to the historic sites of this area. Many mines existed here and ranching was prevalent until the listing of the desert tortoise. While corrals and mines and other historic structures or objects are found in this area, we also discussed the fact that most of these structures, while older than 50 years, don't carry the regional or national importance that most feel a monument should protect. Local historic structures carry deep personal connections for many families and they represent a living history---a place to bring our children and friends, a place where stories of daily life can be visualized, where our history comes alive. While these corrals, foundations, and water troughs meet the definition of historic, most locals would willingly trade the security of a designation, coupled with the potential to lose access -- for the beloved ability TO visit our history and wander amongst our memories without giving up our belief of how public land should be managed.
8. **HISTORICAL SITES DON'T QUALIFY AS NATIONAL HISTORY:** As much as we love our historical sites in Gold Butte, they will never become a chapter in a U.S. history book simply because these sites are not nationally significant as are Civil War sites, etc. A national monument should protect historic objects of national significance, but protecting local and regional sites not only devalues national historic sites, it is also NOT what the locals who are directly linked to these sites want.
9. **LIVES & LIVELIHOODS IMPACTED:** At the townsite, we all tell Heller's staff of the grave desecration here; that locals quietly reminded the BLM that this was a local matter; the crime was not an archeological affront, but grave robbery, under the police's jurisdiction, and that we would take care of it (that steward thing again). Informally, we got together last year as families--young sons working with dads--to respectfully return Art to his grave. It was done without fanfare and then the day was spent visiting—a quiet homage to those 2 men who in their later years took great delight in visiting with one and all. Over 50 people were there, all with direct ties to the area, all having already lost a way of life because of the desert tortoise listing and subsequent 'conservation actions' of eliminating grazing and mining. As we stood around the gravesite, we were grateful for the opportunity to tell the stories of those whose lives were most impacted by the designation of the Gold Butte National Monument, those people who live closest to a designation, whose lives and livelihoods are most impacted by replacing traditional multiple use management with special (restrictive) designations.
10. **IN 2002, THERE WAS ADEQUATE PUBLIC OUTREACH:** 15 years earlier in January 2002 the Clark County Public Lands Bill first considered designating Gold Butte as wilderness. At that time the wilderness coalition proposed 330,000 acres of wilderness for Gold Butte (all of it). The Senators realized there were other opinions and invited groups to make their own proposals and presentations. Public meetings were held where the various proposals were discussed. Congress ended up designating about 32,000 acres as wilderness in Gold Butte, so a process that started out with just the wilderness coalition's proposal ended up, in the Gold Butte area, strongly favoring the local proposal of the town boards and PIC. Unfortunately, and literally since that time, environmental groups have been planning to get the rest of Gold Butte designated. PIC knows this; we have been on the other side for all those past 15 years as have the rural communities and many others who enjoy the biggest use of public land today—that of recreation.
11. **TRADITIONAL MULTIPLE USE:** Those graves belong to 2 men, ironically--one a prospector, one a rancher among other things. They are buried where people now like to get their photo taken while debating how restrictive the area should be and it is ironic, further, that the most binding restrictions (ACECs for Desert Tortoise & cultural resources) that can be imposed outside of Washington DC have already eliminated grazing and mining from Gold Butte, very much putting both Art and Bill out of business if they were still alive. No single place illustrates the clash between restrictions and traditional multiple use policy better than the graves of these 2 friends. Not now or ever has there been anything wrong with the traditional uses of land, the

closely-knit relationships of the prospectors and ranchers to the land--and now today--to their descendants and those that still hold to those traditional values—those people who like to come visit these places where man and land meet. For those opposed to restrictions, history weighs heavy on our conscience when we leave these graves; it feels like we have buried our past; that our traditions and values are buried here with Art and Bill—to make room for cities full of millions of people who prefer kiosks and quick trips in air-conditioned cars, who then rush back to the cities again—to do the ‘right thing’---‘to protect these wild places’. Protect from whom and for what? It seems that we should protect Gold Butte from the well-meaning do-gooders who apparently want public land categorized and boxed up. I always leave here both refreshed and depressed. Refreshed to be in this spot miles away from civilization, standing where I know my mom spent time as a young girl. Depressed because the weight of history weighs heavy upon me as I drive back. It’s not that I don’t want change, but it only makes sense to change for the better. That’s the depression that follows me home, restrictive designations of vast stretches of land NEVER seems to be for the better.

12. **ONCE PERMITTED ACTIVITIES ARE REMOVED, HISTORY BECOMES A DISTURBANCE:**

History remained the topic of choice when we next visited Horse Springs as we headed back. Some thought the possibility of also designating a few historic sites along with the petroglyph sites would be a good idea. (Insert: After the tour, I had a meeting with Lee Kirk, Acting Manager of the Gold Butte National Monument, and Lee did confirm that under the ACEC designation, history can be removed from the land once the permitted use of that structure is no longer active. Improvements made under an active permit are considered “disturbances” once the permit is no longer valid; this lets the BLM come in and remove those disturbances that we all considered historic, such as the Treasure Hawk mine or Pakoon in the Arizona Strip---so there is a higher level of protection of our historic structures under a monument designation than there is under an ACEC designation.) This information may lead to more local discussions about what, if anything, should be asked to be a small monument—such as the corrals and rock wall at Horse Springs. Of course, the other way to keep historic structures, i.e., disturbances from being removed under an ACEC designation is to have meetings with the BLM and provide them with background as to why these structures are important to the local communities and why that structure is more historic than a ‘disturbance’ and then work with local offices to make sure that happens. While there was some worry about losing our living history and/or losing our ability to access/visit that history, the prevailing opinion in this small group was to NOT want the historical structures to be considered for monument status; that the size of the Gold Butte National Monument should be reduced to the smallest number of acres needed to protect the petroglyph sites especially since Native Americans in this area want that protection for their history.

13. **WATER SOURCES:** Horse Springs is a lovely riparian area, but designations usually end up fencing off springs and eventually closing roads ¼ to ½ mile ‘back’ so the riparian area won’t be disturbed and therefore can return to its ‘natural’ state. As already discussed, ‘natural’ ends up with springs so overgrown that no water actually seeps out of the ground for wildlife. Historically, most ranchers and miners settled near a water source in the desert, so closing roads to riparian areas, closes roads to our living history. Fencing off springs so they will be natural is not beneficial to wildlife, and closing roads a bit ‘back’ prevents many people from visiting not only unique oases in the desert, but also areas of historic significance—many times one and the same. As mentioned earlier, recreation is now the biggest use of most public land and many people like to visit springs. The greenery is inviting, more wildlife live close to water, and humans are drawn to these places to explore and marvel at life in the desert.

14. **“EVERY OBJECT OF SCIENTIFIC OR HISTORIC INTEREST”:** Recreational visitors also like to check out old mines, corrals, foundations, etc. that are scattered across the landscape. They come to Gold Butte, not to drive the one main road, but to explore and enjoy all the side roads and the destinations of those side roads. Left as a 300,000-acre national monument, with other managers coming along, eventually roads will be closed. It happens. Every person you meet, who having spent time on public land over several decades, can tell you of multiple instances wherein roads they once traveled on--to places they carried about and visited repeatedly--are NOW closed. And with the language of ‘every object of scientific or historic interest’ in the

Proclamation, it is not hard to find an object that needs to be protected, and then closing that road is an effective (and easy) management practice to ensure the object is protected. Once a spring is declared an object that needs to be protected (or a plant or insect that uses the spring), closing that road usually happens. Removing the old mines or corrals (at the end of side roads) because they are 'disturbances' effectively allows future managers to say, 'that road has no use now; it doesn't go to anything anymore as that corral was removed as a disturbance.' Since there is no reason for that road, it gets closed. Between protection of every object and removal of every disturbance, over time many, many side roads get closed. This is literally the reason why there is such resistance to restrictive designations: closed roads. It happens in every restricted designation; we have all seen it and we all have personal examples where this has happened. To date in all my research, every restrictive designation, ultimately, ends up with some roads and areas closed.

15. **MANAGEMENT:** Advocates of monument designations always discuss the fabulous possibilities for recreation, but neglect to mention that those fabulous opportunities already exist under current, less restrictive management policy. Many people already come to these 330,000 acres of Gold Butte public land and as we drove back, we discussed how pristine, how untouched, these 330,000 acres are—even with all the current recreation. It is true that Whitney Pockets and its primitive camping sites gets heavy visitation, but under the current ACEC, or even if the management policy was reversed back to the traditional definition of multiple use, the BLM could manage this visitation, if it would. The fact that no BLM rangers were allowed in the Gold Butte area for over 2 years speaks volumes to the fact that users took good care of the land by themselves. The heavily used areas like Whitney Pockets and the nearby petroglyphs could actually be managed better right now under existing regulations; it does not take a restrictive designation to provide 'more management, more of a BLM presence'. The incursions of water lines and other Bundy-related incidents, documented by the Friends of Gold Butte, are because of the Bundy incident---NOT because of current recreational use. One of the biggest concerns regarding management is that all staffing (and funding) are focused on 'SPECIAL'—special designations, SRPs—special recreation permits. The Southern NV BLM office processes so many SRPs per year, that they have no staff, no time to spend managing casual use, dispersed recreation, etc. And there are so many special designations---NCAs and wilderness areas, that multiple use land receives zero attention, zero funding. Well that is NOT an excuse to designate areas as a monument, NCA, or wilderness—just to make sure it gets proper management. Proper management of multiple-use land should be the norm. Red Rock NCA has 13 full time LE officers and I don't know how many rangers. IF we are lucky, soon there will be one LE for the area northeast of Vegas; if we are really lucky, maybe 2 rangers will be hired so someone will have some time for multiple-use areas and for dispersed recreation, because proper management should be the norm for all BLM lands, not just what is 'special'.
16. **PROPERLY CLASSIFIED:** The last stop on this whirlwind tour was Devil's Throat, a big sinkhole that is a favorite place for many to visit. It is a curiosity, but it is already protected by post and cable fences which form the parking area and prevent vehicles from getting too close to the sinkhole. Additionally, chain link fencing provides a safety barrier preventing people from getting too close to the edge. Where safety protections are already in place and where it is not a prominent formation in the landscape, everyone agreed that it did not fit the definition of "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, (or) other objects of historic or scientific interest" and therefore did not warrant being designated as a monument.
17. **FINANCIAL BURDEN:** Most private businesses never expand or upgrade without a business plan and/or funding already in place to do so. But designations happen and then afterwards the money is found, appropriated. The costs of administrating and managing restrictive and protected lands is never a concern; automatically a manager is hired, key staff people are hired, law enforcement is hired. Where does this money come from? The general budget? A special account? Yet prior to becoming a monument, the BLM did not have a ranger in the area. Was that because there was no funding for that position or was it because that position wasn't a priority when the land was only an ACEC? All the federal land management agencies have backlogs of maintenance; dispersed recreation (the ONE activity on public land that affects the

most people) is always the step-child of federal land uses. Relatively little money is ever appropriated for dispersed recreation. There are no primitive camping sites built on any non-special designated areas in Clark County; there are no maps provided to the public, no trash cans, no restrooms on 'non-special designated BLM land in Clark County except at Logandale Trails. And apparently, no money to write an EA or do a site-specific management plan so that non-profits could help the BLM by writing grants to construct restrooms at Whitney Pockets either. No money now for that area, but when it is designated, the money flows. Where does this money come from? Why aren't items of importance funded now? Why doesn't the BLM have to prepare a business plan showing where money to fund a special designation is coming from BEFORE the designation is made? Perhaps the time is finally here where financial responsibility becomes a mandate that federal land agencies must adhere to.

RESEARCH:

WISE USE OF NATURAL RESOURCES / ENHANCING ECONOMIES / PROVIDING MORE JOBS:

"Earlier this year, the U.S. Geological Survey reported that, of 88 important minerals they track, the United States is more than 25 percent import-dependent for 62 of them. For 20 of those, the country relies 100 percent on imports. Many of those 20 key minerals are absolutely critical to the economy and national defense. This mounting import dependency at some point must be considered a vulnerability.

"This vulnerability is not a matter of geology, but of policy. The American West hosts one of the largest, most diverse and most unusually concentrated mineral belts in the world, extending from Colorado to the Pacific Ocean. That geological terrain houses world-class deposits of minerals such as chromium, copper, fluorine, gold, molybdenum, platinum and uranium, to name just a few." (Mamula, N. & Rorke, C. *Tapping our Vast Mineral Resources*. Review Journal, 2017.

(Lee, C. & Driessen, P. *Mining Law Reform: Where Are the Geologists?* American Mining Congress Journal, 1994) stated that "over 218 million acres of our nation's public land base have already been designated as wilderness, park, preserve, and refuge areas. Altogether, more than 410 million acres—**62% of all our public lands are virtually unavailable for mineral exploration and development.**"

(Editor's comment: **THAT WAS IN 1994!!** How many total acres in 2017 are virtually unavailable?!)

One of the above authors (Driessen, P.) released a statement on May 27, 2017, (online: <https://www.iceagenow.info/>): "Because of processes unleashed by plate tectonics and other geologic forces, these lands (Western states) almost certainly contain numerous world-class deposits of the metals and other resources that are essential for modern technologies and civilization. Keeping them under lockdown impairs our national security and the economic wellbeing of our western states and Alaska." (In the 11 western states and Alaska) ... "virtually every revenue-producing, recreational and other activity is regulated, restricted, prohibited or under attack in courts and other venues. No timber cutting in national forests fosters massive wildfires. No vehicles, wheelchairs, energy or mineral exploration in wilderness and many other areas. Even grazing and watershed management are under assault throughout the west."

Continuing in the same statement: "Unlike wind turbine and solar panel installations across thousands or tens of thousands of acres in perpetuity, modern mines and drill pads are comparatively small—and are restored back to natural conditions when the operations have concluded."

And, in the same statement by Mr. Driessen, "China produces 97% of the world's rare-earth oxides, largely controlling world markets."

In (Loris, N. *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*. Heritage Foundation: Backgrounder, #2998, 2015), the author notes that monument designations lock up abundant natural resources in the West including conventional sources of energy, renewable energy, and

unconventional sources of energy. He also adds, “For instance, several of President Clinton’s monument designations prohibited the use of off-road vehicles, and President George W. Bush’s designations restricted and in some cases prohibited commercial and recreational fishing. Presidents have also placed additional restrictions on timber development, grazing, and even pumping water on national monument land.”

Excerpts from (Koontz, C. (Executive Director of “Ride with Respect”), guest blog for the American Motorcycle Association (AMA). “The Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument closed half of the existing routes open to motorized recreation. The federal land managers even prohibited off-highway motorcyclists from riding the graded, gravel roads. Fortunately, the affected county asserted its jurisdiction over those roads, but not before having to fight the federal land managers in court.”

INACCURATE ANALYSIS THAT DESIGNATIONS / PROTECTED LAND IMPROVES LOCAL ECONOMIES:

This section is the most frustrating because groups advocating for designations have repeatedly presented half-facts, implied outcomes, erroneous conclusions, and ignored critical data REPEATEDLY that reputable and professional scientists and researchers would not consider doing. All to sway multitudes to support their position; it is an alarming fact in the United States of America that facts, information, and data mean nothing when it comes to politics or influencing people who do not ever question why. Well, we questioned why.

1. Why do all these studies NOT include baseline data as to the economic condition prior to protected land designations?
2. Why do all these studies NOT include uses of and on public lands when the land was designated multiple-use, before a protected land designation?
3. Why isn’t grazing, mining, recreation, OHV use, permitted events, etc. included in the assessment of economic conditions of communities before protected land designations occur?
4. Why isn’t the overall migration of the US population from North/East to South/West considered in evaluations of growth in areas and what caused that growth?
5. Why isn’t the influx of retired folks considered in evaluations of growth and why isn’t the fact that much of that ‘growth’ is found in money from retirement and investments, NOT because protected land is nearby?
6. And all these retired folks and snowbirds moving to the southwest, maybe they moved here for other reasons besides ‘protected land’? Maybe they moved here because of golf, or gaming, or mild winters, or no snow. Maybe they moved here BECAUSE of a multitude of OHV areas on multiple-use, non-designated land. Maybe they moved here for a percentage of all of the above—but to imply they only moved here because of protected land is ridiculous. Any high school teacher should reject the false outcome of all these erroneous conclusions.
7. And while we are asking questions, what about all the ranches and small mining operations that have disappeared from the landscape—just like the 70,000 factories that have disappeared from the mid-west and the rust-belt. What about all the economic benefits that are now gone because those ranches, mines, and other money-generating operations that used to support local communities and used to be part of the wise use of resources on multiple-use land—what about those losses? How much is that? How much has been LOST because of the incredible increase in protected land designations? Who will ever research this?

Many studies have been touted lately, supposedly showing that designated public lands improve an area’s economy. However, (Rasker, R., Gude, P., Gude J., and Noort, J. *The Economic Importance of Air Travel in High-Amenity Rural Areas*. Journal of Rural Studies, 2009), in an study for Headwater Economics, the authors concluded, “On the one hand, the vast distances between towns and cities of the West are a challenge to economic development. On the other hand, the amenities of the public lands of the West that create those vast distances are an asset that attracts and retains people and business. Yet, (emphasis added) **amenities by themselves are not a sufficient condition for economic development.**” Of course, in Headwater Economics’ recent reports wherein they

proclaim that wilderness and other designations improve an area's economy, their own conclusion (above) and data supporting that conclusion are conveniently not mentioned. (Amenities are defined by Headwater: "protected public lands, set aside for conservation and recreation rather than commodity production" and as "public lands, with vast stretches of wild country, many of them protected as National Parks and wilderness areas")

The many economic 'studies' that are used to advocate for monument designation or other protected land designations do not take into account the BASIC fact that people are migrating to the west and specifically the southwest in record numbers. Especially noteworthy are retirees who either 'snowbird' in the southwest or move here from northern and eastern states. They move here for the WEATHER, golf, mild winters, and yes public land, but no studies have been done to even ask: Is it multiple-use public land, or are you moving here specifically because it is protected public land? You can't claim that people are moving here to be close to protected public land if that simple, basic question has never been asked. Of course, NONE of the economic studies claiming to show increased economies for local communities once a nearby area has been designated mention the obvious.

The fact that people are migrating to the southwest has been documented extensively for years. Besides the general population migrating here, retirees, especially retirees with a little money, are migrating here in record numbers. They either come to the southwest full time or are 'snowbirds', coming here in the winter, returning to their original home in the summer. These facts are so common-place, every demographic study and every growth model state this obvious situation. Conveniently, all 'economic studies showing economic growth because of protected land designations' overlook this obvious point. One cannot discuss any kind of 'reason' for growth in any west or southwest area WITHOUT considering overall migration patterns from northeast to southwest, without considering retirees moving or residing in the southwest at least half the year, and without considering that many of the retirees come here with spendable money. Well, to be honest, Headwaters Economics did bury this fact in their paper, (Rasker, R. *Economic Change in the American West: Solutions to the Downside of Amenity Migration*, 2008) wherein we learn "33 percent of net growth in personal income was in the form of non-labor income....and can be more easily described as money earned from investments and retirement."

Interestingly enough, (Rasker, R., Gude, P., and Delorey, M. *The Effect of Protected Federal Lands on Economic Prosperity in the Non-Metropolitan West*. *Journal of Regional Analysis and Policy*, 2013) we find that the 33% number referenced above has now grown to 65%: "It is also consistent with the rapid growth of non-labor income in the non-metro West, including retirement and investment income, which has comprised 65% of net total personal income growth in the last decade." Further down in their summary we read, "Importantly, the positive association we found between economic growth and protected public lands does not mean that protected public lands always lead to fast-growing economies. Several studies have shown that natural amenities may be an important but not sufficient condition for growth. Also needed are other factors, such as an educated workforce and access to major markets via transportation infrastructure, such as airports." So, the truth is out there, it is just buried and not mentioned in the sound bites.

Even elected officials don't stop to research how these erroneous conclusions were arrived at. The entire Democratic federal delegation, in every op-ed piece and every interview, talk about increased jobs, more money to Mesquite, etc. (Applied Analysis, *Gold Butte National Conservation Area, Economic Impact*. Outside Las Vegas Foundation, 2012) claims that a designation will bring more money to Mesquite, NV. Summarizing their presentation/powerpoint, they draw the conclusion that non-BLM visitors coming to Mesquite (for other reasons) can be convinced to stay an extra day and visit a protected land designation such as Gold Butte NCA (or Monument). Therefore, if they stay an extra day, they will spend X amount of money—and that is the logic behind their fast and furious statements of increasing Mesquite's economy—that people already coming to Mesquite, once Gold Butte is designated, will stay an extra day. Wow. Who needs facts when making up a scenario is so much easier.

RESEARCH SHOWING BENEFITS OF MULTIPLE-USE, NON-DESIGNATED PUBLIC LAND:

In (Loris, N. *The Antiquated Act: Time to Repeal the Antiquities Act*. Heritage Foundation: Backgrounder, #2998, 2015) we read, “Professors from Utah State University and Southern Utah University analyzed wilderness and non-wilderness counties over time and found no stimulus for local economies and, more likely, negative economic impacts.” Further in the same publication, Loris summarizes that the “Antiquities Act:

No longer serves a purpose

Adds to the problem of government mismanagement of federal land

Prohibits and restricts economic opportunity

Takes decision making away from the states and people.”

California State Parks quick facts: updated 1/23/2007, “The economic impact of OHV recreation in California is an important element to the state’s economy. OHV recreation is the fastest growing form of recreation in the state and contributes an estimated **\$9 BILLION** (emphasis added) to the California economy.”

Regarding the Elko Motocross and Tribal Conveyance Act, Senator Reid said, “This bill will provide critical opportunities for growth and economic development in northeastern Nevada.”

(Steed, B., Yank, R., & Simmons, R. *The Economic Costs of Wilderness*. Utah State University, 2012. “Local officials frequently complain that Wilderness harms local economies by limiting the opportunities for economic development. The State of Utah, for instance, recently passed House Joint Resolution 10 which requested that the U.S. Congress not designate any additional Wilderness in Utah. Through a vote by a supermajority of members, the state legislature asserted that Wilderness’ limitation of multiple uses causes substantial economic hardship for the state.”

(Steed, B., Yank, R., & Simmons, R. *Economic Impacts of Land Use Restrictions on OHV Recreation in Utah*. Utah State University, 2008. “As such, all the ‘loss’ in public lands occurs in the eastern and south-central parts of the state. Our model predicts a movement of trips out of this portion of the state and into counties located in the western and northern portions of the state, and to the surrounding states of Arizona, Idaho, and Wyoming.”

LOCAL OBSERVATIONS, made by rural residents over the past 5 years:

CLARK COUNTY ONLY HAS 20-25% MULTIPLE LAND LEFT; 75-80% OF OUR PUBLIC LAND IN CLARK COUNTY IS ALREADY DESIGNATED AND RESTRICTED. Soon, we will not have any traditional, multiple-use public land left in our county.

Gold Butte is not ‘Nevada’s Piece of the Grand Canyon’; that is a marketing slogan. Gold Butte is remote, beautiful multiple-use public land and only small petroglyph areas should be designated monuments--as with the original intent of the Antiquities Act—the smallest area compatible with the proper care of historic & prehistoric structures, landmarks, or objects.

One of the problems with the ‘economic impacts’ of the monument is that no one considers the impact of multiple use BEFORE a monument is designated. The alleged increase in the local economies is NEVER compared to what the economy was like before a designation. Even better would be economic analysis over 10 or 20 years to develop an average indicator of the local economic engine before designations happen. When others literally don’t compare their projections to anything relevant or existing before a designation, their projections have no substance and are merely marketing ploys.

Monuments become part of the BLM’s National Landscape Conservation System which manages those designations for 1) ensuring the conservation, protection, and restoration of NLCS values, 2) managing the NLCS as part of a larger landscape, 3) raising awareness of the value and benefit of

NLCS, and 4) building on the commitment to conservation. The above doesn't even make sense, but it surely points out that monuments and NLCS lands (public lands) are NOT managed for public access, for recreation, for economic benefits to local communities, or for wise use of natural resources.

There is no need to have monuments larger than many US counties to protect a half a dozen objects. And really, the BLM could do that now. Laws are already in place to protect cultural resources.

Hundreds of thousands of acres full of 'objects' is mind-boggling in its implication and over-reach. Small monuments should be designated to specifically manage unique historic and prehistoric structures, landmarks, and specific, unique objects, not EVERY object in vast tracks of land.

The public lands that surround our communities are an extension of our homes. We live here BECAUSE of our relationship to the surrounding public lands; they are a part of our culture, our history, our daily lives. We visit these places full of intimate memories, community history, and our collective culture. We go back to these areas, to add to our history and culture because our history is not only of the past, it is also of now—when we weave our own stories into that infinite fabric of culture and way of life. Returning to our favorite places grows our history; it becomes more enriched with each visit and passing generation. Our history lives and when we cannot 'get' to those personal and important places, we lose an essential physical connection. If we cannot get there, the story line of our history abruptly stops for that place.

The whole concept of 'getting' to a place is lost on those who want protection and cannot understand why closing a few roads or areas is such a big deal. After all, other roads and areas are open. But 'other areas' do not have the same personal connections, other areas hold no memories, no sense of place. We do not want our history 'protected' by a monument designation. We want to be able to return to that place, time and time again, to add new memories and layers to that personal history. Our history lives and that place is as much a part of the meaning of home as is the house we live in.

The boundaries of the monument must be pushed back so the Virgin Valley Water District can access their water rights, can use them, can have rights-of-way to them, can build pipelines or other structures to bring that water that they legally own, to their customers. Land designations should not restrict utilities and communities from accessing what is necessary and beneficial to those communities.

The Bunkerville Volunteer Fire Dept. is an all-volunteer unit who has to respond to all Gold Butte emergencies, which is a serious impact to their families, the community, and to Clark County who provides volunteer departments with equipment and training. Before an area is declared a monument, business plans, assessments, and budgets should be prepared—beforehand. Any private business would do that. If a particular group is advocating for a land designation on federal land and that designation did not originate with the federal land agency, the group advocating for it should have to finance the business plans, budgets, assessments, and operating plans BEFORE designations can even be considered. Funding must be allocated before restrictive designations can be advanced. The citizens of Bunkerville should not have to volunteer to rescue people in a designation they do not support; and once designated, emergency services and all other critical operations should be ready to go, and funded already.

Unfortunately, the Southern Nevada District Office is only focused on urban issues and special designated areas. The Red Rock NCA has 13 full time law enforcement officers, but there are less than 5 LE officers to cover 3.5 million acres of BLM land in Clark County. The BLM Recreation Planners spend all their time processing SRP (special recreation permits); they have zero time to spend on multiple-use land, multiple-use policy, and dispersed recreation. Now that most of the resource uses (ranching, mining, extractive) have been restricted or abolished on public lands, dispersed recreation is the activity that most people associate (and do) on public lands.

Rural residents have not had their voices listened to for decades; many simply think making comments, even under a new administration, is a waste of time as it has been that way for so long.

Many people think making comments is just 'rubber-stamping' what the BLM wants and so they don't do it anymore.

Rural residents don't generate auto-calls or auto-letters like others do. Reading through literally several thousand comments on reviewing the monuments, approximately 70% of them were duplicates; comment after comment was exactly the same or deviated from the other statements by only a word or two.

Proper monument management would require improvements to infrastructure and education FIRST so that 'monument chasers' would be informed of the area's remoteness, poor road conditions, lack of cell service, etc. Just designating an area and NOT providing such is poor management.

The Gold Butte monument designation completely disregards the safety of the public because it entices an uneducated public into an unsafe environment.

Enticing more people to an area where there is not even one single garbage can will result (as it already has in the Basin and Range NM) in more litter and trash, which then results in worse conditions to the ecosystem and the wildlife.

Instead of making Gold Butte a political designation, a more cost efficient and effective form of management would be to hire several rangers for the area.

Instead of designating this area a political monument, a more cost-effective way to manage the area would be to invest in a thorough education program and site stewardship program—both proven means of involving the public which then results in improved conservation, benefitting habitat and wildlife.

Hundreds of thousands of acres for a monument creates another layer of bureaucracy and management in federal public land agencies that are ALREADY incredibly top-heavy and unresponsive to the general public.

As with Bears' Ears, vast stretches of drop-dead gorgeous land exist between and around the small areas of petroglyphs; those large areas of public land are not monument worthy. Every plant, animal, and geologic formation in Gold Butte is already protected somewhere else. The Joshua tree, desert tortoise, bear poppy, even the sandstone---all are protected elsewhere in Valley of Fire State Park, Red Rock NCA, and multiple places throughout the southwest.

There was no public outreach before Gold Butte was proclaimed a National Monument. It is not public outreach when one group advocating for a designation has meetings, invites like-minded folk, and talks about a designation—that's preaching to the choir. Public outreach is the exact opposite. It is reaching out into communities where designation is NOT wanted and asking why? Asking 'what is your idea?'; 'what would you suggest/propose/like?' This never happened with the monument designation. It absolutely DID happen with the Clark County Public Lands Bill of 2002 where all sides discussed the issue, officials listened to all sides and ultimately 32,000 acres were designated wilderness in Gold Butte, not 330,000.

The argument that designations provide economic benefit to the local economy is misleading as motorized recreation systems in Moab, and the Piute Trail in central Utah also provide economic benefit.

A quick review of 17 monuments over 10,000 acres (but not Basin & Range, NV, Bear Ears, UT, and Gold Butte, NV—no management plans are available yet) reveals that every monument has restrictions or expressly prohibits some or all mineral and mining dispositions/uses and 3 expressly prohibit grazing.

CONCERNS ABOUT LANGUAGE IN THE PROCLAMATION:

If a smaller area is one of the primary considerations for this monument review and the proclamation states the original proclaimed size, does that then mean that the actual original proclamation must be changed to 'change' the size of the monument? Does that then mean that other statements can be changed in the proclamation? if so, we list the following items as being additionally restrictive and perhaps in need of changing or deleting if and when the proclamation is revised for size.

"For purposes of protecting and **RESTORING** (added emphasis) the objects identified above" ... (page 5, 3rd paragraph). The Antiquities Act does not say anything about restoring. Although I have read only a small number of proclamations, I have not read of 'restoring' specifically called out in other proclamations. If restoring is mandated in the proclamation—and it is---then that automatically implies additional restrictions, funding, and closures.

In the Proclamation: (page 5, second paragraph) "The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument pursuant to applicable legal authorities, which **MAY** (emphasis added) include the provisions of section 603 of FLPMA governing the management of wilderness study areas, to protect the objects identified above." Does this mean that the entire Gold Butte monument could be managed as if it were a wilderness study area?

"Except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes, motorized vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted only on roads designated as open to such use as of the date of this proclamation, unless the Secretary decides to reroute roads for public safety purposes or to enhance protection of the objects identified above. Non-motorized mechanized vehicle use shall be permitted only on roads and trails, consistent with the care and management of the objects identified above." (page 5, paragraph 5).

So, does this mean that roads can be arbitrarily re-routed for protection of objects identified above? Objects identified above is a very long list of vague items like 'unique geology', 'braided and shallow washes', etc. (see list below) and completely commonplace items like 'creosote bush', 'Joshua trees', 'sidewinders', 'California kingsnake', etc.

The Proclamation establishing the Gold Butte National Monument specifically lists the following objects that constitute the 'objects of scientific and historical interest'. As we already know, that includes every object—every ant colony, bird, rock, plant, wildlife---but to see the list of incredibly vague items and the list of commonplace items really emphasizes that this proclamation means every inch of geology and terrain, every object, everything:

- 1) "Diverse and irreplaceable scientific, historic, and prehistoric resources including vital plant and wildlife habitat, significant geological formations, rare fossils, important sites from the history of Native Americans, and remnants of our Western mining and ranching heritage."
- 2) "Canyons and intricate rock formations,"
- 3) "the threatened Mojave Desert tortoise."
- 4) "Remnants of massive agave roasting pits, charred remains of goosefoot and pinyon pine nuts, bone fragments, and projectile points,"
- 5) "ancient rock shelters and hearth remnants"
- 6) "famed Falling Man petroglyph site and Kohat Circus."
- 7) "Pottery sherds and other archaeological artifacts"
- 8) "world renowned archaeological sites and objects"
- 9) "unique geology"
- 10) "the Gold Butte townsite"
- 11) "several building foundations and arista's"
- 12) "corrals out of wood or stone...Gold Butte townsite and Horse Springs"

- 13) "CCC...dam and remnants of a camp"
- 14) "Virgin Mountains—faulted carbonate and silicate rock form the ridges and peaks"
- 15) "southern region—laced with wide granitic ridges and narrow canyons"
- 16) "fantastical geologic formations, including vividly hued Aztec Sandstone twisted into granitic domes"
- 17) "actively-expanding 1,200 square-meter sinkhole"
- 18) "braided and shallow washes"
- 19) "several natural springs"
- 20) "creosote bush...white bursage...blackbrush scrub"
- 21) "sticky Ringstem, Las Vegas buckwheat, and Las Vegas bear poppy"
- 22) "three corner milkvetch, sticky wild buckwheat, Rosy two-tone beardtongue and the Mokiak milkvetch.... Joshua trees...Mojave yucca, cacti species, and chaparral species"
- 23) "Ponderosa pine and white fir forests.... Douglas fir.... Arizona cypress"
- 24) "pinyon pine, Utah juniper, sagebrush, and acacia woodlands.... mesquite stands"
- 25) "creatures, including birds and insects"
- 26) "relict leopard frog, banded Gila monster, banded gecko, California kingsnake, desert iguana, desert night lizard, glossy snake, Great Basin collared lizard, Mojave green rattlesnake, sidewinder, Sonoran lyre snake, southern desert horned lizard, speckled rattlesnake, western leaf-nosed snake, western long-nosed snake, and western red-tailed skink"
- 27) "desert bighorn sheep and mountain lions...white-tailed antelope squirrel, desert kangaroo rat, and desert pocket mouse. Several species of bat, including the Pallid bat, Allen's big-eared bat, western pipistrelle bat, and the Brazilian free-tailed bat...as well as the northern Mojave blue butterfly."
- 28) "Bald and golden eagles, red-tailed and Cooper's hawks, peregrine falcons, and white-throated swifts"
- 29) "western burrowing owl, common poorwill, Costa's hummingbird, pinyon jay, Bendire's thrasher, Virginia's warbler, Lucy's warbler, black-chinned sparrow, and gray vireo."
- 30) "Calliope hummingbird, gray flycatcher, sage sparrow, lesser nighthawk, ash-throated flycatcher, and the Brewer's sparrow"
- 31) "dinosaur tracks ...prints from squirrel-sized reptilian ancestors of mammals"
- 32) "cultural, prehistoric, and historic legacy"
- 33) "its many objects of historic and of scientific interest"

Three differences in the language of the Gold Butte National Monument and the Basin and Range National Monument are:

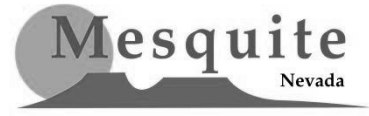
- a. Gold Butte: RESTORING is added to protecting the objects;
- b. Gold Butte: Roads can be rerouted to enhance protection of the objects; and
- c. Gold Butte: The monument can be governed as a wilderness study area.

These 3 items are unique and more restrictive in the Gold Butte National Monument as compared to the Basin and Range National Monument.

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Hi Downey: Both the City of Mesquite and the Virgin Valley Water District submitted comments. The City's Resolution is attached. I believe VVWD was also at the in-person meeting with the Secretary Sunday night.

Pam Robinson
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RESOLUTION NUMBER 927

A RESOLUTION REGARDING THE CITY'S POSITION ON THE USE OF THE ANTIQUITIES ACT AND MORE PARTICULARLY ITS USE TO CREATE MONUMENTS IN NEVADA

WHEREAS, the United States Congress created the Antiquities Act in 1906 authorizing the President to identify and set aside areas of federal land for protection as *national monuments*; and

WHEREAS, since its passage, the Antiquities Act has been used to designate over 130 national monuments; and

WHEREAS, the President is not required to obtain Congressional approval or seek input from local stakeholders in order to designate a national monument; and

WHEREAS, the identification and recognition of wilderness areas, national parks and national conservation areas do require processes for taking input, mitigating potential impacts, identifying consequences and hearing stakeholders concerns; and

WHEREAS, the Act clearly states that the boundaries of any monument should be "confined to the smallest area compatible with proper care and management of the objects to be protected"; and

WHEREAS, Alaska and Wyoming have successfully passed legislation requiring Congressional approval for future designations in their respective states; and

WHEREAS, since 2015, President Obama designated two new national monuments in the region—Basin and Range National Monument and Gold Butte National Monument; and

WHEREAS, Nevada is the state with the highest percentage land within the state administered by the federal government—approximately 85%; and

WHEREAS, no funding source for further protection of the objects was identified as part of the proclamation; and

WHEREAS, the Virgin Valley Water District is the water purveyor for the City; and

WHEREAS, the District has six springs for which the District has historic water rights and which have historically been used to provide water to the residents of the Virgin Valley; and

WHEREAS, five of the six District springs are located within the boundaries of Gold Butte National Monument; and

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Mayor and City Council of the City of Mesquite that the City supports a review by Interior Secretary Zinke of monument designations made under the Antiquities Act, namely the Gold Butte and Basin and Range National Monuments, for their compliance with the original intent of the Antiquities Act.

FURTHER, the City recognizes the need to protect and preserve certain areas. That said, these designations should truly be “confined to the smallest area compatible with proper care and management of the objects to be protected.”

FURTHER, the City supports Senator Heller and Representative Amodei’s legislation, the Nevada Land Sovereignty Act, (S.22 and H.R.243), which would prohibit the use of the Antiquities Act in Nevada without the express authorization of Congress; thereby, ensuring an inclusive public process with all interested and affected parties.

FURTHER, the City supports adding a requirement that any designation, presidential or congressional, include a sufficient funding source to carry out the intent of the designation.

FURTHER, the City supports Virgin Valley Water District’s efforts to amend the existing proclamation to either remove VVWD facilities from being located inside the Gold Butte National Monument or clarify the language within the proclamation to give VVWD unfettered access to their facilities and appurtenances; thus, ensuring that the residents of Mesquite and the whole Virgin Valley will have a reliable water source.

PASSED, ADOPTED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Mesquite, Nevada on June 27, 2017.

By: _____

Allan S. Litman, Mayor

Attest:

Approved as to form:

By: _____

By: _____

Tracy Beck, City Clerk

Robert Sweetin, City Attorney

To: Downey Magallanes[downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov]
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Sent: 2017-08-04T12:30:05-04:00
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Wanted to pass along the below emails and attached docs from Asarco regarding the Ironwood National Monument.

Chairman Gosar and 16 members of the Western Caucus recommended a recession of this monument and others in a letter to the Secretary [HERE](#).

Let me know if you all have any questions or if you would like more info.

Have a good weekend.

Sincerely,

Jeff Small

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From: Geneva Richardson [mailto:genevra@govgroupaz.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 2:09 PM
To: Pew, Penny
Cc: Jeremy Browning; Van Flein, Tom; Pearson, Trevor; Small, Jeff
Subject: Re: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Penny,

Our folks have also been in contact with David Bernhardt's office as well, since he was just sworn in a couple of days ago, to flag this issue. They have assured us that Asarco's request will be looked at carefully. Any support your office or the Western Caucus can provide in this regard would be much appreciated. I've also attached an aerial picture that further demonstrates the geography of the monument.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thanks

Genevra Richardson

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From: Pew, Penny
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:58 PM
To: Geneva Richardson
Cc: Jeremy Browning; Van Flein, Tom; Pearson, Trevor; Small, Jeff
Subject: RE: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Genevra!

I have copied our Legislative Director Trevor Pearson, the Executive Director of the Western Caucus Jeff Small and our Chief of Staff Tom Van Flein who will be the best point of contact for this monument issue.

Thanks for reaching out to Congressman Gosar's office.

Penny L. Pew

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From: Genevra Richardson [<mailto:genevra@govgroupaz.com>]
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Subject: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument
Importance: High

Hi Penny,

Thanks for taking the time to talk with me on the Ironwood National Monument issue. I've attached the comment letter from Asarco – page 10 highlights the issues with the mining claims that were established prior to the monument being declared. Tab 1 and 2 highlights the map with our request for

the boundary. I've also attached the letter from Representatives Leach and Finchem and Senator Smith expressing concerns over the boundary. We've also had letters submitted from Southern Arizona Business Coalition.

I really appreciate you calling this to the attention of the Western Caucus and other folks in DC to get DOI's attention.

Thanks
Genevra



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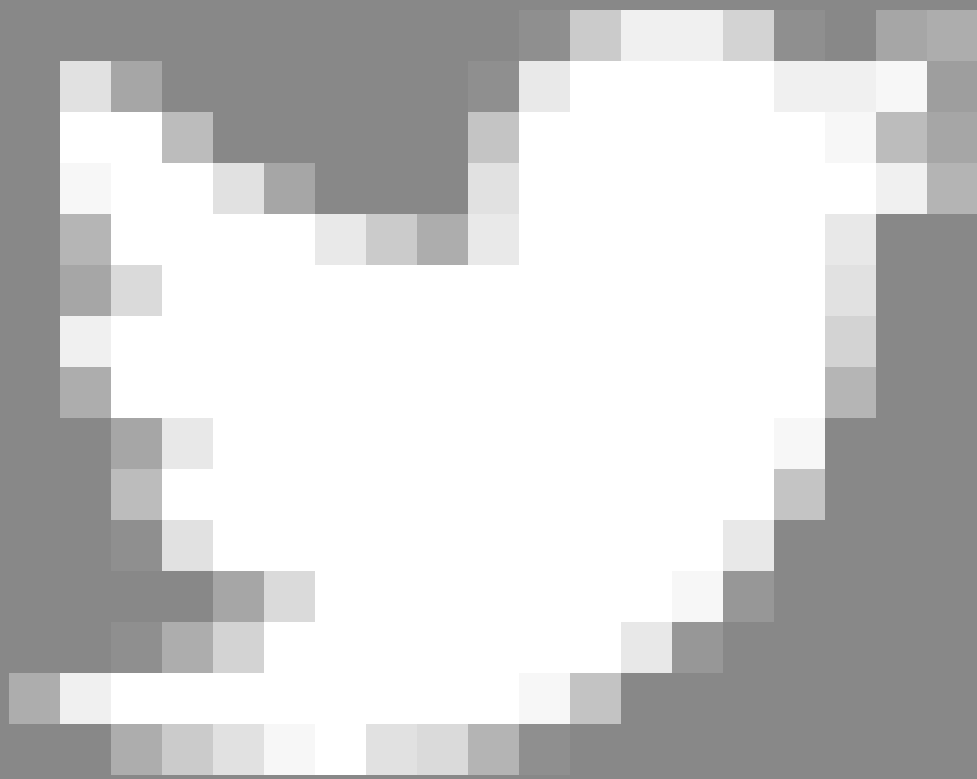
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July 7, 2017

Monument Review
MS-1530
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Subject: DOI-2017-0002, Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996;
Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment


To Whom It May Concern:

Thank you for the opportunity to provide public comments regarding the review of specific Arizona National Monuments over 100,000 acres designated since 1996. We are providing these comments relative to the Ironwood Forest National Monument (“IFNM”) as it is located in our 11th Arizona Legislative District. We request that the Department of Interior modify the boundaries of the IFNM to take into account the property rights of the private land owners and the State of Arizona within the IFNM.

President William Clinton hastily designated the Ironwood Forest National Monument on June 9, 2000, without a public review or public input process. The lack of public input led to the creation of the IFNM which is comprised of approximately 33% State Trust land and other private land holdings. The inclusion of these lands has created a situation where these lands cannot be fully utilized or developed, which negatively impacts the private property owners and the State of Arizona. The inclusion State Trust land negatively impacts the beneficiary of the trust, Arizona’s public school system. Additionally, the IFNM is adjacent to the historic Silver Bell Mining District, which has been producing minerals for over a century, and prevents current mining operations from future exploration. Governor Jane Dee Hull, in a letter to then Secretary of Interior Gale Norton dated April 6, 2001, estimated that this represented a potential loss of \$100 million to the State of Arizona. This is an unacceptable loss for Arizona and for our legislative district.

Over 50% of Arizona’s land is held by the federal government, which significantly impacts Arizona’s economy. In the last years of President Clinton’s administration, approximately 2 million additional acres were designated as new national monuments in Arizona. Due to the lack of public input and the inclusion of an unprecedented amount of State Trust and private land, we request that the boundaries of the Ironwood Forest National Monument be formally reviewed to take into account state and private property rights.

Sincerely,



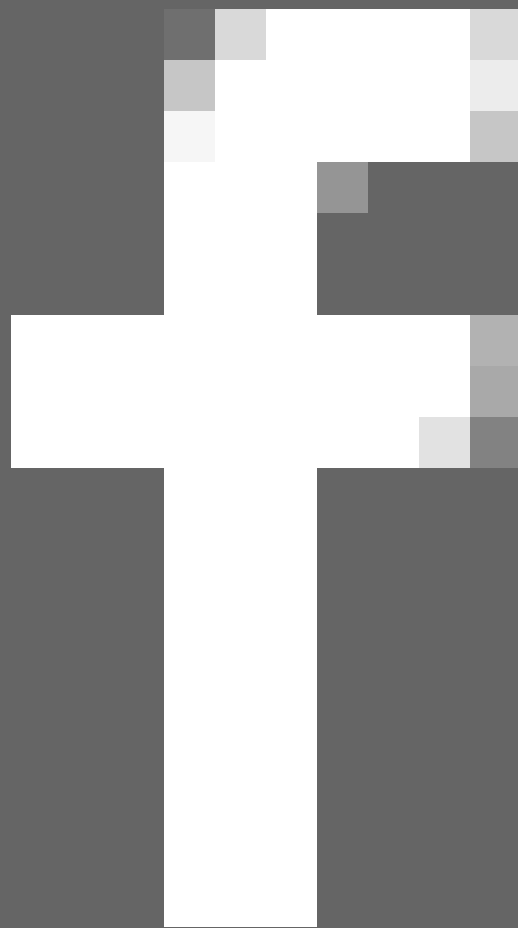
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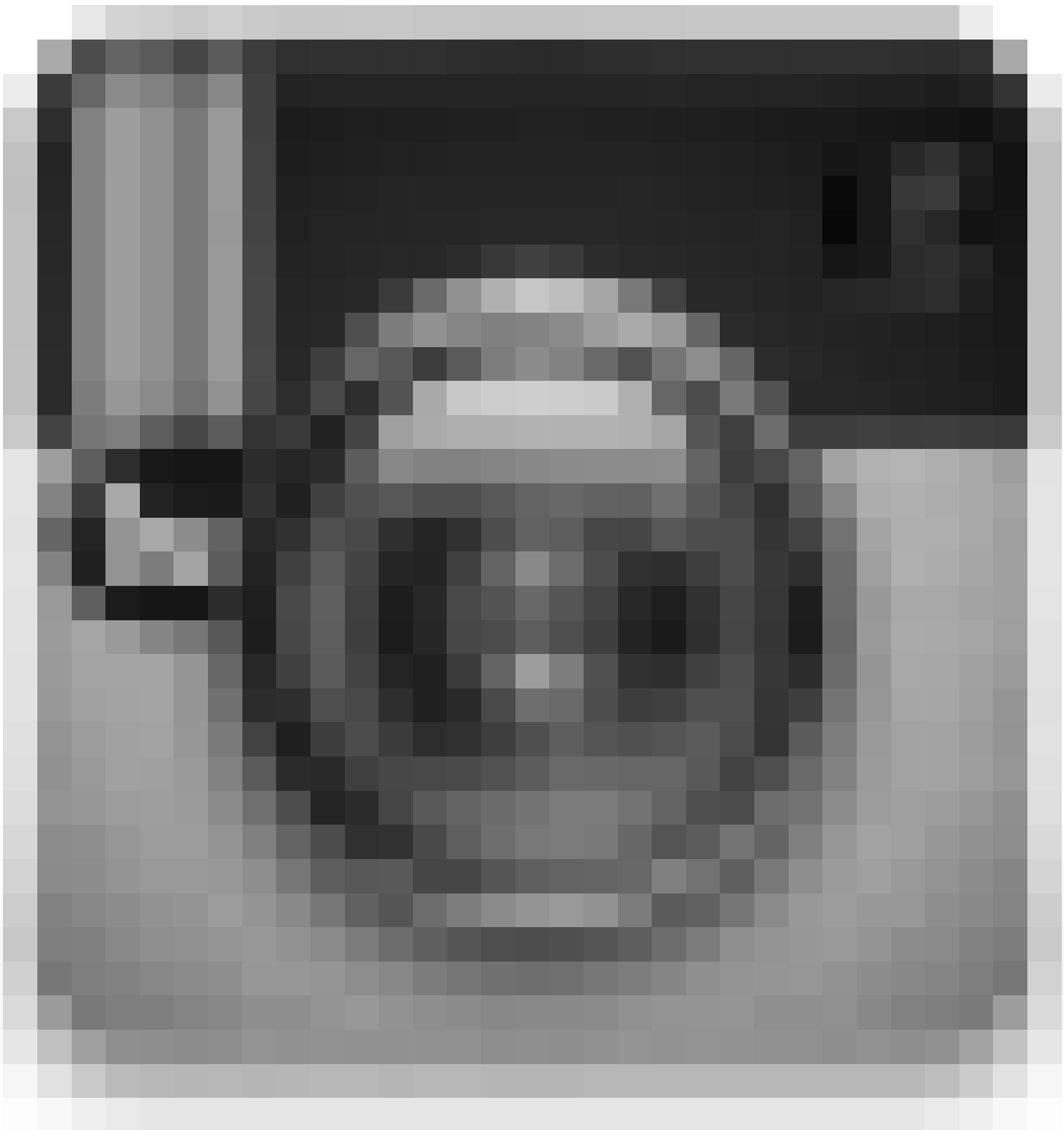


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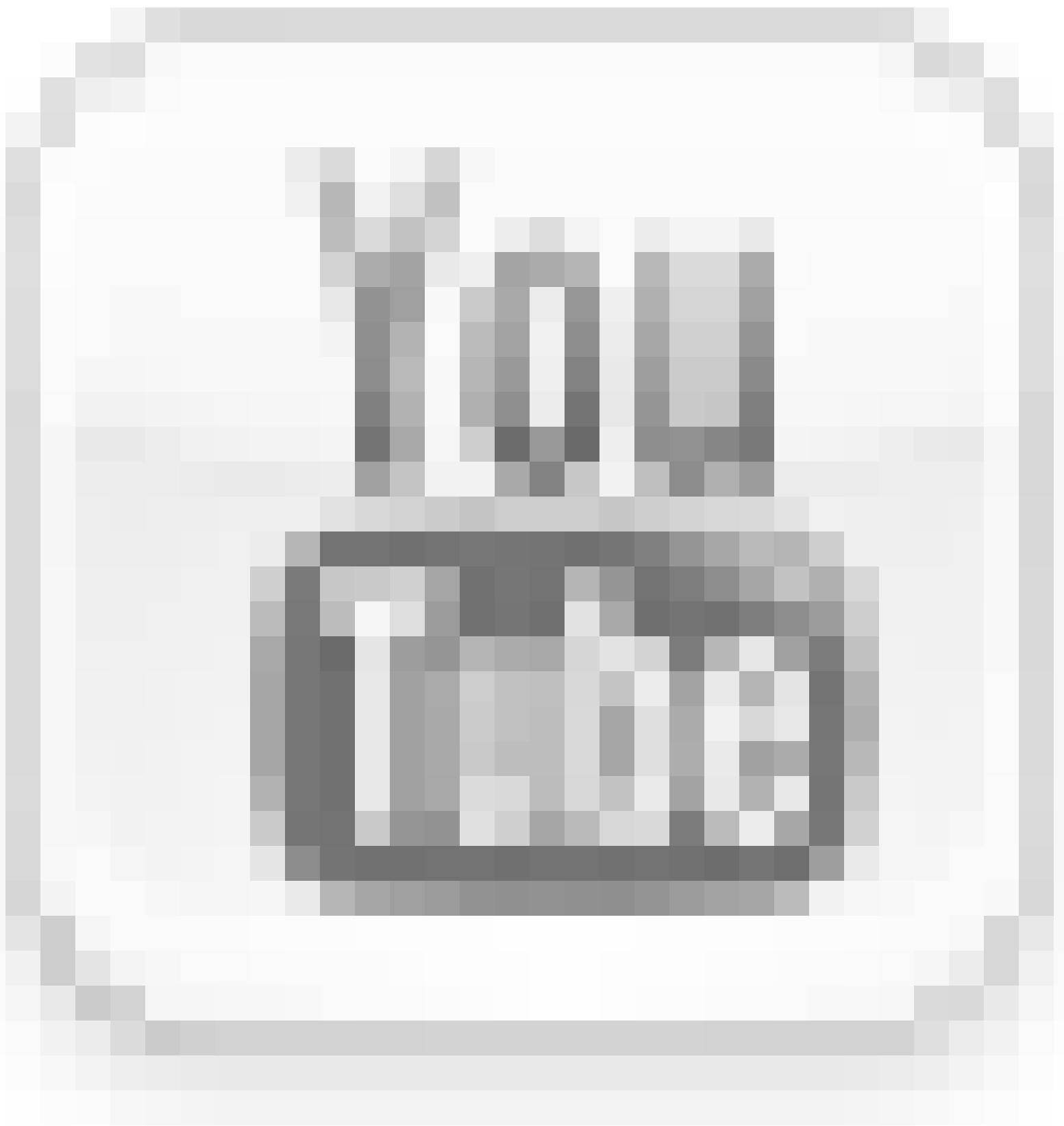
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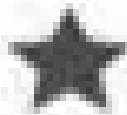






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June 30, 2017

Via online submission through www.regulations.gov

Monument Review
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U.S. Department of the Interior
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Washington, D.C. 20240

Attn: DOI-2017-0002

**Re: Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996;
Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. and Asarco LLC (collectively referred to as “Silver Bell”), please consider the following comments regarding the notice entitled *Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996; Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment*, 82 Fed. Reg. 22016 (May 11, 2017) (hereafter the “Notice”) which is directly related to President Trump’s Executive Order 13792 of April 26, 2017, 82 Fed. Reg. 20429 (May 1, 2017) (hereafter “EO 13792”).

In particular, these comments will focus on the Ironwood Forest National Monument (the “IFNM”) established by President William J. Clinton via Proclamation 7320 issued on June 9, 2000, pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906 (the “Act”) the boundary of which is depicted on the map attached at **Tab 1**. In the waning days of the Clinton administration (2000-2001), five new national monuments were designated in Arizona, encompassing approximately two million acres.¹ The IFNM includes 189,600 acres of federal, state and private land within portions of Pima and Pinal County, Arizona. Of all the designated monuments in Arizona, the IFNM contains the highest percentage of state and private land (33%) within a monument boundary.

Silver Bell owns 880 acres of fee land and 4,050 acres of unpatented claims within the IFNM but is unable to make economic use of these assets as a direct result of the designation. In addition to the assets trapped within the IFNM, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern

¹ These include the Agua Fria; Grand Canyon-Parashant; Ironwood Forest; Sonoran Desert and Vermillion Cliffs National Monuments. These monuments comprise a land mass comparable to the size of the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island in a western state with over 80% of its land being public land (federal, state and tribal).

boundary of the monument. The Silver Bell mine has produced copper and other minerals for over 65 years and is located in one of five historic mining districts within and near the IFNM.² However, the ability to expand the mine and increase mineral production has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Silver Bell has been prevented from conducting exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits within its unpatented mining claims, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law.

Silver Bell requests that the boundary of the IFNM be appropriately modified for the reasons discussed herein. The reasons are specifically responsive to the five factors the Secretary of Interior will consider in reviewing monuments designated or expanded under the Act since 1996 (the “Secretarial Review Period”) pursuant to EO 13792. The figure attached at **Tab 2** shows the specific area of 11,056 acres that Silver Bell requests be removed from the IFNM.

I. The Act’s requirements and original objectives, including the Act’s requirement that reservation of land not exceed “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected”.

Congress delegated the President authority to designate national monuments by means of the Antiquities Act of 1906. This law, in relevant part, provides:

The President of the United States is authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation *historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest* that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, *the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.*
[16 U.S.C. § 431 (emphasis added).]

By design, President Clinton’s IFNM designation was overly expansive because the identified objects of interest were of a landscape nature. They include drought-adapted vegetation, rugged mountain ranges, views of the Sonoran Desert, ironwood trees, and habitat for threatened and endangered species. This approach (i.e., landscape based designations) was utilized commonly for monument designations made during the Secretarial Review Period.

It is important to understand the genesis of IFNM designation to see the incongruity with the Act. On March 21, 2000 the Pima County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution to pursue a land preserve to implement provisions of Pima County’s Sonoran Desert Conservation

² *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at Map. 3-8 attached as **Tab 1**.

Plan (“SDCP”) which is a regional multi-species habitat conservation plan.³ The resolution was actually witnessed by then Interior Secretary Babbitt (also a former Arizona governor and state attorney general) who was visiting Pima County to discuss federal coordination efforts associated with Pima County’s SDCP. After a well-publicized hike into the area, Secretary Babbitt vowed to secure the permanent protection of certain federal lands identified in the SDCP.⁴ Less than *three (3) months later* (emphasis added) the expansive IFNM was designated.

The boundary of the IFNM was remarkably similar to the Pima County “preserve proposal” with the inclusion of additional BLM land to the northwest and adjacent private and state land in between. There was no consideration given to whether the area identified was the “*smallest area compatible* with the proper care and management of *the objects to be protected*” (emphasis added) as there was no time for such analysis to take place even though Silver Bell specifically requested that the boundary be modified.

In fact, in May 2000, Silver Bell’s then general counsel met with the Department of Interior Solicitor and staff to express concerns about the monument and discuss a buffer for the Silver Bell mine. Similar meetings were held with the local Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) that same month. On June 5, 2000, senior representatives of Silver Bell’s management met with Secretary Babbitt to suggest the creation of a mineral exploration district within the proposed IFNM. Secretary Babbitt indicated he would consider the proposal. Four days later, on June 9, 2000, the monument proclamation was issued and all lands within the IFNM were withdrawn from mineral entry.

Neither the Pima County SDCP “preserve proposal” nor the resulting IFNM designation represent the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected. At the outset, there had to be a proper identification of discrete objects of interest as opposed to identification of a landscape. The failure to undertake that identification in a manner that is in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Act led to the expansive designation. The objects protected in the case of the IFNM are not valid objects of scientific or historic interest. Thus, the area designated to protect those unjustified objects is equally invalid.

³ Pima County Resolution 2000-63 (Supporting the Establishment of a Silverbell and Ragged Top Preserve on BLM Lands) attached as **Tab 3**.

⁴ See attached news articles at **Tab 4**.

II. Whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as “historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest”.

The legislative history of the Act reveals an intent to protect ancient and prehistoric American Indian archeological sites on federal lands from looting.⁵ In fact, the Act’s primary purpose is to “preserve the works of man.”⁶ Unfortunately, regulatory definitions of other terms contained within the Act (consistent with its intended purpose) including “historic landmarks,” “historic and prehistoric structures,” or “objects of historic and scientific interest” do not exist. Accordingly, the plain meaning of these words must be given due weight. Only the term “historic landmark” connotes something broader than a human artifact (object or structure). Even so, the word “landmark” means “an object (such as a stone or tree) that marks the boundary of land,” “a conspicuous object on land that marks a locality,” “an anatomical structure used as a point of orientation in locating other structures,” “an event or development that marks a turning point or a stage,” or “a structure (such as a building) of unusual historical and usually aesthetic interest; especially one that is officially designated and set aside for preservation.”⁷

The chart below includes passages from the IFNM proclamation and an assessment of whether the identified characteristic is a “historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest.”

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The landscape of the [IFNM] is swathed with the rich, drought-adapted vegetation of the Sonoran Desert.	No.	Drought-adapted vegetation is everywhere in the Sonoran Desert.

⁵ Ronald F. Lee, “The Antiquities Act, 1900-1906,” in *The Story of the Antiquities Act* (National Park Service, Mar. 15, 2016), https://www.nps.gov/archeology/pubs/lee/Lee_CH6.htm (last visited June 28, 2017).

⁶ 54 U.S.C. §§ 320301-03.

⁷ *Merriam-Webster*, merriam-webster.com, <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/landmark> (last visited June 23, 2017).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The Monument contains objects of scientific interest throughout its desert environment. Stands of ironwood, palo verde, and saguaro blanket the monument floor beneath the rugged mountain ranges, including the Silver Bell Mountains.	No.	Stands of trees and cactus beneath mountains do not constitute a landmark or object of antiquity.
Ragged Top Mountain is a biological and geological crown jewel amid the depositional plains in the Monument.	Possibly.	A mountain with interesting geologic features may constitute an object of scientific interest, but the protection of the object should be confined to the mountain pursuant to the provisions of the Act.
The Monument presents a quintessential view of the Sonoran Desert with ancient legume and cactus forests. The geologic and topographic variability of the Monument contributes to the area's high biological diversity.	No.	"Quintessential views" and geologic and topographic diversity do not meet the standard.

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Silver Bell Mountains support the highest density of ironwood trees recorded in the Sonoran Desert.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>There are four classes of protected native plants in Arizona. In order of importance and protection they are: (i) highly safeguarded, (ii) salvage restricted, (iii) salvage assessed and (iv) harvest restricted. A.A.C. R3-3-1101 <i>et seq.</i> Ironwood trees are within the latter two categories meaning a permit for salvage is required and the plants have enough value if salvaged to support the cost of so doing and may be subject to over-harvest. No other protective classification of any type or kind is relevant.</p> <p>Further, this assertion was never true. Even Pima County's published Ironwood Primer documents higher density in Organ Pipe National Monument.⁸ Subsequent ironwood surveys conducted in the area of I-10 and Tangerine Road in Tucson evidence densities 5 times greater than in the IFNM.</p>

⁸ *Desert Ironwood Primer: Biodiversity and Uses Associated with Ancient Legume and Cactus Forests in the Sonoran Desert*, Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum (Feb., 2000).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Monument is home to species federally listed as threatened or endangered, including the Nichol's Turk's head cactus and the lesser long-nosed bat, and contains historic and potential habitat for the cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl. The desert bighorn sheep in the Monument may be the last viable population indigenous to the Tucson basin.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p><u>Nichol's Turk's Head Cactus ("NTHC")</u>: listed as endangered in 1979, recovery plan in 1986. In 1988 BLM established the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) solely to protect the cactus.⁹</p> <p><u>Lesser long-nosed bat ("LLB")</u>: recently proposed for delisting, 82 Fed. Reg. 1665, 1676 (Jan. 6, 2017).</p> <p><u>Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl ("CFPO")</u>: Arizona distinct population segment listed in 1997, critical habitat designated in 1999; removed from list of endangered and threatened wildlife and critical habitat withdrawn in 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 19452 (Apr. 14, 2006)). Subsequent petition to relist in 2011 determined not warranted (76 Fed. Reg. 61856, (Oct. 5, 2011)).</p> <p><u>Desert bighorn sheep</u>: a non-federally listed big game species in Arizona known to inhabit the Silver Bell Mountains and surrounding area.</p>
<p>Abundant rock art sites. Two areas on National Register of Historic Places, the Los Robles Archeological District and the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District.</p>	<p>Possibly.</p>	<p>Certain of the National Register sites warrant remaining protection but they are discrete areas within the IFNM and the boundaries of the sites should be the extent of the area protected. Individual rock art sites or discrete artifacts may not warrant protection. Additional information on cultural resources is provided in the IFRMP FEIS.¹⁰</p>

⁹ In 1996, Public Land Order 7197 (61 Fed. Reg. 26528) withdrew all Federal Lands in the ACEC from settlement, sale, location or entry for 50 years effective May 28, 1996.

¹⁰ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pgs. 3-31 thru 3-38 attached as **Tab 5**.

In April 2000, just before the IFNM proclamation, the BLM Tucson Field Office conducted a review of the “Areas of Scientific and Historic Interests” in conjunction with the consideration of the proposed IFNM.¹¹ Importantly, the review included 150,114 acres which was a prior established BLM special management area known as the Silver Bell Resource Conservation Area (the “Silver Bell RCA”). When designated, the IFNM included 189,600 acres in total, as an additional 39,486 were added to include the Sawtooth Mountains. There is no apparent evidence that the Sawtooth Mountain area was evaluated by BLM prior to the designation and it is unknown as to how or why it was also included.

BLM’s analysis did not justify the IFNM designation. BLM’s report did not even mention “spectacular views” or “ironwood” or “ancient legume and cactus forests” as plants of concern requiring special management. In fact, the BLM’s report supported the establishment of a special management area to protect historic mining activity (such as the Silver Bell Mining District) and management prescriptions to ensure mining could continue, which is exactly what Silver Bell asked Secretary Babbitt to consider prior to the monument proclamation.¹²

In relevant part, excerpts from BLM’s report include the following:

- “Setting: . . . Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-brush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. . . . The [prior established] resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest. . . . In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species¹³ . . . a site on the National Register of Historic places, an archeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.”
- “Areas of Prehistoric Interest: Although only a portion of the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. . . .

¹¹ Areas of Scientific and Historic Interest (BLM 2000) attached at **Tab 6**. BLM’s report was not openly published but was obtained by Silver Bell pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act request dated March 1, 2001 made by Jerry Haggard of Gust Rosenfeld, P.C. following the IFNM designation.

¹² Other national monuments (including the California Coast and Canyons of the Ancients) recognized non-renewable resource utilization and allowed oil and gas leasing and production to continue.

¹³ “Several” at the time of designation included three listed species: the CFPO which is no longer listed, the LLB which has been proposed for de-listing, and the NTHC which remains listed and is protected via an existing ACEC and withdrawal.

Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area (emphasis added) . . . ; Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District; [t]hese historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. . . .”

- “Areas of Historic Interest: *Silver Bell Mining District* (emphasis added); Silver Bell Cemetery, Arizona Southern Railroad.”¹⁴
- “Areas of Geologic Interest: *Silver Bell Mining District* (emphasis added); Ragged Top Peak.”
- “Areas of Special Management: [t]he Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (“SMAs”) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres . . . [t]he 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area . . . ; the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern [“ACEC”] established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead cactus, containing 1,960 acres of Public land . . . ; [t]he 56,800 acre Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep”¹⁵

The designated lands of the IFNM were not appropriately classified under the Act and were unsupported by any prior analysis. Expansive BLM special management areas already existed to protect the plant and animal species of concern and there was no justifiable reason to designate 189,600 acres as a national monument in this area. It may be that there are cultural resource areas warranting protection under the Act, but further consideration should be given to reducing the size of IFNM to the areas immediately surrounding valid objects of scientific or historic interest.

¹⁴ All of these supported historic mining activities and nearly three pages of the BLM’s report is dedicated to the rich mining history associated with these areas. See **Tab 6** at pgs. 4-6.

¹⁵ See attached map at **Tab 7** depicting these special management areas.

III. The effects of a designation on the available uses of designated Federal lands, including consideration of the multiple-use policy in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act as well as the effects on the available uses of Federal lands beyond the monument boundaries.

A. Silver Bell's Unpatented Mining Claims

As stated above, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern boundary of the IFNM and is located within a historic mining district. The Silver Bell Mining District, has been a source of copper and other valuable mineral products, such as gold, silver, lead, zinc, molybdenum and manganese, for over a century. Asarco LLC has conducted mining and mineral processing in Arizona since 1911 and at Silver Bell since the 1950s (over 65 years). At present, approximately 60,000 tons of ore and waste rock are mined on a daily basis at Silver Bell. Silver Bell's SX-EW plant produces approximately 65 tons of 99.99 percent pure copper cathode each day, helping to supply the nation's need for copper while employing American workers.

Silver Bell holds possessory title to 196 validly located and maintained unpatented mining claims located within the IFNM. All of these claims were located before the monument was created, including 124 claims that were located between 1950-1970. These claims cover approximately 4,050 acres. Just prior to the monument designation, Silver Bell invested \$72 million to build a new 50 ton per day SX/EW facility, which was dedicated in 1997. Mine expansion is precluded on the claims within the IFNM as Silver Bell has not been allowed to conduct exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits therein, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law. The IFNM is nothing but a disincentive for continued investment in this mine and in the state and local economy.

The monument proclamation states that it is subject to prior existing rights, but BLM has not administered the monument accordingly. On July 12, 2000 (just after the IFNM designation) Silver Bell filed with BLM a notice of intent to conduct drilling of four exploration holes and associated road clearing on certain of its claims within the IFNM boundary (total disturbance of only 1.4 acres). In response, BLM determined that a plan of operations was required and stated that off-road vehicle use was prohibited on the mining claims within the IFNM. BLM also advised that the approval of any plan of operations would be subject to a validity examination of the mining claims supported by data obtained prior to the establishment of the IFNM that withdrew the land from mineral entry.

Since 1993, Silver Bell has paid \$326,000 in claim maintenance fees to the BLM to maintain title to the unpatented mining claims within the IFNM. Silver Bell spent additional funds to explore and maintain its mining claims prior to creation of the monument. In 2000, the economic loss suffered by Silver Bell due to its inability to develop these claims was estimated at \$146 million.

B. Effect on Other Types of Multiple Land Uses

The IFNM proclamation prohibited most types of land use of the Federal lands therein. All federal lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of the monument were withdrawn from all forms of entry, location, selection, sale or leasing or other disposition under the public land laws and mining law. All non-emergency motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road is prohibited. Over 17 miles of prior existing roadways have been closed and miles of other roads are restricted to non-motorized traffic. Grazing was, however, allowed to continue for the term of existing leases.

Following the IFNM monument proclamation, it took BLM 13 years to complete the IFNM Resource Management Plan (the “IFRMP”).¹⁶ The management prescriptions in the IFRMP further tightened the grip on prohibited land uses by establishing a panoply of “special management areas” as detailed below:

- No utility corridors can be authorized within the IFNM. The entire IFNM is classified as an “avoidance area” (which includes the development of renewable energy resources) subject to recognition of valid prior existing authorizations.¹⁷
- The IFRMP established a 29,820 acre Desert Bighorn Sheep Wildlife Habitat Area (“WHA”) where closures to human entry can be implemented annually from January 1 through April 30 as needed.¹⁸ Boiled down, that means nearly 1/4 of the IFNM can be closed to human entry for over 1/3 of any given year. Notably, the WHA is immediately adjacent to the entire northern half of the Silver Bell Mine.
- The IFRMP established the Ragged Top Vegetation Habitat Management Area (VHA) where only restricted camping is allowed. Interestingly, no specified vegetation management is prescribed.¹⁹ Additionally, the Ragged Top VHA surrounds the Silver Bell Mine.
- Two-thirds of the entire IFNM is classified as a Class II Visual Resource Management Area (i.e., retain the visual character of the landscape).²⁰ Management prescriptions include “managing activities that result in fugitive-dust

¹⁶ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan* (Feb., 2013).

¹⁷ *Id.* at pg. 74.

¹⁸ *Id.* at pg. 43 and Map 3.

¹⁹ *Id.* at pg. 45 and Map 4.

²⁰ *Id.* at pg. 56 and Map 5.

to protect visual quality” and “managing visual resources consistently on lands adjacent to the Monument lands.”

- The entire IFNM is designated as a Special Recreation Management Area (“SRMA”) to be managed for its undeveloped character. The result is a concentration of recreational uses at specified locations which has the effect of directing motorized traffic to Silver Bell’s privately owned property (via Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road) in order to gain access to the IFNM. BLM’s published IFNM maps identify trailheads, interpretive sites and historic sites for which there is no public access making these amenities accessible only via trespass across Silver Bell’s private property.²¹
- Finally, 9,510 acres of the IFNM was designated as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics.” Not surprisingly, the largest of this land classification abuts the Silver Bell Mine encompassing many of Silver Bell’s unpatented claims.²² Management prescriptions within these areas include naturalness, solitude, and primitive and unconfined non-motorized recreation.

The designation of 9,510 acres of “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” is perhaps the most troubling aspect of the IFRMP. In March 2007 BLM published the draft environmental impact statement (“EIS”) for the IFRMP. In reliance on BLM IM 2003-275, Change 1, (Consideration of Wilderness Characteristics in Land Use Plans) and an Arizona Wilderness Society Proposal, BLM concluded that 36,990 acres within the IFNM possessed wilderness characteristics (Alternative B within the draft and final EIS).²³ BLM did not publish the final EIS until September 29, 2011 and the final record of decision (“ROD”) was not issued until February 2013. During the period between the draft EIS and the final EIS (on July 15, 2011), BLM adopted new policies for consideration of lands with wilderness characteristics contained within IM 2011-154 which placed BLM Manuals 6301, 6302 and 6303 in abeyance until further notice.²⁴ BLM did not conform the final EIS discussion to follow the newly adopted

²¹ *Id.* at pg. 75 and Map 9. The BLM’s later approved IFNM Travel Management Plan confirmed and exacerbated this situation. Access to many parts of the IFNM can only be gained via trespass on Silver Bell’s private property and there is no approved public access agreement on Silver Bell’s land.

²² *Id.* at Map 6.

²³ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement* (Mar., 2007) at pg. 3-37 and Map 2-10.

²⁴ BLM IM 2011-154 (Requirement to Conduct and Maintain Inventory Information For Wilderness Characteristics and to Consider Lands with Wilderness Characteristics In Land Use Plans (July 25, 2011) was issued in direct response to a Secretary of Interior Memorandum to the BLM dated June 1, 2011 issued by Secretary Salazar confirming that BLM would not designate any lands as “Wild Lands” (thus rescinding prior Secretarial Order 3310) and would strictly adhere to the requirements of Section 201 of

requirements of IM 2011-154, which contained detailed and specific factors for consideration and particular planning process steps that must be followed in conjunction with consideration of wilderness characteristics.²⁵ In particular, those processes require a comparison of wilderness characteristics as discrete units such that differing management prescriptions can be considered and later applied depending on the selected alternative. Accordingly, the 9,510 acres of land BLM ultimately designated in the IFRMP as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” (Alternative C within the draft and final EIS) should not have been so designated. BLM should be required to undertake a plan amendment to conduct a proper wilderness characteristic inventory and analysis regardless of whether the IFNM’s boundaries are modified.

IV. The effects of a designation on the use and enjoyment of non-Federal lands within or beyond monument boundaries.

As stated above, Silver Bell’s desire to expand its mining operations onto adjacent BLM land has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Despite the fact that Silver Bell’s unpatented claims are located on land administered by the BLM, they constitute a property right. Unpatented mining claims, located under the Mining Law of 1872, are recognized as estates in real property that cannot be taken without payment of just compensation. “The Supreme Court has established that [an unpatented] mining ‘claim’ is not a claim in the ordinary sense of the word – a mere assertion of a right – but rather is a property interest, which is itself real property in every sense, and not merely an assertion of a right to property.” *Shumway*, 199 F.3d at 1099-1100 (citing and discussing *United States v. N. Amer. Transp. & Trading Co.*, 253 U.S. 330 (1920), *Bradford v. Morrison*, 212 U.S. 389 (1909), and *Benson Mining & Smelting Co. v. Alta Mining & Smelting Co.*, 145 U.S. 428 (1892)).²⁶ See also *Wilbur v. United States ex rel. Krushnic*, 280 U.S. 306, 316-17 (1930) (“[W]hen the location of a mining claim is perfected under the law, it has the effect of a grant by the United States of the right of present and exclusive possession. The claim is property in the fullest sense of that term.”). Since the designation, Silver Bell has not been able to use or enjoy its unpatented claims nor will it in the future with the restrictive management provisions set forth in the IFRMP.

Silver Bell also owns 880 acres of fee land within the IFNM. This fee land includes a substantial segment along both sides of the primary access road to the Silver Bell Mine (called Avra Valley Road). Public trespass from this road to the IFNM (by virtue of inclusion of Silver

FLPMA requiring BLM to maintain an inventory of all lands, including those with wilderness characteristics.

²⁵ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pg. 3-41.

²⁶ In *North American*, for example, the Supreme Court held that the federal government could not reserve land for a military base without paying the owner the value of an unpatented mining claim located on the site. 253 U.S. at 337-38.

Bell's land in the monument) is a constant issue and BLM's management has made it worse. Many of BLM's trailheads, interpretive signs and historic site designations can only be accessed via trespass on Silver Bell's property. Moreover, the massive road closures in the IFNM and designation of only a few "Roaded Natural Areas" (where motorized vehicles are allowed) forces motorized traffic to Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (both traversing Silver Bell's private property).²⁷

There has been no regard for ongoing industrial activity associated with the Silver Bell Mine or the maintenance burdens associated with BLM's management practices. Safety concerns should be paramount as Avra Valley Road is heavily trafficked by mine employees and industrial vehicles (including big rig trucks carrying copper and acid) with much larger profiles than passenger cars. In addition, Silverbell Road (located entirely on Silver Bell's private property) outside of the IFNM is used routinely by the public to access the northwestern side of the monument from Avra Valley Road. Silverbell Road is in very close proximity to active mining operations. These facts have been ignored by the BLM and there is no provision in the IFRMP or the related Travel Management Plan to address the inability of BLM to provide safe, legal access into the core areas of the IFNM.

The designation of the IFNM has had a profound impact on Silver Bell's ability to use and enjoy its private lands and roads and its real property interest in thousands of acres of unpatented mining claims located in the historic Silver Bell Mining District.

V. The concerns of State, tribal and local governments affected by a designation, including economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities.

Arizona's mines produce approximately 65% of the nation's newly-mined copper, along with significant amounts of associated valuable co-products (e.g., gold, silver, selenium, tellurium and molybdenum). As of 2014, the Arizona copper industry employed approximately 11,500 people and had an estimated direct and indirect impact on the Arizona economy of nearly \$5 billion. In recent years, nearly \$500 million in state and local taxes have been paid annually by the mining industry in Arizona.

The Silver Bell Mine directly employs 175 people. In 2016, Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. paid \$12.1 million in wages, salaries and benefits, \$2.6 million in severance and sales taxes and spent \$41.8 million on materials (energy, fuel and supplies) directly benefiting the state and local

²⁷ See **Tab 8** containing Map 7 from the Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (Feb., 2013). The dark orange areas are the only "Roaded Natural Areas" where a variety of modes of travel are authorized. There are only five "Roaded Natural Areas" serving as entry into the IFNM. Entry into the IFNM from Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (on Silver Bell's private property) are two of the five entrances and the most commonly utilized as they are the most direct route to the "crown jewel" of the IFNM.

economy. When major producers, like Silver Bell, are prohibited from fully utilizing their assets and expanding their operations, there are clear and measurable economic impacts to the fiscal condition of the state and local governments.

It is important to give historical context and perspective to the IFNM designation. In April 2001 then Arizona Governor Jane Dee Hull exchanged correspondence with then Secretary of Interior Gale Norton that is worth close examination.²⁸ One of Governor Hull's fundamental concerns was the process by which the IFNM was established (i.e., a Washington-centric exercise without meaningful state consultation or participation). Incredibly, Governor Hull noted that "neither I nor any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument." Further, Governor Hull stated that "the only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary [Secretary Babbitt] for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and selected media were invited." Her account of the events was accurate. There was virtually no stakeholder involvement or consideration of the economic or other effects of the designation. Pima and Pinal County were the only local authorities involved and we know of no other state, tribal or local government dialogue or input in the short three month period of consideration.

From an economic standpoint, Governor Hull expressed concern about the high percentage of state land within the IFNM and that 95% of the revenue from those state trust lands within the IFNM belongs to Arizona's public schools. Governor Hull cited to current revenues from leases for grazing, agriculture, rights of way and commercial leases and the loss of future potential revenue from similar activities. With respect to mining, Governor Hull noted that there were several thousand acres of mineral estate within the IFNM and that state land was within the path of the projected trend of mineralization of the Silver Bell mine and that the new mining on those state lands was "stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands." Incredibly, she estimated a potential loss to the State of \$100 million in mineral rights held by the State. The concerns she raised have proven to be true and will remain relevant in the future until the IFNM's boundaries are substantially reduced.

VI. Conclusion

Silver Bell urges the Secretary to thoroughly review the IFNM designation and to recommend modification of the monument boundary to include only the smallest area of land needed to accomplish the care and management of the valid historic and scientific objects within the IFNM. Such a review should include consideration of:

²⁸ See **Tab 9** including a copy of Governor Hull's letter to Secretary Norton dated April 6, 2001, redacted to include comments specific to IFNM.

1. historic and ongoing mining and mineral production in the Silver Bell Mountains, which has been a productive mining district since the 1800s, and the benefit of such activities to the American economy;
2. whether the Silver Bell Mountains and adjoining areas with valuable mineral resources are legitimate “objects” subject to protection under the Antiquities Act;
3. the existence of private and state land within the IFNM, and how to ensure that such lands are not subject to trespass and can remain productively utilized, as opposed to being treated as de facto parts of the IFNM and subject to the control of the BLM; and
4. the lack of coordination with stakeholders having significant interests impacted by the IFNM at the time it was created by President Clinton.

Silver Bell contends that a boundary adjustment is warranted. At a minimum, Silver Bell specifically requests a carve-out of certain of its unpatented claims as shown on the map attached hereto as **Tab 2**. If such an adjustment is undertaken, clarification must be provided to the BLM that the provisions of the IFRMP are no longer applicable and land management shall revert to the management prescriptions set forth in the Phoenix Resource Area RMP (1989). Regardless of the outcome of this review exercise, the BLM should be required to undertake an IFRMP amendment to properly inventory and evaluate management of lands with any wilderness characteristics in accordance with currently applicable BLM policy.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to provide comments pursuant to the Notice and are willing to answer any questions or provide further information if needed.

Sincerely,



Nancy Johannesmeyer, PE
Senior Manager, Environmental Affairs
Asarco LLC

Enclosures

Tab 1

Mineral Districts, Mining Claims, and Salable Mineral Material Source Areas

Ironwood Forest National Monument
PRMP/FEIS

Legend

Mineral Districts

Copper

- 1a Porphyry with or without Molybdenum, Manganese, Gold and Peripheral Lead-Zinc-Silver
 - 4 Lead-Zinc-Silver Veins and Replacements
 - 5 Silver with or without Lead and Zinc; Veins and Replacements
 - 5r Significant Copper Production
- } Distinction based on Silver/Silver, Lead, and Zinc Ratios

Manganese

- 6a Veins with or without Barium, Lead, Silver

Mining Claims

- Jaba
- Sally Meeks
- Silver Bell Mining L.L.C.

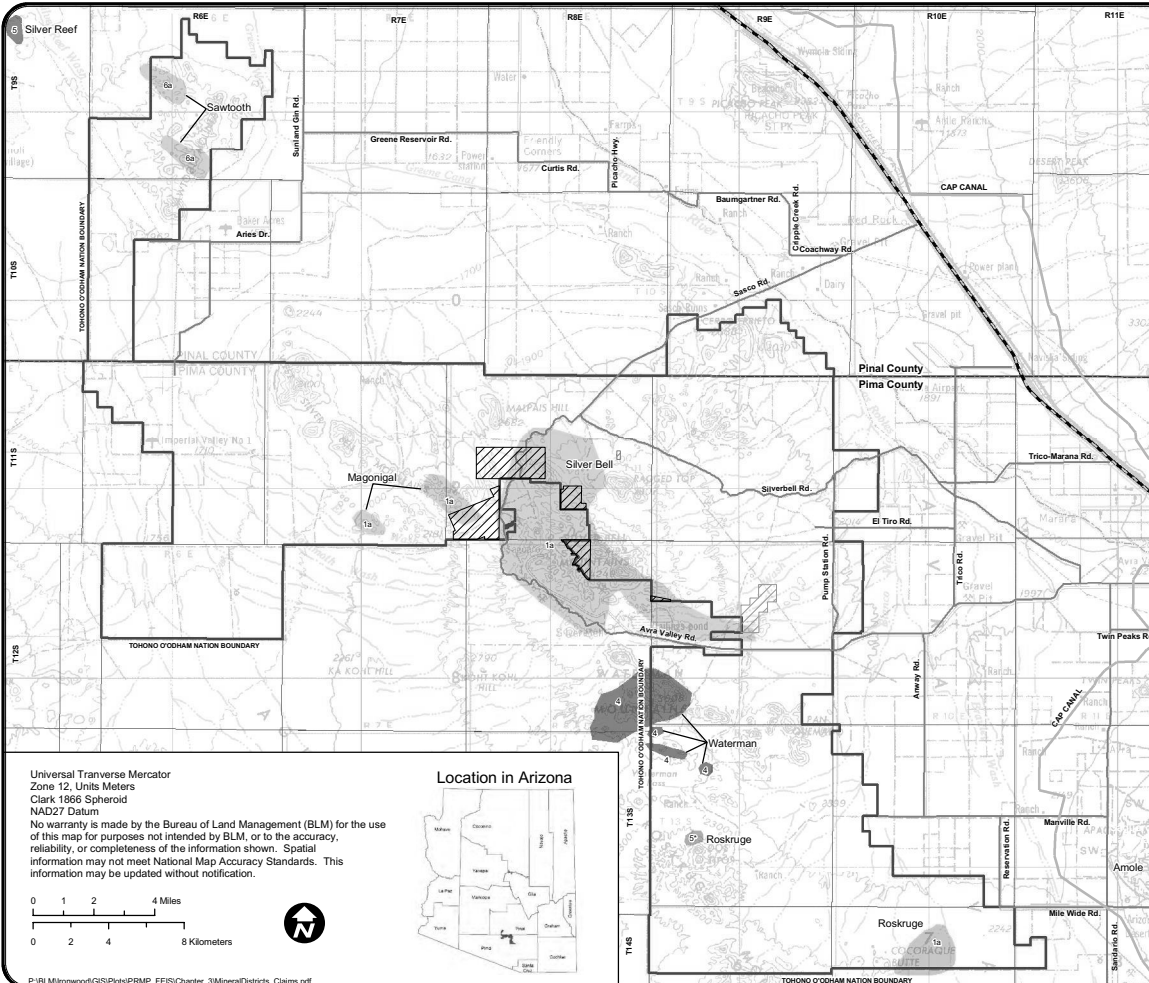
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Mineral Claims: BLM 2006
Base Information: BLM 2003
Quadrangle Image: US Geological Survey 1977 Tucson

General Reference

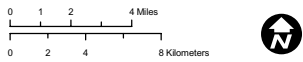
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



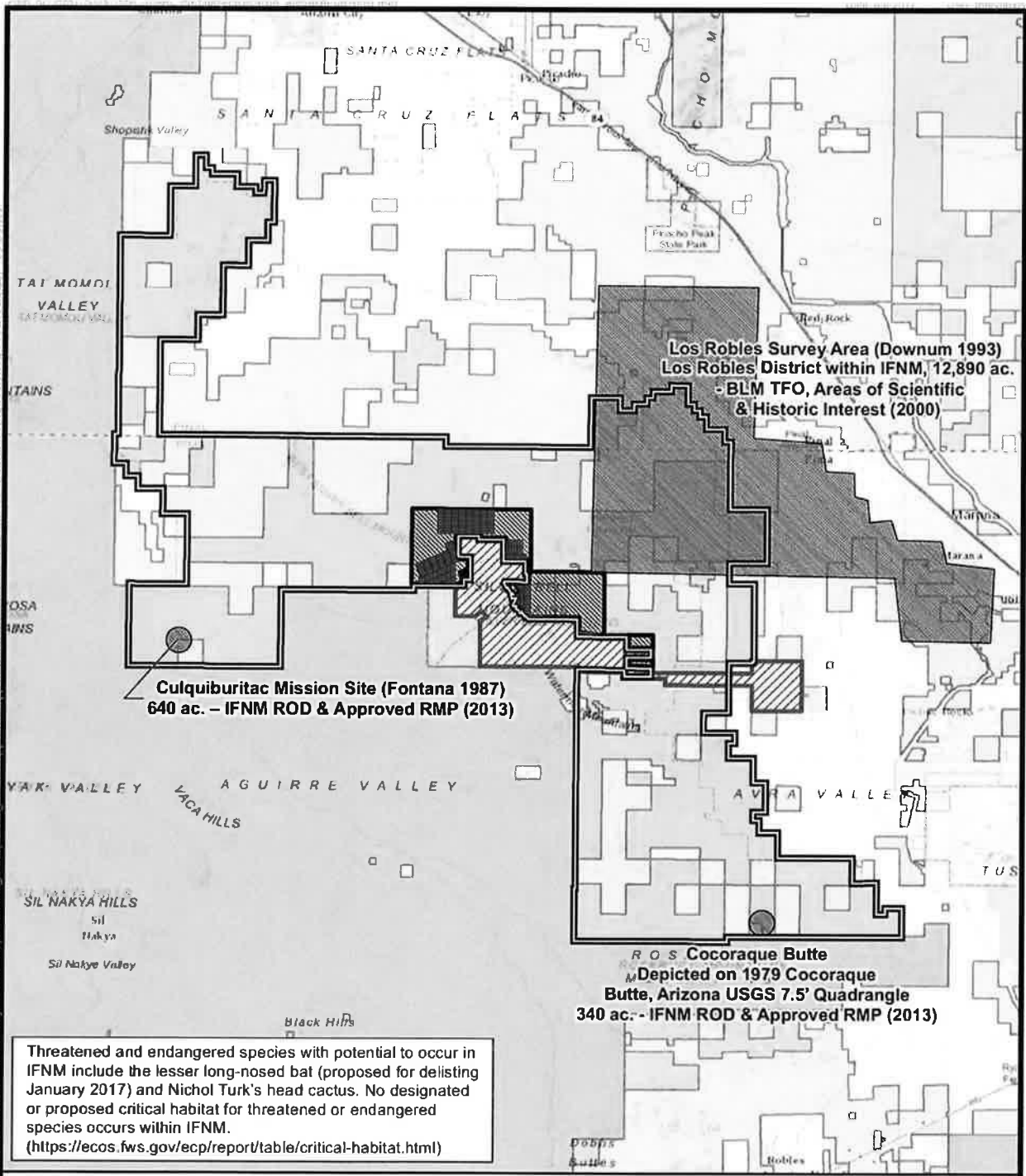
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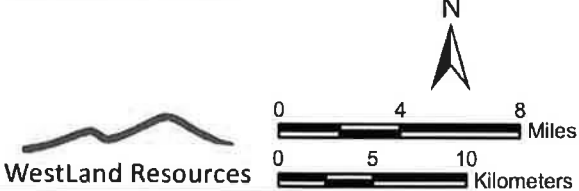
Location in Arizona



Tab 2



Southern Pinal and Northern Pima Counties, Arizona
 Projection: UTM NAD83, Zone 12
 Data Sources: BLM Surface Management (2014),
 Pima County GIS, AZSITE



Legend

- ASARCO Silver Bell Property
- Silver Bell Unpatented Claim
- Area Proposed for Exclusion (11,056 ac.)
- Ironwood Forest NM
- Cultural Resource
- Surface Management**
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Indian Lands
- State Trust Land

Tab 3

PIMA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2000- 63

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA
TO PURSUE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RAGGED TOP AND SILVERBELL MOUNTAINS
IRONWOOD PRESERVE CONSISTENT WITH THE SONORAN DESERT CONSERVATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, on March 2, 1999, the Board adopted the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan in concept; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan is the largest and most comprehensive regional multi-species conservation plan in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 1998 the Board entered into Resolution 1998-250 with the Secretary of the Interior to:

(1) support the underlying purpose of the Endangered Species Act which is to provide a means whereby the ecosystems upon which endangered species and threatened species depend may be conserved, and

(2) work with the Department of the Interior to develop the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in addition to addressing species conservation and federal compliance issues through protection of Critical Habitat along with other Sensitive Habitat and Corridors, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan encompasses six planning elements, including Riparian Restoration, Mountain Park expansion, Ranch Conservation, and Cultural and Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 108 vulnerable species are being considered for protection, including 24 federally listed, proposed and candidate species, and including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 12 habitat types and 20 plant communities are being considered for protection, including riparian habitat which has been substantially degraded; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific findings published in the *Desert Ironwood Primer* establish the importance of ironwood as a habitat modifying keystone species and nurse plant that has a role in supporting the biodiversity of over 500 Sonoran Desert species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, the ironwood-bursage habitat in the Silverbell Mountains of Pima County is associated with 674 species, including 64 mammals and 57 bird species; and

WHEREAS, *Desert Ironwood Primer* establishes that within the Sonoran Desert the Ragged Top site ... contributed the highest levels of species richness of the study; and

WHEREAS, additional findings that emphasize the importance of Ironwood to the Sonoran Desert ecosystem include that:

- ▶ “Ironwood generates a chain of influences on associated understory plants, affecting their dispersal, germination, establishment, and rates of growth. ... Ironwood is the dominant nurse plant in some subregions of the Sonoran Desert;” and
- ▶ “The mere presence of ironwood and other legume trees can increase the number of bird species in desertscrub habitat by 63%;” and
- ▶ “Recent studies show that without the protective cover of the desert legumes, the distributional ranges of saguaro, organ pipe, and senita cactus would retreat many miles, to more southern, frost-free areas;” and
- ▶ “Protecting ironwood habitat in Pima County, Arizona, will benefit a different mix of native species than would be conserved in ironwood habitats currently being protected on the islands or coasts of the Gulf of California;” and
- ▶ “North of the U.S. - Mexico border, the highest ironwood densities we recorded per hectare came from Arizona Uplands sites in Pima County (Ragged Top, 35 trees/ha; Cocoraque and Saguaro National Park West 22 trees/ha);” and

WHEREAS, the United States offers limited protection for ironwood, compared to Mexico, despite the importance of the ironwood stands to the species itself, and to the larger Sonoran Desert system; and

WHEREAS, the Ragged Top and Cocoraque Rock areas are identified by the science community as priorities for new protection and for strengthened conservation management; and

WHEREAS, the importance of cultural resources within the area has been established and includes a wide variation of petroglyph sites in the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its valuable rock art sites, the Cocoraque Butte, listed in the National Register, is considered to be a traditional cultural place by the Tohono O’odham and Hopi Nations; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management administers a large quantity of land in the Silverbell Mountains region of Pima County northwest of the Tucson Basin; and

WHEREAS, in addition to actions at the local level, Pima County proposes that federal protections could be achieved through the establishment of a Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the Ironwood forest has served as a quiet but enormously important protector of species diversity within the Sonoran Desert; and

WHEREAS, preserve status, up to and including a National Monument designation would serve to honor this species for its role in upholding the ecosystem and the Preserve would achieve practical conservation goals that are necessary to promote the recovery of the endangered pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, Pima County has a longstanding demonstrated interest in open space protection and conservation objectives that reflect quality of life values important to the Southwestern United States and Arizona; and

WHEREAS, federal support for the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve confirms the importance to communities of balancing natural and economic resources;

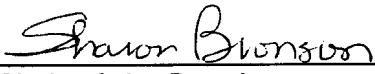
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, as follows:

Requests that the United States of America through the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, consistent with the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, work cooperatively with Pima County to establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Ironwood Preserve in the Silverbell Mountains.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st day of March, 2000.

PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WITNESSED BY:



Chair of the Board



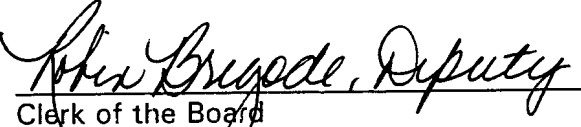
Secretary of the Department of Interior

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:



Deputy County Attorney



Clark of the Board

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Arizona Daily Star	03/24/00	Editorial - Protect the ironwoods
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Television Coverage

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KOLD (CBS)	Noon
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KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
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KGUN (ABC)	10:00 PM

March 24, 2000

KUAT (PBS)	6:30 PM
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March 27, 2000

KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
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Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokam village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

County seeks U.S. ironwood preserve

By **BLAKE MORLOCK**
Citizen Staff Writer

U.S. Interior Secretary and former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt was to meet today with county officials seeking creation of a national monument on the Northwest Side.

Pima County officials want to protect more than 71,000 acres of ironwood forest from development. They planned to ask Babbitt for help in persuading President Clinton to create a 96,000-acre public preserve. The preserve would encompass parts of the Waterman-Roskrige and Silverbell mountain ranges that are made up entirely of state and federal land, County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The president could unilaterally establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood National Monument

acres, to present to Babbitt.

Neither BLM nor state land manages land to be preserved. Both are available for commercial interests such as grazing and, in some instances, development.

Babbitt is in town to hear an update on the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, a broader effort to protect the lush desert from growth.

Huckelberry said the preserve would be a "significant step" in the conservation plan.

The ironwood forest is high on a list of priorities for protection because the trees make soil richer and provide cover for wildlife. In the Ragged Top-Silverbell area, there are 14 ironwoods per acre.

The ironwoods are also prime habitat for the endangered pygmy owl.

The preserve is in the district of Sharon Bronson, chairwoman of the county Board of

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Tucson Citizen From

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

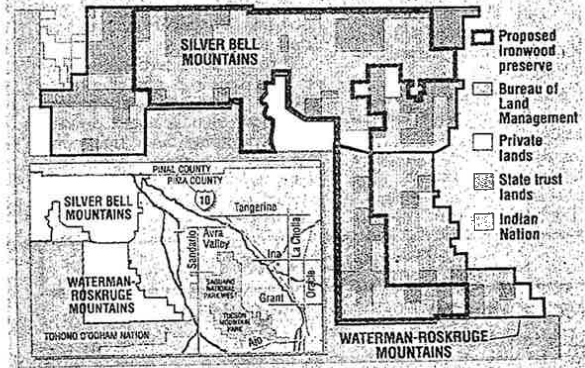
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

■ But he won't go out on a limb by vowing to back monument status.

By BLAKE MORLOCK
Citizen Staff Writer

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday vowed to work to preserve Pima County's thickest ironwood forest. But he stopped short of promising a national monument.

With Ragged Top Mountain's two jagged peaks on both sides of him, Babbitt took in a panorama of the ironwood-studded Sonoran Desert.

Back down at the foot of the steep, rocky slopes on the far Northwest Side, he vowed to help preserve the county's thickest ironwood forest from development.

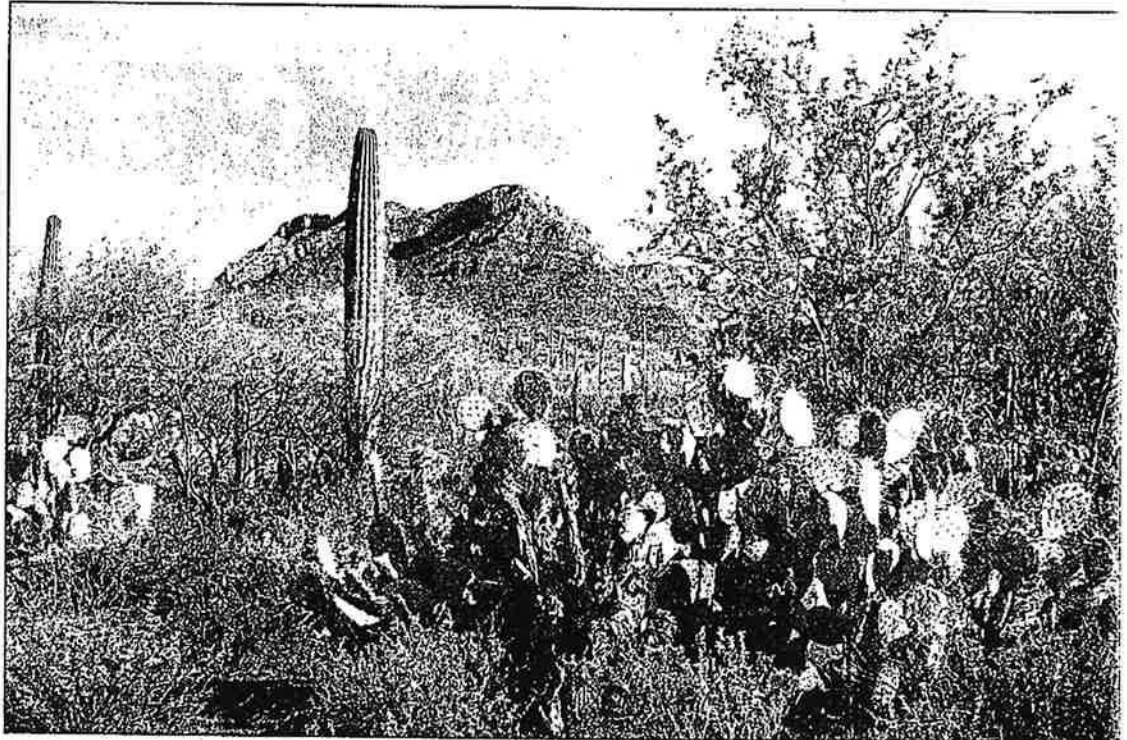
"I didn't realize there was anything this special out here," Babbitt said. "This is as fine a piece of Sonoran Desert as I've seen. It needs our attention."

Yet Babbitt, who served as Arizona's governor from 1980-88, said he's not convinced the county's proposal to turn 71,680 acres of U.S. Bureau of Land Management property into a national monument is the best option.

"I'm not in the business of surprises," Babbitt said. "There will be no strokes of lightning creating monuments here today. These things need to be worked out."

Babbitt said he first wants to talk with the people with an interest in this expanse of desert before recommending President Clinton convert it into the Silverbell and Ragged Top Ironwood National Monument.

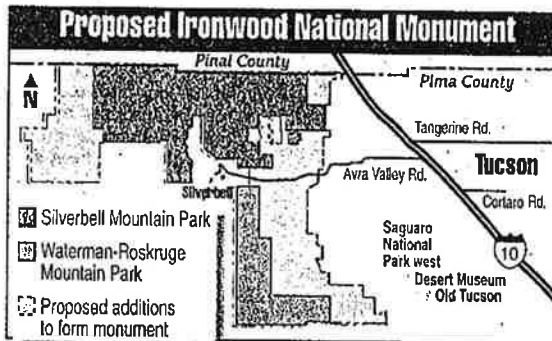
Babbitt made the trek into the mountains with media, his staff, and County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry to see what he couldn't see on maps—at an earlier Pima County super-



Photos by NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen

This desert vista would be protected from development under a proposal to set aside 90,000 acres northwest of Tucson as

Ironwood National Monument. The area is home to thousands of ironwoods, including the one in the background at right.



Source: Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan Tucson Citizen

visors' meeting.

During the meeting, he lavished praise on Pima County for its ambition and speed in creating the framework for the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan.

The plan would protect endangered species, cultural resources and vast portions of desert from development.

Babbitt also pledged to help by crafting federal land policy to match Pima County's public will.

"My desire on my watch is to make certain your public lands are aligned to give maximum boost to get your (Sonoran Desert



U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt discusses national monument plans with Myra Smith, who lives near its proposed boundaries.

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Ironwood

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erally owned, the proposed monument encompasses some 24,000 acres of state trust land that might someday be developed, Huckelberry said.

That threat would be removed, though, if those acres were ceded to the federal government in a swap for other federal land.

Babbitt said land swaps would likely be part of any plan to protect the region. His options include asking President Clinton to declare the land a national monument, petitioning Congress to do the same thing or asking Congress to create a National Conservation Area.

The protections offered by those designations are subject to negotiation, Babbitt said. He also said he might consider less dramatic designations that would simply restrict mining operations to certain areas.

"We haven't done enough talking yet with people around this area to see what they want to do," he said.

Babbitt was dressed in a suit and tie for yesterday's meeting but changed into casual clothes for a visit to the proposed monument.

"It's amazing out here," he said, looking up from the desert floor toward Ragged Top. "It's like the Saguaro National Monument with this dramatic backdrop."

After reaching the base of Ragged Top, Babbitt declared that he wanted to climb the mountain to get a better look at the land. Seeing no obvious trail to the top, he started off anyway, climbing under a barbed wire fence with help from a few aides.

He led a group of reporters and government aides through the rugged desert terrain, keeping a



James S. Wood, The Arizona Daily Star

John Wiens, horticulturist, left, Babbitt, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry and Babbitt assistant Gail Kobetich discuss the proposed Ironwood National Monument.

merciless pace that his companions — dressed in smooth shoes and business attire — had difficulty matching.

Upon reaching the top, he marveled at the view for a moment before quizzing a winded Huckelberry and anyone else within earshot about the land now spread before him. He investigated a topographical map and sounded anxious to get his hands on geological data for the proposed monu-

ment.

"This land richly deserves permanent protection as part of the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan," he pronounced. Existing mineral mines west of the Silver Bell Mountains might have to be exempted from any preservation plan, he said.

"But that shouldn't affect the rest of this," he said, looking out over the distant valley floor. "This is pristine land."

Babbitt's aid sought in protecting forest

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By Arthur H. Rotstein
Associated Press

TUCSON — Campaigning for a new national monument that would protect an ironwood forest near Tucson, Pima County supervisors this week lobbied for creation of a nearly 100,000-acre preserve as a first step.

They did so with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt — hoping to persuade him to lobby President Clinton on their behalf.

Babbitt on Tuesday hiked through a portion of the Ragged Top Mountains, part of a rugged 96,000-acre expanse in northwestern Pima County that encompasses the Silverbell Mountains. The area includes more than 71,000 acres owned by the Bureau of Land Management, one of the agencies Babbitt oversees.

The proposed preserve also would encompass about 24,000 acres of state land and would provide a buffer along the Tohono O'odham Indian Nation.

Under the Antiquities Act of 1906, Clinton can create a national monument by executive order without congressional action, but Babbitt did not commit himself to urging Clinton to do so.

"What I see once again really interests me," Babbitt said. "And I am eager to hear suggestions for how it is we can make certain that that land ultimately becomes a part of the Sonoran Desert (Conservation) Plan."

Babbitt called that conservation plan "the best in the West, pure and simple."

Land use studies and conservation efforts are under way in communities across the country, "but in terms of the progress and enthusiastic vision, I've got to tell you, none of them match the effort that is going on here," the former Arizona governor said.

Babbitt said that the ironwood forest proposal deserves study but that mineral mining operations west of the Silver Bell

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Meanwhile, Babbitt criticized the state of Arizona's approach to the sale of state land within the proposed Las Cienegas National Conservation Area southeast of Tucson.

He proposed a state-federal land exchange in which the state's school trust would yield the lands within the Las Cienegas site and would select other lands of equal value appropriate for development outside such rural communities as Kingman, Safford, Yuma, Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City.

A hearing last week on legislation sponsored by Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., to create the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area was moderately contentious, he said.

Babbitt said he refrained from discussing alternatives then, "but they're out there, and it remains my hope that we can get a legislated national conservation area."

"There is no question that that would be best," he said.

The Las Cienegas National Conservation Area is almost all BLM or state public land. The problem, Babbitt said, is that the state insists that its land should yield the maximum dollar return to the state trust — its interpretation of a legal requirement.

Unless something is done, "maximum dollar" could mean subdividing and developing the state lands — about 100,000 of the 210,000 acres in the proposed national conservation area, Babbitt added.

Of the state holdings, the Land Department would bar development on only 4,219 acres within Las Cienegas, less than 4 percent, Babbitt said: "The state response so far really isn't what it ought to be."

Several people, including the executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum and



Associated Press

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt hikes the Ragged Top Mountains, part of the proposed preserve.

area residents, urged Babbitt to act on the ironwood preserve. Residents said some ironwood trees several hundred years old already have been lost because of a sand-and-gravel operation at Ragged Top.

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Ragged Top is the densest area of ironwood forest in Pima County, providing habitat protection for about 500 plant and animal species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy owl.

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Protect the ironwoods

We hope Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt adds Ironwood National Monument to his already impressive record of preserving Western lands.

Babbitt listened to the Pima County Board of Supervisors' proposal to preserve 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell and Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitats for more than 500 species of plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. Daley told Babbitt: "Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance. In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

Andrew A. Lipsky, a biologist for Arizona Fish and Game points out that 160 species of plants and 80 bird species use ironwood trees. The trees do not provide nesting places for birds.

However, cacti that grow beneath them fulfill that function. The trees attract insects. Birds and reptiles are attracted to insects.

Lipsky says Ironwoods reach 45 feet and live as long as 1,500 years. As the tree grows, it provides shelter for fauna and flora. It matures into a micro habitat. The temperature beneath the tree can be 15 degrees cooler than desert five feet away. It acts as a nursery for starting saguaros and other plants.

County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry said the greatest threat to the area is from mining. Most of the land is federally owned. But 24,000 acres is state trust land, which means it could be developed. The state land could be traded for other federal land.

Babbitt climbed to the crest of one the mountains. "It's a spectacular corner of the county," he said.

That it is.

It should be protected.

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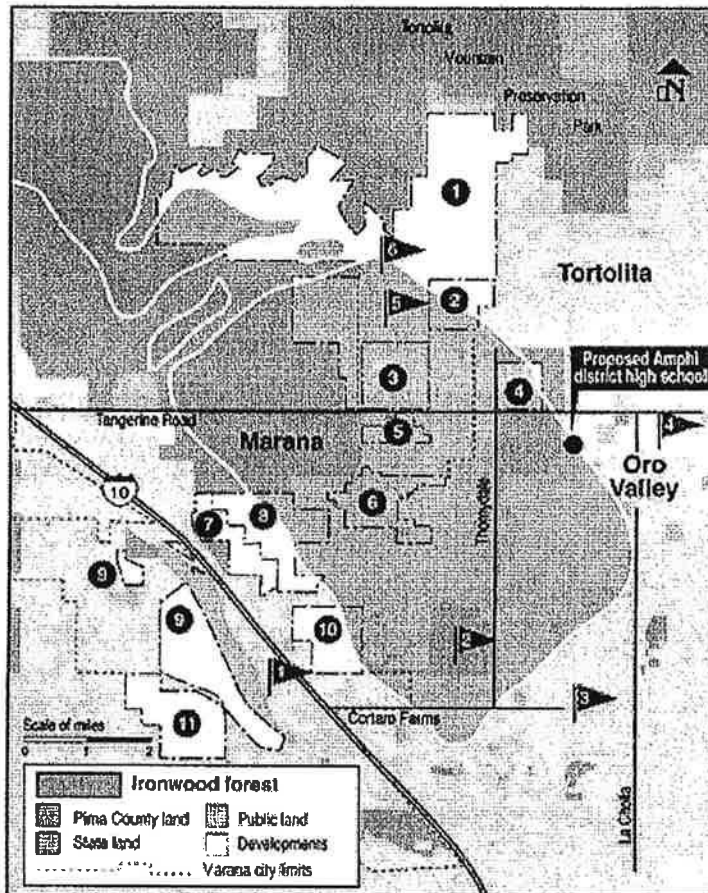
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Development encroaches on ironwood forest



Nearly a dozen developments are zoned for a combined 34,000-plus homes in and around 30 square miles of ancient ironwood forest in northwest Tucson.

Developments		
Development	Acres	Homes
1 Dove Mountain	5,600	9,000
2 Foothills	414	1,471
3 For sale	640	-
4 Forest City	309	1,189
5 Tangerine Hills	196	784
6 Hartman Hills	500	4,376
7 Northgate	487	1,401
8 Acacia Hills	500	3,827
9 Continental Ranch	2,310	9,434
10 Hartman Vista	500	-
11 Pima Farms	738	2,770

Numbers of acres are estimated; numbers of homes are targets.

Golf courses	
1	The Links at Continental Ranch
2	Arthur Pack Desert Golf Course
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Pima County proposes site for preserve

By Judd Slivka
The Arizona Republic

Pima County wants the federal government to set aside nearly 100,000 acres of desert, some of the last undeveloped open space along Interstate 10 between Phoenix and Tucson, to protect a rare tree and other wildlife.

The proposed Ironwood Preserve plan, which some environmentalists want declared a national monument, was given to Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt during a recent visit to Tucson.

The proposed area would stretch from west of Marana to the eastern edge of the Tohono O'odham Reservation, and from the Silver Bell Mountains north toward Casa Grande.

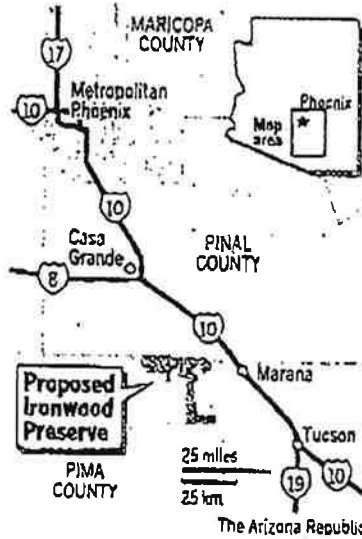
If the Ironwood plan, named for one of the largest ironwood tree stands in the Southwest, is approved, it will allow for a federally protected wilderness area along the sprawling Phoenix-Tucson axis.

The area is home to the endangered pygmy owl and the desert tortoise, as well as a migratory pathway for bighorn sheep. It also has extensive Hohokam ruins and petroglyphs.

"The area has one of the highest levels of species richness anywhere," said Craig Miller of Tucson, a spokesman for the national environmental group Defenders of Wildlife.

"Ironwoods, what the plan is named for, are an umbrella species. They host many organisms," Miller said.

There are two proposals before the Interior Department. The larger proposal would incorporate the Ragged Top and Cocoraque areas and include buffer land around the Tohono O'odham Reservation. It would incorporate more than 71,000 acres of U.S.



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Bureau of Land Management land and about 24,000 acres of state land.

The smaller proposal would protect the Ragged Top area and would bring about 57,000 acres of federal land and more than 16,600 acres of state land under protection.

In either plan, provisions would have to be made for companies or individuals that have prior land-use rights, typically for mining or grazing.

The area around Tucson has been under consideration for

some kind of preservation, be it as a series of parks or as preserves, under Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation plan.

But the Ironwoods plan is a marked departure from established protocol. The Pima County Board of Supervisors approved it and presented it to Babbitt, requesting national monument status, rather than the federal government deciding on its own what to protect.

Miller, the wildlife advocate, would like to see the proposal expanded to allow a corridor east to the Tortolita fan, the better to connect the pygmy owls in one

area to pygmy owls in the other.

The Interior Department, meanwhile, has several of these projects to decide on, including Las Cienegas wilderness reserve south of Tucson. The department has taken no position on the Ironwoods plan, except to say it is studying it.

A spokesman for the federal agency also would not say whether the area was being considered for a wilderness, which would add more protection, a preserve or a national monument.

"Our folks are going to look at it," Babbitt spokesman Tim Ahern said. "We need to gather a lot more facts on it. But we can move pretty fast on these if we have to."

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Letters to the editor

Can we trust county leaders?

The March 25 article, "Part of ironwood preserve is ASARCO's," quoted County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry as saying, "If we included (ASARCO land), it was a mistake and we'll fix it." Again, later in the article, he was quoted, "You ask for what you want and then you lose some around the edges. . . . If you don't ask for it, though, you don't get it."

The last quote makes the first one suspect. He is saying that he included ASARCO land (asked for it) knowing he might not get it. Otherwise, if it truly was a mistake, it still makes us unsure of being able to trust him. That is too big of a "mistake." Either way it is a sad commentary on what taxpayers are receiving for the high salary that is paid to him.

The reporting did not seem to be as accurate as it should be, either. I do not know much about mining claims, but if anyone, either a company or an individual, has a properly recorded and properly maintained deed to a mining claim, there is no need to "grandfather" those claims. The legal deed supersedes any new procedure that any level of government might institute.

County Supervisor Raul Grijalva is quoted as saying, "It would be an uphill fight" to "get around those basic rights." For a governmental representative - elected or hired - to even suggest the possibility of taking away such rights is unethical. Government at any level should be protecting "basic rights," not be looking for a way to "get around" them.

Again, sadly, I ask, can we trust our county leadership? Can we trust them to set a good example by doing what is legally and ethically proper? The article made it sound like we cannot trust them.

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By Jeff Barker
Republic Washington Bureau
April 30, 2000

WASHINGTON - Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, weary of Washington's "witch-hunting mentality" and homesick for Arizona, says he'll return to the state when his service in the Clinton Cabinet ends, but he won't run for governor in 2002.



AP Photo/Heesoon Yim

"You'll be seeing a lot more of me in Arizona now," the former Arizona governor said in an exclusive interview.

"People have asked me, 'Why is it that you are involved so deeply in these growth and open-space issues in Arizona? And you know, do you have some kind of agenda? Are you coming home to run for governor again?'"

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt at his office in Washington.

"My answer is, 'I'm out of politics, but I am back to Arizona,' " Babbitt said. "I've been away from Arizona for a long time. I'm a little bit homesick. I want to re-engage in Arizona as a citizen."

Babbitt said a painful, 19-month independent counsel investigation that ended last year actually had a positive impact of sorts: "It caused me to focus on what I really wanted to do. I guess I can console myself by saying well, maybe I was the poster child for the repeal of the independent counsel statute."

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First Edition

Residents split on national monument plan

By MITCH TOBIN
Citizen Staff Writer

You might think never having to worry about developers spoiling your view of a choice swath of Sonoran Desert because your back yard is a national monument would have lots of appeal to homeowners. But folks who live and work near the proposed Ironwood

National Monument northwest of Tucson have mixed opinions on the county's efforts to persuade U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt to recommend the monument be created.

Some say it would put the brakes on an unwanted housing boom endangering the solitude of the area, which teems with wildlife.

Others described it as an

MONUMENT PLANS: U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says he likes the idea of preserving ironwood forests northwest of Tucson. But he's not promising a national monument. Page 1C

unnecessary land grab that could imperil livelihoods and limit access to the cactus- and ironwood-studded desert about 35 miles from downtown.

"We've already got enough monuments around here," said

Brian Kuykendall, who works at the Silverbell copper mine, which would be nearly surrounded by the proposed monument.

"It could make it harder to do business," said Kuykendall,

who also worried he would no longer be able to hunt birds and javelina in the national monument.

But Sandee Moring, a court reporter who lives near the monument's proposed boundaries, called the plan to set aside up to 90,000 acres of state and federal land for the monument

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Cindy Coping and her husband, Bob, live within the proposed boundaries of Ironwood National Monument. The Copings say they fear grazing would be prohibited if the government makes their land a national monument.
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Summer soak may follow dry spring

By DAVID J. CIESLAK
Citizen Staff Writer

While forecasters are expecting a warm, dry spring in Tucson, the approaching monsoon season could produce heavy rainfall and cool temperatures, meteorologists said.

"The chances are that it's favorable for an active monsoon," said Richard Okulski, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

As monsoon season approaches, lower temperatures will prevail, thanks to a weather system known as La Niña, he said.

"There's some correlation between La Niña and a



Turbulent skies

America West struggles with reputation for poor service

Stories by Lorrie Cohen

Tucsonans have a love-hate relationship with America West. It's the airline they seem to love to hate.

"They have a 'We-don't-care' attitude, and I don't think they do care about Tucson passengers or the market here."

Common complaints from Tucsonans include:
- Little non-stop service.
- Nearly all flights from

Sales tax boost for education proposed

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - Gov. Jane Hull and schools superintendent Lisa Graham Keegan are proposing a sales tax increase to pay for education improvements such as fixing substan-

"I'm not interested in being a part of that," said Sen. Ken Bennett, a Prescott Republican and a former president of the state Board of Education. "People are very interested in putting money in education as long as we get

Residents split on county proposal to create Ironwood National Monument

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"a wonderful idea . . . there's so much wildlife back there, it's phenomenal." Moring fears the state land in the area would eventually be sold to developers.

A ranching couple who live on 37 acres in the proposed monument's boundaries hadn't heard about the proposal, which county officials pitched to Babbitt here yesterday. But they were suspicious of it.

"No one that's come up with the plan has stopped out here to talk to us about it," said Bob Coping, whose property is 13 miles off Avra Valley Road, down a serpentine dirt road.

The Copings' nearest neighbor lives eight miles away. This is a place where cattle and desert bighorn sheep outnumber humans

and where coyotes and mountain lions take down calves in the middle of the night.

"The people who are the most affected have the least amount of say because there aren't many of us," added Cindy Coping.

The Copings said they feared grazing would be prohibited if the federal government made their land into a national monument. "It sounds anti-cattle to me," Cindy Coping said, noting that other ranchers have been hurt in "land grabs" by the federal government.

"I just don't trust the Clinton administration," she said.

But turning the land into a national monument might increase the number of law officers in a remote area that has its share of serious crimes, she said.

On Monday, the bodies of two men were found in a burned-out car

a few miles from the Coping ranch. Sheriff's detectives believe the men, who were burned beyond recognition, were killed in a drug transaction.

"This is a pretty convenient place to stick a body," Cindy Coping said.

Creating a new monument might help business for Gary Perry, who runs the restaurant at the Valley Mart convenience store, at Avra Valley and Anway roads. Perry said he already gets some business from tourists who have lost their way heading to Saguaro National Park.

"I'm all for it because I think they've already ruined enough desert," Perry said. "I moved out here three years ago to get away from that."

Perry said 200 homes are being built down the road from the Valley Mart and the county can't keep up

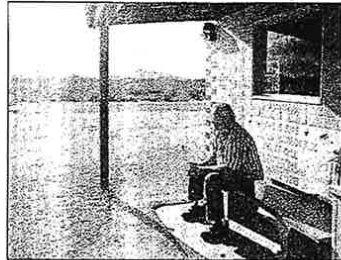
with road maintenance in the area.

But David Huntley offered a different view. The retired ironworker, who has lived in the area since 1972, said the government should privatize its property and allow people to develop it.

"Too many people want to do nothing with it," he said while leaving Valley Mart. "They take your taxes to pay for state land and then tell you what you can do on it. That's wrong."

By the gas pump, Joseph Catalan gave the plan a thumbs up.

"I don't like this encroachment. There's too many houses and buildings going up," said the 24-year area resident. "I don't know where all these people are coming from. But they're coming."



Avra Valley resident Gary Perry said he favors the proposed Ironwood National Monument, to protect the land from big developers. **NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen**

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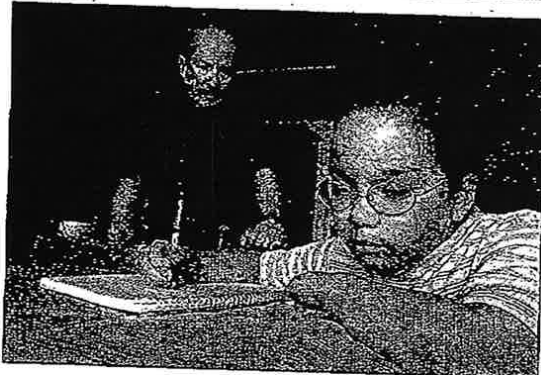
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Fifth-grader Cassandra Flores, above, is hard at work on a practice AIMS test at Ford Elementary School. At left, Rosie Delgado studies a preparatory booklet while her father, Charles Delgado, watches.

Benjie Sanders,
The Arizona Daily Star

third-grader at Holaway Elementary School, 3500 N. Cherry Ave.

"All these kids were screaming and some were falling off," he said last night. "My horse started running really fast, and started sliding off on the right side. I was trying to hold on

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Walking Winds Stables owner Lloyd Armour, amid the horses that spooked, injuring 12 children.

Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokan village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

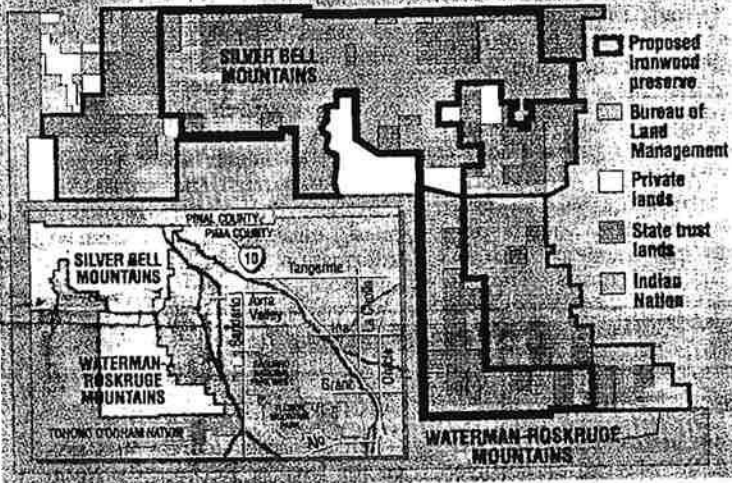
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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of the Tohono O'odham Nation. "It's wiping us out," he said, noting that medical complications following a diagnosis of diabetes hastened the deaths of his grandmother, two aunts, an uncle and — month — a niece.

In severe cases, diabetics suffer kidney failure and need dialysis to cleanse their blood of toxic wastes. These cases can lead to heart problems and early death, or even amputation of their limbs.

There are an estimated 250,000 American Indian and Mexican Indian dia-



Christine Johnson, a Tohono O'odham, makes good, loud use of her gourd rattle as hikers and their friends dance to native music at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. The walkers finished their 12-day, 230-mile trek there yesterday.

Joshua Trujillo.

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3.1.6.3 Migratory Birds

Various species of migratory birds summer, winter, and/or migrate through the IFNM. The habitat diversity provided by the broad expanses of Sonoran Desertscrub vegetation zones (including paloverde-cacti-mixed scrub, jojoba chaparral, creosote-white bursage, and xeroriparian communities) support numerous species of migratory birds. The most characteristic species include turkey vulture (*Cathartes aura*), northern harrier (*Circus cyaneus*), Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), white-winged dove (*Zenaida asiatica*), elf owl (*Micrathene whitneyi*), lesser nighthawk (*Chordeiles acutipennis*), black-chinned hummingbird (*Archilochus alexandri*), ash-throated flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*), purple martin (*Progne subis*), Bell's vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*), Lucy's warbler (*Vermivora luciae*), and sage sparrow (*Amphispiza belli*). Species such as killdeer (*Charadrius vociferous*), great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*), mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), and black-necked stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus*) may be found where suitable habitat exists.

3.1.7 Fire Ecology and Management

The BLM categorizes historic/natural fire regimes current for fire conditions in Arizona based on the results of a nationwide coarse-scale assessment and mapping effort (Schmidt et al. 2002; USGS 1999). In Arizona, BLM lands fall into four of the five identified historic/natural fire regimes, ranging from Category I (0 to 35 year frequency and low severity) to Category IV (35 to 100+ year frequency, stand replacement severity). The IFNM is characterized as a Category III historic/natural fire regime (i.e., having a 35- to 100-year frequency with a mixed severity of fires).

The current condition classes include Class 1 (i.e., lands where vegetation species, composition, and structure are intact and functioning within historic range), Class 2 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been moderately modified), and Class 3 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been significantly altered from historical range). All of the lands within the IFNM Decision and planning areas are designated as current condition Class 1. The BLM's Arizona Statewide Land Use Plan Amendment for Fire, Fuels and Air Quality Management provides general direction for fire management to meet statewide goals (USDI, BLM 2003a). Fuels treatments would occur on a case-by-case basis, generally in areas where treatments would be necessary for removal of invasive or exotic species.

3.1.8 Cultural Resources

Research in the Tucson vicinity and southern Arizona has outlined the cultural history of the region (Reid and Whittlesey 1997). Human occupation of the area can be separated into six periods that represent changing adaptations and lifeways. These include the Paleoindian (circa 12,000–8000 B.C.), Archaic (circa 8000–1500 B.C.), Late Archaic/Early Agricultural (circa 1500 B.C.–A.D. 650), Formative (circa A.D. 650–1400), Ethnohistoric (aboriginal protohistoric and historic, circa A.D. 1400–1950), and Euro-American historic (circa A.D. 1500–1950) eras.

Paleoindian occupation began at least as early as 12,000 B.C. during the late Pleistocene era when expansive ice sheets were retreating from the North American continent. Paleoindians hunted species that became extinct at the end of the Ice Age, such as mammoths. Although significant Paleoindian hunting sites have been found in southeastern Arizona, evidence of the Paleoindian era in the vicinity of the IFNM is limited to isolated spear points (Agenbroad 1967; Ayres 1970; Doelle 1985; Huckell 1984).

The subsequent Archaic era, beginning at approximately 8000 B.C., represents an adaptation based on hunting wild game and gathering indigenous plant foods within a climatic regime similar to modern conditions (Sayles 1983; Sayles and Antevs 1941).

Several Late Archaic/Early Agricultural era sites have been discovered along the course of the Santa Cruz River southeast of the IFNM (Gregory and Mabry 1998; Mabry et al. 1997). Late Archaic/Early Agricultural sites on the Santa Cruz River include some of the oldest canal systems and oldest pottery vessels found in southern Arizona (Gregory 1999; Heidke 1997; Heidke and Ferg 1998; Mabry 1999).

Sites of the Formative era dominate the regional archaeological record. These sites reflect an adaptation focused on farming villages, although wild game and indigenous plant foods continued to be exploited. Around A.D. 500, a culture known as the Hohokam began to flourish and occupied much of what is today southern and central Arizona for approximately a millennium. Marine shell jewelry, obsidian flaked stone artifacts, turquoise, copper bells, and macaws indicate the Hohokam traveled well beyond their core area of settlement or traded with groups in surrounding areas.

The current condition of cultural resources is characterized by discussing three indicators: (1) inventory and evaluation, (2) threats to the historical integrity of resources and responses to those threats, and (3) public and professional interpretation of cultural resources.

3.1.8.1 Extent of Inventory and Evaluation

Cultural resource survey is labor intensive and costly, and simple inventory and evaluation is a major challenge for managing cultural resources. Archaeological sites reflecting both prehistoric and historic-era occupation of the region are abundant, and the sites that have been recorded represent only a small percentage of the cultural resources within the IFNM. Twenty-one documented surveys have, in the aggregate, inventoried approximately 21,194 acres (33.1 square miles) for cultural resources within the IFNM (Table 3-7). (Approximately 30 additional cultural investigations have been conducted in the IFNM, but are not well documented.) The surveys encompass about 12 percent of the public land and about 9 percent of the nonpublic lands within the IFNM.

Table 3-7: Summary of Cultural Resource Inventory Data

	State and Private Lands	Federal Public Lands (Surface Estate)	Planning Area (Entire IFNM)
Size (acres)	60,221	128,398	188,619
Size (square miles)	94	201	295
Surveyed for cultural resources (acres)	5,622	15,572	21,194
Surveyed for cultural resources (square miles)	8.8	24.3	33.1
Percentage surveyed	9.3%	12.1%	11.2%
Recorded cultural resources	64	279	343
Density (sites/square mile)	7	11	10
Projected number of resources	700	2,300	3,000

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: Numerous errors regarding site jurisdiction were noted in the AZSITE database. Jurisdiction was determined by overlaying a current geographic information system jurisdictional map onto the site locations. If any part of a site was on public land, it was treated as being within the decision area. BLM has no authority or responsibility to manage cultural resources on State Trust and private lands within IFNM.

The various surveys within the IFNM have recorded a total of 343 archaeological and historical sites. More than 80 percent of the recorded sites (279) are on BLM surface estate, and the other are on State Trust land (61) and private lands. The average density is about 11 sites per square mile on public land and about 7 sites per square mile on State and private land. The survey data suggest there could be approximately 3,000 sites within the IFNM (with about 2,300 on the BLM surface estate. The University of Arizona recently completed a more statistically rigorous sample survey that indicates that there could be about twice that many sites within the IFNM (Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey also recorded almost

3,400 isolated finds indicating that there could be on the order of 125,000 isolated artifacts and features within the IFNM.

About 89 percent of the 343 sites recorded within the IFNM reflect the aboriginal occupation of the region, and about 7 percent reflect historical Euro-American occupation. About 3 percent of the sites have both aboriginal and Euro-American components, and the cultural and temporal affiliations of the remaining sites are unknown.

The only possible evidence of Paleoindian occupation identified in the IFNM is a broken spear point found on sites with Archaic and Hohokam components. Five recorded sites have been identified as dating to the Archaic era and 19 other Archaic components have been recognized on other multicomponent sites.

Evidence of the Hohokam occupation of the region dominates the archaeological record of the IFNM; 201 of the recorded sites have been classified as Hohokam or probably Hohokam sites, and 34 other Hohokam components have been recorded at multicomponent sites. The cultural affiliations of 63 other recorded sites and 2 components at sites with historical Euro-American components have been classified as reflecting unidentified prehistoric occupation. Nine sites have been classified as reflecting protohistoric or historic period O'odham use of the IFNM, and 13 other O'odham components have been identified at multicomponent sites. Two components at sites with O'odham components have been tentatively identified as possibly reflecting affiliations with the Patayan culture, which was centered along the lower Colorado River west of the Hohokam territory, and a possible Apache component has been recorded on a Hohokam site.

About 25 to 30 of the sites recorded in the IFNM appear to represent Hohokam habitation sites, ranging from small farmsteads to large villages. Features noted at these sites include trash mounds, roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, and petroglyphs (rock art), along with numerous artifacts. A focus of Hohokam habitation that overlaps the northeastern corner of the IFNM has been designated as the Los Robles Archaeological District. About 130 archaeological sites have been recorded within the 20.7-square-mile district. Many of the sites within the district are on State Trust land, including the large villages known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. The Los Robles platform mound site at the core of the district also is on State Trust land north of the IFNM. Twenty-one of the significant sites within the Los Robles Archaeological District are located on BLM surface estate.

Another Hohokam habitation focus has been designated as the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. There are at least two Hohokam habitation sites and many petroglyphs in the district, which encompasses two large buttes, three smaller hills, and the surrounding flats on public and private land in the southeastern part of the IFNM.

Most of the other aboriginal sites appear to reflect seasonal habitation or camps, or temporary work locations where activities such as collection and processing of indigenous resources (such as cactus fruits) were pursued. These sites consist of scatters of artifacts such as broken pottery and pieces of flaked and ground stone. About one-third of the artifact scatters have archaeological features of various types, such as roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, clearings, check dams, petroglyphs, stone tool quarries, and bedrock grinding stones. About 45 of the recorded sites have petroglyphs.

A unique historic-period site is the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission, which was the location of a *visita* (chapel served by a visiting priest) built in 1810-1811. The building is no longer extant, but artifacts and features are scattered across the site, which also has an O'odham component.

Twenty-four historic-period sites have been classified as having or probably having Euro-American affiliations. These sites include the Silver Bell Cemetery and the alignment of an abandoned railroad that

served the mining town of Silver Bell, located in the Silver Bell Mountains just outside the IFNM. Other Euro-American sites include a gravesite, a camp, three mining prospects, a road segment, and trash scatters. Two minimally recorded sites have yielded no clues about their cultural affiliations.

There is limited information pertaining to specific places within the IFNM identified as having traditional cultural significance, but an inventory study has not been conducted. Tribes with traditional cultural affiliations with the region are known to have concerns about treatment of human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony that are sometimes present within archaeological sites. Members of the Tohono O’odham Nation, which borders the IFNM, also might consider some places within the IFNM that were used traditionally, such as stands of saguaro where fruit was collected, as having cultural significance (Nabhan 1987, 1982). The Cocoraque Butte area is also known to have some significance as a traditional cultural place. BLM plans to work closely with the Tohono O’odham Nation and other concerned tribes to implement cultural resource management that accounts for the extensive historic use of the area by local tribes, and that acknowledges tribal knowledge of and concern for the cultural resources of the IFNM. Additional discussion of tribal interests is provided in Section 3.4.

Prior to the designation of the IFNM, which provides recognition and a measure of protection for all of the cultural resources within the IFNM, three historic properties had been recognized as having special significance by being listed in the National Register of Historic Places (Table 3-8). These include the Los Robles Archaeological District, Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District, and the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site. The transfer of cultural resources eligible for the National Register is, by regulatory definition, an “adverse effect.” BLM approval of the land exchange implies that overall it resulted in public benefits. In 1986, the Arizona State Legislature authorized development of a state park to preserve and publicly interpret the Los Robles Archaeological District, but development of the park was not pursued and it was declassified as a state park in 1988.

Table 3-8: National Register Status of Cultural Resources Recorded within the IFNM

National Register Status	Total Sites	%	Owner			
			BLM	%	Private/ State	%
<i>Properties listed</i>						
Los Robles Archaeological District						
Sites within IFNM identified as contributing properties	53	15%	21	40%	32	60%
Sites within IFNM identified as noncontributing properties	4	1%		0%	4	100%
Sites within IFNM not identified in nomination	1	<1%		0%	1	100%
Subtotal of sites within Los Robles Archaeological District in IFNM ¹	59	17%	21	36%	38	64%
Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
<i>Recommended eligible</i>	175	51%	175	100%		0%
<i>Recommended ineligible</i>	22	6%	22	100%		0%
Unknown or unevaluated	86	25%	59	69%	27	31%
Totals	343	100%	279	81%	64	19%

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: ¹ The Los Robles Survey assigned a total of 158 sites numbers. Some of these were combined when site numbers were assigned in the Arizona State Museum survey system. A total of 119 sites with Arizona State Museum numbers are classified as contributing sites in the Los Robles District, and 10 as noncontributing sites. Approximately 45 percent of the sites within the listed district are within IFNM.

The recorders of 175 other sites have recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register, and 22 sites have been evaluated as ineligible. The eligibility of the remaining sites within the IFNM has not been evaluated.

Subsequent to the issuance of the draft EIS, two surveys inventoried cultural resources along 126.25 miles of selected roads within and adjacent to the IFNM (Fischler and French 2007; Whitney and others 2008). The surveys covered 30-foot-wide corridors along approximately 111.5 miles of roadways on Federal public land managed by BLM within the IFNM, 7 miles of roadways on State Trust land within the IFNM, and 7.75 miles on Arizona State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM. With the completion of those surveys, all but about 15 miles that the proposed Alternative C designates as remaining open for motorized use have been inventoried for cultural resources.

The surveys found 10 previously recorded sites and discovered 80 other archaeological and historical sites (Table 3-9). (Thirty-five of the other previously recorded archaeological and historical sites are located along 21.4 miles of roads covered by prior surveys on public land within the IFNM.) Fifty-seven of the discovered sites were along roads on public land managed by BLM within the IFNM. Nine of the sites are on State Trust land within the IFNM, and the other 14 sites are on State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM.

Table 3-9: Summary of Supplemental Cultural Resource Road Surveys

	Federal Public Land	State Land within IFNM	State Land adjacent to IFNM	Totals
<i>Extent of Supplemental Survey</i>				
Miles surveyed within IFNM	111.5	7.0	7.75	126.25
<i>Sites Discovered</i>				
Archaic	2	0	0	2
Hohokam artifact scatter	19	5	6	30
Hohokam habitation	3	0	3	6
Prehistoric (unidentified period)	9	0	3	12
Historical O’odham	11	1	0	12
Historical Euro-American	10	2	0	12
Prehistoric/Historic	3	1	2	6
Total Sites Discovered	57	9	14	80
<i>National Register of Historic Places Evaluations</i>				
Recommended eligible	50	9	14	73
Recommended potentially eligible	5	0	0	5
Recommended not eligible	2	0	0	2

The discovered sites were similar to those previously recorded on the IFNM. Fifty of the sites reflect prehistoric occupation of the area. Twelve of those could not be more precisely dated, but 2 were identified as dating to the Archaic period and 36 to the Hohokam period. Twelve sites were identified as historical Tohono O’odham sites, and 12 were identified as historical Euro-American sites. Six sites had both prehistoric and historical components.

Most of the prehistoric sites seem to reflect seasonal camps or temporary use locations, but six sites appear to be remnants of permanently occupied Hohokam habitations. The historical sites include trash dumps, camps, windmills, cairns, mine shafts and prospects, and other features associated with mining and ranching activities.

The BLM has not formally evaluated the National Register eligibility of the 80 discovered sites, but the recorders evaluated 73 of them as having potential to yield important information and recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register under Criterion D. The recorders recommended that five of the historical Euro-American sites be considered potentially eligible pending the results of further

archival research, and they also concluded that two historical trash dumps had no values that warrant preservation, and recommended that they be considered ineligible for the National Register.

3.1.8.2 Extent of and Responses to Threats

Three factors threaten the integrity of cultural resources, including (1) disturbance or destruction by various types of development projects or land uses (including travel by undocumented immigrants and smugglers), (2) natural erosion, and (3) unauthorized excavating and artifact collecting by vandals or uninformed recreational users.

Review of potential impacts on cultural resources due to authorized uses of public land within what is now the IFNM began in the 1970s in response to the passage of the National Historic Preservation Act. Prior to that time, the most substantial use of the area was related to livestock grazing and prospecting and the most substantial impacts on cultural resources probably were due to development of roads. Projects or land uses reviewed since the 1970s have included electrical transmission lines, microwave communication sites, roads, mineral exploration, range improvements (such as fences, cattle guards, waterlines, and reseeding projects), and an ultralight airfield. The only approved project that has resulted in an adverse effect on cultural resources in the vicinity of IFNM was a land exchange with ASARCO for expansion of the Silver Bell Mine. Three prehistoric and eight historical sites immediately adjacent to IFNM were studied before they were transferred from Federal ownership (Slawson and Ayres 1994, 1992). Two sites on the National Register have sustained notable damage over the last few years. Petroglyphs within the Los Robles Archeological District on BLM land have been vandalized and defaced by imposter (new) petroglyphs. Other sites on State Trust land within the District have also been extensively damaged. BLM regularly monitors this site. The Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission site was damaged by the creation of an unauthorized immigration route through the foundation of the chapel. In collaboration with the Tohono O'odham Nation, BLM has placed a barrier of approximately 35 boulders around the chapel foundation to prevent vehicular travel across the site. This barrier has proven to be an effective protection measure. Both the BLM and Tohono O'odham Nation currently monitor the site. Additionally, BLM and the Tohono O'odham Nation intensively mapped the site and surface features as part of the stabilization process.

There are only meager data regarding the extent to which erosion is threatening the historic integrity of cultural resources within the IFNM. Responses to the threats of erosion include stabilization and restoration.

Unauthorized collection of cultural materials by persons uninformed of cultural resource protection laws and intentional vandalism, such as target shooting and graffiti, are the most serious threats to cultural resources on public land within the IFNM. However, there is little quantitative data about the extent of the problem. Current responses to the threat of vandalism include site monitoring, reconnaissance, and law enforcement. BLM cooperates with the State Historic Preservation Office in supporting a statewide site-steward program. Volunteers regularly monitor selected sites and report vandalism or other damage to appropriate land managing agencies. This has been one of the most successful strategies for protecting cultural resources on public land. The Tucson Field Office currently is working with approximately six volunteer site stewards and a local landowner who monitor archaeological sites within the IFNM. Sites are monitored throughout the IFNM with a special focus on the Los Robles and Cocoraque Butte Archeological Districts and Silver Bell Cemetery. When vandal excavations and damaged or stolen cultural materials are noted, they are reported to BLM rangers for follow-up investigations.

Other protection measures include placing signs at sites to inform visitors of laws protecting cultural resources and penalties for unauthorized collection and excavation. The only signs, fences, and gates installed to protect cultural resources within the IFNM are in the vicinity of the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District; but installation of signs to protect other sites is planned. Administrative measures

such as road closures or special management designations also can be used to protect cultural resources. Roads have been closed at Cocoraque Butte, but these closures have been difficult to enforce.

3.1.8.3 Interpretation of Cultural Resources

The primary motivation for protecting and preserving cultural resources is to enhance public and professional interpretation and appreciation of our cultural heritage. Public interpretation within the IFNM has been limited primarily to occasional guided tours of Hohokam petroglyph sites. Future opportunities for public interpretation include heritage publications, other media products, interpretive signs and kiosks, and visitor centers.

Professional interpretation of cultural resources within the IFNM has been more intensive. The IFNM has been used as an “outdoor laboratory” for training student and avocational archaeologists. University of Arizona faculty and students have conducted two major research investigations of archaeological resources within IFNM. One of these studies involved an extensive survey that documented the Hohokam Los Robles platform mound community and the Cerro Prieto trincheras site, and resulted in the listing of the Los Robles Archaeological District in the National Register (Downum 1993). The second study was a University of Arizona research project that surveyed 5,186 acres in sample parcels distributed throughout the IFNM in order to better understand the distribution of archaeological resources within the IFNM (Heilen 2005; Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey doubled the number of recorded sites within the IFNM. The third study involved an evaluation of the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac visita site (Reid and Heilen 2005).

3.1.9 Paleontological Resources

Paleontological resources constitute a fragile and nonrenewable scientific record of the history of life on earth. Once damaged, destroyed, or improperly collected, the scientific and educational values of these resources are reduced greatly or lost forever. In addition to their scientific, educational, and recreational values, paleontological resources can be used to understand interrelationships between the biological and geological components of ecosystems over long periods of time.

The fossils found on public lands are considered part of our national heritage and are therefore afforded protection. Vertebrate fossils or other noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate and plant fossils are considered significant by the BLM. Invertebrate and plant fossils are typically more abundant, and therefore, the BLM does not ordinarily consider them to be of significance.

Areas containing vertebrate fossils or noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate or plant fossils are managed under one of four management classes:

Class 1 (low sensitivity): Igneous and metamorphic geologic units and sedimentary geologic units where vertebrate fossils or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils are unlikely to occur

Class 2 (moderate sensitivity): Sedimentary geologic units that are known to contain or have unknown potential to contain fossils that vary in significance, abundance, and predictable occurrence

Class 3 (moderate sensitivity): Areas where geologic units are known to contain fossils but have little or no risk of human-caused adverse impacts and/or low risk of natural degradation

Class 4 (high sensitivity): Areas where geologic units regularly and predictably contain vertebrate fossils and/or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils, and are at risk of natural degradation and/or human-caused adverse impacts

The IFNM is mainly Class 1 and Class 2, though there are a few Class 3 areas. Acres within each management class are summarized in Table 3-10.

Table 3-10: Classification of Lands within the IFNM for Fossil Sensitivity

Management Class	Approximate acres within the Planning Area	Approximate acres administered by BLM
Class 1	62,610	43,800
Class 2	107,050	71,630
Class 3	20,040	12,970

SOURCE: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2005

Paleontological resources in southern Arizona are typically found in the Quaternary deposits. There are a few limited known occurrences of paleontological resources on the IFNM; however, no significant fossils are known to occur within the monument. Several neotoma (packrat) middens located in late Pleistocene and subrecent deposits have yielded various animal and plant species in the Wolcott Peak area of the IFNM (USDI, BLM 1980a). Vertebrate fossils in southern Arizona include remnants of early horses, elephants, dogs, gomphotheres, camels, mammoths, llamas, birds, fish, beavers, rats, foxes, weasels, squirrels, lizards, snakes, chipmunks, mice, gophers, tortoises, bats, marmots, wolves, bears, badgers, skunks, ground sloths, woodchucks, cats, donkeys, rhinoceros, peccaries, deer, elk, and bison. These are typically found in the unconsolidated silt, sand, and gravel deposits of the Quaternary (Holocene and Pleistocene), as well as the Tertiary sedimentary units. Some of these have been discovered during major earth-moving activities, such as during highway and building construction projects. Others have been discovered as ongoing erosional processes expose fossil remnants (Ratkevich 1993; Scarborough 2003; USDI, BLM 1980a). Some of the Jurassic-aged sedimentary units in southern Arizona have yielded fragments of dinosaur (believed to be tritylodontid) and crocodile (McCord and Tegowski 1996). Some Cretaceous-aged dinosaurs (stegosaurian or archosaurian) have been found in the Comobabi Mountains to the west of Tucson (McCord and Tegowski 1996). These older fossils are not abundant, but they may occur in some geologic units in the planning area. Mammal tracks have been reported in Tertiary volcanic sedimentary rocks in the Sawtooth Mountains (Scarborough 2002).

Various invertebrate fossils have been noted in southern Arizona and include corals, brachiopods, gastropods, foraminifera, holothurians, ostracods, bryozoans, crinoids, trilobites, cephalopods, pelecypods, echinoids, blastoids, and others.

The BLM has developed objectives for paleontological resources (BLM Manual H-8270-1, General Procedural Guidance for Paleontological Resource Management) to provide protection of the resources. It is the policy of BLM to manage paleontological resources for these values and to mitigate adverse impacts on them.

3.1.10 Visual Resources

The IFNM is a landscape of contrasts. Its broad, flat valleys are interrupted by rugged, steep-sloped mountains, and punctuated by isolated hills. The gently sloping bajadas that soften the transitions between jagged mountain and valley floor are dissected by dry, desert washes that nevertheless support a variety of colors. A variation of green-hued vegetation is found in abundance, and the reds and yellows of native flowers appear in their seasons. The richness of the ecosystem is manifest in the sometimes dramatic, sometimes subtle variations in colors and textures that cover, yet fail to obscure, the striking landforms that hint at the geological processes that formed this southwestern region of the United States. The sculptural forms of Sonoran Desert cacti add an almost museum quality to some of the landscapes within the IFNM.

Tab 6

Silverbell

Areas of Scientific & Historic Interests

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SETTING

The Silverbell Resource Conservation Area is a unique, scenic area of rolling desert and Ironwood woodlands around the Silverbell, Waterman and Roskrige mountains. Located along the Tohono Reservation boundary, within an hour of the rapidly growing Tucson metropolitan area, the Resource Conservation Area offers outstanding dispersed recreation opportunities but is also highly vulnerable to the impacts of growth. In addition to Tucson, the area is readily accessible from the Phoenix Metropolitan area. Access into the area is provided by dirt roads connecting with Interstate Highway 10.

Much of the vegetation in this area is classic Sonoran desert upland habitat dominated by cactus; saguaro, Bigelow's cholla, and staghorn cholla. Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-bush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. The upper slopes of the Silver bell Mountains possess a chaparral community dominated by jojoba. The lower bajadas contain inter-braided stream beds which carry water after heavy rains. These desert wash habitats are characterized by large ironwood, blue paloverde, and saguaro.

The resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest.. In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species, a site on the National Register of Historic Places, an archaeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.

The resource conservation area encompasses 150,114 acres in southeast Arizona roughly bounded by the Santa Cruz river valley on the north and east, Tohono Reservation on the west and on the south.

AREAS OF PREHISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Areas Of Prehistoric Interest**

Description: Although only a portion the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. Stone tools found along ancient gravel shoals, which seem to be situated over intermittent, subterranean streams, indicate that Archaic hunter/gatherers roamed the area at least 4,000 years ago. Later prehistoric cultures, including the Hohokam, Trincheras, and Tohono O'odham, are represented at several hundred recorded sites in the area. Valuable scientific information could be learned about the use of water by these ancient cultures, and about their relationship with the desert environment. Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area. These historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. All the information associated with both the prehistoric and historic cultural properties in the proposed preserve area is important in terms of its humanistic and scientific value to the people of the United States.

Location: Silverbell RCA

Significance: National

Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District**

Description: The Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 10, 1975. This district is composed of 480 acres of public land administered by the BLM, which are located in the proposed preserve area. Widely known and studied for the numerous petroglyphs (rock art) located on the granite boulders composing the butte formation, this archaeological district includes an adjacent, moderately extensive Hohokam village site.

The rock art at this site is of special merit because of its wide variety of prehistoric, decorative motifs and the evidently long time period during which it was created. Increased destruction of southern Arizona rock art sites through land modification projects, vandalism and theft enhances the value of sites like Cocoraque Butte. The village at this site contains archaeological materials which could provide important information about how the Hohokam adapted their technology and social structure to the desert foothill regions of southeast Arizona. Valuable information about the environment, climate and weather that existed during the time that the Hohokam occupied this site could, at sometime in the future, be recovered through systematic, scientific investigation. Some of the rock art at this site may date back to the Archaic Period, from roughly 6000 B.C. to around A.D. 250. Most of the designs and motifs are characteristic of the

Hohokam culture and date to between A.D. 500 to A.D. 1450.

Also, a significant quantity of rock art is located on a 160 acre parcel of privately owned land adjacent to the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. This land is part of an historic ranch owned for several generations by the same family. The owner has been very protective of the rock art there. Consequently, it has been protected against vandalism and theft and most of it is in a state of excellent preservation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Los Robles Archaeological District**

Description: The Los Robles Archaeological District was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 11, 1989. It encompasses 12,89 acres of land, most of which are located in Pinal County, Arizona, north of the proposed preserve area boundary. Approximately 1,920 acres of public land administered by the BLM are included in this archaeological district. Approximately 6,500 acres are owned by the state of Arizona and the remainder is privately owned. The district is named for Los Robles Wash, which runs along its eastern edge. It encompasses the northern prominences of the Samaniego Hills, including two volcanic formations known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. Highly significant prehistoric archaeological sites are located at each formation, primarily on State Trust and privately owned land.

Cerro Prieto rises some 700 feet above the surrounding desert valley floor and is believed by archaeologists to have been an important focal location for prehistoric habitation and perhaps as a defensive refuge. The archaeological site here is a large, complex, hillside "Trincheras" village which includes more than 250 masonry rooms and numerous stone compounds, terraces, walls and other features. Archaeological materials and features at Cerro Prieto indicate that this hillside settlement was occupied sometime between A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1300, which is roughly synonymous with the Hohokam Classic Period, A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1450. Exactly how the Trincheras people might have related to the neighboring Hohokam in the near-by Los Robles community is the subject of current archaeological inquiry and debate. One of the central questions in this inquiry is whether the Trincheras people represented a separate and distinct culture from the Hohokam or were simply a variant of the Hohokam culture. Although a number of Trincheras sites have been documented in southeast Arizona, and the Tucson area, they are most abundant in northern Sonora along the Altar and Magdalena rivers. The question about how they relate to the Cerro Prieto has yet to be answered.

Pan Quemado, along with the bedrock outcrops and volcanic hills in the Ragged Top and Silver Bell Mountains, is unusual for the amount, variety and complexity of prehistoric rock that has found along its slopes. Some may date back to the Archaic Period, while most seems to be characteristic of the Hohokam and is most probably associated with the Los Robles Hohokam community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files

Name: **Robles Platform Mound Community**

Description: The Robles Platform Mound Community is located approximately one and one-half (1 ½) miles southeast of Pan Quemado. It is in Pima County, on Arizona State Trust Land adjacent to public land administered by the BLM, and is inside the proposed preserve area. This site includes an earthen platform mound, constructed during the Hohokam Classic period, which rises six to eight feet above the surrounding desert floor. It is surrounded by partly buried trash mounds. The probability is high that adobe walls and pit house remains are buried in the ground surrounding the mound. The possible relation between this mound and community with the Trincheras at Cerro Prieto and the local Hohokam is the subject of intense interest within the archaeological community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files,

AREAS OF HISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Silver Bell Mining District**

Description: Most of the historic cultural sites located within the proposed preserve area are associated with the Silver Bell Mining District. Exactly when the first mining operation opened in this district is not known. Unsubstantiated information holds that the first operation began in 1865 at the Old Boot Mine. The first, recorded claim at this location was made by E.O. Shaw and Edward N. Fish in 1879. Historic records show that the first mine was put into operation in 1873, by Charles O. Brown, representatives of Tully, Ochoa & Company, and E.M. Pearce, who formed a partnership and sank a shaft on the Mammoth lode at the Old Boot Mine and began to recover native copper with good silver values. By the end of 1874, the Young America Mine in the Silver Mountain Mining District, located six miles southeast of the Old Boot Mine, was sufficiently productive to justify the construction of a small smelter. Today, slag deposits and wall foundations that can be seen along the county road near ASARCO's Silver Bell Unit may be the remains of this smelter.

Fluctuations in the price of copper during the following decades determined the level of production and success of mining ventures in the Silver Bell Mining District. During the 1880's several new mines opened and numerous mining camps evolved into life.

Between 1988 and 1991, a Class III cultural resources inventory was conducted over 4,448 acres of public land administered by the BLM in the Silver Bell Mining District in preparation for a land exchange between ASARCO and the BLM. A total of twenty-three sites were recorded. Data recovery was carried out at historic and prehistoric sites determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic sites located outside the ASARCO exchange land, but inside the proposed preserve area include the Silver Bell Cemetery and several small, mining camps represented as tin can and glass scatters. Several isolated historic graves have also been reported.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Silver Bell Cemetery**

Description: The Silver Bell Cemetery is located on public land administered by the BLM within the proposed preserve area. About thirty graves, dating from around 1880 to 1930, are located in the cemetery. Several isolated historic graves have also been found in the area.

Location: Northwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Arizona Southern Railroad**

Description: The Arizona Southern Railroad began hauling copper and silver ore between the towns of Silver Bell and Red Rock in 1904. Initially the ore was hauled to a smelter in Douglas, Arizona. However, by 1907, enough ore was being produced in the Silver Bell Mining District to make it economically viable for the Southern Arizona Smelting Company (SASCO) to build a smelter, where the town of Sasco was located. The railroad tracks and the smelter were dismantled in 1933. Today, the railroad bed is used as a road and is maintained by Pima County.

Location: North end of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

AREAS OF GEOLOGIC INTEREST

Name: Silver Bell Mining District

Description: The Silver Bell Mining District contains porphyry copper mineral deposits. These deposits are typical in that they are associated with intrusions of quartz monzonite porphyry and they consist of disseminated chalcopyrite, an enriched zone of chalcocite, and an overlying zone of copper oxide.

Mining dates back to 1873. Open pit mining began in 1954 and was discontinued in 1984, after which leaching of dump material continued. Open pit mining from two deposits, El Tiro and Oxide, yielded 83.5 million metric tons of ore from 1954 to 1984 averaging 0.76% copper and 0.55 grams per metric ton silver. ASARCO began mining the Silver Bell North deposit in July, 1997. This deposit was reported in 1990 to have 185 million metric tons averaging 0.61% copper. ASARCO produces 16,000 metric tons of copper annually from oxide ore from the new pit as well as some leaching in the El Tiro and Oxide pits. Copper cathode is produced in a new solvent extraction - electro winning plant.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: Regional

Source: Arizona Department of Mines and Mineral Resources - Arizona's Mining Update - 1998 (<http://www.admmr.state.az.us/minupdat.htm>).

Name: Ragged Top Peak

Description: Ragged Top is the eroded remnant of a volcanic rhyolite dome of Oligocene age extruded along the Ragged Top fault. Erosion of this resistant rock has created spectacular spires, domes and pinnacles. Ragged Top is a familiar landmark in the Silver Bell Mountains.

Location: North side of Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: local

Source: Nowlan, G.A., Peterson, J.A., Pitkin, J.A., Hanna, W.F., Kreidler, T.J., 1989, Mineral resources of the Ragged Top wilderness area, U.S. Geological Survey Bulletin 1702-H, 22 pp.

AREAS OF BIOLOGICAL INTEREST

Name: Sensitive Wildlife Species

Description: The diversity of vegetative communities and topographical features provide habitat for a diversity of sensitive wildlife species including

Location: throughout entire RCA

Significance: Statewide

Source: BLM Files; Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Diversity of Avian Species

The Sonoran desert contains a diverse avian community. Gila wood pecker, common flickers, and ladder-backed woodpeckers create cavities in ironwood, palo verde, saguaro, and mesquite. Elf owl, screech owl, kestrel, ash-throated flycatcher, and pygmy owl (mentioned above) take advantage of these cavities once they are abandoned by their original occupant. Other desert species include roadrunner, cactus wren, curve-billed thrasher, verdin, Bullock's oriole, pyrrhuloxia, black-throated sparrow, Gambel's quail, white-winged dove, Harris hawk, red-tailed hawk, Cooper's hawk, and loggerhead shrike. As urban sprawl advances other species; house sparrow, common grackle, starling, and cowbird (which benefit from human modification of habitat); move into desert habitats and usurp niches occupied by native species.

Name: Cactus ferruginous pygmy owl:

Description: The cactus ferruginous pygmy owl feeds on small mammals, birds, lizards, and insects. Its preferred habitat is the Sonoran desert where shrub vegetation is dense and saguaro, ironwood and paloverde offer cavities for nesting. This small owl has recently been listed as endangered by US Fish and Wildlife Service. The area is not listed as critical habitat however suitable habitat is present in desert washes where large ironwoods and saguaros are present in abundance. This species is primarily endangered due to loss and degradation of habitat.:

Location: Saguaro/Ironwood/Palo Verde vegetation association

Significance: National

Source

Name: Peregrine falcon:

Description Recently removed from the endangered species list, this raptor has been observed during nesting season in the area, preying on swallows and swifts. Inaccessible cliffs are preferred as nesting habitat.

Location: Ragged Top

Significance: National

Source:

Name: Diversity of Mammals

Description: A number of mammal species occur in the area. The largest predator is the mountain lion. Bobcat, grey fox, and ring-tailed cat occur in the more rugged areas with dense vegetation. Kit fox occur on open deserts flats and bajadas. Coyote, the one predator which is well adapted to humans, is common throughout. Desert mule deer are relatively scarce but can be found. Collared peccary (or javelina) occur in family groups usually in association with prickly pear cactus, their favored forage plant. A myriad of small rodents and rabbits provide the forage base for hawks, owls, snakes, and other predators previously mentioned.

Location: US and Mexico.

Significance: National
Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Bat diversity:
.When in bloom, the dense saguaro forest surrounding the Ragged Top Mountain, provides a feeding ground for the nectar feeding, lesser long-nosed bat. This endangered species may roost in natural caves or mine shafts in the area. Other bat species which may occur include Mexican long-tongued bat (a nectar feeder) and the insectivorous Yuma myotis, Cave myotis, Townsend's big-eared bat, California leaf-nosed bat, and Mexican freetailed bat.

Name: Desert bighorn sheep:
Description: This area contains one of the last remaining native bighorn sheep populations in southeastern Arizona. This species inhabits the rugged slopes and steep hillsides, consuming a wide variety of shrubs, grasses and annual plants. Herd size of less than one hundred animal make this population vulnerable to decline due to disease outbreaks, predation, or natural variations in climate and forage quality. Whereas a large herd would be able to recover from such losses and maintain itself over the long run, this small herd may become extinct without intervention. Also important to the health of the herd are movement corridors between areas of rugged terrain with the Silver Bell Mountains as well as movement corridors to and from other mountain ranges. Road, fences, mining, and housing development is gradually blocking the opportunities for sheep to move within and between ranges. In order to improve the habitat for sheep the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and Bureau of Land Management have developed several water holes and closed critical lambing areas to motor vehicles.

Location: Silverbell Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area

Significance: National

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Mule Deer

Description: A medium-sized ungulate and premier game animal of the inter-mountain west. Brown in winter, reddish in summer. Males are characterized by broad branching antlers and dark facial patch. Feeds on a wide variety of shrubs and herbaceous plants, seldom on grasses. Usually found in open deserts and woodlands

Location: Arizona

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Collared peccary

Description: Collared peccary (also called javelina) is member of the "new world" pig family, usually 30 to 40 pounds. Dark gray in color, with a light colored "collar" over the shoulders. Travels in groups. Feeds, often by digging, on cactus, succulent plants, roots, and tubers. Found in almost all habitats in southern Arizona.

Location: Mostly southern Arizona north to the Mogollon Rim

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: **Mountain Lion**

Description: The largest felid of the region, rivaled only by the jaguar. More common than observation would support, but is very secretive and only rarely observed. Feeds on any animal it can catch and kill.

Location: Canyons, woodlands, and other similar areas.

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Reptile and Amphibian diversity:

Due to variety in elevation, geology, and vegetation, a wide variety of amphibians and reptiles inhabit the area. These include Couch's spadefoot toad, Woodhouse's toad, Colorado rover toad, banded gecko, desert iguana, lesser earless lizard, zebra tailed lizard, collared lizard, desert spiny lizard, regal horned lizard, western whiptail, Sonoran whipsnake, coachwhip snake, gopher snake, kingsnake, western ground snake, banded sand snake, night snake, coral snake, western diamondback, sidewinder, and Mojave diamondback..

Name: **Desert tortoise:**

Description: .The most sensitive reptile (that is most likely to be affected by modifications of the habitat) in the area is the desert tortoise. The desert tortoises found in the Silver Bell Mountains are part of the Sonoran population. This herbivorous species is found throughout the area but prefers hillsides and bajadas with boulders and desert washes with caliche banks for den sites. The Silver Bell Mountain area includes Category 1, 2 and 3 desert tortoise habitat. These classifications refer to the habitat quality as it relates to 4 criteria: stability, density, and viability of tortoise populations and manageability of the habitat. Tortoise densities in the area vary from low to high depending on the specific site. Tortoise feed on a wide variety of grasses, annual plants, flowers, and shrubs. Tortoise are negatively affected by mining, grazing, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles. Population declines have been linked to disease, such as upper respiratory tract disease. Habitat degradation may be a significant factor in these disease outbreaks.

Location: Throughout the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Gila monster**

Description: One of only two venomous lizards, Gila monster can be found in throughout the area. It feeds on a variety of prey including small mammals, birds, eggs, and small lizards. It seeks shelter in burrows, under rocks, in woodrat nests, or brush thickets when not actively hunting. Likely the tortoise it is affected by mining, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles.

Location: Throughout the RCA

Significance: Regional

Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Vegetation**

The planning area is located within the Southeastern Arizona Basin and Range. The area can be further subdivided into resource units and their corresponding ecological sites:

(12-16 inch PZ) Sonoran Semidesert Grassland

(7-12 inch PZ) Upper Sonoran Desert Shrub Mix

This area is one of the most diverse ecological areas in North America. Plant communities found on these ecological sites are strongly influenced by the soil's ability to capture the intense summer thunderstorms.

The current potential natural vegetation for most of the area is upper-sonoran desert shrub. Three-awn species dominate the grass understories. Ironwood, saguaro, cholla, prickly pear, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo and mesquite overstories occur throughout the area. Ironwood trees are predominant along the stream beds and sandy washes.

Location: Silverbell resource conservation area

Significance: International

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service. *Land Resource Regions and Major Land Resource Areas of the United States*. Agriculture Handbook 296. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office.

Special Status Plants

Name: **Nichols Turkshead Cactus**

Description: Although the planning area has a high diversity of plants, only three are considered of special concern for management. The Nichols Turks head cactus (*Echinocactus [= Neolloydia] horizontalonius* var *nicholii*) is a federally listed species found in

eastern Pima county. Typically the cactus is found on open sites dominated by desert grassland or mixed shrub vegetation.

Location: Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Pima Indian Mallow** (*Abutilon parishii*)

Description: The pima indian mallow is a former category 2 candidate species and BLM sensitive species that grows at 3,000 to 4,800 feet in elevation, almost exclusively in the canyons with south or west exposures. It has been found in 17 mountain ranges from central Arizona to Sonora, Mexico. In 1991, the Pima Indian Mallow was found on Ragged Top peak.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Tumamoc Globeberry** (*Tumamoca macdougalii*)

Description: The Tumamoc Globeberry was federally listed as endangered, but has since been delisted, and BLM sensitive species. It has been found in the Avra valley near gullies and sandy washes of hills and valleys. Potential habitat for the species is in all areas of the RCA below 3,000 feet elevation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; <http://ifw2es.fws.gov/EndangeredSpecies/lists/>

AREAS WITH SPECIAL MANAGEMENT

Name: **Silverbell Resource Conservation Area**

Description: The Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres was designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (SMA's) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment. The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. vegetation condition, improve

native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition to good.

Location: Surrounding proposed Ironwood preserve

Significance: National

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area**

Description: The Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment

Location: Southeast part of the RCA

Significance: Regional

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area**

Description: The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. Also to improve vegetation condition, improve native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition.

Location: Southwest part of the RCA

Significance: Regional

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern**

Description: ACEC established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead Cactus, containing 1,960 acres of Public land.

Location: Waterman Mountains.

Significance: National

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area**

Description: The 2,720 acre Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area contains 14

archaeological sites to be managed for for information potential and 1 for conservation values.

Location: Southwest side of the RCA

Significance: National

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area**

Description: The 56,800 acre Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area is to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep. Up to 17,630 acres of state and private land in the Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area were identified for acquisition in the Phoenix RMP.

Location: Silverbell and West Silverbell Mountains

Significance: Regional

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

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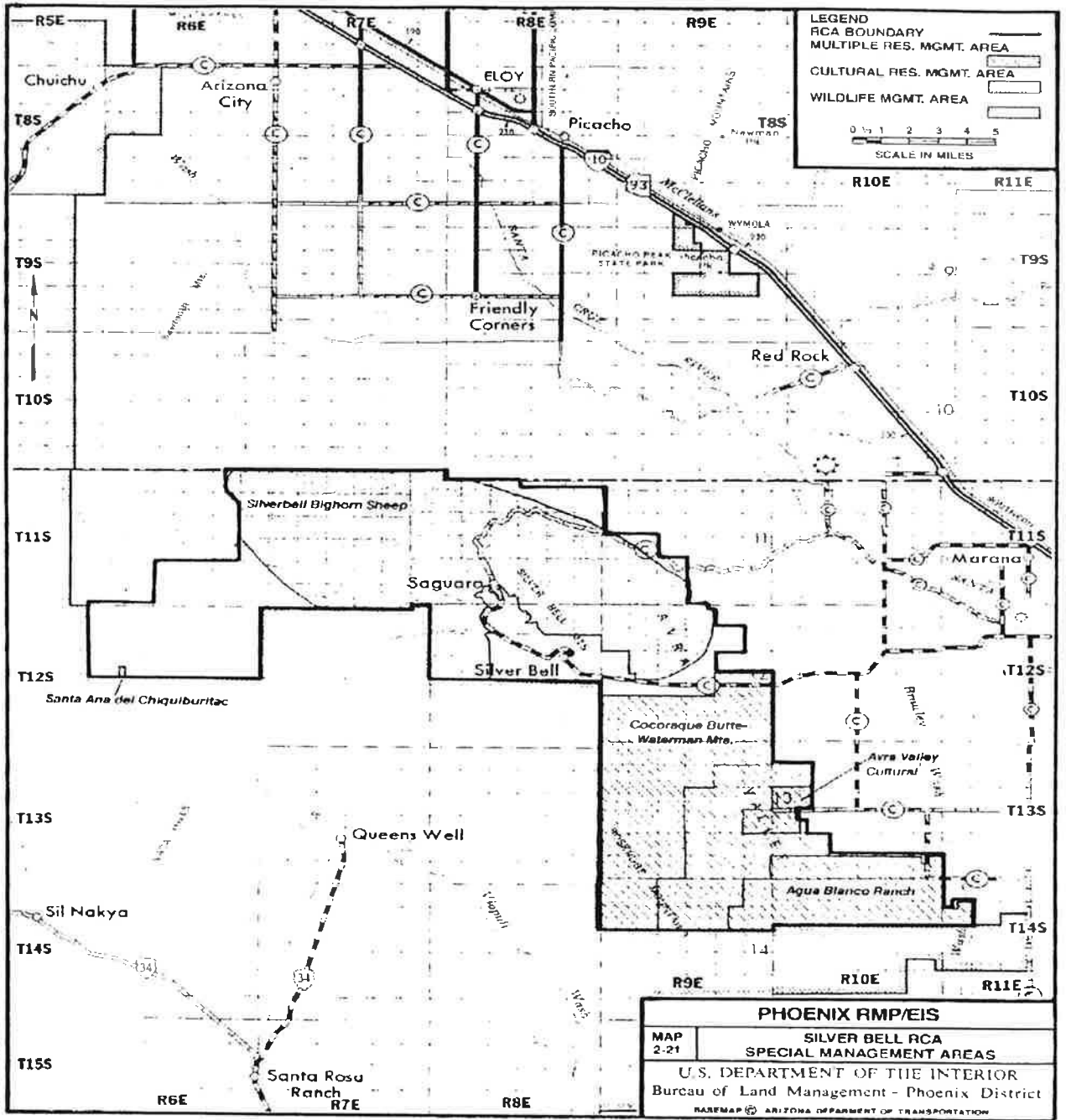
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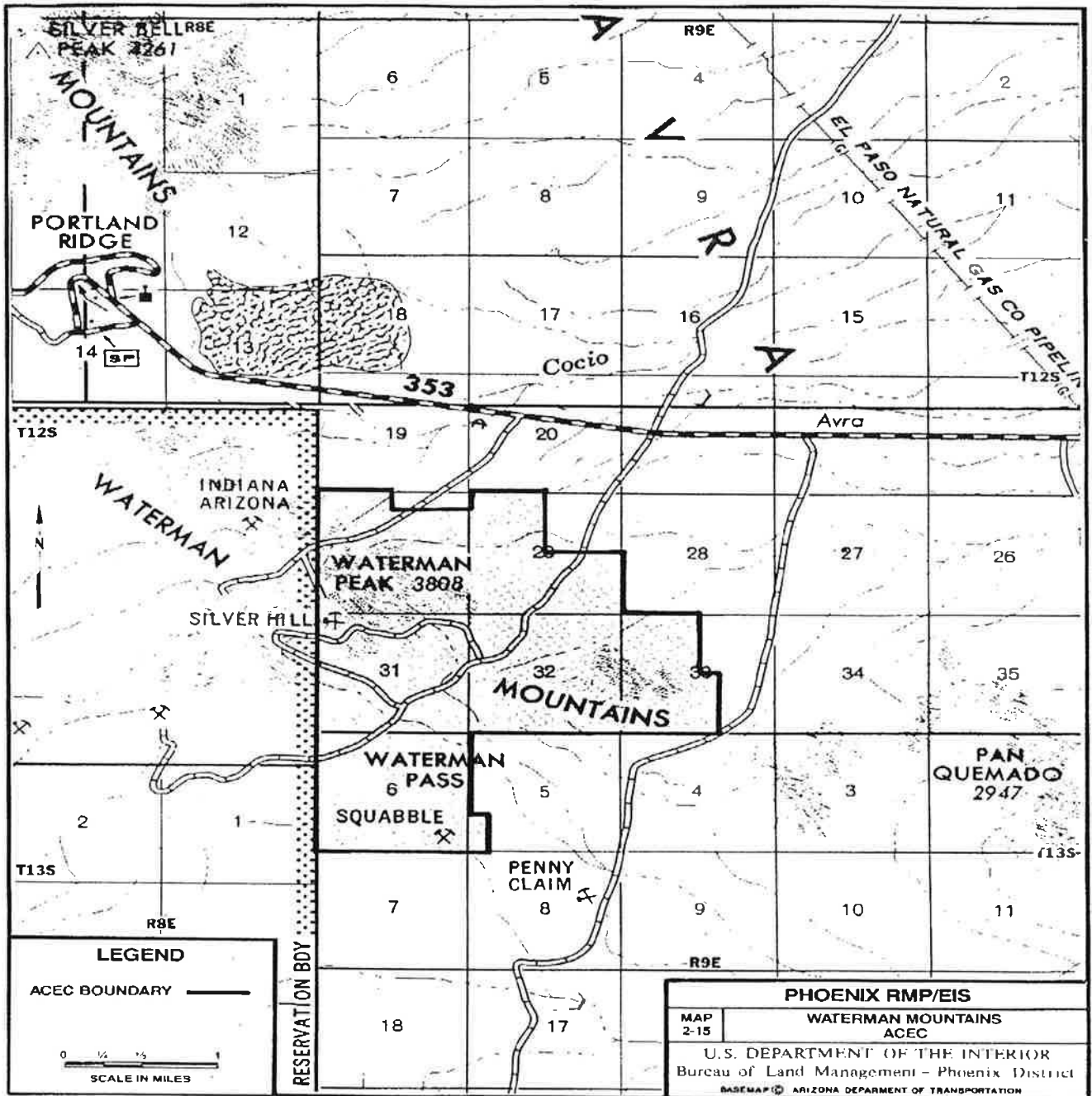
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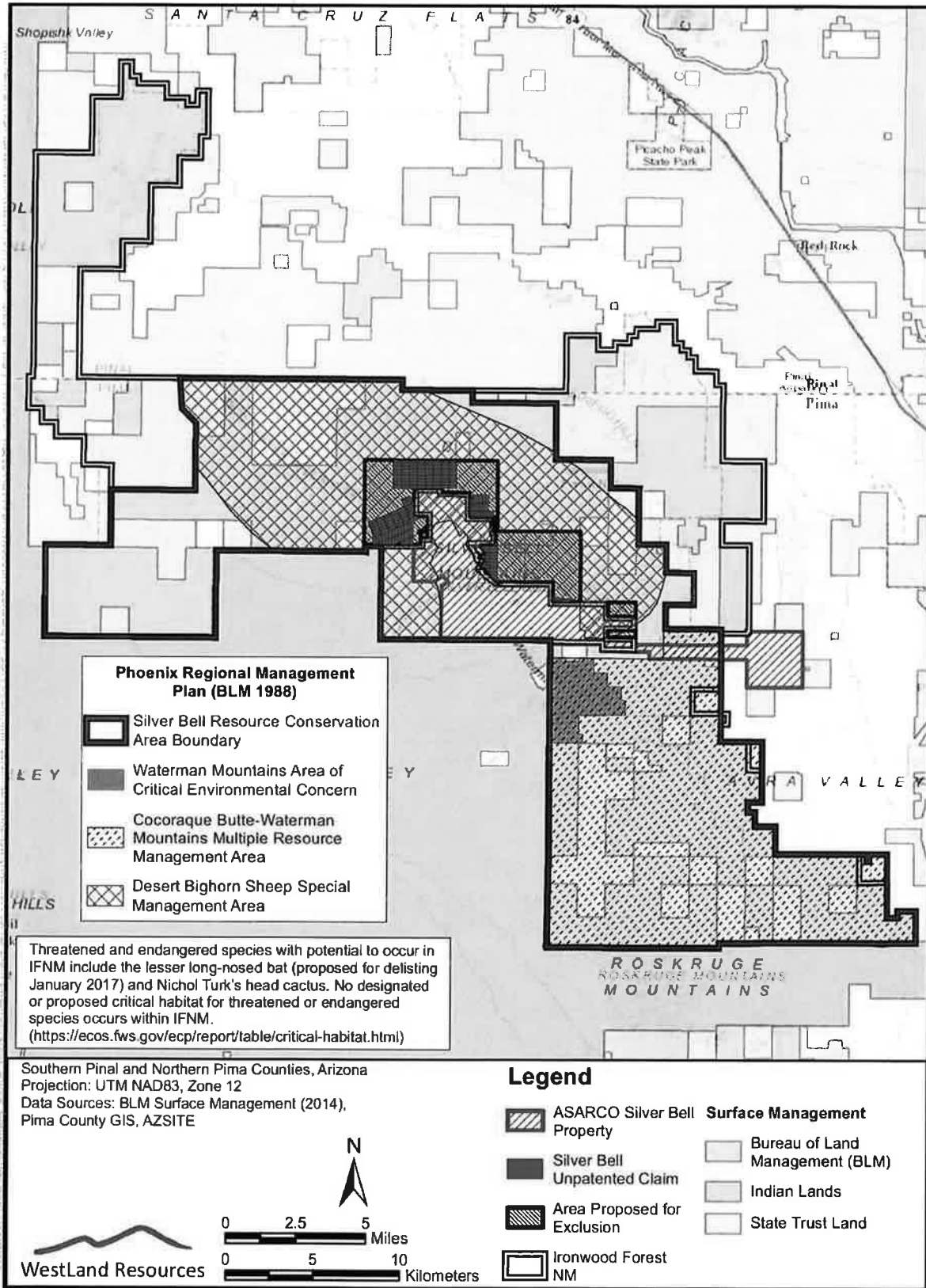
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Tab 7

BLM Phoenix Regional Management Plan Special Land Use Designations



Tab 8

Recreation Management Zones

BLM Administered Land Only
Ironwood Forest National Monument
RODI/Approved RMP

Legend

Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)

- Rugged Natural (RN)
- Semi-Primitive Motorized (SPM)
- Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized (SPNM)
- Ragged Top Watchable Wildlife
- Primitive

Recreation Sites

- Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Group Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Primary Access Points

Route Designations

- Primitive Road
- Primitive road open to all motorized use
- Road
- Road open to all motorized vehicle use. (Includes county routes across IFNM and BLM routes)
- Primitive Road, Administrative
- Primitive road open for administrative motorized vehicles and public non-motorized and mechanized use.
- Trail
- Open for administrative and public non-motorized and non-mechanized use only
- Road, Administrative
- Road open only for El Tiro Gliderport lease administrative use.
- Closed for Restoration

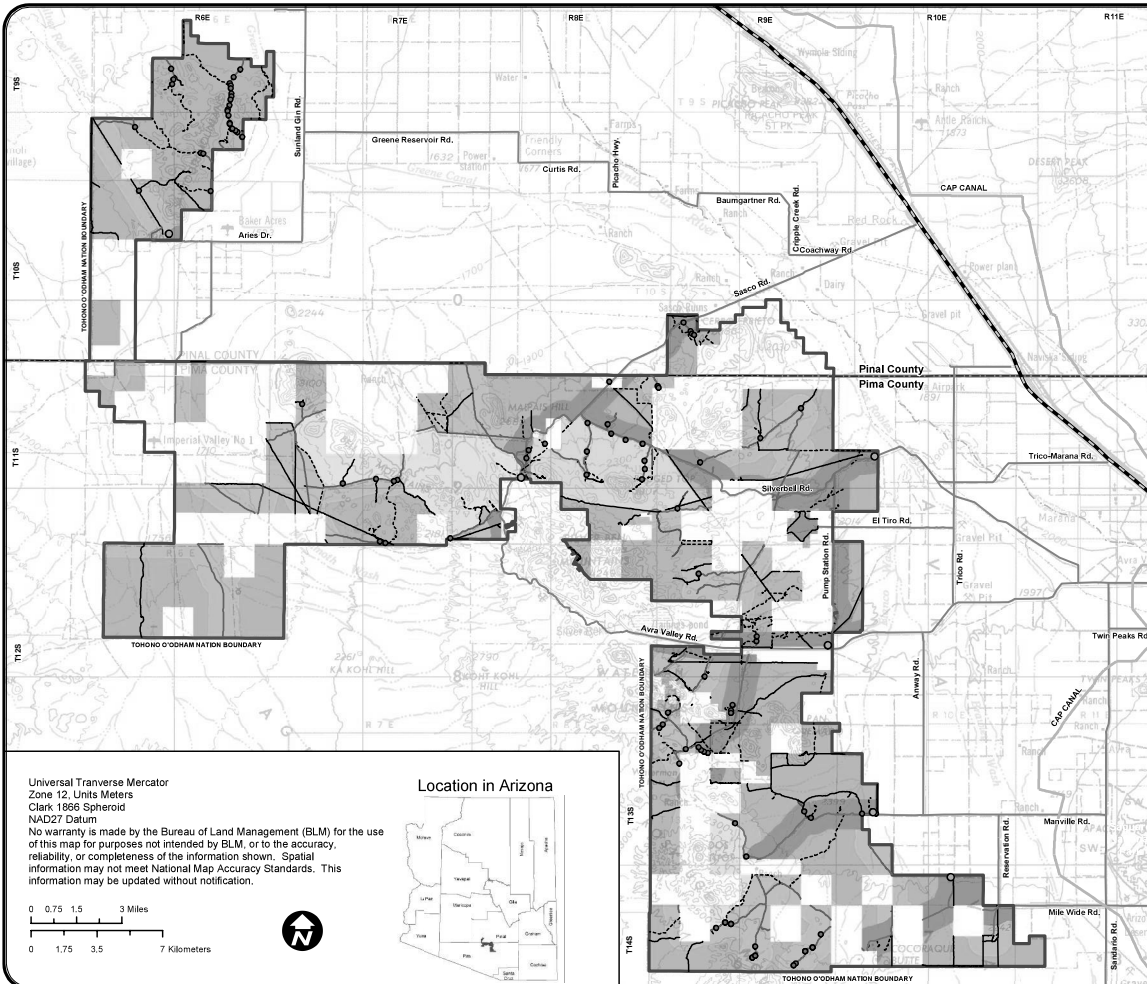
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General Reference

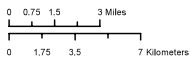
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



Universal Transverse Mercator
Zone 12, Units Meters
Clark 1866 Spheroid
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Location in Arizona



Tab 9



JANE DEE HULL
GOVERNOR
STATE OF ARIZONA

April 6, 2001

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jane Hull", written in dark ink.

The Honorable Gale Norton
Secretary of Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Norton:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 28, 2001 in regard to the impact of National Monument designations within the State of Arizona.

As you know, during the past year, five new National Monuments were declared in Arizona encompassing an estimated two million acres of Arizona. This is an area approximately equivalent in size to the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island. A land mass of such notable size carries with it a number of impacts, and I am grateful for the opportunity to share my perspective on those impacts.

As a preliminary matter, I would like to say that much of the land that lies within the boundaries of our five new National Monuments is exquisite and certainly worthy of conservation. In Arizona, we are aggressive in our pursuit of conservation, and we have several ongoing programs and projects that allow us to set aside our most magnificent scenery. Even now, we are supporting state legislation that will enable Arizona to engage in land exchanges that will result in the conservation of special State Trust lands.

My fundamental concern with the five new National Monuments is the inadequate selection process through which they were established. As a result of planning that occurred almost exclusively in Washington D.C., and not in Arizona, we have monuments with boundaries that do not protect the best of the terrain, do not give due consideration to wildlife management, do not allow vital energy transmission to cross into regions of the state, render hundreds of thousands of acres of School Trust land nearly valueless, prohibit essential roads, create uncertainty in the state's long-term water supply, and diminish the use of thousands of acres of private property.

I believe the inadequacy of the selection process was the direct result of a nearly complete failure on the part of the former administration of the Department of the Interior to provide meaningful opportunity for Arizona residents and qualified experts to participate. To highlight the absence of that participation, please note that neither I nor

any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument. Moreover, three of the monuments were declared with virtually no public process. The only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and select media were invited.

Please review your records to verify this claim. It would be very interesting to learn what the file has to say in regard to public participation prior to each declaration in Arizona.

Other concerns I have in regard to the monuments are site specific, and I have attached for your review a list of concerns my cabinet and I have compiled on each monument. You will notice the same concern often arises with multiple monuments. Where possible, we have also listed potential solutions to the issues raised. While the solutions may not be perfect, they certainly reflect more closely the will of those who make their home in this state.

Please note before you review this list that I am not suggesting the repeal of any monument in Arizona, nor a reduction in the size of any monument. I am simply asking that boundaries and proclamation language be amended where necessary to protect the best interests of the citizens of this state, including the certainty of their water and electricity supplies, school funding, necessary roads and sound wildlife management.

I appreciate your consideration of the following lists. If you need any additional information, I would be delighted to provide it.

Sincerely,



JANE DEE HULL
Governor

**IRONWOOD FOREST
NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Summary of Impacts of Monument Designation on Existing or Planned Activities on State Trust lands Within the Specific Monuments

Ironwood Forest - Approximately 54,700 acres of State surface and 37,600 acres of State mineral estate are within the 201 square mile Monument located in south central Arizona. Most of the State land within the Monument is best described as being large blocks of Trust lands located on the periphery of targeted federal lands. State Trust lands make up almost half (43%) of the Monument.

1. Livestock grazing - Approximately 53,300 acres (97%) of the State land within the Monument is currently leased for livestock grazing under eight grazing leases. The Monument designation is subject to existing valid rights including livestock grazing. These rights, however, can be regulated in order to protect the purpose of the Monument. Generally the State grazing lands are used in conjunction with federal lands within one lessees ranch allotment. If grazing is reduced or eliminated on the federal land within the Monument, the lessees may be forced to reduce their livestock herds, fence off the federal lands, construct additional improvements (i.e. water, corrals, fencing, etc.) and periodically request to graze additional livestock on the remaining State lands. Eventually the lessees may be forced out of business due to the reduced availability of range land resources.
2. Agriculture - The Monument encompasses an active 680 acre agricultural lease (SESE Section 16, All Section 22, T11S, R6E). The agricultural lease is located on the western boundary of the Monument and does not appear to fit any criteria described as the purpose of the Monument.
3. Commercial - One State commercial lease (3.67 acres, Section 26, 27, T10S, R 9E) for communication purposes and 495 acres of commercially classified lands (unleased) are located within the Monument's eastern boundary. The town of Marana has expanded to within four miles of the Monument's eastern boundary while rural residential development is occurring in the area.
4. Rights of Way - There are 14 existing rights of way across State land for various purposes within the Monument, mostly confined to the northern position of the Monument. Expansion of these rights of way may be restricted resulting from restrictions on adjacent federal lands. New rights of way may be rerouted away from State lands due to their inclusion in the Monument. A major gas line (El Paso Natural Gas) crosses the northeastern portion of the Monument and includes State land.
5. Access - Motorized and mechanized vehicle travel off-road is prohibited within the Monument other than for administrative or emergency purposes. Vehicular traffic is confined to existing roads and trails. No new roads may be developed. Future road closures and travel restrictions may be enforced to protect the Monument. These closures may impact access to the State lands.

6. Mining - There are no mining leases or prospecting permits on State land within the Monument. New mining claims or mineral leases are prohibited as the federal lands within the Monument are withdrawn from the 1872 Mining Law as well as other mineral leasing acts and related laws. The Monument entraps ASARCO's Silver Bell mine between the Monument and the Tohono O'Odham Indian Reservation. The State has several thousand acres of mineral estate within the Monument and adjacent to the Silver Bell mine. State land is included within the projected trend of mineralization being mined by ASARCO. Silver Bell Mine or initiation of new mining on the State lands is effectively stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands. The Department reports that the Monument lies within a zone identified as having potential for multiple undiscovered copper deposits. State estimates potential loss of \$100 million in mineral rights held by State.

CURRENT REVENUES (2000-2001) OF STATE LAND CONTRACTS

Ironwood Forest National Monument (54,772.79ac)

53,274.39 acres	8 Grazing leases	\$3,196
3.67 acres	1 Commercial lease	\$1,500
680.00 acres	1 Ag lease	\$10,000
2.00 acres	2 Ag Slups (leased)	\$1,000
320.00 acres	1 Grazing Slup (unleased)	\$100
various acres	6 (10yr. Pay Rights of Way)	\$5,600
495.25 acres	Unleased Commercial	

Note: Perpetual rights of way that have paid in full are not reflected in annual rent

Ninety-five percent of the State Trust Lands within this monument belongs to the Public Schools.

**Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands
Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument**

Presidential Proclamation

Wildlife conservation represents one of the primary purposes of the National Monument. To reaffirm the importance of wildlife management and maintaining and enhancing wildlife resources and wildlife-related recreation within the Monument, the Arizona Game and Fish Department recommends adding the following language to the Proclamation (after the description of natural/wildlife resources in the introduction; page 1):

Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument. Management actions will ensure the continued well-being of existing, re-introduced, supplemented or expanded populations of wildlife. Necessary management actions within the monument could include releases of wildlife into currently unoccupied habitats, maintenance of existing wildlife water developments, construction of new wildlife water developments, and implementation of other wildlife habitat improvement projects.

Surface disturbance and vegetation manipulation (e.g., chaining, disking, burning) that is necessary to maintain the wildlife management, research, and ecological restoration purposes of the Monument shall be allowed.

To address our specific concerns regarding wildlife management and wildlife-related recreation, we recommend changing several of the standard paragraphs, as follows [each statement from the Proclamation (pages 2 and 3) is followed by our recommended language]:

For the purpose of protecting the objects identified above, all motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes.

The use of motorized vehicles will continue to be allowed on existing roads and trails within the monument. For the purposes of protecting the objects identified above, motorized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes. Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.

The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument through the Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to applicable legal authorities, to implement the purposes of this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall manage the land within the monument, pursuant to applicable legal authorities. The State of

Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department, shall manage the wildlife within the monument. The Arizona Game and Fish Department shares management authority for migratory, threatened, endangered, and candidate fish and wildlife species with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions, including road closures or travel restrictions, necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation. The transportation plan shall reflect the mutual agreement of the State of Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the jurisdiction of the State of Arizona with respect to fish and wildlife management.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to diminish the jurisdiction and necessary management activities of the State of Arizona with respect to wildlife management, including the establishment of wildlife population goals and the regulation of hunting, within the monument.

The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and wildlife management with the Monument.

AGFD comment - The statement, "Warning is hereby given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof" should be modified to clarify the specific type(s) of action(s) that will be prohibited within the monument. If this prohibition applies on all public lands managed by the BLM (which is likely the case under FLPMA) - the "warning" statement should be deleted.

**Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands
Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument**

Interim Management Policy

Under, "Adhere to direction in the President's Proclamation:", Add: *Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument.*

Modify: The State's responsibilities, authorities, and abilities regarding wildlife management, including fishing and hunting, within the Monument are unaffected by the Proclamation and shall be unaffected by this policy and the new management plan for the Monument.

Add: *Interim wildlife management will focus on completing wildlife projects that were started prior to the area being designated as a Monument.*

Add: *Prepare a new wildlife management plan in cooperation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department. The new wildlife management plan must reflect the mutual agreement of the agencies.*

Attachment 1-1 Discussion of Specific Activities – first paragraph -

Add: *Proposed restrictions that have the potential to impact fish and wildlife resources, or the management of those resources, shall include coordination and consultation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department.*

Wildlife management activities by the Arizona Game and Fish Department generally do not conflict with the established purposes of the Monument. The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and management with the Monument.

Under, "Animal Damage Control", Delete, "...specifically targeting individual predators rather than predator populations."

Add, *This will not affect the Arizona Game and Fish Department's predator management objectives and activities, including contracting with Wildlife Services for predator management activities, with the Monument.*

Under, "Hunting and Fishing", Add - *Hunting and fishing shall be allowed within the monument in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the State of Arizona. The use of wheeled game carriers shall be allowed within the monument for the retrieval of downed big game.*

Attachment 1-2

Off-Road Vehicles – Delete: “Motorized and mechanical vehicular use should only occur on designated roads or routes.”

Add – *Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.*

Add – *Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.*

Roads – Add (first sentence) – *The use of motorized vehicles will continue to be allowed on existing roads and trails within the monument. Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.*

Scientific, Archeological, and Historical Investigations – Modify the last sentence, as follows – *“but surface disturbance should be avoided” to the greatest extent possible.*

Vegetation Manipulation – Replace the existing sentence, with – *Chaining or other methods that cause surface disturbance but are necessary for wildlife management or an authorized science-based ecological restoration project shall be permitted.*

Wilderness Study Areas – Replace the first sentence, with - *Future Wilderness designation within the Monument is inconsistent with the Proclamation and will not be considered during interim and future management of the area.*



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Wanted to pass along the below emails and attached docs from Asarco regarding the Ironwood National Monument.

Chairman Gosar and 16 members of the Western Caucus recommended a recession of this monument and others in a letter to the Secretary [HERE](#).

Let me know if you all have any questions or if you would like more info.

Have a good weekend.

Sincerely,

Jeff Small

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From: Genevra Richardson [<mailto:genevra@govgroupaz.com>]
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Subject: Re: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Penny,

Our folks have also been in contact with David Bernhardt's office as well, since he was just sworn in a couple of days ago, to flag this issue. They have assured us that Asarco's request will be looked at carefully. Any support your office or the Western Caucus can provide in this regard would be much appreciated. I've also attached an aerial picture that further demonstrates the geography of the monument.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thanks

Genevra Richardson

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From: Pew, Penny
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:58 PM
To: Genevra Richardson
Cc: Jeremy Browning; Van Flein, Tom; Pearson, Trevor; Small, Jeff
Subject: RE: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Geneva!

I have copied our Legislative Director Trevor Pearson, the Executive Director of the Western Caucus Jeff Small and our Chief of Staff Tom Van Flein who will be the best point of contact for this monument issue.

Thanks for reaching out to Congressman Gosar's office.

Penny L. Pew

District Director & Intergovernmental Affairs

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Arizona 's 4th District



From: Geneva Richardson [<mailto:genevra@govgroupaz.com>]

Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 2:29 PM

To: Pew, Penny

Cc: Jeremy Browning

Subject: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Importance: High

Hi Penny,

Thanks for taking the time to talk with me on the Ironwood National Monument issue. I've attached the comment letter from Asarco – page 10 highlights the issues with the mining claims that were established prior to the monument being declared. Tab 1 and 2 highlights the map with our request for the boundary. I've also attached the letter from Representatives Leach and Finchem and Senator Smith expressing concerns over the boundary. We've also had letters submitted from Southern Arizona Business Coalition.

I really appreciate you calling this to the attention of the Western Caucus and other folks in DC to get DOI's attention.

Thanks
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**Re: Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996;
Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. and Asarco LLC (collectively referred to as “Silver Bell”), please consider the following comments regarding the notice entitled *Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996; Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment*, 82 Fed. Reg. 22016 (May 11, 2017) (hereafter the “Notice”) which is directly related to President Trump’s Executive Order 13792 of April 26, 2017, 82 Fed. Reg. 20429 (May 1, 2017) (hereafter “EO 13792”).

In particular, these comments will focus on the Ironwood Forest National Monument (the “IFNM”) established by President William J. Clinton via Proclamation 7320 issued on June 9, 2000, pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906 (the “Act”) the boundary of which is depicted on the map attached at **Tab 1**. In the waning days of the Clinton administration (2000-2001), five new national monuments were designated in Arizona, encompassing approximately two million acres.¹ The IFNM includes 189,600 acres of federal, state and private land within portions of Pima and Pinal County, Arizona. Of all the designated monuments in Arizona, the IFNM contains the highest percentage of state and private land (33%) within a monument boundary.

Silver Bell owns 880 acres of fee land and 4,050 acres of unpatented claims within the IFNM but is unable to make economic use of these assets as a direct result of the designation. In addition to the assets trapped within the IFNM, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern

¹ These include the Agua Fria; Grand Canyon-Parashant; Ironwood Forest; Sonoran Desert and Vermillion Cliffs National Monuments. These monuments comprise a land mass comparable to the size of the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island in a western state with over 80% of its land being public land (federal, state and tribal).

boundary of the monument. The Silver Bell mine has produced copper and other minerals for over 65 years and is located in one of five historic mining districts within and near the IFNM.² However, the ability to expand the mine and increase mineral production has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Silver Bell has been prevented from conducting exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits within its unpatented mining claims, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law.

Silver Bell requests that the boundary of the IFNM be appropriately modified for the reasons discussed herein. The reasons are specifically responsive to the five factors the Secretary of Interior will consider in reviewing monuments designated or expanded under the Act since 1996 (the “Secretarial Review Period”) pursuant to EO 13792. The figure attached at **Tab 2** shows the specific area of 11,056 acres that Silver Bell requests be removed from the IFNM.

I. The Act’s requirements and original objectives, including the Act’s requirement that reservation of land not exceed “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected”.

Congress delegated the President authority to designate national monuments by means of the Antiquities Act of 1906. This law, in relevant part, provides:

The President of the United States is authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation *historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest* that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, *the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.*
[16 U.S.C. § 431 (emphasis added).]

By design, President Clinton’s IFNM designation was overly expansive because the identified objects of interest were of a landscape nature. They include drought-adapted vegetation, rugged mountain ranges, views of the Sonoran Desert, ironwood trees, and habitat for threatened and endangered species. This approach (i.e., landscape based designations) was utilized commonly for monument designations made during the Secretarial Review Period.

It is important to understand the genesis of IFNM designation to see the incongruity with the Act. On March 21, 2000 the Pima County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution to pursue a land preserve to implement provisions of Pima County’s Sonoran Desert Conservation

² *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at Map. 3-8 attached as **Tab 1**.

Plan (“SDCP”) which is a regional multi-species habitat conservation plan.³ The resolution was actually witnessed by then Interior Secretary Babbitt (also a former Arizona governor and state attorney general) who was visiting Pima County to discuss federal coordination efforts associated with Pima County’s SDCP. After a well-publicized hike into the area, Secretary Babbitt vowed to secure the permanent protection of certain federal lands identified in the SDCP.⁴ Less than *three (3) months later* (emphasis added) the expansive IFNM was designated.

The boundary of the IFNM was remarkably similar to the Pima County “preserve proposal” with the inclusion of additional BLM land to the northwest and adjacent private and state land in between. There was no consideration given to whether the area identified was the “*smallest area compatible* with the proper care and management of *the objects to be protected*” (emphasis added) as there was no time for such analysis to take place even though Silver Bell specifically requested that the boundary be modified.

In fact, in May 2000, Silver Bell’s then general counsel met with the Department of Interior Solicitor and staff to express concerns about the monument and discuss a buffer for the Silver Bell mine. Similar meetings were held with the local Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) that same month. On June 5, 2000, senior representatives of Silver Bell’s management met with Secretary Babbitt to suggest the creation of a mineral exploration district within the proposed IFNM. Secretary Babbitt indicated he would consider the proposal. Four days later, on June 9, 2000, the monument proclamation was issued and all lands within the IFNM were withdrawn from mineral entry.

Neither the Pima County SDCP “preserve proposal” nor the resulting IFNM designation represent the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected. At the outset, there had to be a proper identification of discrete objects of interest as opposed to identification of a landscape. The failure to undertake that identification in a manner that is in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Act led to the expansive designation. The objects protected in the case of the IFNM are not valid objects of scientific or historic interest. Thus, the area designated to protect those unjustified objects is equally invalid.

³ Pima County Resolution 2000-63 (Supporting the Establishment of a Silverbell and Ragged Top Preserve on BLM Lands) attached as **Tab 3**.

⁴ See attached news articles at **Tab 4**.

II. Whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as “historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest”.

The legislative history of the Act reveals an intent to protect ancient and prehistoric American Indian archeological sites on federal lands from looting.⁵ In fact, the Act’s primary purpose is to “preserve the works of man.”⁶ Unfortunately, regulatory definitions of other terms contained within the Act (consistent with its intended purpose) including “historic landmarks,” “historic and prehistoric structures,” or “objects of historic and scientific interest” do not exist. Accordingly, the plain meaning of these words must be given due weight. Only the term “historic landmark” connotes something broader than a human artifact (object or structure). Even so, the word “landmark” means “an object (such as a stone or tree) that marks the boundary of land,” “a conspicuous object on land that marks a locality,” “an anatomical structure used as a point of orientation in locating other structures,” “an event or development that marks a turning point or a stage,” or “a structure (such as a building) of unusual historical and usually aesthetic interest; especially one that is officially designated and set aside for preservation.”⁷

The chart below includes passages from the IFNM proclamation and an assessment of whether the identified characteristic is a “historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest.”

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The landscape of the [IFNM] is swathed with the rich, drought-adapted vegetation of the Sonoran Desert.	No.	Drought-adapted vegetation is everywhere in the Sonoran Desert.

⁵ Ronald F. Lee, “The Antiquities Act, 1900-1906,” in *The Story of the Antiquities Act* (National Park Service, Mar. 15, 2016), https://www.nps.gov/archeology/pubs/lee/Lee_CH6.htm (last visited June 28, 2017).

⁶ 54 U.S.C. §§ 320301-03.

⁷ *Merriam-Webster*, merriam-webster.com, <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/landmark> (last visited June 23, 2017).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The Monument contains objects of scientific interest throughout its desert environment. Stands of ironwood, palo verde, and saguaro blanket the monument floor beneath the rugged mountain ranges, including the Silver Bell Mountains.	No.	Stands of trees and cactus beneath mountains do not constitute a landmark or object of antiquity.
Ragged Top Mountain is a biological and geological crown jewel amid the depositional plains in the Monument.	Possibly.	A mountain with interesting geologic features may constitute an object of scientific interest, but the protection of the object should be confined to the mountain pursuant to the provisions of the Act.
The Monument presents a quintessential view of the Sonoran Desert with ancient legume and cactus forests. The geologic and topographic variability of the Monument contributes to the area's high biological diversity.	No.	"Quintessential views" and geologic and topographic diversity do not meet the standard.

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Silver Bell Mountains support the highest density of ironwood trees recorded in the Sonoran Desert.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>There are four classes of protected native plants in Arizona. In order of importance and protection they are: (i) highly safeguarded, (ii) salvage restricted, (iii) salvage assessed and (iv) harvest restricted. A.A.C. R3-3-1101 <i>et seq.</i> Ironwood trees are within the latter two categories meaning a permit for salvage is required and the plants have enough value if salvaged to support the cost of so doing and may be subject to over-harvest. No other protective classification of any type or kind is relevant.</p> <p>Further, this assertion was never true. Even Pima County's published Ironwood Primer documents higher density in Organ Pipe National Monument.⁸ Subsequent ironwood surveys conducted in the area of I-10 and Tangerine Road in Tucson evidence densities 5 times greater than in the IFNM.</p>

⁸ *Desert Ironwood Primer: Biodiversity and Uses Associated with Ancient Legume and Cactus Forests in the Sonoran Desert*, Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum (Feb., 2000).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Monument is home to species federally listed as threatened or endangered, including the Nichol's Turk's head cactus and the lesser long-nosed bat, and contains historic and potential habitat for the cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl. The desert bighorn sheep in the Monument may be the last viable population indigenous to the Tucson basin.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p><i>Nichol's Turk's Head Cactus ("NTHC")</i>: listed as endangered in 1979, recovery plan in 1986. In 1988 BLM established the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) solely to protect the cactus.⁹</p> <p><i>Lesser long-nosed bat ("LLB")</i>: recently proposed for delisting, 82 Fed. Reg. 1665, 1676 (Jan. 6, 2017).</p> <p><i>Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl ("CFPO")</i>: Arizona distinct population segment listed in 1997, critical habitat designated in 1999; removed from list of endangered and threatened wildlife and critical habitat withdrawn in 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 19452 (Apr. 14, 2006)). Subsequent petition to relist in 2011 determined not warranted (76 Fed. Reg. 61856, (Oct. 5, 2011)).</p> <p><i>Desert bighorn sheep</i>: a non-federally listed big game species in Arizona known to inhabit the Silver Bell Mountains and surrounding area.</p>
<p>Abundant rock art sites. Two areas on National Register of Historic Places, the Los Robles Archeological District and the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District.</p>	<p>Possibly.</p>	<p>Certain of the National Register sites warrant remaining protection but they are discrete areas within the IFNM and the boundaries of the sites should be the extent of the area protected. Individual rock art sites or discrete artifacts may not warrant protection. Additional information on cultural resources is provided in the IFRMP FEIS.¹⁰</p>

⁹ In 1996, Public Land Order 7197 (61 Fed. Reg. 26528) withdrew all Federal Lands in the ACEC from settlement, sale, location or entry for 50 years effective May 28, 1996.

¹⁰ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pgs. 3-31 thru 3-38 attached as **Tab 5**.

In April 2000, just before the IFNM proclamation, the BLM Tucson Field Office conducted a review of the “Areas of Scientific and Historic Interests” in conjunction with the consideration of the proposed IFNM.¹¹ Importantly, the review included 150,114 acres which was a prior established BLM special management area known as the Silver Bell Resource Conservation Area (the “Silver Bell RCA”). When designated, the IFNM included 189,600 acres in total, as an additional 39,486 were added to include the Sawtooth Mountains. There is no apparent evidence that the Sawtooth Mountain area was evaluated by BLM prior to the designation and it is unknown as to how or why it was also included.

BLM’s analysis did not justify the IFNM designation. BLM’s report did not even mention “spectacular views” or “ironwood” or “ancient legume and cactus forests” as plants of concern requiring special management. In fact, the BLM’s report supported the establishment of a special management area to protect historic mining activity (such as the Silver Bell Mining District) and management prescriptions to ensure mining could continue, which is exactly what Silver Bell asked Secretary Babbitt to consider prior to the monument proclamation.¹²

In relevant part, excerpts from BLM’s report include the following:

- “Setting: . . . Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-brush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. . . . The [prior established] resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest. . . . In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species¹³ . . . a site on the National Register of Historic places, an archeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.”
- “Areas of Prehistoric Interest: Although only a portion of the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. . . .

¹¹ Areas of Scientific and Historic Interest (BLM 2000) attached at **Tab 6**. BLM’s report was not openly published but was obtained by Silver Bell pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act request dated March 1, 2001 made by Jerry Haggard of Gust Rosenfeld, P.C. following the IFNM designation.

¹² Other national monuments (including the California Coast and Canyons of the Ancients) recognized non-renewable resource utilization and allowed oil and gas leasing and production to continue.

¹³ “Several” at the time of designation included three listed species: the CFPO which is no longer listed, the LLB which has been proposed for de-listing, and the NTHC which remains listed and is protected via an existing ACEC and withdrawal.

Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area (emphasis added) . . . ; Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District; [t]hese historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. . . .”

- “Areas of Historic Interest: Silver Bell Mining District (emphasis added); Silver Bell Cemetery, Arizona Southern Railroad.”¹⁴
- “Areas of Geologic Interest: Silver Bell Mining District (emphasis added); Ragged Top Peak.”
- “Areas of Special Management: [t]he Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (“SMAs”) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres . . . [t]he 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area . . . ; the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern [“ACEC”] established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead cactus, containing 1,960 acres of Public land . . . ; [t]he 56,800 acre Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep . . .”¹⁵

The designated lands of the IFNM were not appropriately classified under the Act and were unsupported by any prior analysis. Expansive BLM special management areas already existed to protect the plant and animal species of concern and there was no justifiable reason to designate 189,600 acres as a national monument in this area. It may be that there are cultural resource areas warranting protection under the Act, but further consideration should be given to reducing the size of IFNM to the areas immediately surrounding valid objects of scientific or historic interest.

¹⁴ All of these supported historic mining activities and nearly three pages of the BLM’s report is dedicated to the rich mining history associated with these areas. See **Tab 6** at pgs. 4-6.

¹⁵ See attached map at **Tab 7** depicting these special management areas.

III. The effects of a designation on the available uses of designated Federal lands, including consideration of the multiple-use policy in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act as well as the effects on the available uses of Federal lands beyond the monument boundaries.

A. Silver Bell's Unpatented Mining Claims

As stated above, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern boundary of the IFNM and is located within a historic mining district. The Silver Bell Mining District, has been a source of copper and other valuable mineral products, such as gold, silver, lead, zinc, molybdenum and manganese, for over a century. Asarco LLC has conducted mining and mineral processing in Arizona since 1911 and at Silver Bell since the 1950s (over 65 years). At present, approximately 60,000 tons of ore and waste rock are mined on a daily basis at Silver Bell. Silver Bell's SX-EW plant produces approximately 65 tons of 99.99 percent pure copper cathode each day, helping to supply the nation's need for copper while employing American workers.

Silver Bell holds possessory title to 196 validly located and maintained unpatented mining claims located within the IFNM. All of these claims were located before the monument was created, including 124 claims that were located between 1950-1970. These claims cover approximately 4,050 acres. Just prior to the monument designation, Silver Bell invested \$72 million to build a new 50 ton per day SX/EW facility, which was dedicated in 1997. Mine expansion is precluded on the claims within the IFNM as Silver Bell has not been allowed to conduct exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits therein, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law. The IFNM is nothing but a disincentive for continued investment in this mine and in the state and local economy.

The monument proclamation states that it is subject to prior existing rights, but BLM has not administered the monument accordingly. On July 12, 2000 (just after the IFNM designation) Silver Bell filed with BLM a notice of intent to conduct drilling of four exploration holes and associated road clearing on certain of its claims within the IFNM boundary (total disturbance of only 1.4 acres). In response, BLM determined that a plan of operations was required and stated that off-road vehicle use was prohibited on the mining claims within the IFNM. BLM also advised that the approval of any plan of operations would be subject to a validity examination of the mining claims supported by data obtained prior to the establishment of the IFNM that withdrew the land from mineral entry.

Since 1993, Silver Bell has paid \$326,000 in claim maintenance fees to the BLM to maintain title to the unpatented mining claims within the IFNM. Silver Bell spent additional funds to explore and maintain its mining claims prior to creation of the monument. In 2000, the economic loss suffered by Silver Bell due to its inability to develop these claims was estimated at \$146 million.

B. Effect on Other Types of Multiple Land Uses

The IFNM proclamation prohibited most types of land use of the Federal lands therein. All federal lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of the monument were withdrawn from all forms of entry, location, selection, sale or leasing or other disposition under the public land laws and mining law. All non-emergency motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road is prohibited. Over 17 miles of prior existing roadways have been closed and miles of other roads are restricted to non-motorized traffic. Grazing was, however, allowed to continue for the term of existing leases.

Following the IFNM monument proclamation, it took BLM 13 years to complete the IFNM Resource Management Plan (the “IFRMP”).¹⁶ The management prescriptions in the IFRMP further tightened the grip on prohibited land uses by establishing a panoply of “special management areas” as detailed below:

- No utility corridors can be authorized within the IFNM. The entire IFNM is classified as an “avoidance area” (which includes the development of renewable energy resources) subject to recognition of valid prior existing authorizations.¹⁷
- The IFRMP established a 29,820 acre Desert Bighorn Sheep Wildlife Habitat Area (“WHA”) where closures to human entry can be implemented annually from January 1 through April 30 as needed.¹⁸ Boiled down, that means nearly 1/4 of the IFNM can be closed to human entry for over 1/3 of any given year. Notably, the WHA is immediately adjacent to the entire northern half of the Silver Bell Mine.
- The IFRMP established the Ragged Top Vegetation Habitat Management Area (VHA) where only restricted camping is allowed. Interestingly, no specified vegetation management is prescribed.¹⁹ Additionally, the Ragged Top VHA surrounds the Silver Bell Mine.
- Two-thirds of the entire IFNM is classified as a Class II Visual Resource Management Area (i.e., retain the visual character of the landscape).²⁰ Management prescriptions include “managing activities that result in fugitive-dust

¹⁶ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan* (Feb., 2013).

¹⁷ *Id.* at pg. 74.

¹⁸ *Id.* at pg. 43 and Map 3.

¹⁹ *Id.* at pg. 45 and Map 4.

²⁰ *Id.* at pg. 56 and Map 5.

to protect visual quality” and “managing visual resources consistently on lands adjacent to the Monument lands.”

- The entire IFNM is designated as a Special Recreation Management Area (“SRMA”) to be managed for its undeveloped character. The result is a concentration of recreational uses at specified locations which has the effect of directing motorized traffic to Silver Bell’s privately owned property (via Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road) in order to gain access to the IFNM. BLM’s published IFNM maps identify trailheads, interpretive sites and historic sites for which there is no public access making these amenities accessible only via trespass across Silver Bell’s private property.²¹
- Finally, 9,510 acres of the IFNM was designated as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics.” Not surprisingly, the largest of this land classification abuts the Silver Bell Mine encompassing many of Silver Bell’s unpatented claims.²² Management prescriptions within these areas include naturalness, solitude, and primitive and unconfined non-motorized recreation.

The designation of 9,510 acres of “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” is perhaps the most troubling aspect of the IFRMP. In March 2007 BLM published the draft environmental impact statement (“EIS”) for the IFRMP. In reliance on BLM IM 2003-275, Change 1, (Consideration of Wilderness Characteristics in Land Use Plans) and an Arizona Wilderness Society Proposal, BLM concluded that 36,990 acres within the IFNM possessed wilderness characteristics (Alternative B within the draft and final EIS).²³ BLM did not publish the final EIS until September 29, 2011 and the final record of decision (“ROD”) was not issued until February 2013. During the period between the draft EIS and the final EIS (on July 15, 2011), BLM adopted new policies for consideration of lands with wilderness characteristics contained within IM 2011-154 which placed BLM Manuals 6301, 6302 and 6303 in abeyance until further notice.²⁴ BLM did not conform the final EIS discussion to follow the newly adopted

²¹ *Id.* at pg. 75 and Map 9. The BLM’s later approved IFNM Travel Management Plan confirmed and exacerbated this situation. Access to many parts of the IFNM can only be gained via trespass on Silver Bell’s private property and there is no approved public access agreement on Silver Bell’s land.

²² *Id.* at Map 6.

²³ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement* (Mar., 2007) at pg. 3-37 and Map 2-10.

²⁴ BLM IM 2011-154 (Requirement to Conduct and Maintain Inventory Information For Wilderness Characteristics and to Consider Lands with Wilderness Characteristics In Land Use Plans (July 25, 2011) was issued in direct response to a Secretary of Interior Memorandum to the BLM dated June 1, 2011 issued by Secretary Salazar confirming that BLM would not designate any lands as “Wild Lands” (thus rescinding prior Secretarial Order 3310) and would strictly adhere to the requirements of Section 201 of

requirements of IM 2011-154, which contained detailed and specific factors for consideration and particular planning process steps that must be followed in conjunction with consideration of wilderness characteristics.²⁵ In particular, those processes require a comparison of wilderness characteristics as discrete units such that differing management prescriptions can be considered and later applied depending on the selected alternative. Accordingly, the 9,510 acres of land BLM ultimately designated in the IFRMP as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” (Alternative C within the draft and final EIS) should not have been so designated. BLM should be required to undertake a plan amendment to conduct a proper wilderness characteristic inventory and analysis regardless of whether the IFNM’s boundaries are modified.

IV. The effects of a designation on the use and enjoyment of non-Federal lands within or beyond monument boundaries.

As stated above, Silver Bell’s desire to expand its mining operations onto adjacent BLM land has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Despite the fact that Silver Bell’s unpatented claims are located on land administered by the BLM, they constitute a property right. Unpatented mining claims, located under the Mining Law of 1872, are recognized as estates in real property that cannot be taken without payment of just compensation. “The Supreme Court has established that [an unpatented] mining ‘claim’ is not a claim in the ordinary sense of the word – a mere assertion of a right – but rather is a property interest, which is itself real property in every sense, and not merely an assertion of a right to property.” *Shumway*, 199 F.3d at 1099-1100 (citing and discussing *United States v. N. Amer. Transp. & Trading Co.*, 253 U.S. 330 (1920), *Bradford v. Morrison*, 212 U.S. 389 (1909), and *Benson Mining & Smelting Co. v. Alta Mining & Smelting Co.*, 145 U.S. 428 (1892)).²⁶ See also *Wilbur v. United States ex rel. Krushnic*, 280 U.S. 306, 316-17 (1930) (“[W]hen the location of a mining claim is perfected under the law, it has the effect of a grant by the United States of the right of present and exclusive possession. The claim is property in the fullest sense of that term.”). Since the designation, Silver Bell has not been able to use or enjoy its unpatented claims nor will it in the future with the restrictive management provisions set forth in the IFRMP.

Silver Bell also owns 880 acres of fee land within the IFNM. This fee land includes a substantial segment along both sides of the primary access road to the Silver Bell Mine (called Avra Valley Road). Public trespass from this road to the IFNM (by virtue of inclusion of Silver

FLPMA requiring BLM to maintain an inventory of all lands, including those with wilderness characteristics.

²⁵ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pg. 3-41.

²⁶ In *North American*, for example, the Supreme Court held that the federal government could not reserve land for a military base without paying the owner the value of an unpatented mining claim located on the site. 253 U.S. at 337-38.

Bell's land in the monument) is a constant issue and BLM's management has made it worse. Many of BLM's trailheads, interpretive signs and historic site designations can only be accessed via trespass on Silver Bell's property. Moreover, the massive road closures in the IFNM and designation of only a few "Roaded Natural Areas" (where motorized vehicles are allowed) forces motorized traffic to Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (both traversing Silver Bell's private property).²⁷

There has been no regard for ongoing industrial activity associated with the Silver Bell Mine or the maintenance burdens associated with BLM's management practices. Safety concerns should be paramount as Avra Valley Road is heavily trafficked by mine employees and industrial vehicles (including big rig trucks carrying copper and acid) with much larger profiles than passenger cars. In addition, Silverbell Road (located entirely on Silver Bell's private property) outside of the IFNM is used routinely by the public to access the northwestern side of the monument from Avra Valley Road. Silverbell Road is in very close proximity to active mining operations. These facts have been ignored by the BLM and there is no provision in the IFRMP or the related Travel Management Plan to address the inability of BLM to provide safe, legal access into the core areas of the IFNM.

The designation of the IFNM has had a profound impact on Silver Bell's ability to use and enjoy its private lands and roads and its real property interest in thousands of acres of unpatented mining claims located in the historic Silver Bell Mining District.

V. The concerns of State, tribal and local governments affected by a designation, including economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities.

Arizona's mines produce approximately 65% of the nation's newly-mined copper, along with significant amounts of associated valuable co-products (e.g., gold, silver, selenium, tellurium and molybdenum). As of 2014, the Arizona copper industry employed approximately 11,500 people and had an estimated direct and indirect impact on the Arizona economy of nearly \$5 billion. In recent years, nearly \$500 million in state and local taxes have been paid annually by the mining industry in Arizona.

The Silver Bell Mine directly employs 175 people. In 2016, Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. paid \$12.1 million in wages, salaries and benefits, \$2.6 million in severance and sales taxes and spent \$41.8 million on materials (energy, fuel and supplies) directly benefiting the state and local

²⁷ See **Tab 8** containing Map 7 from the Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (Feb., 2013). The dark orange areas are the only "Roaded Natural Areas" where a variety of modes of travel are authorized. There are only five "Roaded Natural Areas" serving as entry into the IFNM. Entry into the IFNM from Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (on Silver Bell's private property) are two of the five entrances and the most commonly utilized as they are the most direct route to the "crown jewel" of the IFNM.

economy. When major producers, like Silver Bell, are prohibited from fully utilizing their assets and expanding their operations, there are clear and measurable economic impacts to the fiscal condition of the state and local governments.

It is important to give historical context and perspective to the IFNM designation. In April 2001 then Arizona Governor Jane Dee Hull exchanged correspondence with then Secretary of Interior Gale Norton that is worth close examination.²⁸ One of Governor Hull's fundamental concerns was the process by which the IFNM was established (i.e., a Washington-centric exercise without meaningful state consultation or participation). Incredibly, Governor Hull noted that "neither I nor any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument." Further, Governor Hull stated that "the only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary [Secretary Babbitt] for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and selected media were invited." Her account of the events was accurate. There was virtually no stakeholder involvement or consideration of the economic or other effects of the designation. Pima and Pinal County were the only local authorities involved and we know of no other state, tribal or local government dialogue or input in the short three month period of consideration.

From an economic standpoint, Governor Hull expressed concern about the high percentage of state land within the IFNM and that 95% of the revenue from those state trust lands within the IFNM belongs to Arizona's public schools. Governor Hull cited to current revenues from leases for grazing, agriculture, rights of way and commercial leases and the loss of future potential revenue from similar activities. With respect to mining, Governor Hull noted that there were several thousand acres of mineral estate within the IFNM and that state land was within the path of the projected trend of mineralization of the Silver Bell mine and that the new mining on those state lands was "stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands." Incredibly, she estimated a potential loss to the State of \$100 million in mineral rights held by the State. The concerns she raised have proven to be true and will remain relevant in the future until the IFNM's boundaries are substantially reduced.

VI. Conclusion

Silver Bell urges the Secretary to thoroughly review the IFNM designation and to recommend modification of the monument boundary to include only the smallest area of land needed to accomplish the care and management of the valid historic and scientific objects within the IFNM. Such a review should include consideration of:

²⁸ See **Tab 9** including a copy of Governor Hull's letter to Secretary Norton dated April 6, 2001, redacted to include comments specific to IFNM.

1. historic and ongoing mining and mineral production in the Silver Bell Mountains, which has been a productive mining district since the 1800s, and the benefit of such activities to the American economy;
2. whether the Silver Bell Mountains and adjoining areas with valuable mineral resources are legitimate “objects” subject to protection under the Antiquities Act;
3. the existence of private and state land within the IFNM, and how to ensure that such lands are not subject to trespass and can remain productively utilized, as opposed to being treated as de facto parts of the IFNM and subject to the control of the BLM; and
4. the lack of coordination with stakeholders having significant interests impacted by the IFNM at the time it was created by President Clinton.

Silver Bell contends that a boundary adjustment is warranted. At a minimum, Silver Bell specifically requests a carve-out of certain of its unpatented claims as shown on the map attached hereto as **Tab 2**. If such an adjustment is undertaken, clarification must be provided to the BLM that the provisions of the IFRMP are no longer applicable and land management shall revert to the management prescriptions set forth in the Phoenix Resource Area RMP (1989). Regardless of the outcome of this review exercise, the BLM should be required to undertake an IFRMP amendment to properly inventory and evaluate management of lands with any wilderness characteristics in accordance with currently applicable BLM policy.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to provide comments pursuant to the Notice and are willing to answer any questions or provide further information if needed.

Sincerely,



Nancy Johannesmeyer, PE
Senior Manager, Environmental Affairs
Asarco LLC

Enclosures

Tab 1

Mineral Districts, Mining Claims, and Salable Mineral Material Source Areas

Ironwood Forest National Monument
PRMP/FEIS

Legend

Mineral Districts

Copper

- 1a Porphyry with or without Molybdenum, Manganese, Gold and Peripheral Lead-Zinc-Silver
 - 4 Lead-Zinc-Silver Veins and Replacements
 - 5 Silver with or without Lead and Zinc; Veins and Replacements
 - 5r Significant Copper Production
- } Distinction based on Silver/Silver, Lead, and Zinc Ratios

Manganese

- 6a Veins with or without Barium, Lead, Silver

Mining Claims

- Jaba
- Sally Meeks
- Silver Bell Mining L.L.C.

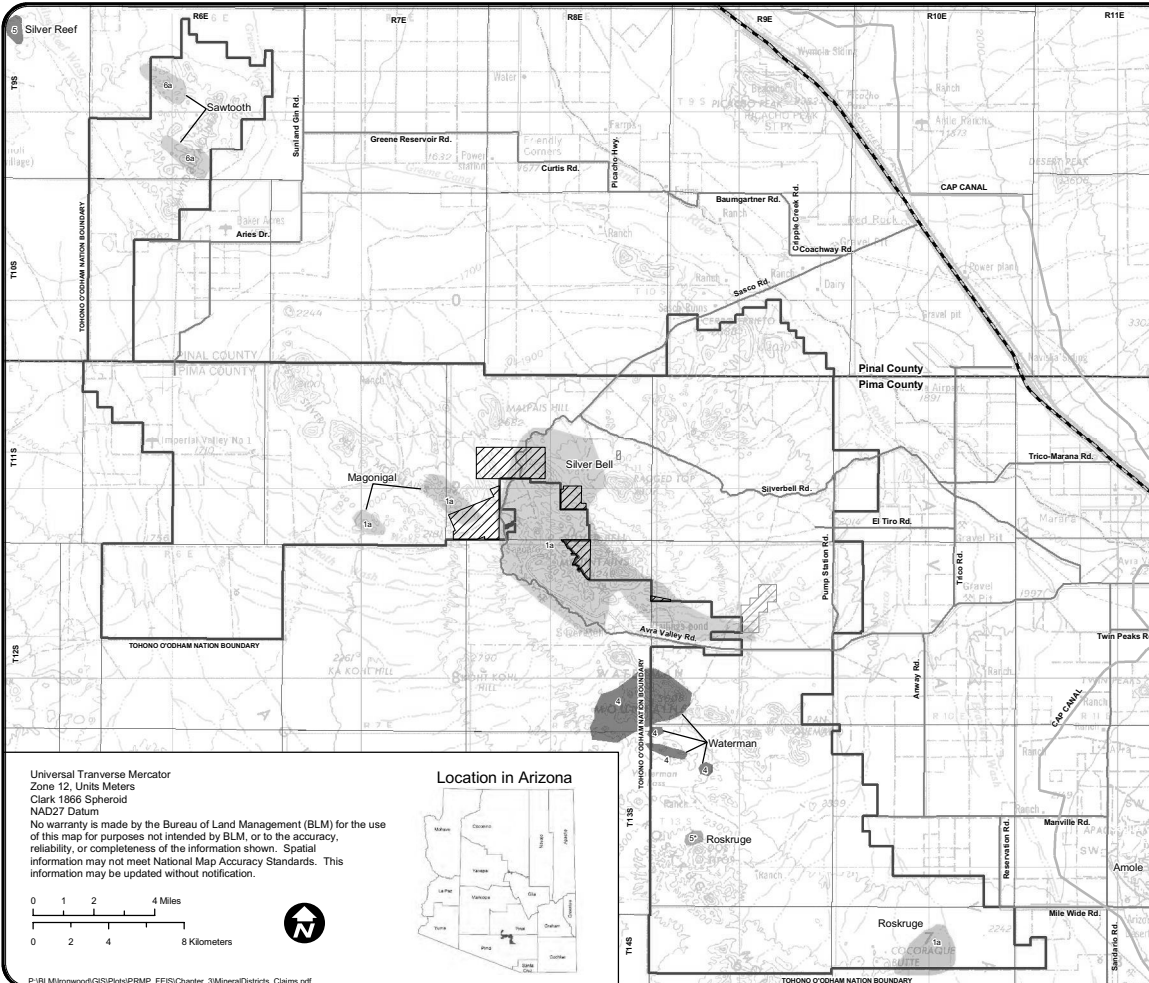
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Mineral Claims: BLM 2006
Base Information: BLM 2003
Quadrangle Image: US Geological Survey 1977 Tucson

General Reference

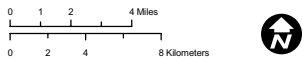
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



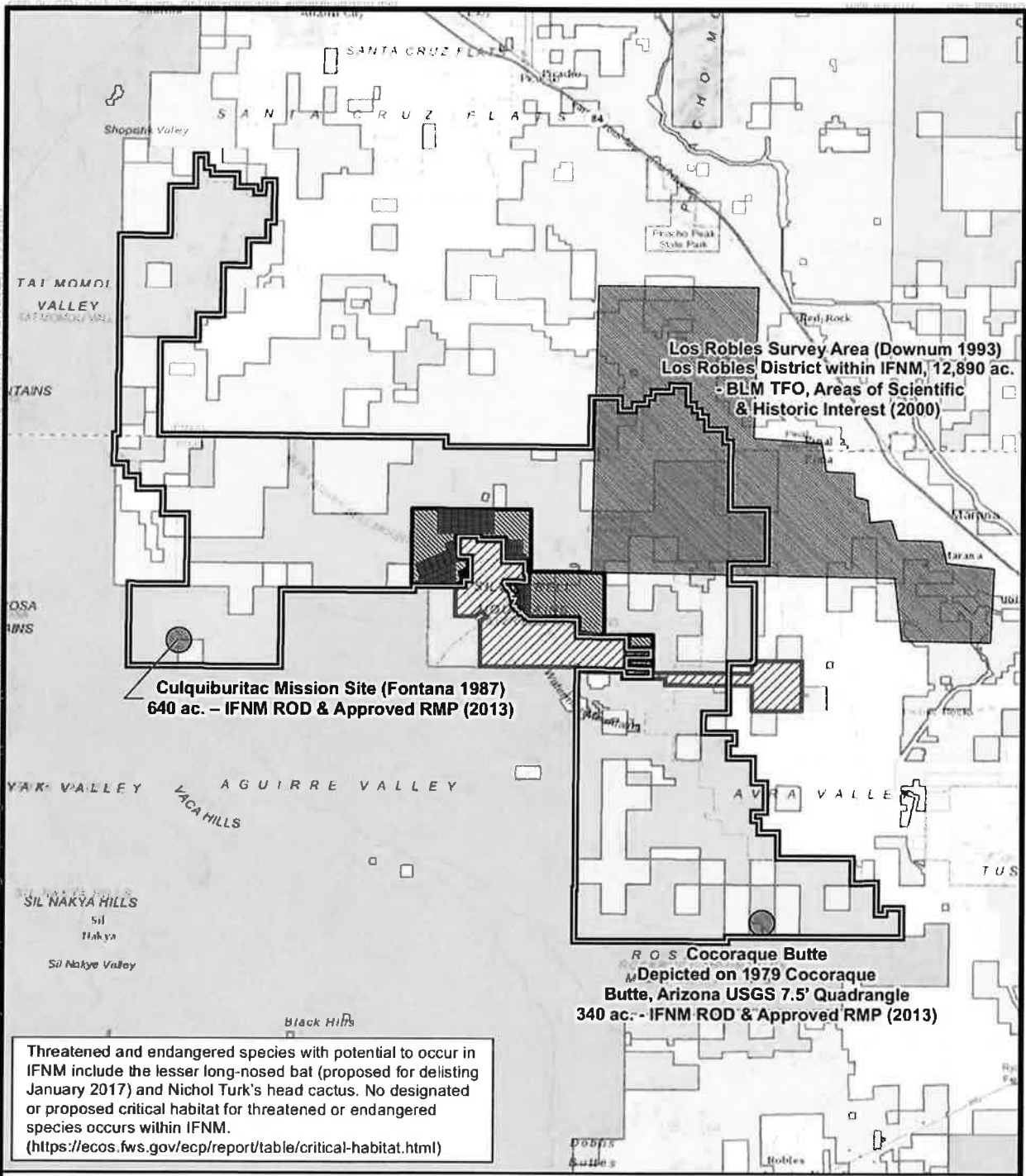
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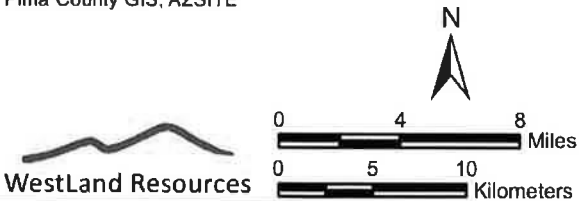
Location in Arizona



Tab 2



Southern Pinal and Northern Pima Counties, Arizona
 Projection: UTM NAD83, Zone 12
 Data Sources: BLM Surface Management (2014),
 Pima County GIS, AZSITE



Legend

- ASARCO Silver Bell Property
- Silver Bell Unpatented Claim
- Area Proposed for Exclusion (11,056 ac.)
- Ironwood Forest NM
- Cultural Resource
- Surface Management**
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Indian Lands
- State Trust Land

Tab 3

PIMA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2000- 63

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA
TO PURSUE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RAGGED TOP AND SILVERBELL MOUNTAINS
IRONWOOD PRESERVE CONSISTENT WITH THE SONORAN DESERT CONSERVATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, on March 2, 1999, the Board adopted the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan in concept; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan is the largest and most comprehensive regional multi-species conservation plan in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 1998 the Board entered into Resolution 1998-250 with the Secretary of the Interior to:

(1) support the underlying purpose of the Endangered Species Act which is to provide a means whereby the ecosystems upon which endangered species and threatened species depend may be conserved, and

(2) work with the Department of the Interior to develop the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in addition to addressing species conservation and federal compliance issues through protection of Critical Habitat along with other Sensitive Habitat and Corridors, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan encompasses six planning elements, including Riparian Restoration, Mountain Park expansion, Ranch Conservation, and Cultural and Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 108 vulnerable species are being considered for protection, including 24 federally listed, proposed and candidate species, and including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 12 habitat types and 20 plant communities are being considered for protection, including riparian habitat which has been substantially degraded; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific findings published in the *Desert Ironwood Primer* establish the importance of ironwood as a habitat modifying keystone species and nurse plant that has a role in supporting the biodiversity of over 500 Sonoran Desert species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, the ironwood-bursage habitat in the Silverbell Mountains of Pima County is associated with 674 species, including 64 mammals and 57 bird species; and

WHEREAS, *Desert Ironwood Primer* establishes that within the Sonoran Desert the Ragged Top site ... contributed the highest levels of species richness of the study; and

WHEREAS, additional findings that emphasize the importance of Ironwood to the Sonoran Desert ecosystem include that:

- ▶ “Ironwood generates a chain of influences on associated understory plants, affecting their dispersal, germination, establishment, and rates of growth. ... Ironwood is the dominant nurse plant in some subregions of the Sonoran Desert;” and
- ▶ “The mere presence of ironwood and other legume trees can increase the number of bird species in desertscrub habitat by 63%;” and
- ▶ “Recent studies show that without the protective cover of the desert legumes, the distributional ranges of saguaro, organ pipe, and senita cactus would retreat many miles, to more southern, frost-free areas;” and
- ▶ “Protecting ironwood habitat in Pima County, Arizona, will benefit a different mix of native species than would be conserved in ironwood habitats currently being protected on the islands or coasts of the Gulf of California;” and
- ▶ “North of the U.S. - Mexico border, the highest ironwood densities we recorded per hectare came from Arizona Uplands sites in Pima County (Ragged Top, 35 trees/ha; Cocoraque and Saguaro National Park West 22 trees/ha);” and

WHEREAS, the United States offers limited protection for ironwood, compared to Mexico, despite the importance of the ironwood stands to the species itself, and to the larger Sonoran Desert system; and

WHEREAS, the Ragged Top and Cocoraque Rock areas are identified by the science community as priorities for new protection and for strengthened conservation management; and

WHEREAS, the importance of cultural resources within the area has been established and includes a wide variation of petroglyph sites in the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its valuable rock art sites, the Cocoraque Butte, listed in the National Register, is considered to be a traditional cultural place by the Tohono O’odham and Hopi Nations; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management administers a large quantity of land in the Silverbell Mountains region of Pima County northwest of the Tucson Basin; and

WHEREAS, in addition to actions at the local level, Pima County proposes that federal protections could be achieved through the establishment of a Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the Ironwood forest has served as a quiet but enormously important protector of species diversity within the Sonoran Desert; and

WHEREAS, preserve status, up to and including a National Monument designation would serve to honor this species for its role in upholding the ecosystem and the Preserve would achieve practical conservation goals that are necessary to promote the recovery of the endangered pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, Pima County has a longstanding demonstrated interest in open space protection and conservation objectives that reflect quality of life values important to the Southwestern United States and Arizona; and

WHEREAS, federal support for the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve confirms the importance to communities of balancing natural and economic resources;

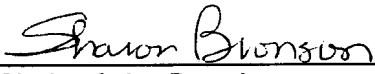
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, as follows:

Requests that the United States of America through the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, consistent with the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, work cooperatively with Pima County to establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Ironwood Preserve in the Silverbell Mountains.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st day of March, 2000.

PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WITNESSED BY:



Chair of the Board



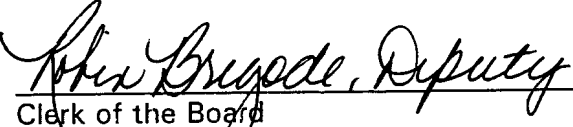
Secretary of the Department of Interior

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:



Deputy County Attorney



Clark of the Board

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Tucson Citizen	03/21/00	County seeks U.S. ironwood preserve
Arizona Daily Star	03/22/00	Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland
Tucson Citizen	03/22/00	Residents split on national monument plan
Tucson Citizen	03/22/00	Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods
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Arizona Daily Star	03/24/00	Fitz's View - cartoon
Arizona Daily Star	03/24/00	Editorial - Protect the ironwoods
Tucson Citizen	03/29/00	Editorial - Our Opinion: Monument Plan
Tucson Citizen (related map)		Development encroaches on ironwood forest (map)

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Ironwood Forest Media Coverage – (continued)

Television Coverage

March 21, 2000

KVOA (NBC)	Noon
KGUN (ABC)	Noon
KOLD (CBS)	Noon
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KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
KUAT (PBS)	6:30 PM
KGUN (ABC)	10:00 PM

March 24, 2000

KUAT (PBS)	6:30 PM
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March 27, 2000

KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
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Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokam village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

County seeks U.S. ironwood preserve

By **BLAKE MORLOCK**
Citizen Staff Writer

U.S. Interior Secretary and former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt was to meet today with county officials seeking creation of a national monument on the Northwest Side.

Pima County officials want to protect more than 71,000 acres of ironwood forest from development. They planned to ask Babbitt for help in persuading President Clinton to create a 96,000-acre public preserve. The preserve would encompass parts of the Waterman-Roskrige and Silverbell mountain ranges that are made up entirely of state and federal land, County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The president could unilaterally establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood National Monument

acres, to present to Babbitt.

Neither BLM nor state land manages land to be preserved. Both are available for commercial interests such as grazing and, in some instances, development.

Babbitt is in town to hear an update on the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, a broader effort to protect the lush desert from growth.

Huckelberry said the preserve would be a "significant step" in the conservation plan.

The ironwood forest is high on a list of priorities for protection because the trees make soil richer and provide cover for wildlife. In the Ragged Top-Silverbell area, there are 14 ironwoods per acre.

The ironwoods are also prime habitat for the endangered pygmy owl.

The preserve is in the district of Sharon Bronson, chairwoman of the county Board of

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Tucson Citizen From

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

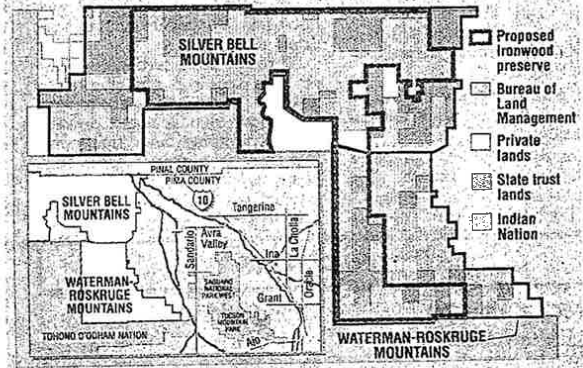
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

■ But he won't go out on a limb by vowing to back monument status.

By **BLAKE MORLOCK**
Citizen Staff Writer

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday vowed to work to preserve Pima County's thickest ironwood forest. But he stopped short of promising a national monument.

With Ragged Top Mountain's two jagged peaks on both sides of him, Babbitt took in a panorama of the ironwood-studded Sonoran Desert.

Back down at the foot of the steep, rocky slopes on the far Northwest Side, he vowed to help preserve the county's thickest ironwood forest from development.

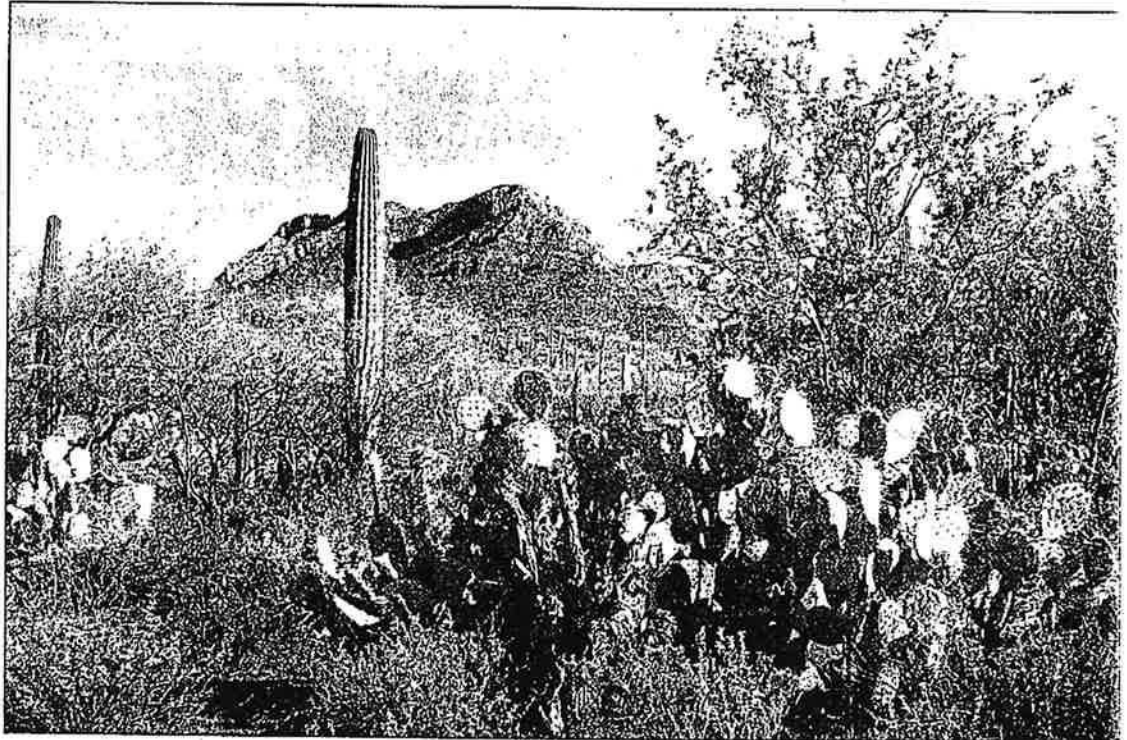
"I didn't realize there was anything this special out here," Babbitt said. "This is as fine a piece of Sonoran Desert as I've seen. It needs our attention."

Yet Babbitt, who served as Arizona's governor from 1980-88, said he's not convinced the county's proposal to turn 71,680 acres of U.S. Bureau of Land Management property into a national monument is the best option.

"I'm not in the business of surprises," Babbitt said. "There will be no strokes of lightning creating monuments here today. These things need to be worked out."

Babbitt said he first wants to talk with the people with an interest in this expanse of desert before recommending President Clinton convert it into the Silverbell and Ragged Top Ironwood National Monument.

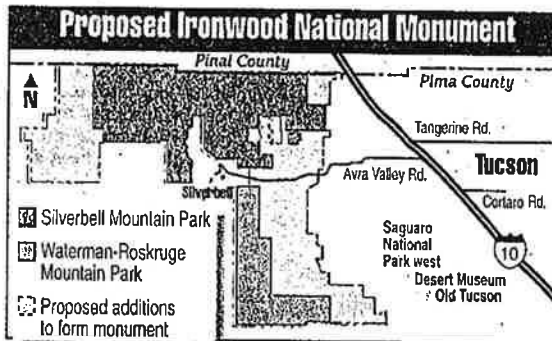
Babbitt made the trek into the mountains with media, his staff, and County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry to see what he couldn't see on maps—at an earlier Pima County super-



This desert vista would be protected from development under a proposal to set aside 90,000 acres northwest of Tucson as

ironwood National Monument. The area is home to thousands of ironwoods, including the one in the background at right.

Photos by **NORMA JEAN GARGASZ**/Tucson Citizen



Source: Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan Tucson Citizen

visors' meeting.

During the meeting, he lavished praise on Pima County for its ambition and speed in creating the framework for the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan.

The plan would protect endangered species, cultural resources and vast portions of desert from development.

Babbitt also pledged to help by crafting federal land policy to match Pima County's public will.

"My desire on my watch is to make certain your public lands are aligned to give maximum boost to get your (Sonoran Desert



U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt discusses national monument plans with Myra Smith, who lives near its proposed boundaries.

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Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

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Conservation) Plan completed," Babbitt said.

Protecting ironwood is a big part of that plan.

Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, said ironwood is a bellwether species, measuring the health of its ecosystem.

"Ironwood forests are being fragmented badly, making the remaining populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley said.

"In some areas as much as 50 percent of ironwood is being lost to development."

The forests surrounding the Silver Bell, Ragged Top and Waterman-Roskrige mountains - some 35 miles from downtown Tucson - top Huckelberry's list for preservation.

Huckelberry said the proposed national monument's ironwood density is four times greater than that of any other ironwood forest in Pima County.

During the meeting, Huckelberry proposed setting aside 71,680 acres of BLM property and 24,320 acres of state land as a national monument.

BLM land may be mined, grazed and cut. Creating a national monument would allow for a custom-made set of protections and allowances.

It could prevent mining - one of the more immediate threats to the

BABBITT'S PROPOSED PLAN

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt could pursue several options in protecting federal land that Pima County wants kept free from development.

■ **National park:** This is the highest form of protection and requires an act of Congress. Park status means limited motor vehicle access, rules for just about all activities and stringent regulations on land development.

■ **National monument:** It would establish some protections and restrict land uses. The amount would depend on how the law creating the monument were customized.

The president may create a national monument by signing an executive

order. Death Valley National Monument, for example, was established on Herbert Hoover's last day in office. No president has ever revoked national monument status.

Mineral withdrawal: This allows the secretary of the Interior to revoke current and future mining rights on federal land. It does not affect grazing or other types of development.

■ **National conservation area:** Does not prevent uses, but allows private land owners to set aside land for preservation in exchange for tax credits or land elsewhere.

Source: Department of the Interior

land, for example - but allow grazing.

The president has the authority to establish national monuments on federal land but the state must approve preservation of its trust land.

Huckelberry said because the State Land Department adheres strictly to its constitutional requirement to sell land for the highest value, preserving that portion of the monument could be tricky.

Babbitt and Huckelberry said BLM could trade land outside the national monument for state land inside the boundaries.

Babbitt is already proposing such a trade to create Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.

Environmentalists are largely in favor of the national monument proposal, with caveats.

David Hogan of the Center for Biological Diversity said swapped state land could entice developers to ring the monument with subdivisions, contributing to more sprawl and harm to the forest.

"Basically it's a good idea," he said. "We just want to pay special attention to the kinds of land swaps they are proposing."

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erally owned, the proposed monument encompasses some 24,000 acres of state trust land that might someday be developed, Huckelberry said.

That threat would be removed, though, if those acres were ceded to the federal government in a swap for other federal land.

Babbitt said land swaps would likely be part of any plan to protect the region. His options include asking President Clinton to declare the land a national monument, petitioning Congress to do the same thing or asking Congress to create a National Conservation Area.

The protections offered by those designations are subject to negotiation, Babbitt said. He also said he might consider less dramatic designations that would simply restrict mining operations to certain areas.

"We haven't done enough talking yet with people around this area to see what they want to do," he said.

Babbitt was dressed in a suit and tie for yesterday's meeting but changed into casual clothes for a visit to the proposed monument.

"It's amazing out here," he said, looking up from the desert floor toward Ragged Top. "It's like the Saguaro National Monument with this dramatic backdrop."

After reaching the base of Ragged Top, Babbitt declared that he wanted to climb the mountain to get a better look at the land. Seeing no obvious trail to the top, he started off anyway, climbing under a barbed wire fence with help from a few aides.

He led a group of reporters and government aides through the rugged desert terrain, keeping a



James S. Wood, The Arizona Daily Star

John Wiens, horticulturist, left, Babbitt, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry and Babbitt assistant Gail Kobetich discuss the proposed Ironwood National Monument.

merciless pace that his companions — dressed in smooth shoes and business attire — had difficulty matching.

Upon reaching the top, he marveled at the view for a moment before quizzing a winded Huckelberry and anyone else within earshot about the land now spread before him. He investigated a topographical map and sounded anxious to get his hands on geological data for the proposed monu-

ment.

"This land richly deserves permanent protection as part of the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan," he pronounced. Existing mineral mines west of the Silver Bell Mountains might have to be exempted from any preservation plan, he said.

"But that shouldn't affect the rest of this," he said, looking out over the distant valley floor. "This is pristine land."

Babbitt's aid sought in protecting forest

AZ Republic
3-23-00

By Arthur H. Rotstein
Associated Press

TUCSON — Campaigning for a new national monument that would protect an ironwood forest near Tucson, Pima County supervisors this week lobbied for creation of a nearly 100,000-acre preserve as a first step.

They did so with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt — hoping to persuade him to lobby President Clinton on their behalf.

Babbitt on Tuesday hiked through a portion of the Ragged Top Mountains, part of a rugged 96,000-acre expanse in northwestern Pima County that encompasses the Silverbell Mountains. The area includes more than 71,000 acres owned by the Bureau of Land Management, one of the agencies Babbitt oversees.

The proposed preserve also would encompass about 24,000 acres of state land and would provide a buffer along the Tohono O'odham Indian Nation.

Under the Antiquities Act of 1906, Clinton can create a national monument by executive order without congressional action, but Babbitt did not commit himself to urging Clinton to do so.

"What I see once again really interests me," Babbitt said. "And I am eager to hear suggestions for how it is we can make certain that that land ultimately becomes a part of the Sonoran Desert (Conservation) Plan."

Babbitt called that conservation plan "the best in the West, pure and simple."

Land use studies and conservation efforts are under way in communities across the country, "but in terms of the progress and enthusiastic vision, I've got to tell you, none of them match the effort that is going on here," the former Arizona governor said.

Babbitt said that the ironwood forest proposal deserves study but that mineral mining operations west of the Silver Bell

Mountains might have to be exempted from any preservation plan.

Meanwhile, Babbitt criticized the state of Arizona's approach to the sale of state land within the proposed Las Cienegas National Conservation Area southeast of Tucson.

He proposed a state-federal land exchange in which the state's school trust would yield the lands within the Las Cienegas site and would select other lands of equal value appropriate for development outside such rural communities as Kingman, Safford, Yuma, Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City.

A hearing last week on legislation sponsored by Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., to create the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area was moderately contentious, he said.

Babbitt said he refrained from discussing alternatives then, "but they're out there, and it remains my hope that we can get a legislated national conservation area."

"There is no question that that would be best," he said.

The Las Cienegas National Conservation Area is almost all BLM or state public land. The problem, Babbitt said, is that the state insists that its land should yield the maximum dollar return to the state trust — its interpretation of a legal requirement.

Unless something is done, "maximum dollar" could mean subdividing and developing the state lands — about 100,000 of the 210,000 acres in the proposed national conservation area, Babbitt added.

Of the state holdings, the Land Department would bar development on only 4,219 acres within Las Cienegas, less than 4 percent, Babbitt said. "The state response so far really isn't what it ought to be."

Several people, including the executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum and



Associated Press

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt hikes the Ragged Top Mountains, part of the proposed preserve.

area residents, urged Babbitt to act on the ironwood preserve. Residents said some ironwood trees several hundred years old already have been lost because of a sand-and-gravel operation at Ragged Top.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making remaining populations ever-increasing of importance," museum director Richard Daley said.

"In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development," he said.

Ragged Top is the densest area of ironwood forest in Pima County, providing habitat protection for about 500 plant and animal species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy owl.

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Protect the ironwoods

We hope Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt adds Ironwood National Monument to his already impressive record of preserving Western lands.

Babbitt listened to the Pima County Board of Supervisors' proposal to preserve 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell and Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitats for more than 500 species of plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. Daley told Babbitt: "Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance. In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

Andrew A. Lipsky, a biologist for Arizona Fish and Game points out that 160 species of plants and 80 bird species use ironwood trees. The trees do not provide nesting places for birds.

However, cacti that grow beneath them fulfill that function. The trees attract insects. Birds and reptiles are attracted to insects.

Lipsky says Ironwoods reach 45 feet and live as long as 1,500 years. As the tree grows, it provides shelter for fauna and flora. It matures into a micro habitat. The temperature beneath the tree can be 15 degrees cooler than desert five feet away. It acts as a nursery for starting saguaros and other plants.

County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry said the greatest threat to the area is from mining. Most of the land is federally owned. But 24,000 acres is state trust land, which means it could be developed. The state land could be traded for other federal land.

Babbitt climbed to the crest of one the mountains. "It's a spectacular corner of the county," he said.

That it is.

It should be protected.

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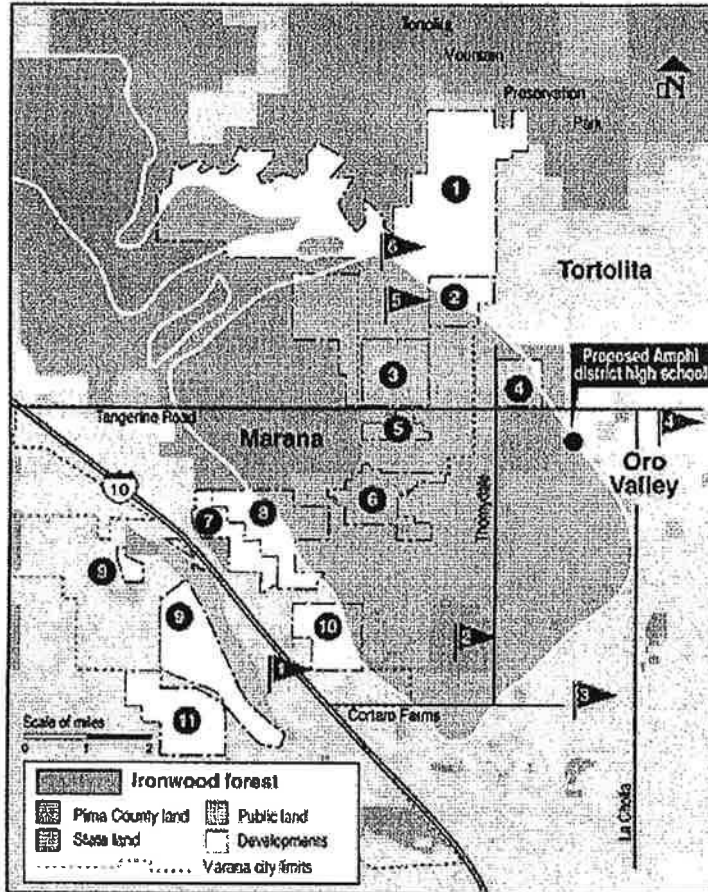
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Development encroaches on ironwood forest



Nearly a dozen developments are zoned for a combined 34,000-plus homes in and around 30 square miles of ancient ironwood forest in northwest Tucson.

Developments		
Development	Acres	Homes
1 Dove Mountain	5,600	9,000
2 Foothills	414	1,471
3 For sale	640	-
4 Forest City	309	1,189
5 Tangerine Hills	196	784
6 Hartman Hills	500	4,376
7 Northgate	487	1,401
8 Acacia Hills	500	3,827
9 Continental Ranch	2,310	9,434
10 Hartman Vista	500	-
11 Pima Farms	738	2,770

Numbers of acres are estimated; numbers of homes are targets.

Golf courses	
1	The Links at Continental Ranch
2	Arthur Pack Desert Golf Course
3	Oro Valley National Golf Resort
4	El Conquistador Country Club
5	Heritage Highlands Golf & C.C.
6	The Gallery Golf Course

Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

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ed," Babbitt said.

Protecting ironwood is a big part of that plan.

Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, said ironwood is a bellwether species, measuring the health of its ecosystem.

"Ironwood forests are being fragmented badly, making the remaining populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley said.

"In some areas as much as 50 percent of ironwood is being lost to development."

The forests surrounding the Silver Bell, Ragged Top and Waterman-Roskrige mountains - some 35 miles from downtown Tucson - top Huckelberry's list for preservation.

Huckelberry said the proposed national monument's ironwood density is four times greater than that of any other ironwood forest in Pima County.

During the meeting, Huckelberry proposed setting aside 71,680 acres of BLM property and 24,320 acres of state land as a national monument.

BLM land may be mined, grazed and cut. Creating a national monument would allow for a custom-made set of protections and allowances.

It could prevent mining - one of the more immediate threats to the land, for example - but allow graz-

BABBITT'S PROPOSED PLAN

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt could pursue several options in protecting federal land that Pima County wants kept free from development.

■ **National park:** This is the highest form of protection and requires an act of Congress. Park status means limited motor vehicle access, rules for just about all activities and stringent regulations on land development.

■ **National monument:** It would establish some protections and restrict land uses. The amount would depend on how the law creating the monument were customized.

The president may create a national monument by signing an executive

order. Death Valley National Monument, for example, was established on Herbert Hoover's last day in office. No president has ever revoked national monument status.

■ **Mineral withdrawal:** This allows the secretary of the Interior to revoke current and future mining rights on federal land. It does not affect grazing or other types of development.

■ **National conservation area:** Does not prevent uses, but allows private land owners to set aside land for preservation in exchange for tax credits or land elsewhere.

Source: Department of the Interior

ing.

The president has the authority to establish national monuments on federal land but the state must approve preservation of its trust land.

Huckelberry said because the State Land Department adheres strictly to its constitutional requirement to sell land for the highest value, preserving that portion of the monument could be tricky.

Babbitt and Huckelberry said BLM could trade land outside the national monument for state land inside the boundaries.

Babbitt is already proposing such a trade to create Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.

Environmentalists are largely in favor of the national monument proposal, with caveats.

David Hogan of the Center for Biological Diversity said swapped state land could entice developers to ring the monument with subdivisions, contributing to more sprawl and harm to the forest.

"Basically it's a good idea," he said. "We just want to pay special attention to the kinds of land swaps they are proposing."

Pima County proposes site for preserve

By Judd Slivka
The Arizona Republic

Pima County wants the federal government to set aside nearly 100,000 acres of desert, some of the last undeveloped open space along Interstate 10 between Phoenix and Tucson, to protect a rare tree and other wildlife.

The proposed Ironwood Preserve plan, which some environmentalists want declared a national monument, was given to Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt during a recent visit to Tucson.

The proposed area would stretch from west of Marana to the eastern edge of the Tohono O'odham Reservation, and from the Silver Bell Mountains north toward Casa Grande.

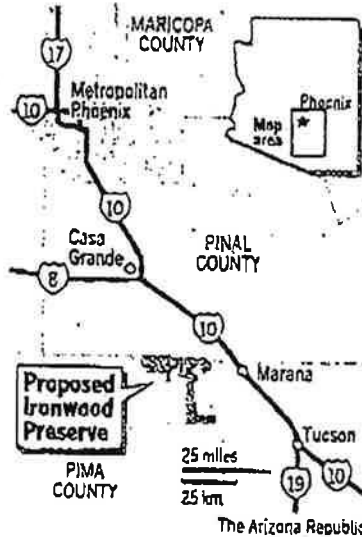
If the Ironwood plan, named for one of the largest ironwood tree stands in the Southwest, is approved, it will allow for a federally protected wilderness area along the sprawling Phoenix-Tucson axis.

The area is home to the endangered pygmy owl and the desert tortoise, as well as a migratory pathway for bighorn sheep. It also has extensive Hohokam ruins and petroglyphs.

"The area has one of the highest levels of species richness anywhere," said Craig Miller of Tucson, a spokesman for the national environmental group Defenders of Wildlife.

"Ironwoods, what the plan is named for, are an umbrella species. They host many organisms," Miller said.

There are two proposals before the Interior Department. The larger proposal would incorporate the Ragged Top and Cocoraque areas and include buffer land around the Tohono O'odham Reservation. It would incorporate more than 71,000 acres of U.S.



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Bureau of Land Management land and about 24,000 acres of state land.

The smaller proposal would protect the Ragged Top area and would bring about 57,000 acres of federal land and more than 16,600 acres of state land under protection.

In either plan, provisions would have to be made for companies or individuals that have prior land-use rights, typically for mining or grazing.

The area around Tucson has been under consideration for

some kind of preservation, be it as a series of parks or as preserves, under Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation plan.

But the Ironwoods plan is a marked departure from established protocol. The Pima County Board of Supervisors approved it and presented it to Babbitt, requesting national monument status, rather than the federal government deciding on its own what to protect.

Miller, the wildlife advocate, would like to see the proposal expanded to allow a corridor east to the Tortolita fan, the better to connect the pygmy owls in one

area to pygmy owls in the other.

The Interior Department, meanwhile, has several of these projects to decide on, including Las Cienegas wilderness reserve south of Tucson. The department has taken no position on the Ironwoods plan, except to say it is studying it.

A spokesman for the federal agency also would not say whether the area was being considered for a wilderness, which would add more protection, a preserve or a national monument.

"Our folks are going to look at it," Babbitt spokesman Tim Ahern said. "We need to gather a lot more facts on it. But we can move pretty fast on these if we have to."

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Letters to the editor

Can we trust county leaders?

The March 25 article, "Part of ironwood preserve is ASARCO's," quoted County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry as saying, "If we included (ASARCO land), it was a mistake and we'll fix it." Again, later in the article, he was quoted, "You ask for what you want and then you lose some around the edges. . . . If you don't ask for it, though, you don't get it."

The last quote makes the first one suspect. He is saying that he included ASARCO land (asked for it) knowing he might not get it. Otherwise, if it truly was a mistake, it still makes us unsure of being able to trust him. That is too big of a "mistake." Either way it is a sad commentary on what taxpayers are receiving for the high salary that is paid to him.

The reporting did not seem to be as accurate as it should be, either. I do not know much about mining claims, but if anyone, either a company or an individual, has a properly recorded and properly maintained deed to a mining claim, there is no need to "grandfather" those claims. The legal deed supersedes any new procedure that any level of government might institute.

County Supervisor Raul Grijalva is quoted as saying, "It would be an uphill fight" to "get around those basic rights." For a governmental representative - elected or hired - to even suggest the possibility of taking away such rights is unethical. Government at any level should be protecting "basic rights," not be looking for a way to "get around" them.

Again, sadly, I ask, can we trust our county leadership? Can we trust them to set a good example by doing what is legally and ethically proper? The article made it sound like we cannot trust them.

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By Jeff Barker
Republic Washington Bureau
April 30, 2000

WASHINGTON - Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, weary of Washington's "witch-hunting mentality" and homesick for Arizona, says he'll return to the state when his service in the Clinton Cabinet ends, but he won't run for governor in 2002.



AP Photo/Heesoon Yim

"You'll be seeing a lot more of me in Arizona now," the former Arizona governor said in an exclusive interview.

"People have asked me, 'Why is it that you are involved so deeply in these growth and open-space issues in Arizona? And you know, do you have some kind of agenda? Are you coming home to run for governor again?'"

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt at his office in Washington.

"My answer is, 'I'm out of politics, but I am back to Arizona,' " Babbitt said. "I've been away from Arizona for a long time. I'm a little bit homesick. I want to re-engage in Arizona as a citizen."

Babbitt said a painful, 19-month independent counsel investigation that ended last year actually had a positive impact of sorts: "It caused me to focus on what I really wanted to do. I guess I can console myself by saying well, maybe I was the poster child for the repeal of the independent counsel statute."

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First Edition

Residents split on national monument plan

By MITCH TOBIN
Citizen Staff Writer

You might think never having to worry about developers spoiling your view of a choice swath of Sonoran Desert because your back yard is a national monument would have lots of appeal to homeowners. But folks who live and work near the proposed Ironwood

National Monument northwest of Tucson have mixed opinions on the county's efforts to persuade U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt to recommend the monument be created.

Some say it would put the brakes on an unwanted housing boom endangering the solitude of the area, which teems with wildlife.

Others described it as an

MONUMENT PLANS: U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says he likes the idea of preserving ironwood forests northwest of Tucson. But he's not promising a national monument. Page 1C

unnecessary land grab that could imperil livelihoods and limit access to the cactus- and ironwood-studded desert about 35 miles from downtown.

"We've already got enough monuments around here," said

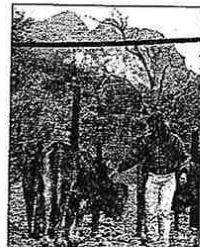
Brian Kuykendall, who works at the Silverbell copper mine, which would be nearly surrounded by the proposed monument.

"It could make it harder to do business," said Kuykendall,

who also worried he would no longer be able to hunt birds and javelina in the national monument.

But Sandee Moring, a court reporter who lives near the monument's proposed boundaries, called the plan to set aside up to 90,000 acres of state and federal land for the monument

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Cindy Coping and her husband, Bob, live within the proposed boundaries of Ironwood National Monument. The Copings say they fear grazing would be prohibited if the government makes their land a national monument.
NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen

Summer soak may follow dry spring

By DAVID J. CIESLAK
Citizen Staff Writer

While forecasters are expecting a warm, dry spring in Tucson, the approaching monsoon season could produce heavy rainfall and cool temperatures, meteorologists said.

"The chances are that it's favorable for an active monsoon," said Richard Okulski, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

As monsoon season approaches, lower temperatures will prevail, thanks to a weather system known as La Niña, he said.

"There's some correlation between La Niña and a



Turbulent skies

America West struggles with reputation for poor service

Stories by Lorrie Cohen

Tucsonans have a love-hate relationship with America West. It's the airline they seem to love to hate.

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Sales tax boost for education proposed

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - Gov. Jane Hull and schools superintendent Lisa Graham Keegan are proposing a sales tax increase to pay for education improvements such as fixing substan-

"I'm not interested in being a part of that," said Sen. Ken Bennett, a Prescott Republican and a former president of the state Board of Education. "People are very interested in putting money in education as long as we get

Residents split on county proposal to create Ironwood National Monument

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"a wonderful idea . . . there's so much wildlife back there, it's phenomenal." Moring fears the state land in the area would eventually be sold to developers.

A ranching couple who live on 37 acres in the proposed monument's boundaries hadn't heard about the proposal, which county officials pitched to Babbitt here yesterday. But they were suspicious of it.

"No one that's come up with the plan has stopped out here to talk to us about it," said Bob Coping, whose property is 13 miles off Avra Valley Road, down a serpentine dirt road.

The Copings' nearest neighbor lives eight miles away. This is a place where cattle and desert bighorn sheep outnumber humans

and where coyotes and mountain lions take down calves in the middle of the night.

"The people who are the most affected have the least amount of say because there aren't many of us," added Cindy Coping.

The Copings said they feared grazing would be prohibited if the federal government made their land into a national monument. "It sounds anti-cattle to me," Cindy Coping said, noting that other ranchers have been hurt in "land grabs" by the federal government.

"I just don't trust the Clinton administration," she said.

But turning the land into a national monument might increase the number of law officers in a remote area that has its share of serious crimes, she said.

On Monday, the bodies of two men were found in a burned-out car

a few miles from the Coping ranch. Sheriff's detectives believe the men, who were burned beyond recognition, were killed in a drug transaction.

"This is a pretty convenient place to stick a body," Cindy Coping said.

Creating a new monument might help business for Gary Perry, who runs the restaurant at the Valley Mart convenience store, at Avra Valley and Anway roads. Perry said he already gets some business from tourists who have lost their way heading to Saguaro National Park.

"I'm all for it because I think they've already ruined enough desert," Perry said. "I moved out here three years ago to get away from that."

Perry said 200 homes are being built down the road from the Valley Mart and the county can't keep up

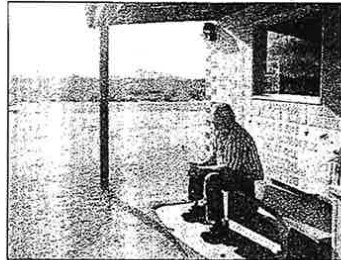
with road maintenance in the area.

But David Huntley offered a different view. The retired ironworker, who has lived in the area since 1972, said the government should privatize its property and allow people to develop it.

"Too many people want to do nothing with it," he said while leaving Valley Mart. "They take your taxes to pay for state land and then tell you what you can do on it. That's wrong."

By the gas pump, Joseph Catalan gave the plan a thumbs up.

"I don't like this encroachment. There's too many houses and buildings going up," said the 24-year area resident. "I don't know where all these people are coming from. But they're coming."



Avra Valley resident Gary Perry said he favors the proposed Ironwood National Monument, to protect the land from big developers. **NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen**

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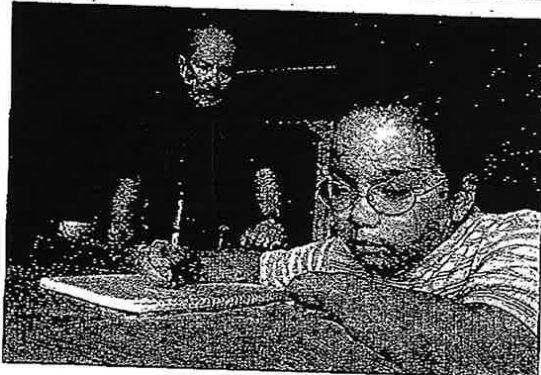
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Fifth-grader Cassandra Flores, above, is hard at work on a practice AIMS test at Ford Elementary School. At left, Rosie Delgado studies a preparatory booklet while her father, Charles Delgado, watches.

Benjie Sanders,
The Arizona Daily Star

third-grader at Holaway Elementary School, 3500 N. Cherry Ave.

"All these kids were screaming and some were falling off," he said last night. "My horse started running really fast, and started sliding off on the right side. I was trying to hold on

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Jeffrey Scott, The Arizona Daily Star
Walking Winds Stables owner Lloyd Armour, amid the horses that spooked, injuring 12 children.

Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokan village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

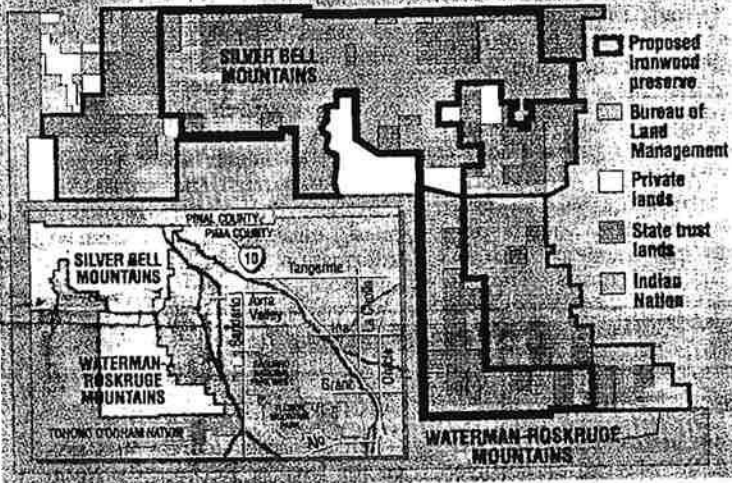
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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of the Tohono O'odham Nation. "It's wiping us out," he said, noting that medical complications following a diagnosis of diabetes hastened the deaths of his grandmother, two aunts, an uncle and — month — a niece.

In severe cases, diabetics suffer kidney failure and need dialysis to cleanse their blood of toxic wastes. These cases can lead to heart problems and early death, or even amputation of their limbs.

There are an estimated 250,000 American Indian and Mexican Indian dia-



Christine Johnson, a Tohono O'odham, makes good, loud use of her gourd rattle as hikers and their friends dance to native music at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. The walkers finished their 12-day, 230-mile trek there yesterday.

Joshua Trujillo.

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3.1.6.3 Migratory Birds

Various species of migratory birds summer, winter, and/or migrate through the IFNM. The habitat diversity provided by the broad expanses of Sonoran Desertscrub vegetation zones (including paloverde-cacti-mixed scrub, jojoba chaparral, creosote-white bursage, and xeroriparian communities) support numerous species of migratory birds. The most characteristic species include turkey vulture (*Cathartes aura*), northern harrier (*Circus cyaneus*), Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), white-winged dove (*Zenaida asiatica*), elf owl (*Micrathene whitneyi*), lesser nighthawk (*Chordeiles acutipennis*), black-chinned hummingbird (*Archilochus alexandri*), ash-throated flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*), purple martin (*Progne subis*), Bell's vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*), Lucy's warbler (*Vermivora luciae*), and sage sparrow (*Amphispiza belli*). Species such as killdeer (*Charadrius vociferous*), great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*), mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), and black-necked stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus*) may be found where suitable habitat exists.

3.1.7 Fire Ecology and Management

The BLM categorizes historic/natural fire regimes current for fire conditions in Arizona based on the results of a nationwide coarse-scale assessment and mapping effort (Schmidt et al. 2002; USGS 1999). In Arizona, BLM lands fall into four of the five identified historic/natural fire regimes, ranging from Category I (0 to 35 year frequency and low severity) to Category IV (35 to 100+ year frequency, stand replacement severity). The IFNM is characterized as a Category III historic/natural fire regime (i.e., having a 35- to 100-year frequency with a mixed severity of fires).

The current condition classes include Class 1 (i.e., lands where vegetation species, composition, and structure are intact and functioning within historic range), Class 2 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been moderately modified), and Class 3 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been significantly altered from historical range). All of the lands within the IFNM Decision and planning areas are designated as current condition Class 1. The BLM's Arizona Statewide Land Use Plan Amendment for Fire, Fuels and Air Quality Management provides general direction for fire management to meet statewide goals (USDI, BLM 2003a). Fuels treatments would occur on a case-by-case basis, generally in areas where treatments would be necessary for removal of invasive or exotic species.

3.1.8 Cultural Resources

Research in the Tucson vicinity and southern Arizona has outlined the cultural history of the region (Reid and Whittlesey 1997). Human occupation of the area can be separated into six periods that represent changing adaptations and lifeways. These include the Paleoindian (circa 12,000–8000 B.C.), Archaic (circa 8000–1500 B.C.), Late Archaic/Early Agricultural (circa 1500 B.C.–A.D. 650), Formative (circa A.D. 650–1400), Ethnohistoric (aboriginal protohistoric and historic, circa A.D. 1400–1950), and Euro-American historic (circa A.D. 1500–1950) eras.

Paleoindian occupation began at least as early as 12,000 B.C. during the late Pleistocene era when expansive ice sheets were retreating from the North American continent. Paleoindians hunted species that became extinct at the end of the Ice Age, such as mammoths. Although significant Paleoindian hunting sites have been found in southeastern Arizona, evidence of the Paleoindian era in the vicinity of the IFNM is limited to isolated spear points (Agenbroad 1967; Ayres 1970; Doelle 1985; Huckell 1984).

The subsequent Archaic era, beginning at approximately 8000 B.C., represents an adaptation based on hunting wild game and gathering indigenous plant foods within a climatic regime similar to modern conditions (Sayles 1983; Sayles and Antevs 1941).

Several Late Archaic/Early Agricultural era sites have been discovered along the course of the Santa Cruz River southeast of the IFNM (Gregory and Mabry 1998; Mabry et al. 1997). Late Archaic/Early Agricultural sites on the Santa Cruz River include some of the oldest canal systems and oldest pottery vessels found in southern Arizona (Gregory 1999; Heidke 1997; Heidke and Ferg 1998; Mabry 1999).

Sites of the Formative era dominate the regional archaeological record. These sites reflect an adaptation focused on farming villages, although wild game and indigenous plant foods continued to be exploited. Around A.D. 500, a culture known as the Hohokam began to flourish and occupied much of what is today southern and central Arizona for approximately a millennium. Marine shell jewelry, obsidian flaked stone artifacts, turquoise, copper bells, and macaws indicate the Hohokam traveled well beyond their core area of settlement or traded with groups in surrounding areas.

The current condition of cultural resources is characterized by discussing three indicators: (1) inventory and evaluation, (2) threats to the historical integrity of resources and responses to those threats, and (3) public and professional interpretation of cultural resources.

3.1.8.1 Extent of Inventory and Evaluation

Cultural resource survey is labor intensive and costly, and simple inventory and evaluation is a major challenge for managing cultural resources. Archaeological sites reflecting both prehistoric and historic-era occupation of the region are abundant, and the sites that have been recorded represent only a small percentage of the cultural resources within the IFNM. Twenty-one documented surveys have, in the aggregate, inventoried approximately 21,194 acres (33.1 square miles) for cultural resources within the IFNM (Table 3-7). (Approximately 30 additional cultural investigations have been conducted in the IFNM, but are not well documented.) The surveys encompass about 12 percent of the public land and about 9 percent of the nonpublic lands within the IFNM.

Table 3-7: Summary of Cultural Resource Inventory Data

	State and Private Lands	Federal Public Lands (Surface Estate)	Planning Area (Entire IFNM)
Size (acres)	60,221	128,398	188,619
Size (square miles)	94	201	295
Surveyed for cultural resources (acres)	5,622	15,572	21,194
Surveyed for cultural resources (square miles)	8.8	24.3	33.1
Percentage surveyed	9.3%	12.1%	11.2%
Recorded cultural resources	64	279	343
Density (sites/square mile)	7	11	10
Projected number of resources	700	2,300	3,000

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: Numerous errors regarding site jurisdiction were noted in the AZSITE database. Jurisdiction was determined by overlaying a current geographic information system jurisdictional map onto the site locations. If any part of a site was on public land, it was treated as being within the decision area. BLM has no authority or responsibility to manage cultural resources on State Trust and private lands within IFNM.

The various surveys within the IFNM have recorded a total of 343 archaeological and historical sites. More than 80 percent of the recorded sites (279) are on BLM surface estate, and the other are on State Trust land (61) and private lands. The average density is about 11 sites per square mile on public land and about 7 sites per square mile on State and private land. The survey data suggest there could be approximately 3,000 sites within the IFNM (with about 2,300 on the BLM surface estate. The University of Arizona recently completed a more statistically rigorous sample survey that indicates that there could be about twice that many sites within the IFNM (Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey also recorded almost

3,400 isolated finds indicating that there could be on the order of 125,000 isolated artifacts and features within the IFNM.

About 89 percent of the 343 sites recorded within the IFNM reflect the aboriginal occupation of the region, and about 7 percent reflect historical Euro-American occupation. About 3 percent of the sites have both aboriginal and Euro-American components, and the cultural and temporal affiliations of the remaining sites are unknown.

The only possible evidence of Paleoindian occupation identified in the IFNM is a broken spear point found on sites with Archaic and Hohokam components. Five recorded sites have been identified as dating to the Archaic era and 19 other Archaic components have been recognized on other multicomponent sites.

Evidence of the Hohokam occupation of the region dominates the archaeological record of the IFNM; 201 of the recorded sites have been classified as Hohokam or probably Hohokam sites, and 34 other Hohokam components have been recorded at multicomponent sites. The cultural affiliations of 63 other recorded sites and 2 components at sites with historical Euro-American components have been classified as reflecting unidentified prehistoric occupation. Nine sites have been classified as reflecting protohistoric or historic period O'odham use of the IFNM, and 13 other O'odham components have been identified at multicomponent sites. Two components at sites with O'odham components have been tentatively identified as possibly reflecting affiliations with the Patayan culture, which was centered along the lower Colorado River west of the Hohokam territory, and a possible Apache component has been recorded on a Hohokam site.

About 25 to 30 of the sites recorded in the IFNM appear to represent Hohokam habitation sites, ranging from small farmsteads to large villages. Features noted at these sites include trash mounds, roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, and petroglyphs (rock art), along with numerous artifacts. A focus of Hohokam habitation that overlaps the northeastern corner of the IFNM has been designated as the Los Robles Archaeological District. About 130 archaeological sites have been recorded within the 20.7-square-mile district. Many of the sites within the district are on State Trust land, including the large villages known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. The Los Robles platform mound site at the core of the district also is on State Trust land north of the IFNM. Twenty-one of the significant sites within the Los Robles Archaeological District are located on BLM surface estate.

Another Hohokam habitation focus has been designated as the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. There are at least two Hohokam habitation sites and many petroglyphs in the district, which encompasses two large buttes, three smaller hills, and the surrounding flats on public and private land in the southeastern part of the IFNM.

Most of the other aboriginal sites appear to reflect seasonal habitation or camps, or temporary work locations where activities such as collection and processing of indigenous resources (such as cactus fruits) were pursued. These sites consist of scatters of artifacts such as broken pottery and pieces of flaked and ground stone. About one-third of the artifact scatters have archaeological features of various types, such as roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, clearings, check dams, petroglyphs, stone tool quarries, and bedrock grinding stones. About 45 of the recorded sites have petroglyphs.

A unique historic-period site is the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission, which was the location of a *visita* (chapel served by a visiting priest) built in 1810-1811. The building is no longer extant, but artifacts and features are scattered across the site, which also has an O'odham component.

Twenty-four historic-period sites have been classified as having or probably having Euro-American affiliations. These sites include the Silver Bell Cemetery and the alignment of an abandoned railroad that

served the mining town of Silver Bell, located in the Silver Bell Mountains just outside the IFNM. Other Euro-American sites include a gravesite, a camp, three mining prospects, a road segment, and trash scatters. Two minimally recorded sites have yielded no clues about their cultural affiliations.

There is limited information pertaining to specific places within the IFNM identified as having traditional cultural significance, but an inventory study has not been conducted. Tribes with traditional cultural affiliations with the region are known to have concerns about treatment of human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony that are sometimes present within archaeological sites. Members of the Tohono O’odham Nation, which borders the IFNM, also might consider some places within the IFNM that were used traditionally, such as stands of saguaro where fruit was collected, as having cultural significance (Nabhan 1987, 1982). The Cocoraque Butte area is also known to have some significance as a traditional cultural place. BLM plans to work closely with the Tohono O’odham Nation and other concerned tribes to implement cultural resource management that accounts for the extensive historic use of the area by local tribes, and that acknowledges tribal knowledge of and concern for the cultural resources of the IFNM. Additional discussion of tribal interests is provided in Section 3.4.

Prior to the designation of the IFNM, which provides recognition and a measure of protection for all of the cultural resources within the IFNM, three historic properties had been recognized as having special significance by being listed in the National Register of Historic Places (Table 3-8). These include the Los Robles Archaeological District, Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District, and the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site. The transfer of cultural resources eligible for the National Register is, by regulatory definition, an “adverse effect.” BLM approval of the land exchange implies that overall it resulted in public benefits. In 1986, the Arizona State Legislature authorized development of a state park to preserve and publicly interpret the Los Robles Archaeological District, but development of the park was not pursued and it was declassified as a state park in 1988.

Table 3-8: National Register Status of Cultural Resources Recorded within the IFNM

National Register Status	Total Sites	%	Owner			
			BLM	%	Private/ State	%
<i>Properties listed</i>						
Los Robles Archaeological District						
Sites within IFNM identified as contributing properties	53	15%	21	40%	32	60%
Sites within IFNM identified as noncontributing properties	4	1%		0%	4	100%
Sites within IFNM not identified in nomination	1	<1%		0%	1	100%
Subtotal of sites within Los Robles Archaeological District in IFNM ¹	59	17%	21	36%	38	64%
Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
<i>Recommended eligible</i>	175	51%	175	100%		0%
<i>Recommended ineligible</i>	22	6%	22	100%		0%
Unknown or unevaluated	86	25%	59	69%	27	31%
Totals	343	100%	279	81%	64	19%

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: ¹ The Los Robles Survey assigned a total of 158 sites numbers. Some of these were combined when site numbers were assigned in the Arizona State Museum survey system. A total of 119 sites with Arizona State Museum numbers are classified as contributing sites in the Los Robles District, and 10 as noncontributing sites. Approximately 45 percent of the sites within the listed district are within IFNM.

The recorders of 175 other sites have recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register, and 22 sites have been evaluated as ineligible. The eligibility of the remaining sites within the IFNM has not been evaluated.

Subsequent to the issuance of the draft EIS, two surveys inventoried cultural resources along 126.25 miles of selected roads within and adjacent to the IFNM (Fischler and French 2007; Whitney and others 2008). The surveys covered 30-foot-wide corridors along approximately 111.5 miles of roadways on Federal public land managed by BLM within the IFNM, 7 miles of roadways on State Trust land within the IFNM, and 7.75 miles on Arizona State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM. With the completion of those surveys, all but about 15 miles that the proposed Alternative C designates as remaining open for motorized use have been inventoried for cultural resources.

The surveys found 10 previously recorded sites and discovered 80 other archaeological and historical sites (Table 3-9). (Thirty-five of the other previously recorded archaeological and historical sites are located along 21.4 miles of roads covered by prior surveys on public land within the IFNM.) Fifty-seven of the discovered sites were along roads on public land managed by BLM within the IFNM. Nine of the sites are on State Trust land within the IFNM, and the other 14 sites are on State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM.

Table 3-9: Summary of Supplemental Cultural Resource Road Surveys

	Federal Public Land	State Land within IFNM	State Land adjacent to IFNM	Totals
<i>Extent of Supplemental Survey</i>				
Miles surveyed within IFNM	111.5	7.0	7.75	126.25
<i>Sites Discovered</i>				
Archaic	2	0	0	2
Hohokam artifact scatter	19	5	6	30
Hohokam habitation	3	0	3	6
Prehistoric (unidentified period)	9	0	3	12
Historical O’odham	11	1	0	12
Historical Euro-American	10	2	0	12
Prehistoric/Historic	3	1	2	6
Total Sites Discovered	57	9	14	80
<i>National Register of Historic Places Evaluations</i>				
Recommended eligible	50	9	14	73
Recommended potentially eligible	5	0	0	5
Recommended not eligible	2	0	0	2

The discovered sites were similar to those previously recorded on the IFNM. Fifty of the sites reflect prehistoric occupation of the area. Twelve of those could not be more precisely dated, but 2 were identified as dating to the Archaic period and 36 to the Hohokam period. Twelve sites were identified as historical Tohono O’odham sites, and 12 were identified as historical Euro-American sites. Six sites had both prehistoric and historical components.

Most of the prehistoric sites seem to reflect seasonal camps or temporary use locations, but six sites appear to be remnants of permanently occupied Hohokam habitations. The historical sites include trash dumps, camps, windmills, cairns, mine shafts and prospects, and other features associated with mining and ranching activities.

The BLM has not formally evaluated the National Register eligibility of the 80 discovered sites, but the recorders evaluated 73 of them as having potential to yield important information and recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register under Criterion D. The recorders recommended that five of the historical Euro-American sites be considered potentially eligible pending the results of further

archival research, and they also concluded that two historical trash dumps had no values that warrant preservation, and recommended that they be considered ineligible for the National Register.

3.1.8.2 Extent of and Responses to Threats

Three factors threaten the integrity of cultural resources, including (1) disturbance or destruction by various types of development projects or land uses (including travel by undocumented immigrants and smugglers), (2) natural erosion, and (3) unauthorized excavating and artifact collecting by vandals or uninformed recreational users.

Review of potential impacts on cultural resources due to authorized uses of public land within what is now the IFNM began in the 1970s in response to the passage of the National Historic Preservation Act. Prior to that time, the most substantial use of the area was related to livestock grazing and prospecting and the most substantial impacts on cultural resources probably were due to development of roads. Projects or land uses reviewed since the 1970s have included electrical transmission lines, microwave communication sites, roads, mineral exploration, range improvements (such as fences, cattle guards, waterlines, and reseeding projects), and an ultralight airfield. The only approved project that has resulted in an adverse effect on cultural resources in the vicinity of IFNM was a land exchange with ASARCO for expansion of the Silver Bell Mine. Three prehistoric and eight historical sites immediately adjacent to IFNM were studied before they were transferred from Federal ownership (Slawson and Ayres 1994, 1992). Two sites on the National Register have sustained notable damage over the last few years. Petroglyphs within the Los Robles Archeological District on BLM land have been vandalized and defaced by imposter (new) petroglyphs. Other sites on State Trust land within the District have also been extensively damaged. BLM regularly monitors this site. The Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission site was damaged by the creation of an unauthorized immigration route through the foundation of the chapel. In collaboration with the Tohono O'odham Nation, BLM has placed a barrier of approximately 35 boulders around the chapel foundation to prevent vehicular travel across the site. This barrier has proven to be an effective protection measure. Both the BLM and Tohono O'odham Nation currently monitor the site. Additionally, BLM and the Tohono O'odham Nation intensively mapped the site and surface features as part of the stabilization process.

There are only meager data regarding the extent to which erosion is threatening the historic integrity of cultural resources within the IFNM. Responses to the threats of erosion include stabilization and restoration.

Unauthorized collection of cultural materials by persons uninformed of cultural resource protection laws and intentional vandalism, such as target shooting and graffiti, are the most serious threats to cultural resources on public land within the IFNM. However, there is little quantitative data about the extent of the problem. Current responses to the threat of vandalism include site monitoring, reconnaissance, and law enforcement. BLM cooperates with the State Historic Preservation Office in supporting a statewide site-steward program. Volunteers regularly monitor selected sites and report vandalism or other damage to appropriate land managing agencies. This has been one of the most successful strategies for protecting cultural resources on public land. The Tucson Field Office currently is working with approximately six volunteer site stewards and a local landowner who monitor archaeological sites within the IFNM. Sites are monitored throughout the IFNM with a special focus on the Los Robles and Cocoraque Butte Archeological Districts and Silver Bell Cemetery. When vandal excavations and damaged or stolen cultural materials are noted, they are reported to BLM rangers for follow-up investigations.

Other protection measures include placing signs at sites to inform visitors of laws protecting cultural resources and penalties for unauthorized collection and excavation. The only signs, fences, and gates installed to protect cultural resources within the IFNM are in the vicinity of the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District; but installation of signs to protect other sites is planned. Administrative measures

such as road closures or special management designations also can be used to protect cultural resources. Roads have been closed at Cocoraque Butte, but these closures have been difficult to enforce.

3.1.8.3 Interpretation of Cultural Resources

The primary motivation for protecting and preserving cultural resources is to enhance public and professional interpretation and appreciation of our cultural heritage. Public interpretation within the IFNM has been limited primarily to occasional guided tours of Hohokam petroglyph sites. Future opportunities for public interpretation include heritage publications, other media products, interpretive signs and kiosks, and visitor centers.

Professional interpretation of cultural resources within the IFNM has been more intensive. The IFNM has been used as an “outdoor laboratory” for training student and avocational archaeologists. University of Arizona faculty and students have conducted two major research investigations of archaeological resources within IFNM. One of these studies involved an extensive survey that documented the Hohokam Los Robles platform mound community and the Cerro Prieto trincheras site, and resulted in the listing of the Los Robles Archaeological District in the National Register (Downum 1993). The second study was a University of Arizona research project that surveyed 5,186 acres in sample parcels distributed throughout the IFNM in order to better understand the distribution of archaeological resources within the IFNM (Heilen 2005; Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey doubled the number of recorded sites within the IFNM. The third study involved an evaluation of the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac visita site (Reid and Heilen 2005).

3.1.9 Paleontological Resources

Paleontological resources constitute a fragile and nonrenewable scientific record of the history of life on earth. Once damaged, destroyed, or improperly collected, the scientific and educational values of these resources are reduced greatly or lost forever. In addition to their scientific, educational, and recreational values, paleontological resources can be used to understand interrelationships between the biological and geological components of ecosystems over long periods of time.

The fossils found on public lands are considered part of our national heritage and are therefore afforded protection. Vertebrate fossils or other noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate and plant fossils are considered significant by the BLM. Invertebrate and plant fossils are typically more abundant, and therefore, the BLM does not ordinarily consider them to be of significance.

Areas containing vertebrate fossils or noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate or plant fossils are managed under one of four management classes:

Class 1 (low sensitivity): Igneous and metamorphic geologic units and sedimentary geologic units where vertebrate fossils or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils are unlikely to occur

Class 2 (moderate sensitivity): Sedimentary geologic units that are known to contain or have unknown potential to contain fossils that vary in significance, abundance, and predictable occurrence

Class 3 (moderate sensitivity): Areas where geologic units are known to contain fossils but have little or no risk of human-caused adverse impacts and/or low risk of natural degradation

Class 4 (high sensitivity): Areas where geologic units regularly and predictably contain vertebrate fossils and/or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils, and are at risk of natural degradation and/or human-caused adverse impacts

The IFNM is mainly Class 1 and Class 2, though there are a few Class 3 areas. Acres within each management class are summarized in Table 3-10.

Table 3-10: Classification of Lands within the IFNM for Fossil Sensitivity

Management Class	Approximate acres within the Planning Area	Approximate acres administered by BLM
Class 1	62,610	43,800
Class 2	107,050	71,630
Class 3	20,040	12,970

SOURCE: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2005

Paleontological resources in southern Arizona are typically found in the Quaternary deposits. There are a few limited known occurrences of paleontological resources on the IFNM; however, no significant fossils are known to occur within the monument. Several neotoma (packrat) middens located in late Pleistocene and subrecent deposits have yielded various animal and plant species in the Wolcott Peak area of the IFNM (USDI, BLM 1980a). Vertebrate fossils in southern Arizona include remnants of early horses, elephants, dogs, gomphotheres, camels, mammoths, llamas, birds, fish, beavers, rats, foxes, weasels, squirrels, lizards, snakes, chipmunks, mice, gophers, tortoises, bats, marmots, wolves, bears, badgers, skunks, ground sloths, woodchucks, cats, donkeys, rhinoceros, peccaries, deer, elk, and bison. These are typically found in the unconsolidated silt, sand, and gravel deposits of the Quaternary (Holocene and Pleistocene), as well as the Tertiary sedimentary units. Some of these have been discovered during major earth-moving activities, such as during highway and building construction projects. Others have been discovered as ongoing erosional processes expose fossil remnants (Ratkevich 1993; Scarborough 2003; USDI, BLM 1980a). Some of the Jurassic-aged sedimentary units in southern Arizona have yielded fragments of dinosaur (believed to be tritylodontid) and crocodile (McCord and Tegowski 1996). Some Cretaceous-aged dinosaurs (stegosaurian or archosaurian) have been found in the Comobabi Mountains to the west of Tucson (McCord and Tegowski 1996). These older fossils are not abundant, but they may occur in some geologic units in the planning area. Mammal tracks have been reported in Tertiary volcanic sedimentary rocks in the Sawtooth Mountains (Scarborough 2002).

Various invertebrate fossils have been noted in southern Arizona and include corals, brachiopods, gastropods, foraminifera, holothurians, ostracods, bryozoans, crinoids, trilobites, cephalopods, pelecypods, echinoids, blastoids, and others.

The BLM has developed objectives for paleontological resources (BLM Manual H-8270-1, General Procedural Guidance for Paleontological Resource Management) to provide protection of the resources. It is the policy of BLM to manage paleontological resources for these values and to mitigate adverse impacts on them.

3.1.10 Visual Resources

The IFNM is a landscape of contrasts. Its broad, flat valleys are interrupted by rugged, steep-sloped mountains, and punctuated by isolated hills. The gently sloping bajadas that soften the transitions between jagged mountain and valley floor are dissected by dry, desert washes that nevertheless support a variety of colors. A variation of green-hued vegetation is found in abundance, and the reds and yellows of native flowers appear in their seasons. The richness of the ecosystem is manifest in the sometimes dramatic, sometimes subtle variations in colors and textures that cover, yet fail to obscure, the striking landforms that hint at the geological processes that formed this southwestern region of the United States. The sculptural forms of Sonoran Desert cacti add an almost museum quality to some of the landscapes within the IFNM.

Tab 6

Silverbell

Areas of Scientific & Historic Interests

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SETTING

The Silverbell Resource Conservation Area is a unique, scenic area of rolling desert and Ironwood woodlands around the Silverbell, Waterman and Roskrige mountains. Located along the Tohono Reservation boundary, within an hour of the rapidly growing Tucson metropolitan area, the Resource Conservation Area offers outstanding dispersed recreation opportunities but is also highly vulnerable to the impacts of growth. In addition to Tucson, the area is readily accessible from the Phoenix Metropolitan area. Access into the area is provided by dirt roads connecting with Interstate Highway 10.

Much of the vegetation in this area is classic Sonoran desert upland habitat dominated by cactus; saguaro, Bigelow's cholla, and staghorn cholla. Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-bush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. The upper slopes of the Silver bell Mountains possess a chaparral community dominated by jojoba. The lower bajadas contain inter-braided stream beds which carry water after heavy rains. These desert wash habitats are characterized by large ironwood, blue paloverde, and saguaro.

The resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest.. In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species, a site on the National Register of Historic Places, an archaeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.

The resource conservation area encompasses 150,114 acres in southeast Arizona roughly bounded by the Santa Cruz river valley on the north and east, Tohono Reservation on the west and on the south.

AREAS OF PREHISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Areas Of Prehistoric Interest**

Description: Although only a portion the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. Stone tools found along ancient gravel shoals, which seem to be situated over intermittent, subterranean streams, indicate that Archaic hunter/gatherers roamed the area at least 4,000 years ago. Later prehistoric cultures, including the Hohokam, Trincheras, and Tohono O'odham, are represented at several hundred recorded sites in the area. Valuable scientific information could be learned about the use of water by these ancient cultures, and about their relationship with the desert environment. Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area. These historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. All the information associated with both the prehistoric and historic cultural properties in the proposed preserve area is important in terms of its humanistic and scientific value to the people of the United States.

Location: Silverbell RCA

Significance: National

Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District**

Description: The Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 10, 1975. This district is composed of 480 acres of public land administered by the BLM, which are located in the proposed preserve area. Widely known and studied for the numerous petroglyphs (rock art) located on the granite boulders composing the butte formation, this archaeological district includes an adjacent, moderately extensive Hohokam village site.

The rock art at this site is of special merit because of its wide variety of prehistoric, decorative motifs and the evidently long time period during which it was created. Increased destruction of southern Arizona rock art sites through land modification projects, vandalism and theft enhances the value of sites like Cocoraque Butte. The village at this site contains archaeological materials which could provide important information about how the Hohokam adapted their technology and social structure to the desert foothill regions of southeast Arizona. Valuable information about the environment, climate and weather that existed during the time that the Hohokam occupied this site could, at sometime in the future, be recovered through systematic, scientific investigation. Some of the rock art at this site may date back to the Archaic Period, from roughly 6000 B.C. to around A.D. 250. Most of the designs and motifs are characteristic of the

Hohokam culture and date to between A.D. 500 to A.D. 1450.

Also, a significant quantity of rock art is located on a 160 acre parcel of privately owned land adjacent to the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. This land is part of an historic ranch owned for several generations by the same family. The owner has been very protective of the rock art there. Consequently, it has been protected against vandalism and theft and most of it is in a state of excellent preservation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Los Robles Archaeological District**

Description: The Los Robles Archaeological District was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 11, 1989. It encompasses 12,89 acres of land, most of which are located in Pinal County, Arizona, north of the proposed preserve area boundary. Approximately 1,920 acres of public land administered by the BLM are included in this archaeological district. Approximately 6,500 acres are owned by the state of Arizona and the remainder is privately owned. The district is named for Los Robles Wash, which runs along its eastern edge. It encompasses the northern prominences of the Samaniego Hills, including two volcanic formations known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. Highly significant prehistoric archaeological sites are located at each formation, primarily on State Trust and privately owned land.

Cerro Prieto rises some 700 feet above the surrounding desert valley floor and is believed by archaeologists to have been an important focal location for prehistoric habitation and perhaps as a defensive refuge. The archaeological site here is a large, complex, hillside "Trincheras" village which includes more than 250 masonry rooms and numerous stone compounds, terraces, walls and other features. Archaeological materials and features at Cerro Prieto indicate that this hillside settlement was occupied sometime between A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1300, which is roughly synonymous with the Hohokam Classic Period, A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1450. Exactly how the Trincheras people might have related to the neighboring Hohokam in the near-by Los Robles community is the subject of current archaeological inquiry and debate. One of the central questions in this inquiry is whether the Trincheras people represented a separate and distinct culture from the Hohokam or were simply a variant of the Hohokam culture. Although a number of Trincheras sites have been documented in southeast Arizona, and the Tucson area, they are most abundant in northern Sonora along the Altar and Magdalena rivers. The question about how they relate to the Cerro Prieto has yet to be answered.

Pan Quemado, along with the bedrock outcrops and volcanic hills in the Ragged Top and Silver Bell Mountains, is unusual for the amount, variety and complexity of prehistoric rock that has found along its slopes. Some may date back to the Archaic Period, while most seems to be characteristic of the Hohokam and is most probably associated with the Los Robles Hohokam community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files

Name: **Robles Platform Mound Community**

Description: The Robles Platform Mound Community is located approximately one and one-half (1 ½) miles southeast of Pan Quemado. It is in Pima County, on Arizona State Trust Land adjacent to public land administered by the BLM, and is inside the proposed preserve area. This site includes an earthen platform mound, constructed during the Hohokam Classic period, which rises six to eight feet above the surrounding desert floor. It is surrounded by partly buried trash mounds. The probability is high that adobe walls and pit house remains are buried in the ground surrounding the mound. The possible relation between this mound and community with the Trincheras at Cerro Prieto and the local Hohokam is the subject of intense interest within the archaeological community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files,

AREAS OF HISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Silver Bell Mining District**

Description: Most of the historic cultural sites located within the proposed preserve area are associated with the Silver Bell Mining District. Exactly when the first mining operation opened in this district is not known. Unsubstantiated information holds that the first operation began in 1865 at the Old Boot Mine. The first, recorded claim at this location was made by E.O. Shaw and Edward N. Fish in 1879. Historic records show that the first mine was put into operation in 1873, by Charles O. Brown, representatives of Tully, Ochoa & Company, and E.M. Pearce, who formed a partnership and sank a shaft on the Mammoth lode at the Old Boot Mine and began to recover native copper with good silver values. By the end of 1874, the Young America Mine in the Silver Mountain Mining District, located six miles southeast of the Old Boot Mine, was sufficiently productive to justify the construction of a small smelter. Today, slag deposits and wall foundations that can be seen along the county road near ASARCO's Silver Bell Unit may be the remains of this smelter.

Fluctuations in the price of copper during the following decades determined the level of production and success of mining ventures in the Silver Bell Mining District. During the 1880's several new mines opened and numerous mining camps evolved into life.

Between 1988 and 1991, a Class III cultural resources inventory was conducted over 4,448 acres of public land administered by the BLM in the Silver Bell Mining District in preparation for a land exchange between ASARCO and the BLM. A total of twenty-three sites were recorded. Data recovery was carried out at historic and prehistoric sites determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic sites located outside the ASARCO exchange land, but inside the proposed preserve area include the Silver Bell Cemetery and several small, mining camps represented as tin can and glass scatters. Several isolated historic graves have also been reported.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Silver Bell Cemetery**

Description: The Silver Bell Cemetery is located on public land administered by the BLM within the proposed preserve area. About thirty graves, dating from around 1880 to 1930, are located in the cemetery. Several isolated historic graves have also been found in the area.

Location: Northwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Arizona Southern Railroad**

Description: The Arizona Southern Railroad began hauling copper and silver ore between the towns of Silver Bell and Red Rock in 1904. Initially the ore was hauled to a smelter in Douglas, Arizona. However, by 1907, enough ore was being produced in the Silver Bell Mining District to make it economically viable for the Southern Arizona Smelting Company (SASCO) to build a smelter, where the town of Sasco was located. The railroad tracks and the smelter were dismantled in 1933. Today, the railroad bed is used as a road and is maintained by Pima County.

Location: North end of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

AREAS OF GEOLOGIC INTEREST

Name: Silver Bell Mining District

Description: The Silver Bell Mining District contains porphyry copper mineral deposits. These deposits are typical in that they are associated with intrusions of quartz monzonite porphyry and they consist of disseminated chalcopyrite, an enriched zone of chalcocite, and an overlying zone of copper oxide.

Mining dates back to 1873. Open pit mining began in 1954 and was discontinued in 1984, after which leaching of dump material continued. Open pit mining from two deposits, El Tiro and Oxide, yielded 83.5 million metric tons of ore from 1954 to 1984 averaging 0.76% copper and 0.55 grams per metric ton silver. ASARCO began mining the Silver Bell North deposit in July, 1997. This deposit was reported in 1990 to have 185 million metric tons averaging 0.61% copper. ASARCO produces 16,000 metric tons of copper annually from oxide ore from the new pit as well as some leaching in the El Tiro and Oxide pits. Copper cathode is produced in a new solvent extraction - electro winning plant.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: Regional

Source: Arizona Department of Mines and Mineral Resources - Arizona's Mining Update - 1998 (<http://www.admmr.state.az.us/minupdat.htm>).

Name: Ragged Top Peak

Description: Ragged Top is the eroded remnant of a volcanic rhyolite dome of Oligocene age extruded along the Ragged Top fault. Erosion of this resistant rock has created spectacular spires, domes and pinnacles. Ragged Top is a familiar landmark in the Silver Bell Mountains.

Location: North side of Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: local

Source: Nowlan, G.A., Peterson, J.A., Pitkin, J.A., Hanna, W.F., Kreidler, T.J., 1989, Mineral resources of the Ragged Top wilderness area, U.S. Geological Survey Bulletin 1702-H, 22 pp.

AREAS OF BIOLOGICAL INTEREST

Name: Sensitive Wildlife Species

Description: The diversity of vegetative communities and topographical features provide habitat for a diversity of sensitive wildlife species including

Location: throughout entire RCA

Significance: Statewide

Source: BLM Files; Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Diversity of Avian Species

The Sonoran desert contains a diverse avian community. Gila wood pecker, common flickers, and ladder-backed woodpeckers create cavities in ironwood, palo verde, saguaro, and mesquite. Elf owl, screech owl, kestrel, ash-throated flycatcher, and pygmy owl (mentioned above) take advantage of these cavities once they are abandoned by their original occupant. Other desert species include roadrunner, cactus wren, curve-billed thrasher, verdin, Bullock's oriole, pyrrhuloxia, black-throated sparrow, Gambel's quail, white-winged dove, Harris hawk, red-tailed hawk, Cooper's hawk, and loggerhead shrike. As urban sprawl advances other species; house sparrow, common grackle, starling, and cowbird (which benefit from human modification of habitat); move into desert habitats and usurp niches occupied by native species.

Name: **Cactus ferruginous pygmy owl:**

Description: The cactus ferruginous pygmy owl feeds on small mammals, birds, lizards, and insects. Its preferred habitat is the Sonoran desert where shrub vegetation is dense and saguaro, ironwood and paloverde offer cavities for nesting. This small owl has recently been listed as endangered by US Fish and Wildlife Service. The area is not listed as critical habitat however suitable habitat is present in desert washes where large ironwoods and saguaros are present in abundance. This species is primarily endangered due to loss and degradation of habitat.:

Location: Saguaro/Ironwood/Palo Verde vegetation association

Significance: National

Source

Name: **Peregrine falcon:**

Description Recently removed from the endangered species list, this raptor has been observed during nesting season in the area, preying on swallows and swifts. Inaccessible cliffs are preferred as nesting habitat.

Location: Ragged Top

Significance: National

Source:

Name: **Diversity of Mammals**

Description: A number of mammal species occur in the area. The largest predator is the mountain lion. Bobcat, grey fox, and ring-tailed cat occur in the more rugged areas with dense vegetation. Kit fox occur on open deserts flats and bajadas. Coyote, the one predator which is well adapted to humans, is common throughout. Desert mule deer are relatively scarce but can be found. Collared peccary (or javelina) occur in family groups usually in association with prickly pear cactus, their favored forage plant. A myriad of small rodents and rabbits provide the forage base for hawks, owls, snakes, and other predators previously mentioned.

Location: US and Mexico.

Significance: National
Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Bat diversity:
.When in bloom, the dense saguaro forest surrounding the Ragged Top Mountain, provides a feeding ground for the nectar feeding, lesser long-nosed bat. This endangered species may roost in natural caves or mine shafts in the area. Other bat species which may occur include Mexican long-tongued bat (a nectar feeder) and the insectivorous Yuma myotis, Cave myotis, Townsend's big-eared bat, California leaf-nosed bat, and Mexican freetailed bat.

Name: Desert bighorn sheep:
Description: This area contains one of the last remaining native bighorn sheep populations in southeastern Arizona. This species inhabits the rugged slopes and steep hillsides, consuming a wide variety of shrubs, grasses and annual plants. Herd size of less than one hundred animal make this population vulnerable to decline due to disease outbreaks, predation, or natural variations in climate and forage quality. Whereas a large herd would be able to recover from such losses and maintain itself over the long run, this small herd may become extinct without intervention. Also important to the health of the herd are movement corridors between areas of rugged terrain with the Silver Bell Mountains as well as movement corridors to and from other mountain ranges. Road, fences, mining, and housing development is gradually blocking the opportunities for sheep to move within and between ranges. In order to improve the habitat for sheep the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and Bureau of Land Management have developed several water holes and closed critical lambing areas to motor vehicles.

Location: Silverbell Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area

Significance: National

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Mule Deer

Description: A medium-sized ungulate and premier game animal of the inter-mountain west. Brown in winter, reddish in summer. Males are characterized by broad branching antlers and dark facial patch. Feeds on a wide variety of shrubs and herbaceous plants, seldom on grasses. Usually found in open deserts and woodlands

Location: Arizona

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Collared peccary

Description: Collared peccary (also called javelina) is member of the "new world" pig family, usually 30 to 40 pounds. Dark gray in color, with a light colored "collar" over the shoulders. Travels in groups. Feeds, often by digging, on cactus, succulent plants, roots, and tubers. Found in almost all habitats in southern Arizona.

Location: Mostly southern Arizona north to the Mogollon Rim

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: **Mountain Lion**

Description: The largest felid of the region, rivaled only by the jaguar. More common than observation would support, but is very secretive and only rarely observed. Feeds on any animal it can catch and kill.

Location: Canyons, woodlands, and other similar areas.

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Reptile and Amphibian diversity:

Due to variety in elevation, geology, and vegetation, a wide variety of amphibians and reptiles inhabit the area. These include Couch's spadefoot toad, Woodhouse's toad, Colorado rover toad, banded gecko, desert iguana, lesser earless lizard, zebra tailed lizard, collared lizard, desert spiny lizard, regal horned lizard, western whiptail, Sonoran whipsnake, coachwhip snake, gopher snake, kingsnake, western ground snake, banded sand snake, night snake, coral snake, western diamondback, sidewinder, and Mojave diamondback..

Name: **Desert tortoise:**

Description: .The most sensitive reptile (that is most likely to be affected by modifications of the habitat) in the area is the desert tortoise. The desert tortoises found in the Silver Bell Mountains are part of the Sonoran population. This herbivorous species is found throughout the area but prefers hillsides and bajadas with boulders and desert washes with caliche banks for den sites. The Silver Bell Mountain area includes Category 1, 2 and 3 desert tortoise habitat. These classifications refer to the habitat quality as it relates to 4 criteria: stability, density, and viability of tortoise populations and manageability of the habitat. Tortoise densities in the area vary from low to high depending on the specific site. Tortoise feed on a wide variety of grasses, annual plants, flowers, and shrubs. Tortoise are negatively affected by mining, grazing, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles. Population declines have been linked to disease, such as upper respiratory tract disease. Habitat degradation may be a significant factor in these disease outbreaks.

Location: Throughout the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Gila monster**

Description: One of only two venomous lizards, Gila monster can be found in throughout the area. It feeds on a variety of prey including small mammals, birds, eggs, and small lizards. It seeks shelter in burrows, under rocks, in woodrat nests, or brush thickets when not actively hunting. Likely the tortoise it is affected by mining, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles.

Location: Throughout the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Vegetation**

The planning area is located within the Southeastern Arizona Basin and Range. The area can be further subdivided into resource units and their corresponding ecological sites:

(12-16 inch PZ) Sonoran Semidesert Grassland
(7-12 inch PZ) Upper Sonoran Desert Shrub Mix

This area is one of the most diverse ecological areas in North America. Plant communities found on these ecological sites are strongly influenced by the soil's ability to capture the intense summer thunderstorms.

The current potential natural vegetation for most of the area is upper-sonoran desert shrub. Three-awn species dominate the grass understories. Ironwood, saguaro, cholla, prickly pear, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo and mesquite overstories occur throughout the area. Ironwood trees are predominant along the stream beds and sandy washes.

Location: Silverbell resource conservation area
Significance: International
Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service. *Land Resource Regions and Major Land Resource Areas of the United States*. Agriculture Handbook 296. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office.

Special Status Plants

Name: **Nichols Turkshead Cactus**

Description: Although the planning area has a high diversity of plants, only three are considered of special concern for management. The Nichols Turks head cactus (*Echinocactus [= Neolloydia] horizontalonius* var *nicholii*) is a federally listed species found in

eastern Pima county. Typically the cactus is found on open sites dominated by desert grassland or mixed shrub vegetation.

Location: Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Pima Indian Mallow** (*Abutilon parishii*)

Description: The pima indian mallow is a former category 2 candidate species and BLM sensitive species that grows at 3,000 to 4,800 feet in elevation, almost exclusively in the canyons with south or west exposures. It has been found in 17 mountain ranges from central Arizona to Sonora, Mexico. In 1991, the Pima Indian Mallow was found on Ragged Top peak.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Tumamoc Globeberry** (*Tumamoca macdougalii*)

Description: The Tumamoc Globeberry was federally listed as endangered, but has since been delisted, and BLM sensitive species. It has been found in the Avra valley near gullies and sandy washes of hills and valleys. Potential habitat for the species is in all areas of the RCA below 3,000 feet elevation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; <http://ifw2es.fws.gov/EndangeredSpecies/lists/>

AREAS WITH SPECIAL MANAGEMENT

Name: **Silverbell Resource Conservation Area**

Description: The Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres was designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (SMA's) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment. The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. vegetation condition, improve

native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition to good.

Location: Surrounding proposed Ironwood preserve
Significance: National
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area**
Description: The Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment

Location: Southeast part of the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area**

Description: The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. Also to improve vegetation condition, improve native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition.

Location: Southwest part of the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern**
Description: ACEC established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead Cactus , containing 1,960 acres of Public land.

Location: Waterman Mountains.
Significance: National
Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area**
Description: The 2,720 acre Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area contains 14

archaeological sites to be managed for for information potential and 1 for conservation values.

Location: Southwest side of the RCA

Significance: National

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area**

Description: The 56,800 acre Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area is to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep. Up to 17,630 acres of state and private land in the Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area were identified for acquisition in the Phoenix RMP.

Location: Silverbell and West Silverbell Mountains

Significance: Regional

Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

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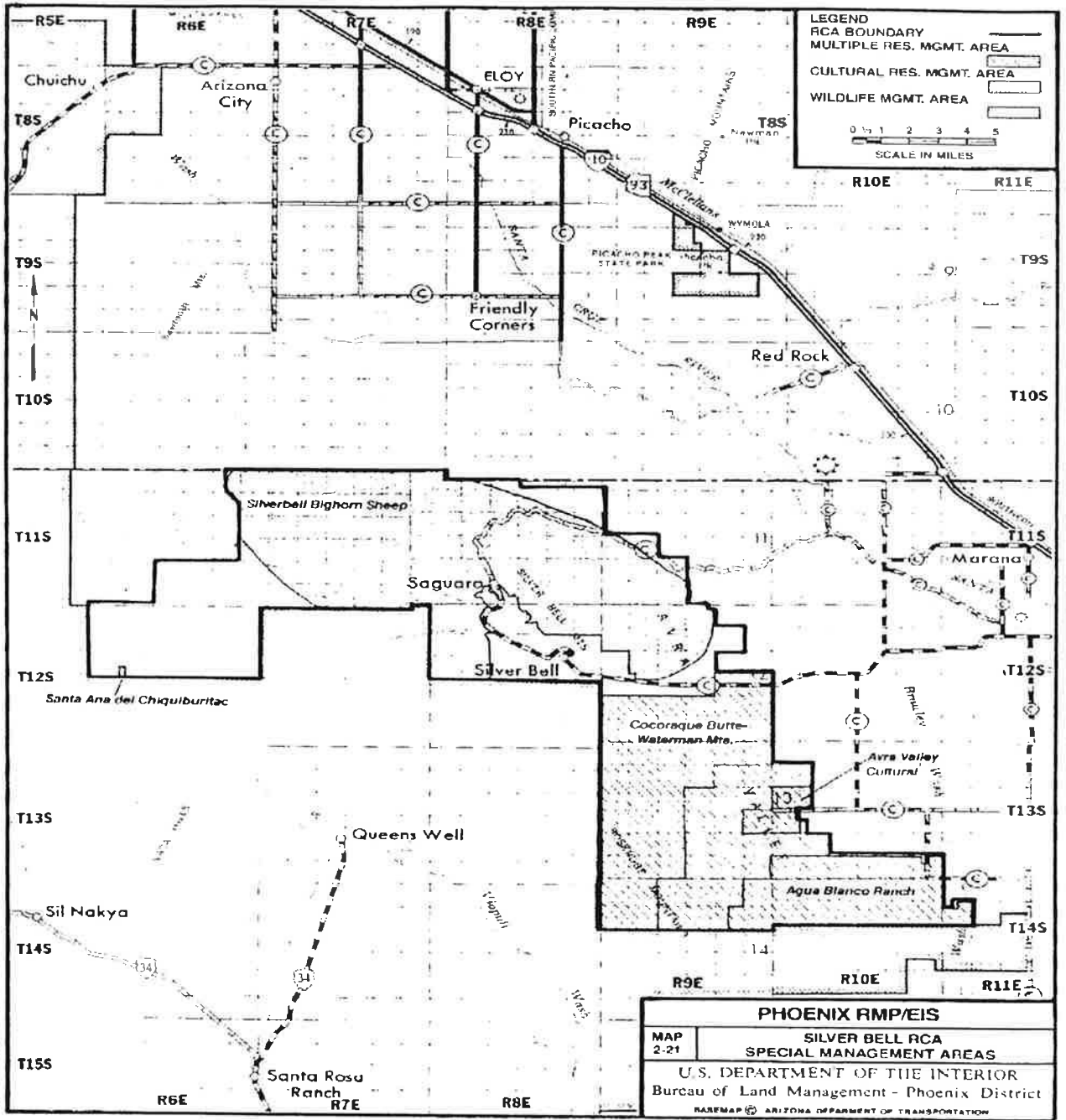
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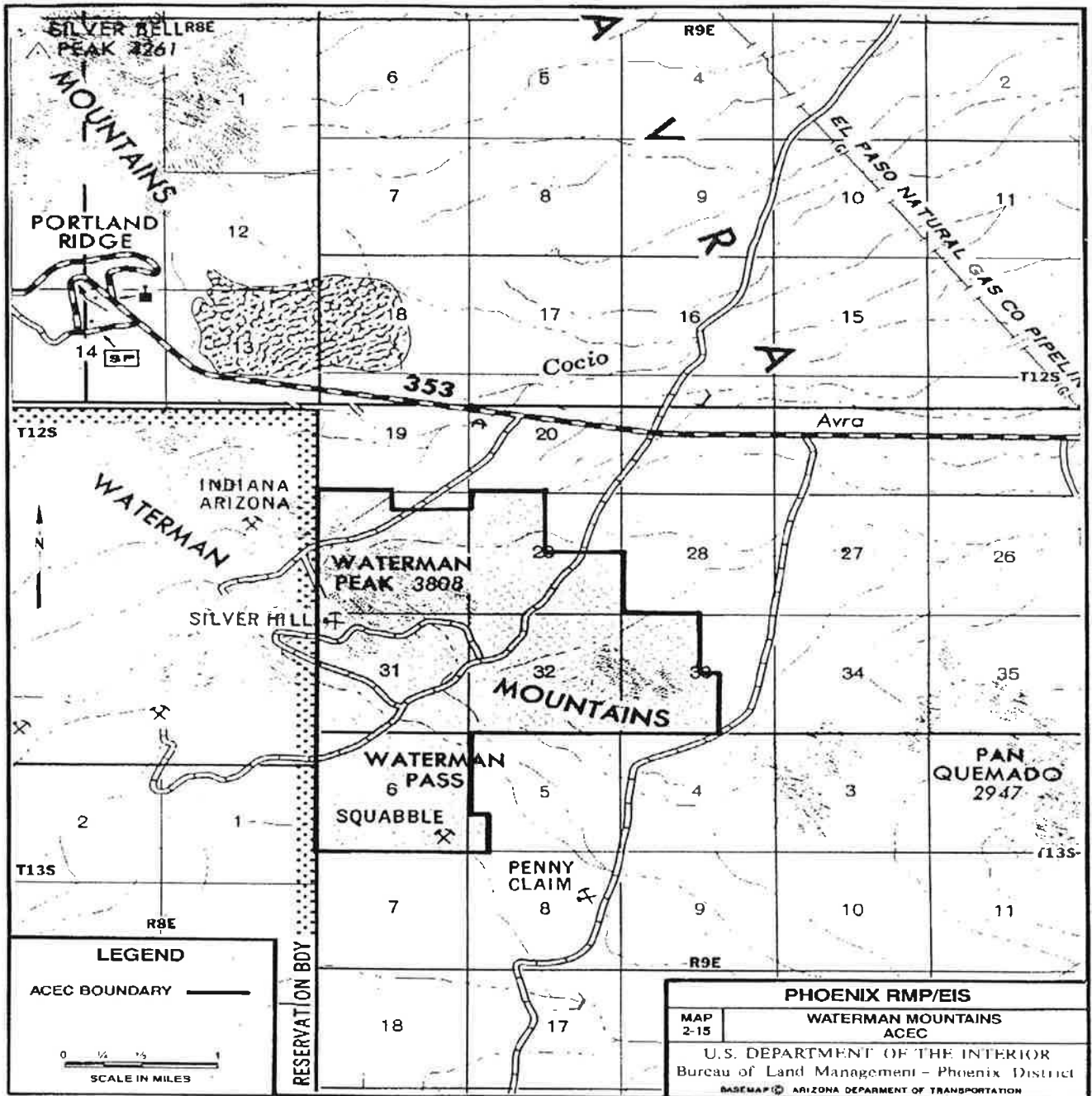
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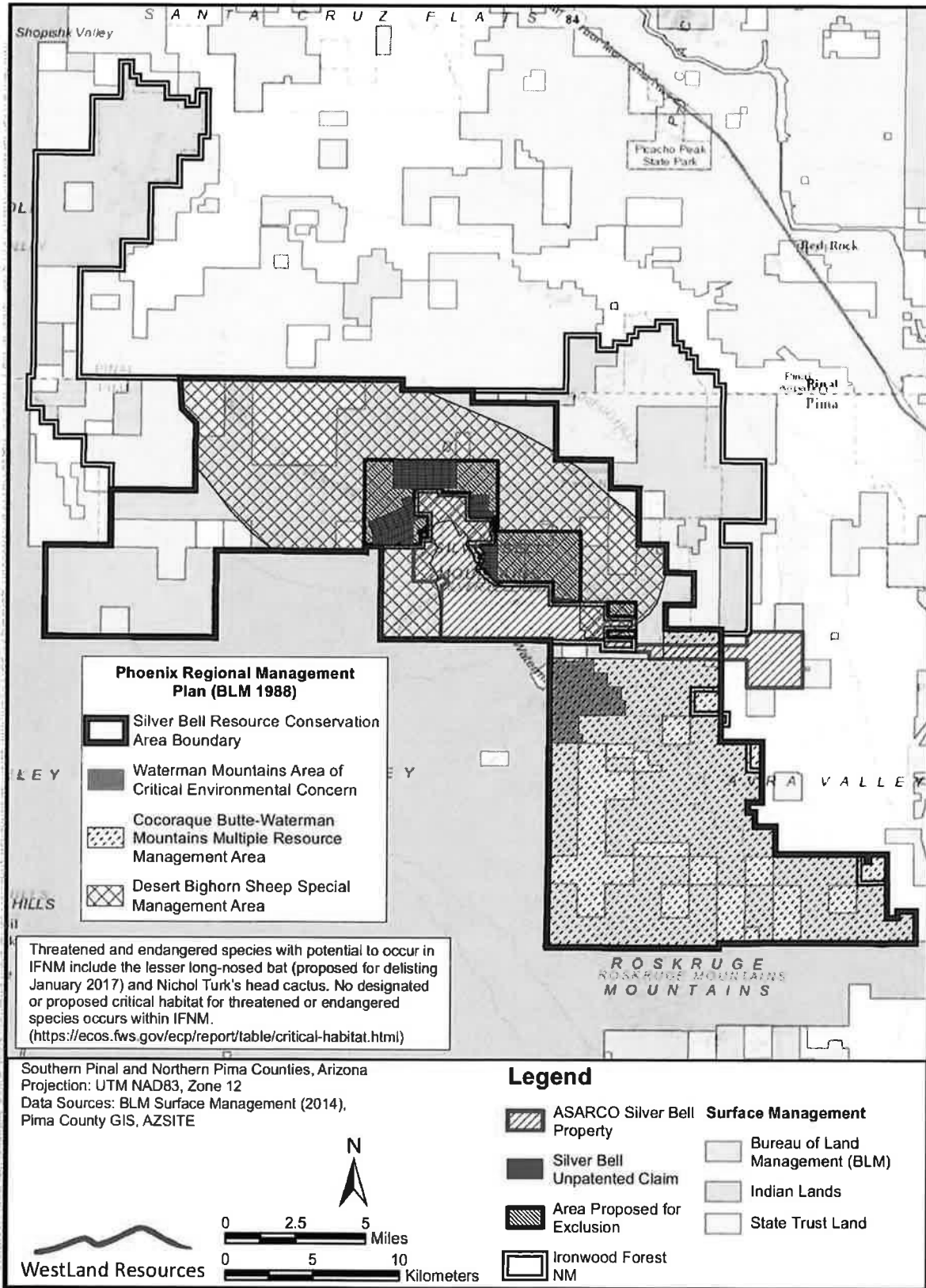
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Tab 7

BLM Phoenix Regional Management Plan Special Land Use Designations



Tab 8

Recreation Management Zones

BLM Administered Land Only
Ironwood Forest National Monument
RODI/Approved RMP

Legend

Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)

- Rugged Natural (RN)
- Semi-Primitive Motorized (SPM)
- Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized (SPNM)
- Ragged Top Watchable Wildlife
- Primitive

Recreation Sites

- Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Group Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Primary Access Points

Route Designations

- Primitive Road
- Primitive road open to all motorized use
- Road
- Road open to all motorized vehicle use. (Includes county routes across IFNM and BLM routes)
- Primitive Road, Administrative
- Primitive road open for administrative motorized vehicles and public non-motorized and mechanized use.
- Trail
- Open for administrative and public non-motorized and non-mechanized use only
- Road, Administrative
- Road open only for El Tiro Gliderport lease administrative use.
- Closed for Restoration

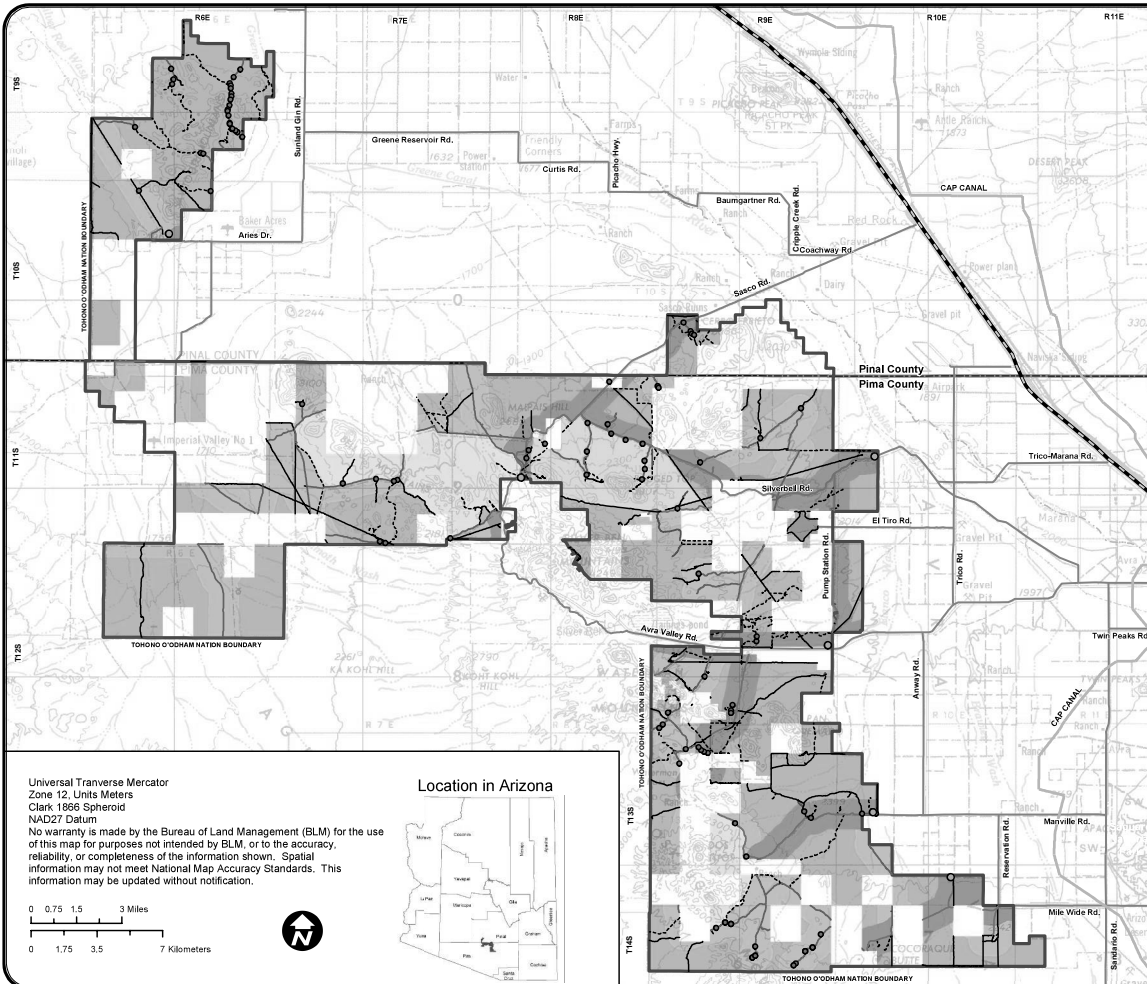
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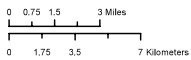
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



Universal Transverse Mercator
Zone 12, Units Meters
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Location in Arizona



Tab 9



JANE DEE HULL
GOVERNOR
STATE OF ARIZONA

April 6, 2001

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jane Hull", written in dark ink.

The Honorable Gale Norton
Secretary of Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Norton:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 28, 2001 in regard to the impact of National Monument designations within the State of Arizona.

As you know, during the past year, five new National Monuments were declared in Arizona encompassing an estimated two million acres of Arizona. This is an area approximately equivalent in size to the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island. A land mass of such notable size carries with it a number of impacts, and I am grateful for the opportunity to share my perspective on those impacts.

As a preliminary matter, I would like to say that much of the land that lies within the boundaries of our five new National Monuments is exquisite and certainly worthy of conservation. In Arizona, we are aggressive in our pursuit of conservation, and we have several ongoing programs and projects that allow us to set aside our most magnificent scenery. Even now, we are supporting state legislation that will enable Arizona to engage in land exchanges that will result in the conservation of special State Trust lands.

My fundamental concern with the five new National Monuments is the inadequate selection process through which they were established. As a result of planning that occurred almost exclusively in Washington D.C., and not in Arizona, we have monuments with boundaries that do not protect the best of the terrain, do not give due consideration to wildlife management, do not allow vital energy transmission to cross into regions of the state, render hundreds of thousands of acres of School Trust land nearly valueless, prohibit essential roads, create uncertainty in the state's long-term water supply, and diminish the use of thousands of acres of private property.

I believe the inadequacy of the selection process was the direct result of a nearly complete failure on the part of the former administration of the Department of the Interior to provide meaningful opportunity for Arizona residents and qualified experts to participate. To highlight the absence of that participation, please note that neither I nor

any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument. Moreover, three of the monuments were declared with virtually no public process. The only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and select media were invited.

Please review your records to verify this claim. It would be very interesting to learn what the file has to say in regard to public participation prior to each declaration in Arizona.

Other concerns I have in regard to the monuments are site specific, and I have attached for your review a list of concerns my cabinet and I have compiled on each monument. You will notice the same concern often arises with multiple monuments. Where possible, we have also listed potential solutions to the issues raised. While the solutions may not be perfect, they certainly reflect more closely the will of those who make their home in this state.

Please note before you review this list that I am not suggesting the repeal of any monument in Arizona, nor a reduction in the size of any monument. I am simply asking that boundaries and proclamation language be amended where necessary to protect the best interests of the citizens of this state, including the certainty of their water and electricity supplies, school funding, necessary roads and sound wildlife management.

I appreciate your consideration of the following lists. If you need any additional information, I would be delighted to provide it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Dee Hull". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

JANE DEE HULL
Governor

**IRONWOOD FOREST
NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Summary of Impacts of Monument Designation on Existing or Planned Activities on State Trust lands Within the Specific Monuments

Ironwood Forest - Approximately 54,700 acres of State surface and 37,600 acres of State mineral estate are within the 201 square mile Monument located in south central Arizona. Most of the State land within the Monument is best described as being large blocks of Trust lands located on the periphery of targeted federal lands. State Trust lands make up almost half (43%) of the Monument.

1. Livestock grazing - Approximately 53,300 acres (97%) of the State land within the Monument is currently leased for livestock grazing under eight grazing leases. The Monument designation is subject to existing valid rights including livestock grazing. These rights, however, can be regulated in order to protect the purpose of the Monument. Generally the State grazing lands are used in conjunction with federal lands within one lessees ranch allotment. If grazing is reduced or eliminated on the federal land within the Monument, the lessees may be forced to reduce their livestock herds, fence off the federal lands, construct additional improvements (i.e. water, corrals, fencing, etc.) and periodically request to graze additional livestock on the remaining State lands. Eventually the lessees may be forced out of business due to the reduced availability of range land resources.
2. Agriculture - The Monument encompasses an active 680 acre agricultural lease (SESE Section 16, All Section 22, T11S, R6E). The agricultural lease is located on the western boundary of the Monument and does not appear to fit any criteria described as the purpose of the Monument.
3. Commercial - One State commercial lease (3.67 acres, Section 26, 27, T10S, R 9E) for communication purposes and 495 acres of commercially classified lands (unleased) are located within the Monument's eastern boundary. The town of Marana has expanded to within four miles of the Monument's eastern boundary while rural residential development is occurring in the area.
4. Rights of Way - There are 14 existing rights of way across State land for various purposes within the Monument, mostly confined to the northern position of the Monument. Expansion of these rights of way may be restricted resulting from restrictions on adjacent federal lands. New rights of way may be rerouted away from State lands due to their inclusion in the Monument. A major gas line (El Paso Natural Gas) crosses the northeastern portion of the Monument and includes State land.
5. Access - Motorized and mechanized vehicle travel off-road is prohibited within the Monument other than for administrative or emergency purposes. Vehicular traffic is confined to existing roads and trails. No new roads may be developed. Future road closures and travel restrictions may be enforced to protect the Monument. These closures may impact access to the State lands.

6. Mining - There are no mining leases or prospecting permits on State land within the Monument. New mining claims or mineral leases are prohibited as the federal lands within the Monument are withdrawn from the 1872 Mining Law as well as other mineral leasing acts and related laws. The Monument entraps ASARCO's Silver Bell mine between the Monument and the Tohono O'Odham Indian Reservation. The State has several thousand acres of mineral estate within the Monument and adjacent to the Silver Bell mine. State land is included within the projected trend of mineralization being mined by ASARCO. Silver Bell Mine or initiation of new mining on the State lands is effectively stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands. The Department reports that the Monument lies within a zone identified as having potential for multiple undiscovered copper deposits. State estimates potential loss of \$100 million in mineral rights held by State.

CURRENT REVENUES (2000-2001) OF STATE LAND CONTRACTS

Ironwood Forest National Monument (54,772.79ac)

53,274.39 acres	8 Grazing leases	\$3,196
3.67 acres	1 Commercial lease	\$1,500
680.00 acres	1 Ag lease	\$10,000
2.00 acres	2 Ag Slups (leased)	\$1,000
320.00 acres	1 Grazing Slup (unleased)	\$100
various acres	6 (10yr. Pay Rights of Way)	\$5,600
495.25 acres	Unleased Commercial	

Note: Perpetual rights of way that have paid in full are not reflected in annual rent

Ninety-five percent of the State Trust Lands within this monument belongs to the Public Schools.

Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument

Presidential Proclamation

Wildlife conservation represents one of the primary purposes of the National Monument. To reaffirm the importance of wildlife management and maintaining and enhancing wildlife resources and wildlife-related recreation within the Monument, the Arizona Game and Fish Department recommends adding the following language to the Proclamation (after the description of natural/wildlife resources in the introduction; page 1):

Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument. Management actions will ensure the continued well-being of existing, re-introduced, supplemented or expanded populations of wildlife. Necessary management actions within the monument could include releases of wildlife into currently unoccupied habitats, maintenance of existing wildlife water developments, construction of new wildlife water developments, and implementation of other wildlife habitat improvement projects.

Surface disturbance and vegetation manipulation (e.g., chaining, disking, burning) that is necessary to maintain the wildlife management, research, and ecological restoration purposes of the Monument shall be allowed.

To address our specific concerns regarding wildlife management and wildlife-related recreation, we recommend changing several of the standard paragraphs, as follows [each statement from the Proclamation (pages 2 and 3) is followed by our recommended language]:

For the purpose of protecting the objects identified above, all motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes.

The use of motorized vehicles will continue to be allowed on existing roads and trails within the monument. For the purposes of protecting the objects identified above, motorized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes. Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.

The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument through the Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to applicable legal authorities, to implement the purposes of this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall manage the land within the monument, pursuant to applicable legal authorities. The State of

Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department, shall manage the wildlife within the monument. The Arizona Game and Fish Department shares management authority for migratory, threatened, endangered, and candidate fish and wildlife species with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions, including road closures or travel restrictions, necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation. The transportation plan shall reflect the mutual agreement of the State of Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the jurisdiction of the State of Arizona with respect to fish and wildlife management.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to diminish the jurisdiction and necessary management activities of the State of Arizona with respect to wildlife management, including the establishment of wildlife population goals and the regulation of hunting, within the monument.

The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and wildlife management with the Monument.

AGFD comment - The statement, "Warning is hereby given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof" should be modified to clarify the specific type(s) of action(s) that will be prohibited within the monument. If this prohibition applies on all public lands managed by the BLM (which is likely the case under FLPMA) - the "warning" statement should be deleted.

**Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands
Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument**

Interim Management Policy

Under, "Adhere to direction in the President's Proclamation:", Add: *Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument.*

Modify: The State's responsibilities, authorities, and abilities regarding wildlife management, including fishing and hunting, within the Monument are unaffected by the Proclamation and shall be unaffected by this policy and the new management plan for the Monument.

Add: *Interim wildlife management will focus on completing wildlife projects that were started prior to the area being designated as a Monument.*

Add: *Prepare a new wildlife management plan in cooperation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department. The new wildlife management plan must reflect the mutual agreement of the agencies.*

Attachment 1-1 Discussion of Specific Activities – first paragraph -

Add: *Proposed restrictions that have the potential to impact fish and wildlife resources, or the management of those resources, shall include coordination and consultation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department.*

Wildlife management activities by the Arizona Game and Fish Department generally do not conflict with the established purposes of the Monument. The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and management with the Monument.

Under, "Animal Damage Control", Delete, "...specifically targeting individual predators rather than predator populations."

Add, *This will not affect the Arizona Game and Fish Department's predator management objectives and activities, including contracting with Wildlife Services for predator management activities, with the Monument.*

Under, "Hunting and Fishing", Add - *Hunting and fishing shall be allowed within the monument in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the State of Arizona. The use of wheeled game carriers shall be allowed within the monument for the retrieval of downed big game.*

Attachment 1-2

Off-Road Vehicles – Delete: “Motorized and mechanical vehicular use should only occur on designated roads or routes.”

Add – *Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.*

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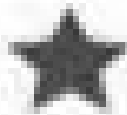
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Scientific, Archeological, and Historical Investigations – Modify the last sentence, as follows – *“but surface disturbance should be avoided” to the greatest extent possible.*

Vegetation Manipulation – Replace the existing sentence, with – *Chaining or other methods that cause surface disturbance but are necessary for wildlife management or an authorized science-based ecological restoration project shall be permitted.*

Wilderness Study Areas – Replace the first sentence, with - *Future Wilderness designation within the Monument is inconsistent with the Proclamation and will not be considered during interim and future management of the area.*





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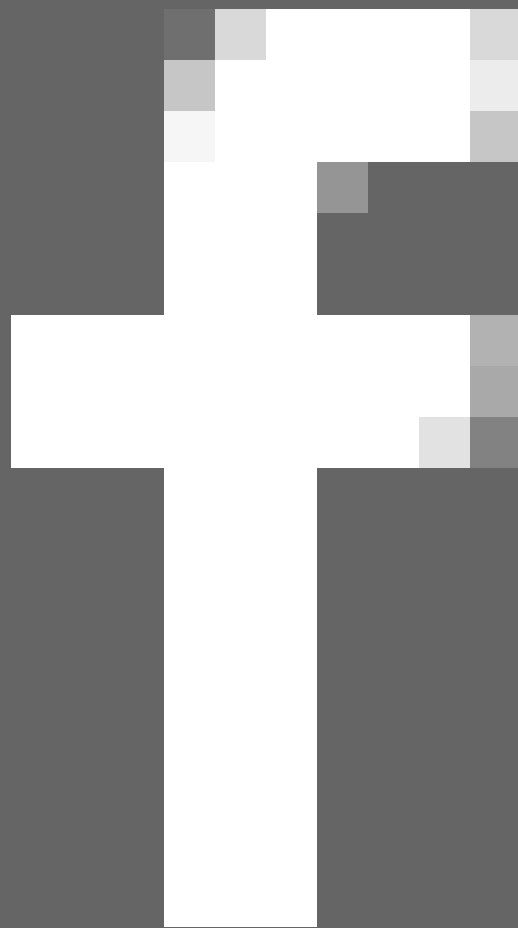
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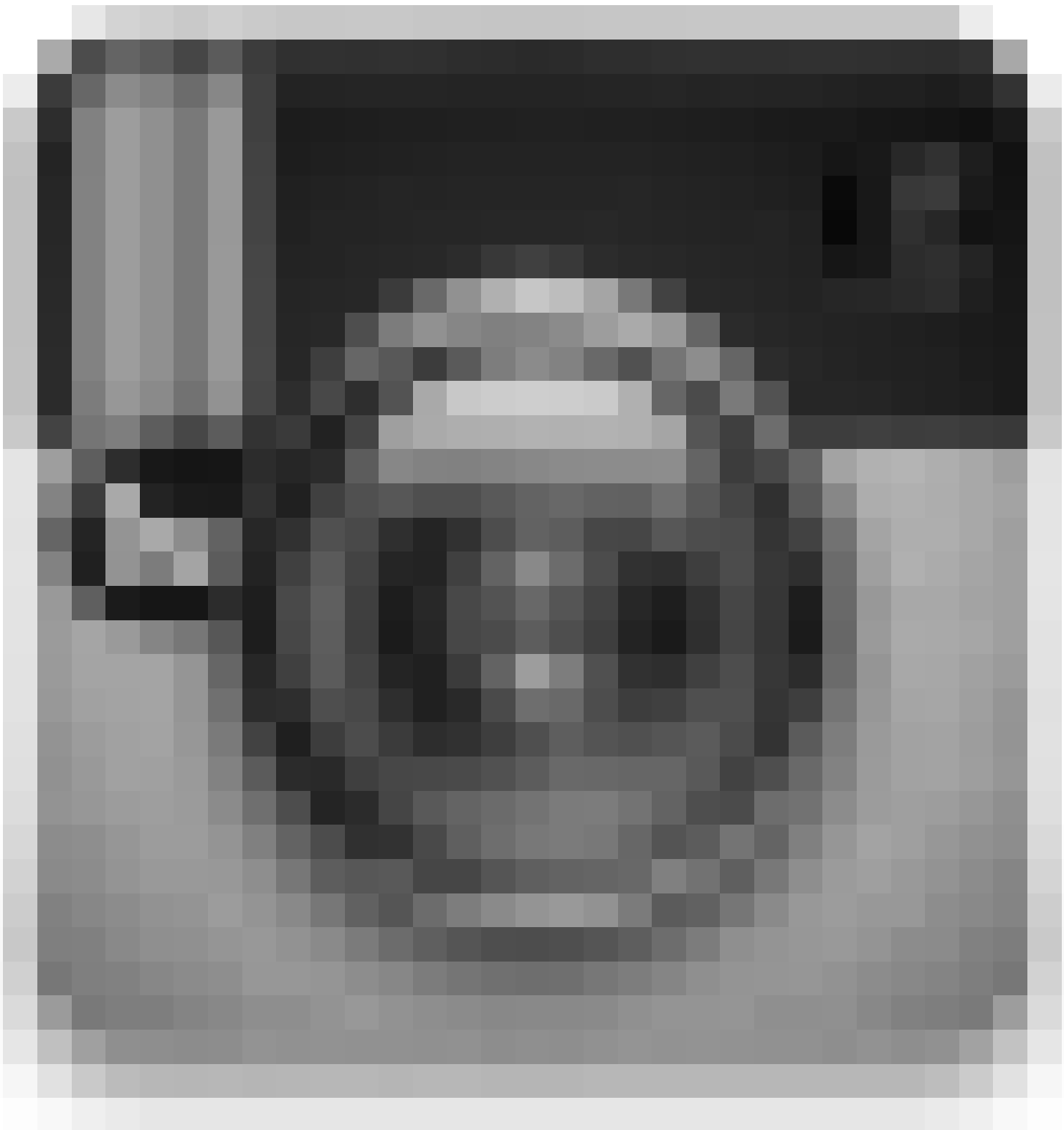


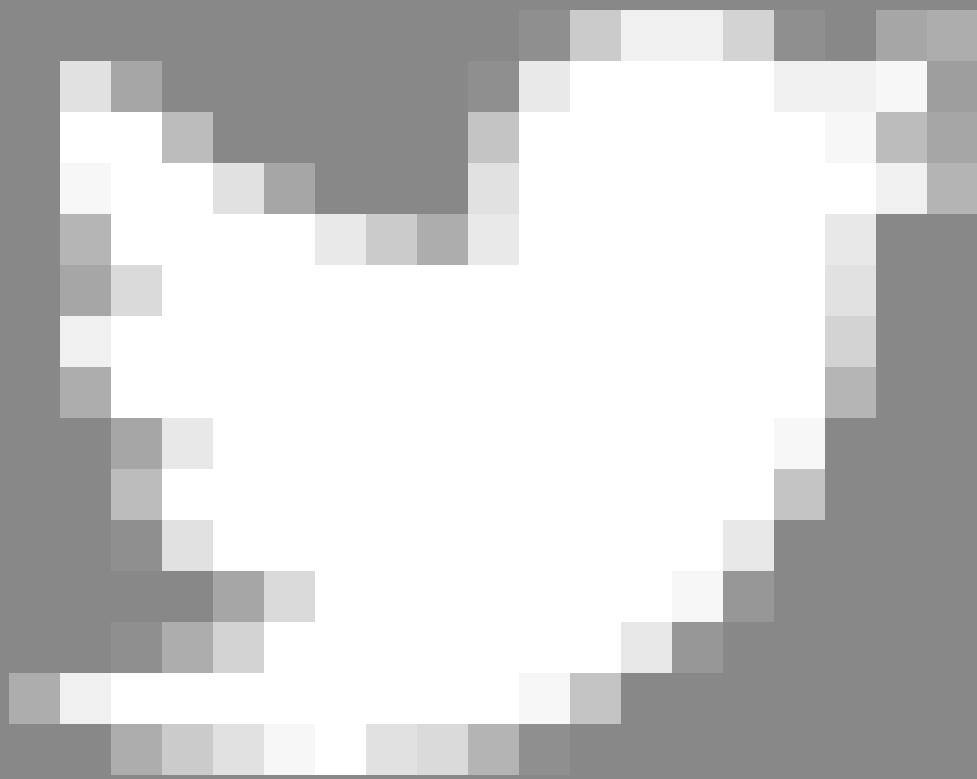




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July 7, 2017

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Sincerely,



Representative Vince Leach
Legislative District 11



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From: **Small, Jeff** <Jeff.Small@mail.house.gov>

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Wanted to pass along the below emails and attached docs from Asarco regarding the Ironwood National Monument.

Chairman Gosar and 16 members of the Western Caucus recommended a recession of this monument and others in a letter to the Secretary [HERE](#).

Let me know if you all have any questions or if you would like more info.

Have a good weekend.

Sincerely,

Jeff Small

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From: Genevra Richardson [mailto:genevra@govgroupaz.com]
Sent: Thursday, August 03, 2017 2:09 PM
To: Pew, Penny
Cc: Jeremy Browning; Van Flein, Tom; Pearson, Trevor; Small, Jeff
Subject: Re: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Penny,

Our folks have also been in contact with David Bernhardt's office as well, since he was just sworn in a couple of days ago, to flag this issue. They have assured us that Asarco's request will be looked at carefully. Any support your office or the Western Caucus can provide in this regard would be much appreciated. I've also attached an aerial picture that further demonstrates the geography of the monument.

Let me know if you have any additional questions.

Thanks

Genevra Richardson

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From: Pew, Penny
Sent: Tuesday, August 01, 2017 5:58 PM
To: Genevra Richardson
Cc: Jeremy Browning; Van Flein, Tom; Pearson, Trevor; Small, Jeff
Subject: RE: Asarco Comment letter for Ironwood National Monument

Thanks Genevra!

I have copied our Legislative Director Trevor Pearson, the Executive Director of the Western Caucus Jeff Small and our Chief of Staff Tom Van Flein who will be the best point of contact for this monument issue.

Thanks for reaching out to Congressman Gosar's office.

Penny L. Pew

District Director & Intergovernmental Affairs

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Hi Penny,

Thanks for taking the time to talk with me on the Ironwood National Monument issue. I've attached the comment letter from Asarco – page 10 highlights the issues with the mining claims that were established prior to the monument being declared. Tab 1 and 2 highlights the map with our request for the boundary. I've also attached the letter from Representatives Leach and Finchem and Senator Smith expressing concerns over the boundary. We've also had letters submitted from Southern Arizona Business Coalition.

I really appreciate you calling this to the attention of the Western Caucus and other folks in DC to get DOI's attention.

Thanks
Genevra



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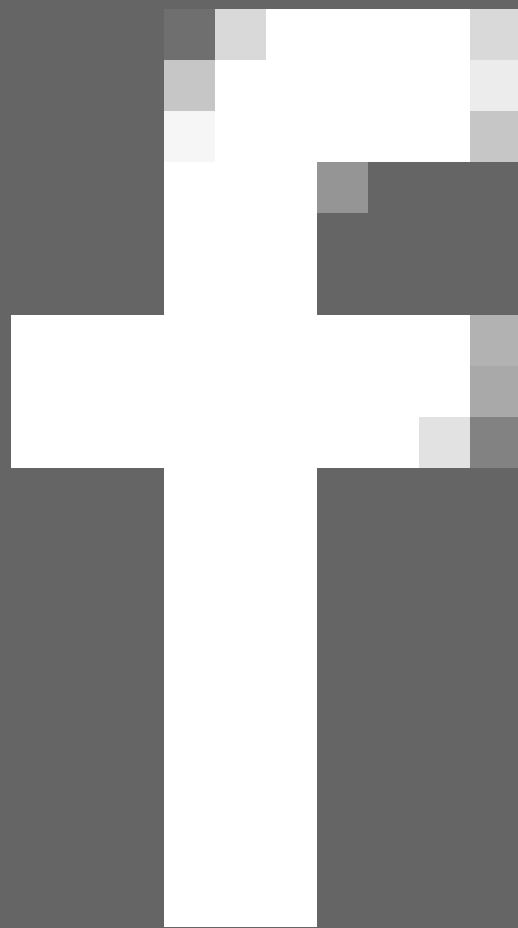
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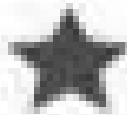
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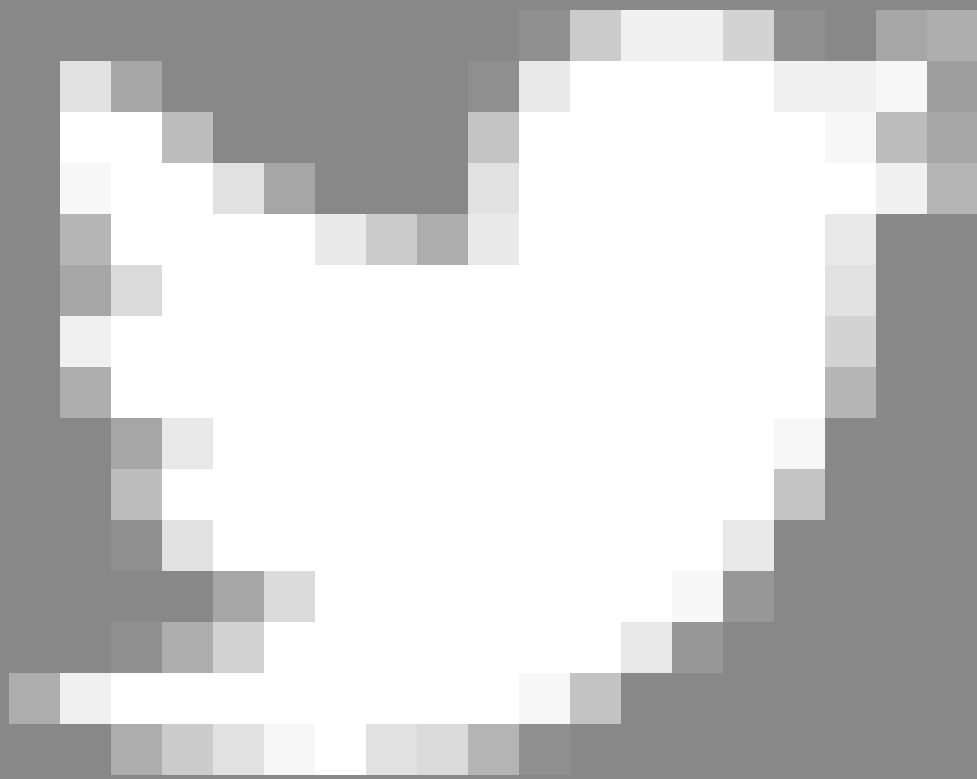


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Attn: DOI-2017-0002

**Re: Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996;
Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment**

Dear Sir or Madam:

On behalf of Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. and Asarco LLC (collectively referred to as “Silver Bell”), please consider the following comments regarding the notice entitled *Review of Certain National Monuments Established Since 1996; Notice of Opportunity for Public Comment*, 82 Fed. Reg. 22016 (May 11, 2017) (hereafter the “Notice”) which is directly related to President Trump’s Executive Order 13792 of April 26, 2017, 82 Fed. Reg. 20429 (May 1, 2017) (hereafter “EO 13792”).

In particular, these comments will focus on the Ironwood Forest National Monument (the “IFNM”) established by President William J. Clinton via Proclamation 7320 issued on June 9, 2000, pursuant to the Antiquities Act of 1906 (the “Act”) the boundary of which is depicted on the map attached at **Tab 1**. In the waning days of the Clinton administration (2000-2001), five new national monuments were designated in Arizona, encompassing approximately two million acres.¹ The IFNM includes 189,600 acres of federal, state and private land within portions of Pima and Pinal County, Arizona. Of all the designated monuments in Arizona, the IFNM contains the highest percentage of state and private land (33%) within a monument boundary.

Silver Bell owns 880 acres of fee land and 4,050 acres of unpatented claims within the IFNM but is unable to make economic use of these assets as a direct result of the designation. In addition to the assets trapped within the IFNM, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern

¹ These include the Agua Fria; Grand Canyon-Parashant; Ironwood Forest; Sonoran Desert and Vermillion Cliffs National Monuments. These monuments comprise a land mass comparable to the size of the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island in a western state with over 80% of its land being public land (federal, state and tribal).

boundary of the monument. The Silver Bell mine has produced copper and other minerals for over 65 years and is located in one of five historic mining districts within and near the IFNM.² However, the ability to expand the mine and increase mineral production has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Silver Bell has been prevented from conducting exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits within its unpatented mining claims, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law.

Silver Bell requests that the boundary of the IFNM be appropriately modified for the reasons discussed herein. The reasons are specifically responsive to the five factors the Secretary of Interior will consider in reviewing monuments designated or expanded under the Act since 1996 (the “Secretarial Review Period”) pursuant to EO 13792. The figure attached at **Tab 2** shows the specific area of 11,056 acres that Silver Bell requests be removed from the IFNM.

I. The Act’s requirements and original objectives, including the Act’s requirement that reservation of land not exceed “the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected”.

Congress delegated the President authority to designate national monuments by means of the Antiquities Act of 1906. This law, in relevant part, provides:

The President of the United States is authorized, in his discretion, to declare by public proclamation *historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest* that are situated upon the lands owned or controlled by the Government of the United States to be national monuments, and may reserve as a part thereof parcels of land, *the limits of which in all cases shall be confined to the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected.*
[16 U.S.C. § 431 (emphasis added).]

By design, President Clinton’s IFNM designation was overly expansive because the identified objects of interest were of a landscape nature. They include drought-adapted vegetation, rugged mountain ranges, views of the Sonoran Desert, ironwood trees, and habitat for threatened and endangered species. This approach (i.e., landscape based designations) was utilized commonly for monument designations made during the Secretarial Review Period.

It is important to understand the genesis of IFNM designation to see the incongruity with the Act. On March 21, 2000 the Pima County Board of Supervisors adopted a resolution to pursue a land preserve to implement provisions of Pima County’s Sonoran Desert Conservation

² *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at Map. 3-8 attached as **Tab 1**.

Plan (“SDCP”) which is a regional multi-species habitat conservation plan.³ The resolution was actually witnessed by then Interior Secretary Babbitt (also a former Arizona governor and state attorney general) who was visiting Pima County to discuss federal coordination efforts associated with Pima County’s SDCP. After a well-publicized hike into the area, Secretary Babbitt vowed to secure the permanent protection of certain federal lands identified in the SDCP.⁴ Less than *three (3) months later* (emphasis added) the expansive IFNM was designated.

The boundary of the IFNM was remarkably similar to the Pima County “preserve proposal” with the inclusion of additional BLM land to the northwest and adjacent private and state land in between. There was no consideration given to whether the area identified was the “*smallest area compatible* with the proper care and management of *the objects to be protected*” (emphasis added) as there was no time for such analysis to take place even though Silver Bell specifically requested that the boundary be modified.

In fact, in May 2000, Silver Bell’s then general counsel met with the Department of Interior Solicitor and staff to express concerns about the monument and discuss a buffer for the Silver Bell mine. Similar meetings were held with the local Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) that same month. On June 5, 2000, senior representatives of Silver Bell’s management met with Secretary Babbitt to suggest the creation of a mineral exploration district within the proposed IFNM. Secretary Babbitt indicated he would consider the proposal. Four days later, on June 9, 2000, the monument proclamation was issued and all lands within the IFNM were withdrawn from mineral entry.

Neither the Pima County SDCP “preserve proposal” nor the resulting IFNM designation represent the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected. At the outset, there had to be a proper identification of discrete objects of interest as opposed to identification of a landscape. The failure to undertake that identification in a manner that is in keeping with the spirit and intent of the Act led to the expansive designation. The objects protected in the case of the IFNM are not valid objects of scientific or historic interest. Thus, the area designated to protect those unjustified objects is equally invalid.

³ Pima County Resolution 2000-63 (Supporting the Establishment of a Silverbell and Ragged Top Preserve on BLM Lands) attached as **Tab 3**.

⁴ See attached news articles at **Tab 4**.

II. Whether designated lands are appropriately classified under the Act as “historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, [or] other objects of historic or scientific interest”.

The legislative history of the Act reveals an intent to protect ancient and prehistoric American Indian archeological sites on federal lands from looting.⁵ In fact, the Act’s primary purpose is to “preserve the works of man.”⁶ Unfortunately, regulatory definitions of other terms contained within the Act (consistent with its intended purpose) including “historic landmarks,” “historic and prehistoric structures,” or “objects of historic and scientific interest” do not exist. Accordingly, the plain meaning of these words must be given due weight. Only the term “historic landmark” connotes something broader than a human artifact (object or structure). Even so, the word “landmark” means “an object (such as a stone or tree) that marks the boundary of land,” “a conspicuous object on land that marks a locality,” “an anatomical structure used as a point of orientation in locating other structures,” “an event or development that marks a turning point or a stage,” or “a structure (such as a building) of unusual historical and usually aesthetic interest; especially one that is officially designated and set aside for preservation.”⁷

The chart below includes passages from the IFNM proclamation and an assessment of whether the identified characteristic is a “historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest.”

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The landscape of the [IFNM] is swathed with the rich, drought-adapted vegetation of the Sonoran Desert.	No.	Drought-adapted vegetation is everywhere in the Sonoran Desert.

⁵ Ronald F. Lee, “The Antiquities Act, 1900-1906,” in *The Story of the Antiquities Act* (National Park Service, Mar. 15, 2016), https://www.nps.gov/archeology/pubs/lee/Lee_CH6.htm (last visited June 28, 2017).

⁶ 54 U.S.C. §§ 320301-03.

⁷ *Merriam-Webster*, merriam-webster.com, <https://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/landmark> (last visited June 23, 2017).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
The Monument contains objects of scientific interest throughout its desert environment. Stands of ironwood, palo verde, and saguaro blanket the monument floor beneath the rugged mountain ranges, including the Silver Bell Mountains.	No.	Stands of trees and cactus beneath mountains do not constitute a landmark or object of antiquity.
Ragged Top Mountain is a biological and geological crown jewel amid the depositional plains in the Monument.	Possibly.	A mountain with interesting geologic features may constitute an object of scientific interest, but the protection of the object should be confined to the mountain pursuant to the provisions of the Act.
The Monument presents a quintessential view of the Sonoran Desert with ancient legume and cactus forests. The geologic and topographic variability of the Monument contributes to the area's high biological diversity.	No.	"Quintessential views" and geologic and topographic diversity do not meet the standard.

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Silver Bell Mountains support the highest density of ironwood trees recorded in the Sonoran Desert.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p>There are four classes of protected native plants in Arizona. In order of importance and protection they are: (i) highly safeguarded, (ii) salvage restricted, (iii) salvage assessed and (iv) harvest restricted. A.A.C. R3-3-1101 <i>et seq.</i> Ironwood trees are within the latter two categories meaning a permit for salvage is required and the plants have enough value if salvaged to support the cost of so doing and may be subject to over-harvest. No other protective classification of any type or kind is relevant.</p> <p>Further, this assertion was never true. Even Pima County's published Ironwood Primer documents higher density in Organ Pipe National Monument.⁸ Subsequent ironwood surveys conducted in the area of I-10 and Tangerine Road in Tucson evidence densities 5 times greater than in the IFNM.</p>

⁸ *Desert Ironwood Primer: Biodiversity and Uses Associated with Ancient Legume and Cactus Forests in the Sonoran Desert*, Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum (Feb., 2000).

IFNM Proclamation Passage	Historic landmark, historic or prehistoric structure, or other object of historic or scientific interest?	Comments
<p>The Monument is home to species federally listed as threatened or endangered, including the Nichol's Turk's head cactus and the lesser long-nosed bat, and contains historic and potential habitat for the cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl. The desert bighorn sheep in the Monument may be the last viable population indigenous to the Tucson basin.</p>	<p>No.</p>	<p><u>Nichol's Turk's Head Cactus ("NTHC")</u>: listed as endangered in 1979, recovery plan in 1986. In 1988 BLM established the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) solely to protect the cactus.⁹</p> <p><u>Lesser long-nosed bat ("LLB")</u>: recently proposed for delisting, 82 Fed. Reg. 1665, 1676 (Jan. 6, 2017).</p> <p><u>Cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl ("CFPO")</u>: Arizona distinct population segment listed in 1997, critical habitat designated in 1999; removed from list of endangered and threatened wildlife and critical habitat withdrawn in 2006 (71 Fed. Reg. 19452 (Apr. 14, 2006)). Subsequent petition to relist in 2011 determined not warranted (76 Fed. Reg. 61856, (Oct. 5, 2011)).</p> <p><u>Desert bighorn sheep</u>: a non-federally listed big game species in Arizona known to inhabit the Silver Bell Mountains and surrounding area.</p>
<p>Abundant rock art sites. Two areas on National Register of Historic Places, the Los Robles Archeological District and the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District.</p>	<p>Possibly.</p>	<p>Certain of the National Register sites warrant remaining protection but they are discrete areas within the IFNM and the boundaries of the sites should be the extent of the area protected. Individual rock art sites or discrete artifacts may not warrant protection. Additional information on cultural resources is provided in the IFRMP FEIS.¹⁰</p>

⁹ In 1996, Public Land Order 7197 (61 Fed. Reg. 26528) withdrew all Federal Lands in the ACEC from settlement, sale, location or entry for 50 years effective May 28, 1996.

¹⁰ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pgs. 3-31 thru 3-38 attached as **Tab 5**.

In April 2000, just before the IFNM proclamation, the BLM Tucson Field Office conducted a review of the “Areas of Scientific and Historic Interests” in conjunction with the consideration of the proposed IFNM.¹¹ Importantly, the review included 150,114 acres which was a prior established BLM special management area known as the Silver Bell Resource Conservation Area (the “Silver Bell RCA”). When designated, the IFNM included 189,600 acres in total, as an additional 39,486 were added to include the Sawtooth Mountains. There is no apparent evidence that the Sawtooth Mountain area was evaluated by BLM prior to the designation and it is unknown as to how or why it was also included.

BLM’s analysis did not justify the IFNM designation. BLM’s report did not even mention “spectacular views” or “ironwood” or “ancient legume and cactus forests” as plants of concern requiring special management. In fact, the BLM’s report supported the establishment of a special management area to protect historic mining activity (such as the Silver Bell Mining District) and management prescriptions to ensure mining could continue, which is exactly what Silver Bell asked Secretary Babbitt to consider prior to the monument proclamation.¹²

In relevant part, excerpts from BLM’s report include the following:

- “Setting: . . . Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-brush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. . . . The [prior established] resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest. . . . In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species¹³ . . . a site on the National Register of Historic places, an archeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.”
- “Areas of Prehistoric Interest: Although only a portion of the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. . . .

¹¹ Areas of Scientific and Historic Interest (BLM 2000) attached at **Tab 6**. BLM’s report was not openly published but was obtained by Silver Bell pursuant to a Freedom of Information Act request dated March 1, 2001 made by Jerry Haggard of Gust Rosenfeld, P.C. following the IFNM designation.

¹² Other national monuments (including the California Coast and Canyons of the Ancients) recognized non-renewable resource utilization and allowed oil and gas leasing and production to continue.

¹³ “Several” at the time of designation included three listed species: the CFPO which is no longer listed, the LLB which has been proposed for de-listing, and the NTHC which remains listed and is protected via an existing ACEC and withdrawal.

Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area (emphasis added) . . . ; Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District; [t]hese historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. . . .”

- “Areas of Historic Interest: Silver Bell Mining District (emphasis added); Silver Bell Cemetery, Arizona Southern Railroad.”¹⁴
- “Areas of Geologic Interest: Silver Bell Mining District (emphasis added); Ragged Top Peak.”
- “Areas of Special Management: [t]he Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (“SMAs”) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres . . . [t]he 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area . . . ; the Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern [“ACEC”] established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead cactus, containing 1,960 acres of Public land . . . ; [t]he 56,800 acre Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep . . .”¹⁵

The designated lands of the IFNM were not appropriately classified under the Act and were unsupported by any prior analysis. Expansive BLM special management areas already existed to protect the plant and animal species of concern and there was no justifiable reason to designate 189,600 acres as a national monument in this area. It may be that there are cultural resource areas warranting protection under the Act, but further consideration should be given to reducing the size of IFNM to the areas immediately surrounding valid objects of scientific or historic interest.

¹⁴ All of these supported historic mining activities and nearly three pages of the BLM’s report is dedicated to the rich mining history associated with these areas. See **Tab 6** at pgs. 4-6.

¹⁵ See attached map at **Tab 7** depicting these special management areas.

III. The effects of a designation on the available uses of designated Federal lands, including consideration of the multiple-use policy in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act as well as the effects on the available uses of Federal lands beyond the monument boundaries.

A. Silver Bell's Unpatented Mining Claims

As stated above, the Silver Bell Mine abuts the southwestern boundary of the IFNM and is located within a historic mining district. The Silver Bell Mining District, has been a source of copper and other valuable mineral products, such as gold, silver, lead, zinc, molybdenum and manganese, for over a century. Asarco LLC has conducted mining and mineral processing in Arizona since 1911 and at Silver Bell since the 1950s (over 65 years). At present, approximately 60,000 tons of ore and waste rock are mined on a daily basis at Silver Bell. Silver Bell's SX-EW plant produces approximately 65 tons of 99.99 percent pure copper cathode each day, helping to supply the nation's need for copper while employing American workers.

Silver Bell holds possessory title to 196 validly located and maintained unpatented mining claims located within the IFNM. All of these claims were located before the monument was created, including 124 claims that were located between 1950-1970. These claims cover approximately 4,050 acres. Just prior to the monument designation, Silver Bell invested \$72 million to build a new 50 ton per day SX/EW facility, which was dedicated in 1997. Mine expansion is precluded on the claims within the IFNM as Silver Bell has not been allowed to conduct exploration activities to determine the full extent of the mineral deposits therein, in accordance with the 1872 Mining Law. The IFNM is nothing but a disincentive for continued investment in this mine and in the state and local economy.

The monument proclamation states that it is subject to prior existing rights, but BLM has not administered the monument accordingly. On July 12, 2000 (just after the IFNM designation) Silver Bell filed with BLM a notice of intent to conduct drilling of four exploration holes and associated road clearing on certain of its claims within the IFNM boundary (total disturbance of only 1.4 acres). In response, BLM determined that a plan of operations was required and stated that off-road vehicle use was prohibited on the mining claims within the IFNM. BLM also advised that the approval of any plan of operations would be subject to a validity examination of the mining claims supported by data obtained prior to the establishment of the IFNM that withdrew the land from mineral entry.

Since 1993, Silver Bell has paid \$326,000 in claim maintenance fees to the BLM to maintain title to the unpatented mining claims within the IFNM. Silver Bell spent additional funds to explore and maintain its mining claims prior to creation of the monument. In 2000, the economic loss suffered by Silver Bell due to its inability to develop these claims was estimated at \$146 million.

B. Effect on Other Types of Multiple Land Uses

The IFNM proclamation prohibited most types of land use of the Federal lands therein. All federal lands and interests in lands within the boundaries of the monument were withdrawn from all forms of entry, location, selection, sale or leasing or other disposition under the public land laws and mining law. All non-emergency motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road is prohibited. Over 17 miles of prior existing roadways have been closed and miles of other roads are restricted to non-motorized traffic. Grazing was, however, allowed to continue for the term of existing leases.

Following the IFNM monument proclamation, it took BLM 13 years to complete the IFNM Resource Management Plan (the “IFRMP”).¹⁶ The management prescriptions in the IFRMP further tightened the grip on prohibited land uses by establishing a panoply of “special management areas” as detailed below:

- No utility corridors can be authorized within the IFNM. The entire IFNM is classified as an “avoidance area” (which includes the development of renewable energy resources) subject to recognition of valid prior existing authorizations.¹⁷
- The IFRMP established a 29,820 acre Desert Bighorn Sheep Wildlife Habitat Area (“WHA”) where closures to human entry can be implemented annually from January 1 through April 30 as needed.¹⁸ Boiled down, that means nearly 1/4 of the IFNM can be closed to human entry for over 1/3 of any given year. Notably, the WHA is immediately adjacent to the entire northern half of the Silver Bell Mine.
- The IFRMP established the Ragged Top Vegetation Habitat Management Area (VHA) where only restricted camping is allowed. Interestingly, no specified vegetation management is prescribed.¹⁹ Additionally, the Ragged Top VHA surrounds the Silver Bell Mine.
- Two-thirds of the entire IFNM is classified as a Class II Visual Resource Management Area (i.e., retain the visual character of the landscape).²⁰ Management prescriptions include “managing activities that result in fugitive-dust

¹⁶ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan* (Feb., 2013).

¹⁷ *Id.* at pg. 74.

¹⁸ *Id.* at pg. 43 and Map 3.

¹⁹ *Id.* at pg. 45 and Map 4.

²⁰ *Id.* at pg. 56 and Map 5.

to protect visual quality” and “managing visual resources consistently on lands adjacent to the Monument lands.”

- The entire IFNM is designated as a Special Recreation Management Area (“SRMA”) to be managed for its undeveloped character. The result is a concentration of recreational uses at specified locations which has the effect of directing motorized traffic to Silver Bell’s privately owned property (via Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road) in order to gain access to the IFNM. BLM’s published IFNM maps identify trailheads, interpretive sites and historic sites for which there is no public access making these amenities accessible only via trespass across Silver Bell’s private property.²¹
- Finally, 9,510 acres of the IFNM was designated as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics.” Not surprisingly, the largest of this land classification abuts the Silver Bell Mine encompassing many of Silver Bell’s unpatented claims.²² Management prescriptions within these areas include naturalness, solitude, and primitive and unconfined non-motorized recreation.

The designation of 9,510 acres of “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” is perhaps the most troubling aspect of the IFRMP. In March 2007 BLM published the draft environmental impact statement (“EIS”) for the IFRMP. In reliance on BLM IM 2003-275, Change 1, (Consideration of Wilderness Characteristics in Land Use Plans) and an Arizona Wilderness Society Proposal, BLM concluded that 36,990 acres within the IFNM possessed wilderness characteristics (Alternative B within the draft and final EIS).²³ BLM did not publish the final EIS until September 29, 2011 and the final record of decision (“ROD”) was not issued until February 2013. During the period between the draft EIS and the final EIS (on July 15, 2011), BLM adopted new policies for consideration of lands with wilderness characteristics contained within IM 2011-154 which placed BLM Manuals 6301, 6302 and 6303 in abeyance until further notice.²⁴ BLM did not conform the final EIS discussion to follow the newly adopted

²¹ *Id.* at pg. 75 and Map 9. The BLM’s later approved IFNM Travel Management Plan confirmed and exacerbated this situation. Access to many parts of the IFNM can only be gained via trespass on Silver Bell’s private property and there is no approved public access agreement on Silver Bell’s land.

²² *Id.* at Map 6.

²³ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Draft Resource Management Plan and Environmental Impact Statement* (Mar., 2007) at pg. 3-37 and Map 2-10.

²⁴ BLM IM 2011-154 (Requirement to Conduct and Maintain Inventory Information For Wilderness Characteristics and to Consider Lands with Wilderness Characteristics In Land Use Plans (July 25, 2011) was issued in direct response to a Secretary of Interior Memorandum to the BLM dated June 1, 2011 issued by Secretary Salazar confirming that BLM would not designate any lands as “Wild Lands” (thus rescinding prior Secretarial Order 3310) and would strictly adhere to the requirements of Section 201 of

requirements of IM 2011-154, which contained detailed and specific factors for consideration and particular planning process steps that must be followed in conjunction with consideration of wilderness characteristics.²⁵ In particular, those processes require a comparison of wilderness characteristics as discrete units such that differing management prescriptions can be considered and later applied depending on the selected alternative. Accordingly, the 9,510 acres of land BLM ultimately designated in the IFRMP as “lands managed to protect wilderness characteristics” (Alternative C within the draft and final EIS) should not have been so designated. BLM should be required to undertake a plan amendment to conduct a proper wilderness characteristic inventory and analysis regardless of whether the IFNM’s boundaries are modified.

IV. The effects of a designation on the use and enjoyment of non-Federal lands within or beyond monument boundaries.

As stated above, Silver Bell’s desire to expand its mining operations onto adjacent BLM land has been hamstrung by the IFNM designation. Despite the fact that Silver Bell’s unpatented claims are located on land administered by the BLM, they constitute a property right. Unpatented mining claims, located under the Mining Law of 1872, are recognized as estates in real property that cannot be taken without payment of just compensation. “The Supreme Court has established that [an unpatented] mining ‘claim’ is not a claim in the ordinary sense of the word – a mere assertion of a right – but rather is a property interest, which is itself real property in every sense, and not merely an assertion of a right to property.” *Shumway*, 199 F.3d at 1099-1100 (citing and discussing *United States v. N. Amer. Transp. & Trading Co.*, 253 U.S. 330 (1920), *Bradford v. Morrison*, 212 U.S. 389 (1909), and *Benson Mining & Smelting Co. v. Alta Mining & Smelting Co.*, 145 U.S. 428 (1892)).²⁶ See also *Wilbur v. United States ex rel. Krushnic*, 280 U.S. 306, 316-17 (1930) (“[W]hen the location of a mining claim is perfected under the law, it has the effect of a grant by the United States of the right of present and exclusive possession. The claim is property in the fullest sense of that term.”). Since the designation, Silver Bell has not been able to use or enjoy its unpatented claims nor will it in the future with the restrictive management provisions set forth in the IFRMP.

Silver Bell also owns 880 acres of fee land within the IFNM. This fee land includes a substantial segment along both sides of the primary access road to the Silver Bell Mine (called Avra Valley Road). Public trespass from this road to the IFNM (by virtue of inclusion of Silver

FLPMA requiring BLM to maintain an inventory of all lands, including those with wilderness characteristics.

²⁵ *Ironwood Forest National Monument, Proposed Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement* (Sept., 2011) at pg. 3-41.

²⁶ In *North American*, for example, the Supreme Court held that the federal government could not reserve land for a military base without paying the owner the value of an unpatented mining claim located on the site. 253 U.S. at 337-38.

Bell's land in the monument) is a constant issue and BLM's management has made it worse. Many of BLM's trailheads, interpretive signs and historic site designations can only be accessed via trespass on Silver Bell's property. Moreover, the massive road closures in the IFNM and designation of only a few "Roaded Natural Areas" (where motorized vehicles are allowed) forces motorized traffic to Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (both traversing Silver Bell's private property).²⁷

There has been no regard for ongoing industrial activity associated with the Silver Bell Mine or the maintenance burdens associated with BLM's management practices. Safety concerns should be paramount as Avra Valley Road is heavily trafficked by mine employees and industrial vehicles (including big rig trucks carrying copper and acid) with much larger profiles than passenger cars. In addition, Silverbell Road (located entirely on Silver Bell's private property) outside of the IFNM is used routinely by the public to access the northwestern side of the monument from Avra Valley Road. Silverbell Road is in very close proximity to active mining operations. These facts have been ignored by the BLM and there is no provision in the IFRMP or the related Travel Management Plan to address the inability of BLM to provide safe, legal access into the core areas of the IFNM.

The designation of the IFNM has had a profound impact on Silver Bell's ability to use and enjoy its private lands and roads and its real property interest in thousands of acres of unpatented mining claims located in the historic Silver Bell Mining District.

V. The concerns of State, tribal and local governments affected by a designation, including economic development and fiscal condition of affected States, tribes, and localities.

Arizona's mines produce approximately 65% of the nation's newly-mined copper, along with significant amounts of associated valuable co-products (e.g., gold, silver, selenium, tellurium and molybdenum). As of 2014, the Arizona copper industry employed approximately 11,500 people and had an estimated direct and indirect impact on the Arizona economy of nearly \$5 billion. In recent years, nearly \$500 million in state and local taxes have been paid annually by the mining industry in Arizona.

The Silver Bell Mine directly employs 175 people. In 2016, Silver Bell Mining, L.L.C. paid \$12.1 million in wages, salaries and benefits, \$2.6 million in severance and sales taxes and spent \$41.8 million on materials (energy, fuel and supplies) directly benefiting the state and local

²⁷ See **Tab 8** containing Map 7 from the Ironwood Forest National Monument, Record of Decision and Approved Resource Management Plan (Feb., 2013). The dark orange areas are the only "Roaded Natural Areas" where a variety of modes of travel are authorized. There are only five "Roaded Natural Areas" serving as entry into the IFNM. Entry into the IFNM from Avra Valley Road and Silverbell Road (on Silver Bell's private property) are two of the five entrances and the most commonly utilized as they are the most direct route to the "crown jewel" of the IFNM.

economy. When major producers, like Silver Bell, are prohibited from fully utilizing their assets and expanding their operations, there are clear and measurable economic impacts to the fiscal condition of the state and local governments.

It is important to give historical context and perspective to the IFNM designation. In April 2001 then Arizona Governor Jane Dee Hull exchanged correspondence with then Secretary of Interior Gale Norton that is worth close examination.²⁸ One of Governor Hull's fundamental concerns was the process by which the IFNM was established (i.e., a Washington-centric exercise without meaningful state consultation or participation). Incredibly, Governor Hull noted that "neither I nor any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument." Further, Governor Hull stated that "the only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary [Secretary Babbitt] for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and selected media were invited." Her account of the events was accurate. There was virtually no stakeholder involvement or consideration of the economic or other effects of the designation. Pima and Pinal County were the only local authorities involved and we know of no other state, tribal or local government dialogue or input in the short three month period of consideration.

From an economic standpoint, Governor Hull expressed concern about the high percentage of state land within the IFNM and that 95% of the revenue from those state trust lands within the IFNM belongs to Arizona's public schools. Governor Hull cited to current revenues from leases for grazing, agriculture, rights of way and commercial leases and the loss of future potential revenue from similar activities. With respect to mining, Governor Hull noted that there were several thousand acres of mineral estate within the IFNM and that state land was within the path of the projected trend of mineralization of the Silver Bell mine and that the new mining on those state lands was "stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands." Incredibly, she estimated a potential loss to the State of \$100 million in mineral rights held by the State. The concerns she raised have proven to be true and will remain relevant in the future until the IFNM's boundaries are substantially reduced.

VI. Conclusion

Silver Bell urges the Secretary to thoroughly review the IFNM designation and to recommend modification of the monument boundary to include only the smallest area of land needed to accomplish the care and management of the valid historic and scientific objects within the IFNM. Such a review should include consideration of:

²⁸ See **Tab 9** including a copy of Governor Hull's letter to Secretary Norton dated April 6, 2001, redacted to include comments specific to IFNM.

1. historic and ongoing mining and mineral production in the Silver Bell Mountains, which has been a productive mining district since the 1800s, and the benefit of such activities to the American economy;
2. whether the Silver Bell Mountains and adjoining areas with valuable mineral resources are legitimate “objects” subject to protection under the Antiquities Act;
3. the existence of private and state land within the IFNM, and how to ensure that such lands are not subject to trespass and can remain productively utilized, as opposed to being treated as de facto parts of the IFNM and subject to the control of the BLM; and
4. the lack of coordination with stakeholders having significant interests impacted by the IFNM at the time it was created by President Clinton.

Silver Bell contends that a boundary adjustment is warranted. At a minimum, Silver Bell specifically requests a carve-out of certain of its unpatented claims as shown on the map attached hereto as **Tab 2**. If such an adjustment is undertaken, clarification must be provided to the BLM that the provisions of the IFRMP are no longer applicable and land management shall revert to the management prescriptions set forth in the Phoenix Resource Area RMP (1989). Regardless of the outcome of this review exercise, the BLM should be required to undertake an IFRMP amendment to properly inventory and evaluate management of lands with any wilderness characteristics in accordance with currently applicable BLM policy.

We truly appreciate the opportunity to provide comments pursuant to the Notice and are willing to answer any questions or provide further information if needed.

Sincerely,



Nancy Johannesmeyer, PE
Senior Manager, Environmental Affairs
Asarco LLC

Enclosures

Tab 1

Mineral Districts, Mining Claims, and Salable Mineral Material Source Areas

Ironwood Forest National Monument
PRMP/FEIS

Legend

Mineral Districts

Copper

- 1a Porphyry with or without Molybdenum, Manganese, Gold and Peripheral Lead-Zinc-Silver
 - 4 Lead-Zinc-Silver Veins and Replacements
 - 5 Silver with or without Lead and Zinc; Veins and Replacements
 - 5r Significant Copper Production
- } Distinction based on Silver/Silver, Lead, and Zinc Ratios

Manganese

- 6a Veins with or without Barium, Lead, Silver

Mining Claims

- Jaba
- Sally Meeks
- Silver Bell Mining L.L.C.

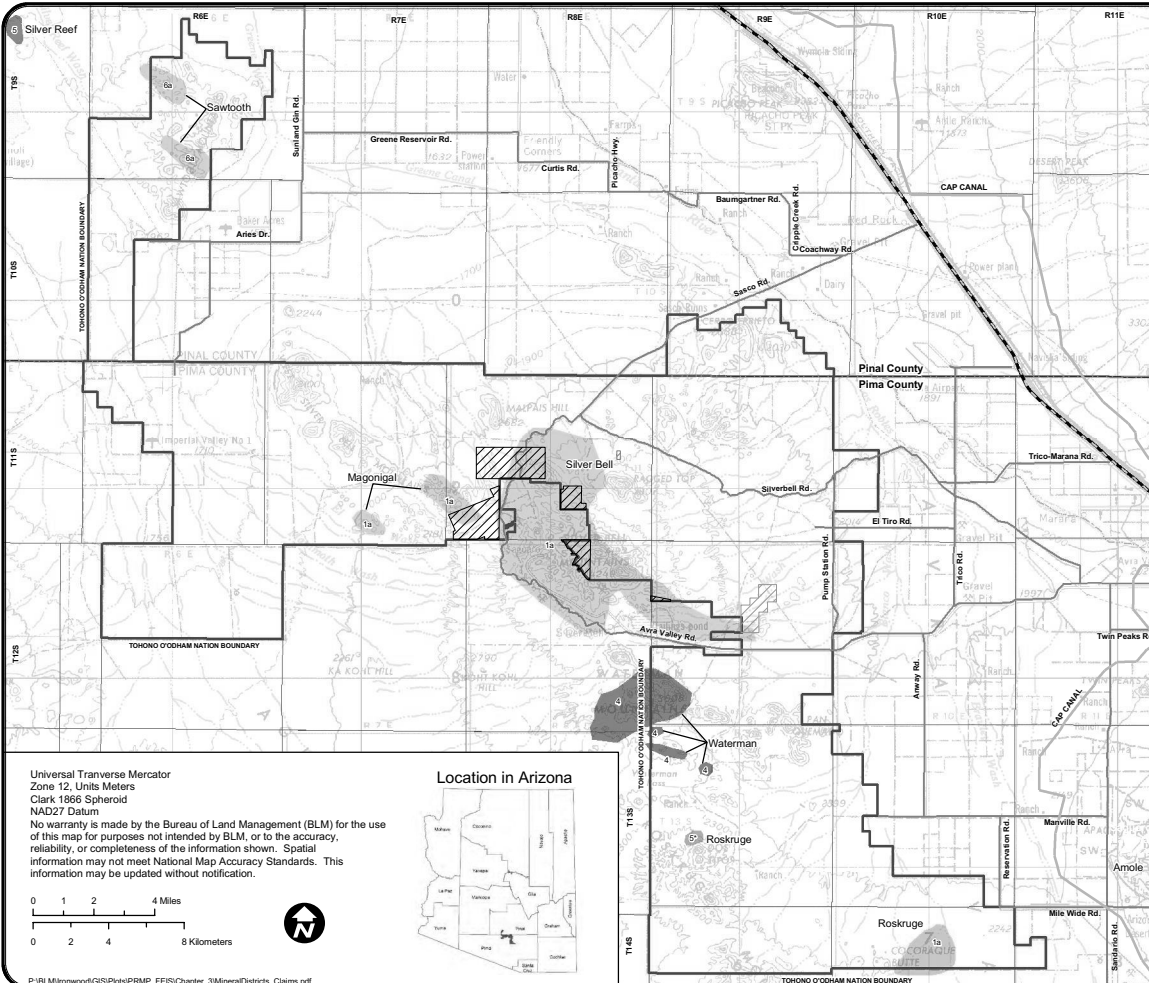
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Mineral Claims: BLM 2006
Base Information: BLM 2003
Quadrangle Image: US Geological Survey 1977 Tucson

General Reference

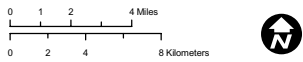
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



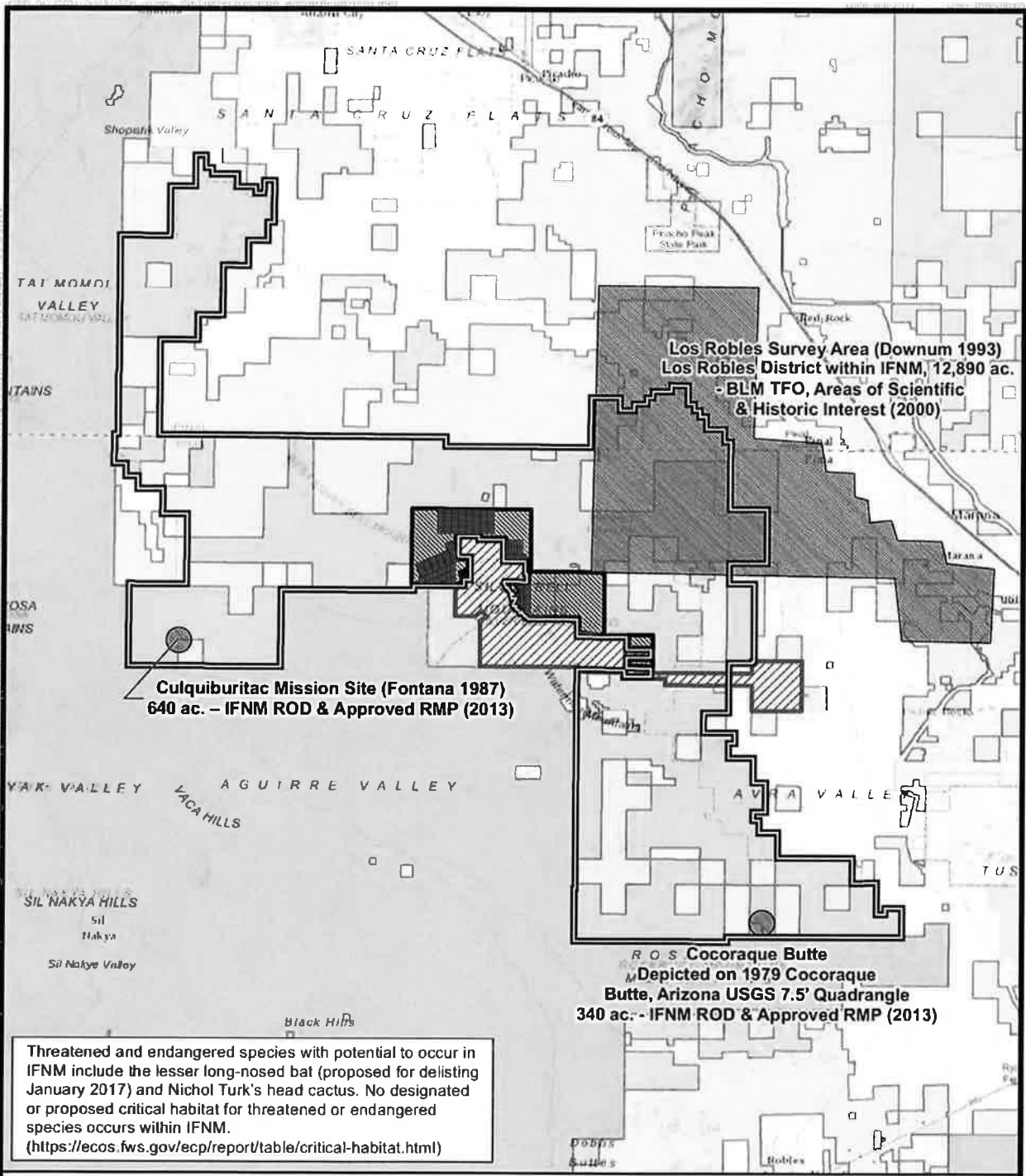
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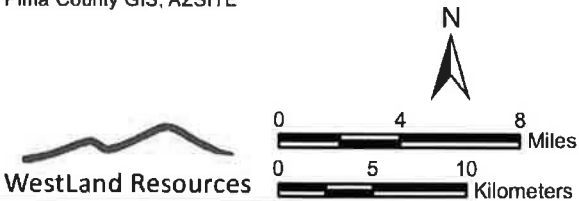
Location in Arizona



Tab 2



Southern Pinal and Northern Pima Counties, Arizona
 Projection: UTM NAD83, Zone 12
 Data Sources: BLM Surface Management (2014),
 Pima County GIS, AZSITE



Legend

- ASARCO Silver Bell Property
- Silver Bell Unpatented Claim
- Area Proposed for Exclusion (11,056 ac.)
- Ironwood Forest NM
- Cultural Resource
- Surface Management**
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- Indian Lands
- State Trust Land

Tab 3

PIMA COUNTY
RESOLUTION NO. 2000- 63

**A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA
TO PURSUE THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RAGGED TOP AND SILVERBELL MOUNTAINS
IRONWOOD PRESERVE CONSISTENT WITH THE SONORAN DESERT CONSERVATION PLAN**

WHEREAS, on March 2, 1999, the Board adopted the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan in concept; and

WHEREAS, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan is the largest and most comprehensive regional multi-species conservation plan in the United States; and

WHEREAS, on December 3, 1998 the Board entered into Resolution 1998-250 with the Secretary of the Interior to:

(1) support the underlying purpose of the Endangered Species Act which is to provide a means whereby the ecosystems upon which endangered species and threatened species depend may be conserved, and

(2) work with the Department of the Interior to develop the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan; and

WHEREAS, in addition to addressing species conservation and federal compliance issues through protection of Critical Habitat along with other Sensitive Habitat and Corridors, the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan encompasses six planning elements, including Riparian Restoration, Mountain Park expansion, Ranch Conservation, and Cultural and Historic Preservation; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 108 vulnerable species are being considered for protection, including 24 federally listed, proposed and candidate species, and including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, under the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, 12 habitat types and 20 plant communities are being considered for protection, including riparian habitat which has been substantially degraded; and

WHEREAS, recent scientific findings published in the *Desert Ironwood Primer* establish the importance of ironwood as a habitat modifying keystone species and nurse plant that has a role in supporting the biodiversity of over 500 Sonoran Desert species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, the ironwood-bursage habitat in the Silverbell Mountains of Pima County is associated with 674 species, including 64 mammals and 57 bird species; and

WHEREAS, *Desert Ironwood Primer* establishes that within the Sonoran Desert the Ragged Top site ... contributed the highest levels of species richness of the study; and

WHEREAS, additional findings that emphasize the importance of Ironwood to the Sonoran Desert ecosystem include that:

- ▶ “Ironwood generates a chain of influences on associated understory plants, affecting their dispersal, germination, establishment, and rates of growth. ... Ironwood is the dominant nurse plant in some subregions of the Sonoran Desert;” and
- ▶ “The mere presence of ironwood and other legume trees can increase the number of bird species in desertscrub habitat by 63%;” and
- ▶ “Recent studies show that without the protective cover of the desert legumes, the distributional ranges of saguaro, organ pipe, and senita cactus would retreat many miles, to more southern, frost-free areas;” and
- ▶ “Protecting ironwood habitat in Pima County, Arizona, will benefit a different mix of native species than would be conserved in ironwood habitats currently being protected on the islands or coasts of the Gulf of California;” and
- ▶ “North of the U.S. - Mexico border, the highest ironwood densities we recorded per hectare came from Arizona Uplands sites in Pima County (Ragged Top, 35 trees/ha; Cocoraque and Saguaro National Park West 22 trees/ha);” and

WHEREAS, the United States offers limited protection for ironwood, compared to Mexico, despite the importance of the ironwood stands to the species itself, and to the larger Sonoran Desert system; and

WHEREAS, the Ragged Top and Cocoraque Rock areas are identified by the science community as priorities for new protection and for strengthened conservation management; and

WHEREAS, the importance of cultural resources within the area has been established and includes a wide variation of petroglyph sites in the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains; and

WHEREAS, in addition to its valuable rock art sites, the Cocoraque Butte, listed in the National Register, is considered to be a traditional cultural place by the Tohono O’odham and Hopi Nations; and

WHEREAS, the U.S. Bureau of Land Management administers a large quantity of land in the Silverbell Mountains region of Pima County northwest of the Tucson Basin; and

WHEREAS, in addition to actions at the local level, Pima County proposes that federal protections could be achieved through the establishment of a Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve; and

WHEREAS, the Ironwood forest has served as a quiet but enormously important protector of species diversity within the Sonoran Desert; and

WHEREAS, preserve status, up to and including a National Monument designation would serve to honor this species for its role in upholding the ecosystem and the Preserve would achieve practical conservation goals that are necessary to promote the recovery of the endangered pygmy-owl; and

WHEREAS, Pima County has a longstanding demonstrated interest in open space protection and conservation objectives that reflect quality of life values important to the Southwestern United States and Arizona; and

WHEREAS, federal support for the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood Preserve confirms the importance to communities of balancing natural and economic resources;

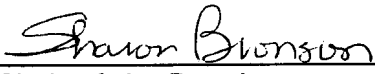
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF PIMA COUNTY, ARIZONA, as follows:

Requests that the United States of America through the Secretary of the Department of the Interior, consistent with the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, work cooperatively with Pima County to establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Ironwood Preserve in the Silverbell Mountains.

PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 21st day of March, 2000.

PIMA COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

WITNESSED BY:



Chair of the Board



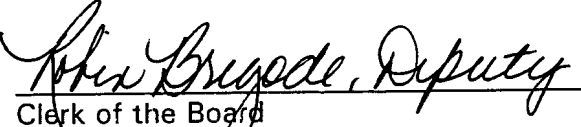
Secretary of the Department of Interior

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

ATTEST:



Deputy County Attorney



Clark of the Board

Tab 4

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Ironwood Forest Media Coverage – (continued)

Television Coverage

March 21, 2000

KVOA (NBC)	Noon
KGUN (ABC)	Noon
KOLD (CBS)	Noon
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KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
KUAT (PBS)	6:30 PM
KGUN (ABC)	10:00 PM

March 24, 2000

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March 27, 2000

KOLD (CBS)	6:00 PM
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Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokam village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

County seeks U.S. ironwood preserve

By **BLAKE MORLOCK**
Citizen Staff Writer

U.S. Interior Secretary and former Arizona Gov. Bruce Babbitt was to meet today with county officials seeking creation of a national monument on the Northwest Side.

Pima County officials want to protect more than 71,000 acres of ironwood forest from development. They planned to ask Babbitt for help in persuading President Clinton to create a 96,000-acre public preserve. The preserve would encompass parts of the Waterman-Roskrige and Silverbell mountain ranges that are made up entirely of state and federal land, County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The president could unilaterally establish the Ragged Top and Silverbell Mountains Ironwood National Monument

acres, to present to Babbitt.

Neither BLM nor state land manages land to be preserved. Both are available for commercial interests such as grazing and, in some instances, development.

Babbitt is in town to hear an update on the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, a broader effort to protect the lush desert from growth.

Huckelberry said the preserve would be a "significant step" in the conservation plan.

The ironwood forest is high on a list of priorities for protection because the trees make soil richer and provide cover for wildlife. In the Ragged Top-Silverbell area, there are 14 ironwoods per acre.

The ironwoods are also prime habitat for the endangered pygmy owl.

The preserve is in the district of Sharon Bronson, chairwoman of the county Board of

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Tucson Citizen From

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

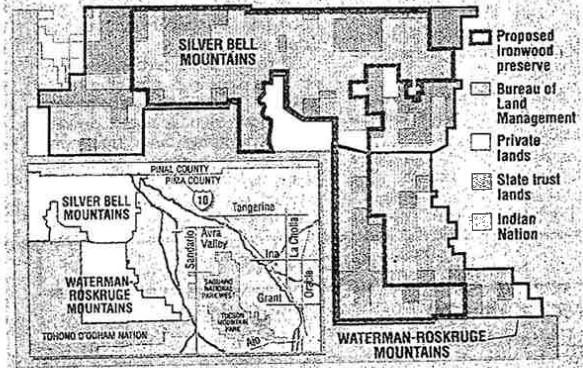
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

■ But he won't go out on a limb by vowing to back monument status.

By **BLAKE MORLOCK**
Citizen Staff Writer

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday vowed to work to preserve Pima County's thickest ironwood forest. But he stopped short of promising a national monument.

With Ragged Top Mountain's two jagged peaks on both sides of him, Babbitt took in a panorama of the ironwood-studded Sonoran Desert.

Back down at the foot of the steep, rocky slopes on the far Northwest Side, he vowed to help preserve the county's thickest ironwood forest from development.

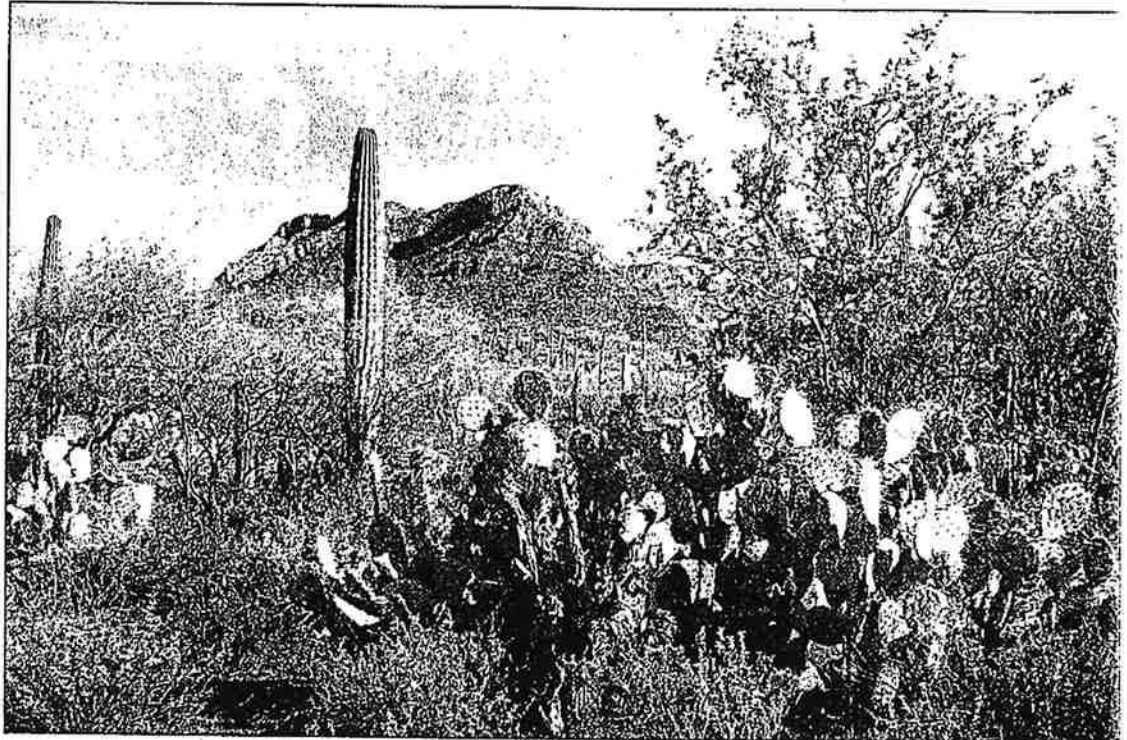
"I didn't realize there was anything this special out here," Babbitt said. "This is as fine a piece of Sonoran Desert as I've seen. It needs our attention."

Yet Babbitt, who served as Arizona's governor from 1980-88, said he's not convinced the county's proposal to turn 71,680 acres of U.S. Bureau of Land Management property into a national monument is the best option.

"I'm not in the business of surprises," Babbitt said. "There will be no strokes of lightning creating monuments here today. These things need to be worked out."

Babbitt said he first wants to talk with the people with an interest in this expanse of desert before recommending President Clinton convert it into the Silverbell and Ragged Top Ironwood National Monument.

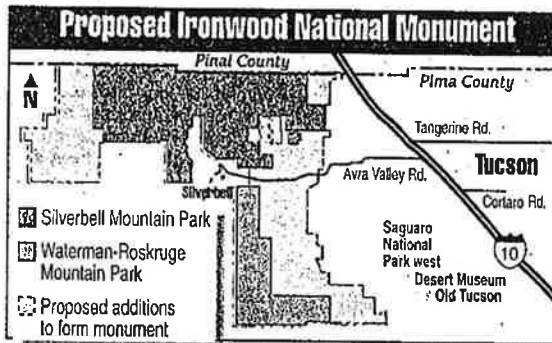
Babbitt made the trek into the mountains with media, his staff, and County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry to see what he couldn't see on maps—at an earlier Pima County super-



This desert vista would be protected from development under a proposal to set aside 90,000 acres northwest of Tucson as

ironwood National Monument. The area is home to thousands of ironwoods, including the one in the background at right.

Photos by **NORMA JEAN GARGASZ**/Tucson Citizen



Source: Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan Tucson Citizen

visors' meeting.

During the meeting, he lavished praise on Pima County for its ambition and speed in creating the framework for the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan.

The plan would protect endangered species, cultural resources and vast portions of desert from development.

Babbitt also pledged to help by crafting federal land policy to match Pima County's public will.

"My desire on my watch is to make certain your public lands are aligned to give maximum boost to get your (Sonoran Desert



U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt discusses national monument plans with Myra Smith, who lives near its proposed boundaries.

BABBITT, continued/4C

Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

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Conservation) Plan completed," Babbitt said.

Protecting ironwood is a big part of that plan.

Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, said ironwood is a bellwether species, measuring the health of its ecosystem.

"Ironwood forests are being fragmented badly, making the remaining populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley said.

"In some areas as much as 50 percent of ironwood is being lost to development."

The forests surrounding the Silver Bell, Ragged Top and Waterman-Roskrige mountains - some 35 miles from downtown Tucson - top Huckelberry's list for preservation.

Huckelberry said the proposed national monument's ironwood density is four times greater than that of any other ironwood forest in Pima County.

During the meeting, Huckelberry proposed setting aside 71,680 acres of BLM property and 24,320 acres of state land as a national monument.

BLM land may be mined, grazed and cut. Creating a national monument would allow for a custom-made set of protections and allowances.

It could prevent mining - one of the more immediate threats to the

BABBITT'S PROPOSED PLAN

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt could pursue several options in protecting federal land that Pima County wants kept free from development.

■ **National park:** This is the highest form of protection and requires an act of Congress. Park status means limited motor vehicle access, rules for just about all activities and stringent regulations on land development.

■ **National monument:** It would establish some protections and restrict land uses. The amount would depend on how the law creating the monument were customized.

The president may create a national monument by signing an executive

order. Death Valley National Monument, for example, was established on Herbert Hoover's last day in office. No president has ever revoked national monument status.

Mineral withdrawal: This allows the secretary of the Interior to revoke current and future mining rights on federal land. It does not affect grazing or other types of development.

■ **National conservation area:** Does not prevent uses, but allows private land owners to set aside land for preservation in exchange for tax credits or land elsewhere.

Source: Department of the Interior

land, for example - but allow grazing.

The president has the authority to establish national monuments on federal land but the state must approve preservation of its trust land.

Huckelberry said because the State Land Department adheres strictly to its constitutional requirement to sell land for the highest value, preserving that portion of the monument could be tricky.

Babbitt and Huckelberry said BLM could trade land outside the national monument for state land inside the boundaries.

Babbitt is already proposing such a trade to create Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.

Environmentalists are largely in favor of the national monument proposal, with caveats.

David Hogan of the Center for Biological Diversity said swapped state land could entice developers to ring the monument with subdivisions, contributing to more sprawl and harm to the forest.

"Basically it's a good idea," he said. "We just want to pay special attention to the kinds of land swaps they are proposing."

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erally owned, the proposed monument encompasses some 24,000 acres of state trust land that might someday be developed, Huckelberry said.

That threat would be removed, though, if those acres were ceded to the federal government in a swap for other federal land.

Babbitt said land swaps would likely be part of any plan to protect the region. His options include asking President Clinton to declare the land a national monument, petitioning Congress to do the same thing or asking Congress to create a National Conservation Area.

The protections offered by those designations are subject to negotiation, Babbitt said. He also said he might consider less dramatic designations that would simply restrict mining operations to certain areas.

"We haven't done enough talking yet with people around this area to see what they want to do," he said.

Babbitt was dressed in a suit and tie for yesterday's meeting but changed into casual clothes for a visit to the proposed monument.

"It's amazing out here," he said, looking up from the desert floor toward Ragged Top. "It's like the Saguaro National Monument with this dramatic backdrop."

After reaching the base of Ragged Top, Babbitt declared that he wanted to climb the mountain to get a better look at the land. Seeing no obvious trail to the top, he started off anyway, climbing under a barbed wire fence with help from a few aides.

He led a group of reporters and government aides through the rugged desert terrain, keeping a



James S. Wood, The Arizona Daily Star

John Wiens, horticulturist, left, Babbitt, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry and Babbitt assistant Gail Kobetich discuss the proposed Ironwood National Monument.

merciless pace that his companions — dressed in smooth shoes and business attire — had difficulty matching.

Upon reaching the top, he marveled at the view for a moment before quizzing a winded Huckelberry and anyone else within earshot about the land now spread before him. He investigated a topographical map and sounded anxious to get his hands on geological data for the proposed monu-

ment.

"This land richly deserves permanent protection as part of the Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan," he pronounced. Existing mineral mines west of the Silver Bell Mountains might have to be exempted from any preservation plan, he said.

"But that shouldn't affect the rest of this," he said, looking out over the distant valley floor. "This is pristine land."

Babbitt's aid sought in protecting forest

AZ Republic
3-23-00

By Arthur H. Rotstein
Associated Press

TUCSON — Campaigning for a new national monument that would protect an ironwood forest near Tucson, Pima County supervisors this week lobbied for creation of a nearly 100,000-acre preserve as a first step.

They did so with Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt — hoping to persuade him to lobby President Clinton on their behalf.

Babbitt on Tuesday hiked through a portion of the Ragged Top Mountains, part of a rugged 96,000-acre expanse in northwestern Pima County that encompasses the Silverbell Mountains. The area includes more than 71,000 acres owned by the Bureau of Land Management, one of the agencies Babbitt oversees.

The proposed preserve also would encompass about 24,000 acres of state land and would provide a buffer along the Tohono O'odham Indian Nation.

Under the Antiquities Act of 1906, Clinton can create a national monument by executive order without congressional action, but Babbitt did not commit himself to urging Clinton to do so.

"What I see once again really interests me," Babbitt said. "And I am eager to hear suggestions for how it is we can make certain that that land ultimately becomes a part of the Sonoran Desert (Conservation) Plan."

Babbitt called that conservation plan "the best in the West, pure and simple."

Land use studies and conservation efforts are under way in communities across the country, "but in terms of the progress and enthusiastic vision, I've got to tell you, none of them match the effort that is going on here," the former Arizona governor said.

Babbitt said that the ironwood forest proposal deserves study but that mineral mining operations west of the Silver Bell

Mountains might have to be exempted from any preservation plan.

Meanwhile, Babbitt criticized the state of Arizona's approach to the sale of state land within the proposed Las Cienegas National Conservation Area southeast of Tucson.

He proposed a state-federal land exchange in which the state's school trust would yield the lands within the Las Cienegas site and would select other lands of equal value appropriate for development outside such rural communities as Kingman, Safford, Yuma, Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City.

A hearing last week on legislation sponsored by Rep. Jim Kolbe, R-Ariz., to create the Las Cienegas National Conservation Area was moderately contentious, he said.

Babbitt said he refrained from discussing alternatives then, "but they're out there, and it remains my hope that we can get a legislated national conservation area."

"There is no question that that would be best," he said.

The Las Cienegas National Conservation Area is almost all BLM or state public land. The problem, Babbitt said, is that the state insists that its land should yield the maximum dollar return to the state trust — its interpretation of a legal requirement.

Unless something is done, "maximum dollar" could mean subdividing and developing the state lands — about 100,000 of the 210,000 acres in the proposed national conservation area, Babbitt added.

Of the state holdings, the Land Department would bar development on only 4,219 acres within Las Cienegas, less than 4 percent, Babbitt said: "The state response so far really isn't what it ought to be."

Several people, including the executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum and



Associated Press

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt hikes the Ragged Top Mountains, part of the proposed preserve.

area residents, urged Babbitt to act on the ironwood preserve. Residents said some ironwood trees several hundred years old already have been lost because of a sand-and-gravel operation at Ragged Top.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making remaining populations ever-increasing of importance," museum director Richard Daley said.

"In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development," he said.

Ragged Top is the densest area of ironwood forest in Pima County, providing habitat protection for about 500 plant and animal species, including the endangered cactus ferruginous pygmy owl.

FITZ'S VIEW

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EDITORIALS

Protect the ironwoods

We hope Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt adds Ironwood National Monument to his already impressive record of preserving Western lands.

Babbitt listened to the Pima County Board of Supervisors' proposal to preserve 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell and Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitats for more than 500 species of plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. Daley told Babbitt: "Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance. In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

Andrew A. Lipsky, a biologist for Arizona Fish and Game points out that 160 species of plants and 80 bird species use ironwood trees. The trees do not provide nesting places for birds.

However, cacti that grow beneath them fulfill that function. The trees attract insects. Birds and reptiles are attracted to insects.

Lipsky says Ironwoods reach 45 feet and live as long as 1,500 years. As the tree grows, it provides shelter for fauna and flora. It matures into a micro habitat. The temperature beneath the tree can be 15 degrees cooler than desert five feet away. It acts as a nursery for starting saguaros and other plants.

County Administrator Chuck Huckleberry said the greatest threat to the area is from mining. Most of the land is federally owned. But 24,000 acres is state trust land, which means it could be developed. The state land could be traded for other federal land.

Babbitt climbed to the crest of one the mountains. "It's a spectacular corner of the county," he said.

That it is.

It should be protected.

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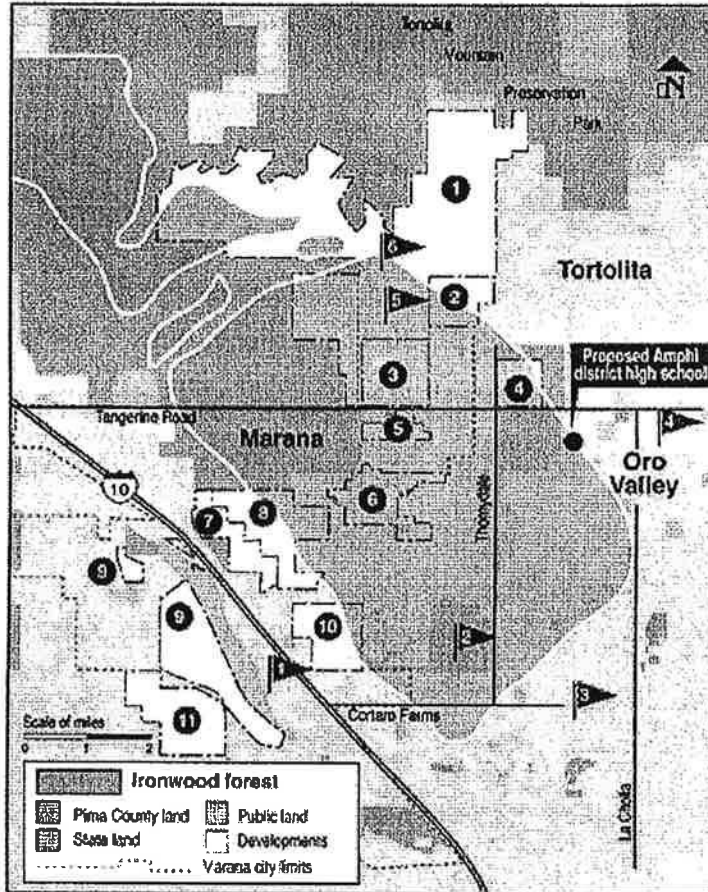
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Development encroaches on ironwood forest



Nearly a dozen developments are zoned for a combined 34,000-plus homes in and around 30 square miles of ancient ironwood forest in northwest Tucson.

Developments		
Development	Acres	Homes
1 Dove Mountain	5,600	9,000
2 Foothills	414	1,471
3 For sale	640	-
4 Forest City	309	1,189
5 Tangerine Hills	196	784
6 Hartman Hills	500	4,376
7 Northgate	487	1,401
8 Acacia Hills	500	3,827
9 Continental Ranch	2,310	9,434
10 Hartman Vista	500	-
11 Pima Farms	738	2,770

Numbers of acres are estimated; numbers of homes are targets.

Golf courses	
1	The Links at Continental Ranch
2	Arthur Pack Desert Golf Course
3	Oro Valley National Golf Resort
4	El Conquistador Country Club
5	Heritage Highlands Golf & C.C.
6	The Gallery Golf Course

Babbitt says he'll work to preserve ironwoods

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ed," Babbitt said.

Protecting ironwood is a big part of that plan.

Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, said ironwood is a bellwether species, measuring the health of its ecosystem.

"Ironwood forests are being fragmented badly, making the remaining populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley said.

"In some areas as much as 50 percent of ironwood is being lost to development."

The forests surrounding the Silver Bell, Ragged Top and Waterman-Roskrige mountains - some 35 miles from downtown Tucson - top Huckelberry's list for preservation.

Huckelberry said the proposed national monument's ironwood density is four times greater than that of any other ironwood forest in Pima County.

During the meeting, Huckelberry proposed setting aside 71,680 acres of BLM property and 24,320 acres of state land as a national monument.

BLM land may be mined, grazed and cut. Creating a national monument would allow for a custom-made set of protections and allowances.

It could prevent mining - one of the more immediate threats to the land, for example - but allow graz-

BABBITT'S PROPOSED PLAN

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt could pursue several options in protecting federal land that Pima County wants kept free from development.

■ **National park:** This is the highest form of protection and requires an act of Congress. Park status means limited motor vehicle access, rules for just about all activities and stringent regulations on land development.

■ **National monument:** It would establish some protections and restrict land uses. The amount would depend on how the law creating the monument were customized.

The president may create a national monument by signing an executive

order. Death Valley National Monument, for example, was established on Herbert Hoover's last day in office. No president has ever revoked national monument status.

■ **Mineral withdrawal:** This allows the secretary of the Interior to revoke current and future mining rights on federal land. It does not affect grazing or other types of development.

■ **National conservation area:** Does not prevent uses, but allows private land owners to set aside land for preservation in exchange for tax credits or land elsewhere.

Source: Department of the Interior

ing.

The president has the authority to establish national monuments on federal land but the state must approve preservation of its trust land.

Huckelberry said because the State Land Department adheres strictly to its constitutional requirement to sell land for the highest value, preserving that portion of the monument could be tricky.

Babbitt and Huckelberry said BLM could trade land outside the national monument for state land inside the boundaries.

Babbitt is already proposing such a trade to create Las Cienegas National Conservation Area.

Environmentalists are largely in favor of the national monument proposal, with caveats.

David Hogan of the Center for Biological Diversity said swapped state land could entice developers to ring the monument with subdivisions, contributing to more sprawl and harm to the forest.

"Basically it's a good idea," he said. "We just want to pay special attention to the kinds of land swaps they are proposing."

Pima County proposes site for preserve

By Judd Slivka
The Arizona Republic

Pima County wants the federal government to set aside nearly 100,000 acres of desert, some of the last undeveloped open space along Interstate 10 between Phoenix and Tucson, to protect a rare tree and other wildlife.

The proposed Ironwood Preserve plan, which some environmentalists want declared a national monument, was given to Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt during a recent visit to Tucson.

The proposed area would stretch from west of Marana to the eastern edge of the Tohono O'odham Reservation, and from the Silver Bell Mountains north toward Casa Grande.

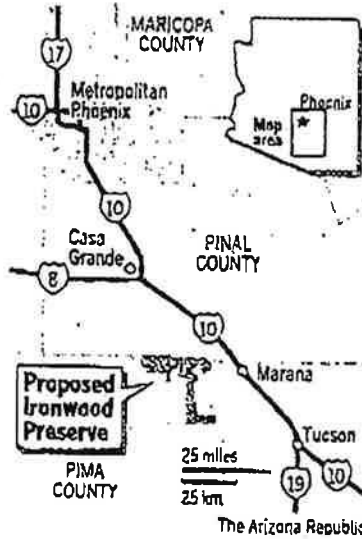
If the Ironwood plan, named for one of the largest ironwood tree stands in the Southwest, is approved, it will allow for a federally protected wilderness area along the sprawling Phoenix-Tucson axis.

The area is home to the endangered pygmy owl and the desert tortoise, as well as a migratory pathway for bighorn sheep. It also has extensive Hohokam ruins and petroglyphs.

"The area has one of the highest levels of species richness anywhere," said Craig Miller of Tucson, a spokesman for the national environmental group Defenders of Wildlife.

"Ironwoods, what the plan is named for, are an umbrella species. They host many organisms," Miller said.

There are two proposals before the Interior Department. The larger proposal would incorporate the Ragged Top and Cocoraque areas and include buffer land around the Tohono O'odham Reservation. It would incorporate more than 71,000 acres of U.S.



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Bureau of Land Management land and about 24,000 acres of state land.

The smaller proposal would protect the Ragged Top area and would bring about 57,000 acres of federal land and more than 16,600 acres of state land under protection.

In either plan, provisions would have to be made for companies or individuals that have prior land-use rights, typically for mining or grazing.

The area around Tucson has been under consideration for

some kind of preservation, be it as a series of parks or as preserves, under Pima County's Sonoran Desert Conservation plan.

But the Ironwoods plan is a marked departure from established protocol. The Pima County Board of Supervisors approved it and presented it to Babbitt, requesting national monument status, rather than the federal government deciding on its own what to protect.

Miller, the wildlife advocate, would like to see the proposal expanded to allow a corridor east to the Tortolita fan, the better to connect the pygmy owls in one

area to pygmy owls in the other.

The Interior Department, meanwhile, has several of these projects to decide on, including Las Cienegas wilderness reserve south of Tucson. The department has taken no position on the Ironwoods plan, except to say it is studying it.

A spokesman for the federal agency also would not say whether the area was being considered for a wilderness, which would add more protection, a preserve or a national monument.

"Our folks are going to look at it," Babbitt spokesman Tim Ahern said. "We need to gather a lot more facts on it. But we can move pretty fast on these if we have to."

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Letters to the editor

Can we trust county leaders?

The March 25 article, "Part of ironwood preserve is ASARCO's," quoted County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry as saying, "If we included (ASARCO land), it was a mistake and we'll fix it." Again, later in the article, he was quoted, "You ask for what you want and then you lose some around the edges. . . . If you don't ask for it, though, you don't get it."

The last quote makes the first one suspect. He is saying that he included ASARCO land (asked for it) knowing he might not get it. Otherwise, if it truly was a mistake, it still makes us unsure of being able to trust him. That is too big of a "mistake." Either way it is a sad commentary on what taxpayers are receiving for the high salary that is paid to him.

The reporting did not seem to be as accurate as it should be, either. I do not know much about mining claims, but if anyone, either a company or an individual, has a properly recorded and properly maintained deed to a mining claim, there is no need to "grandfather" those claims. The legal deed supersedes any new procedure that any level of government might institute.

County Supervisor Raul Grijalva is quoted as saying, "It would be an uphill fight" to "get around those basic rights." For a governmental representative - elected or hired - to even suggest the possibility of taking away such rights is unethical. Government at any level should be protecting "basic rights," not be looking for a way to "get around" them.

Again, sadly, I ask, can we trust our county leadership? Can we trust them to set a good example by doing what is legally and ethically proper? The article made it sound like we cannot trust them.

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By Jeff Barker
Republic Washington Bureau
April 30, 2000

WASHINGTON - Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt, weary of Washington's "witch-hunting mentality" and homesick for Arizona, says he'll return to the state when his service in the Clinton Cabinet ends, but he won't run for governor in 2002.



AP Photo/Heesoon Yim

"You'll be seeing a lot more of me in Arizona now," the former Arizona governor said in an exclusive interview.

"People have asked me, 'Why is it that you are involved so deeply in these growth and open-space issues in Arizona? And you know, do you have some kind of agenda? Are you coming home to run for governor again?'"

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt at his office in Washington.

"My answer is, 'I'm out of politics, but I am back to Arizona,' " Babbitt said. "I've been away from Arizona for a long time. I'm a little bit homesick. I want to re-engage in Arizona as a citizen."

Babbitt said a painful, 19-month independent counsel investigation that ended last year actually had a positive impact of sorts: "It caused me to focus on what I really wanted to do. I guess I can console myself by saying well, maybe I was the poster child for the repeal of the independent counsel statute."

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First Edition

Residents split on national monument plan

By MITCH TOBIN
Citizen Staff Writer

You might think never having to worry about developers spoiling your view of a choice swath of Sonoran Desert because your back yard is a national monument would have lots of appeal to homeowners. But folks who live and work near the proposed Ironwood

National Monument northwest of Tucson have mixed opinions on the county's efforts to persuade U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt to recommend the monument be created.

Some say it would put the brakes on an unwanted housing boom endangering the solitude of the area, which teems with wildlife.

Others described it as an

MONUMENT PLANS: U.S. Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says he likes the idea of preserving ironwood forests northwest of Tucson. But he's not promising a national monument. Page 1C

unnecessary land grab that could imperil livelihoods and limit access to the cactus- and ironwood-studded desert about 35 miles from downtown.

"We've already got enough monuments around here," said

Brian Kuykendall, who works at the Silverbell copper mine, which would be nearly surrounded by the proposed monument.

"It could make it harder to do business," said Kuykendall,

who also worried he would no longer be able to hunt birds and javelina in the national monument.

But Sandeece Moring, a court reporter who lives near the monument's proposed boundaries, called the plan to set aside up to 90,000 acres of state and federal land for the monument

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Cindy Coping and her husband, Bob, live within the proposed boundaries of Ironwood National Monument. The Copings say they fear grazing would be prohibited if the government makes their land a national monument.
NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen

Summer soak may follow dry spring

By DAVID J. CIESLAK
Citizen Staff Writer

While forecasters are expecting a warm, dry spring in Tucson, the approaching monsoon season could produce heavy rainfall and cool temperatures, meteorologists said.

"The chances are that it's favorable for an active monsoon," said Richard Okulski, a meteorologist with the National Weather Service.

As monsoon season approaches, lower temperatures will prevail, thanks to a weather system known as La Niña, he said.

"There's some correlation between La Niña and a



Turbulent skies

America West struggles with reputation for poor service

Stories by Lorrie Cohen

Tucsonans have a love-hate relationship with America West. It's the airline they seem to love to hate.

"They have a 'We-don't-care' attitude, and I don't think they do care about Tucson passengers or the market here."

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- Nearly all flights from

Sales tax boost for education proposed

The Associated Press

PHOENIX - Gov. Jane Hull and schools superintendent Lisa Graham Keegan are proposing a sales tax increase to pay for education improvements such as fixing substan-

"I'm not interested in being a part of that," said Sen. Ken Bennett, a Prescott Republican and a former president of the state Board of Education. "People are very interested in putting money in education as long as we get

Residents split on county proposal to create Ironwood National Monument

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"a wonderful idea . . . there's so much wildlife back there, it's phenomenal." Moring fears the state land in the area would eventually be sold to developers.

A ranching couple who live on 37 acres in the proposed monument's boundaries hadn't heard about the proposal, which county officials pitched to Babbitt here yesterday. But they were suspicious of it.

"No one that's come up with the plan has stopped out here to talk to us about it," said Bob Coping, whose property is 13 miles off Avra Valley Road, down a serpentine dirt road.

The Copings' nearest neighbor lives eight miles away. This is a place where cattle and desert bighorn sheep outnumber humans

and where coyotes and mountain lions take down calves in the middle of the night.

"The people who are the most affected have the least amount of say because there aren't many of us," added Cindy Coping.

The Copings said they feared grazing would be prohibited if the federal government made their land into a national monument. "It sounds anti-cattle to me," Cindy Coping said, noting that other ranchers have been hurt in "land grabs" by the federal government.

"I just don't trust the Clinton administration," she said.

But turning the land into a national monument might increase the number of law officers in a remote area that has its share of serious crimes, she said.

On Monday, the bodies of two men were found in a burned-out car

a few miles from the Coping ranch. Sheriff's detectives believe the men, who were burned beyond recognition, were killed in a drug transaction.

"This is a pretty convenient place to stick a body," Cindy Coping said.

Creating a new monument might help business for Gary Perry, who runs the restaurant at the Valley Mart convenience store, at Avra Valley and Anway roads. Perry said he already gets some business from tourists who have lost their way heading to Saguaro National Park.

"I'm all for it because I think they've already ruined enough desert," Perry said. "I moved out here three years ago to get away from that."

Perry said 200 homes are being built down the road from the Valley Mart and the county can't keep up

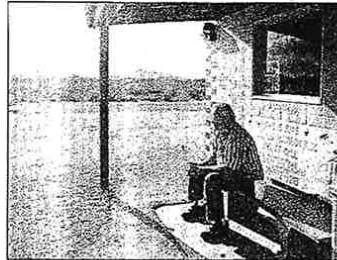
with road maintenance in the area.

But David Huntley offered a different view. The retired ironworker, who has lived in the area since 1972, said the government should privatize its property and allow people to develop it.

"Too many people want to do nothing with it," he said while leaving Valley Mart. "They take your taxes to pay for state land and then tell you what you can do on it. That's wrong."

By the gas pump, Joseph Catalan gave the plan a thumbs up.

"I don't like this encroachment. There's too many houses and buildings going up," said the 24-year area resident. "I don't know where all these people are coming from. But they're coming."



Avra Valley resident Gary Perry said he favors the proposed Ironwood National Monument, to protect the land from big developers. **NORMA JEAN GARGASZ/Tucson Citizen**

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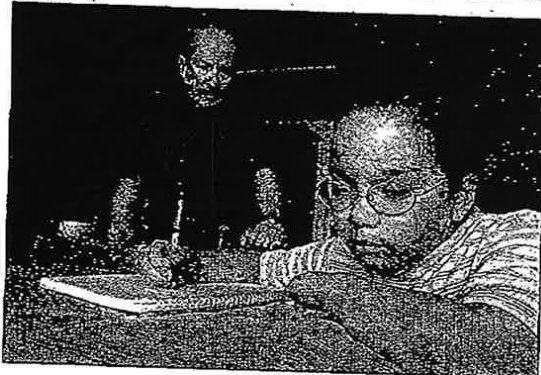
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Fifth-grader Cassandra Flores, above, is hard at work on a practice AIMS test at Ford Elementary School. At left, Rosie Delgado studies a preparatory booklet while her father, Charles Delgado, watches.

Benjie Sanders,
The Arizona Daily Star

third-grader at Holaway Elementary School, 3500 N. Cherry Ave.

"All these kids were screaming and some were falling off," he said last night. "My horse started running really fast, and started sliding off on the right side. I was trying to hold on

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Jeffrey Scott, The Arizona Daily Star
Walking Winds Stables owner Lloyd Armour, amid the horses that spooked, injuring 12 children.

Babbitt's help sought to protect Pima ironwoods

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

The Pima County Board of Supervisors is set to ask Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt today to push for federal protection of up to 95,000 acres of ironwood-forested land on the county's northwest edge.

The proposed Ironwood National Monument would encompass federal and state land in the Silver Bell and Ragged Top mountains northwest of

Tucson. It would preserve the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the endangered pygmy owl and a variety of desert species.

"The land has great ecological value as well as archaeological value," said Board Chairwoman Sharon Bronson, a Democrat whose district includes the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area. "It's really just prime habitat."

Babbitt, a former Arizona governor and state attorney general, agreed to

attend today's supervisors' meeting to discuss the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres from development. The area of the proposed monument is targeted for protection in the plan.

The county has yet to complete a study designed to identify areas where preservation efforts would have the most ecological impact. But a recent study by the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum highlights the importance of

ironwood trees found in the Silver Bell Ragged Top area.

The area, which borders the Tohono O'odham Reservation on the west and the Pinal County line on the north, is also home to a number of ancient petroglyphs and the remains of a Hohokan village.

Most of the land proposed for preservation is owned by the federal Bureau of Land Management, while the rest is

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owned by the state. Some mineral mining has occurred on the land, but that would stop if the area were designated a national monument, Bronson said.

County staff has prepared two proposals for supervisors to consider. The first would ask Babbitt to press for protection of 96,000 acres in the Silver Bell-Ragged Top area as well as in the Waterman-Roskrige

mountains. The second proposal would exclude the Waterman-Roskrige area and protect 73,600 acres.

County Manager Chuck Huckelberry said the proposal should be popular with area residents.

"They have actually requested special protection for that area, which was originally left out of the mountain park area," he said. "Our interest is parallel with theirs. We haven't heard any specific objection to this proposal."

Babbitt favors saving ironwood wonderland

By Joe Salkowski
The Arizona Daily Star

Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt says the proposed Ironwood National Monument is a pristine desert wonderland worthy of long-term protection.

He should know: After hearing the Pima County Board of Supervisors make a pitch for the monument at its meeting yesterday, the former Arizona governor hiked to a high mountain pass in the area to take in the view for himself.

"It's a spectacular corner of the county," Babbitt said from a crest atop Ragged Top, a craggy peak about 30 miles northwest of Tucson.

Supervisors voted unanimously yesterday to call for federal protection of 96,000 acres of land encompassing the Silver Bell-Ragged Top range and the Waterman-Roskrige mountains.

Babbitt stopped short of endorsing their recommendation, saying he needs to study the land further. In particular, he said, he'd like to consider preserving existing copper mining operations west of the Silver Bell Mountains.

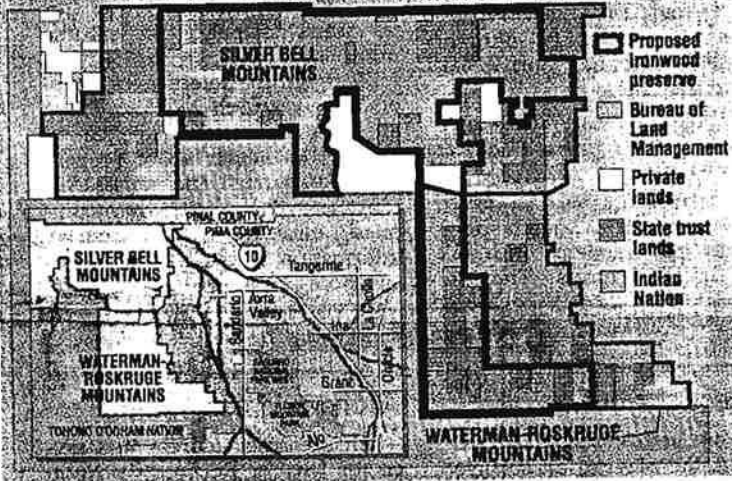
"An hour's hike is just the beginning of an inquiry into the history and meaning of this land," he said. "We've got a lot of work to do."

Babbitt said he didn't know much about the land before walking into yesterday's meeting, where he was told the area is home to Pima County's thickest stand of ironwood trees.

"Ironwood ecosystems provide habitat for more than 500 species of

Proposed Ironwood National Monument

The Pima County Board of Supervisors asked Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt yesterday to push for federal protection of 96,000 acres of mountainous land northwest of Tucson. The land is home to the county's thickest stand of ironwood trees, which provide critical habitat for the pygmy owl and other desert creatures.



Judy Margolis, The Arizona Daily Star

plants and animals," said Richard H. Daley, executive director of the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum.

"Ironwood habitat is being fragmented badly, making the remaining major populations of ever-increasing significance," Daley told Babbitt and the supervisors. "In some areas, up to 50 percent of the ironwood habitat is being damaged directly by development."

That isn't the case in the proposed preserve, a thick desert forest where ironwood trees mingle with

saguaro cacti and palo verde trees. Mineral mining operations present the most immediate threat to vegetation in the area, Pima County Administrator Chuck Huckelberry said.

The area was targeted for protection by the county's Sonoran Desert Conservation Plan, which would safeguard 400,000 acres around the county from further development.

While most land in the area is fed-

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of the Tohono O'odham Nation. "It's wiping us out," he said, noting that medical complications following a diagnosis of diabetes hastened the deaths of his grandmother, two aunts, an uncle and — month — a niece.

In severe cases, diabetics suffer kidney failure and need dialysis to cleanse their blood of toxic wastes. These cases can lead to heart problems and early death, or even amputation of their limbs.

There are an estimated 250,000 American Indian and Mexican Indian dia-



Christine Johnson, a Tohono O'odham, makes good, loud use of her gourd rattle as hikers and their friends dance to native music at the Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum. The walkers finished their 12-day, 230-mile trek there yesterday.

Joshua Trujillo.

Tab 5

3.1.6.3 Migratory Birds

Various species of migratory birds summer, winter, and/or migrate through the IFNM. The habitat diversity provided by the broad expanses of Sonoran Desertscrub vegetation zones (including paloverde-cacti-mixed scrub, jojoba chaparral, creosote-white bursage, and xeroriparian communities) support numerous species of migratory birds. The most characteristic species include turkey vulture (*Cathartes aura*), northern harrier (*Circus cyaneus*), Cooper's hawk (*Accipiter cooperii*), white-winged dove (*Zenaida asiatica*), elf owl (*Micrathene whitneyi*), lesser nighthawk (*Chordeiles acutipennis*), black-chinned hummingbird (*Archilochus alexandri*), ash-throated flycatcher (*Myiarchus cinerascens*), purple martin (*Progne subis*), Bell's vireo (*Vireo atricapillus*), Lucy's warbler (*Vermivora luciae*), and sage sparrow (*Amphispiza belli*). Species such as killdeer (*Charadrius vociferous*), great blue heron (*Ardea herodias*), mallard (*Anas platyrhynchos*), and black-necked stilt (*Himantopus mexicanus*) may be found where suitable habitat exists.

3.1.7 Fire Ecology and Management

The BLM categorizes historic/natural fire regimes current for fire conditions in Arizona based on the results of a nationwide coarse-scale assessment and mapping effort (Schmidt et al. 2002; USGS 1999). In Arizona, BLM lands fall into four of the five identified historic/natural fire regimes, ranging from Category I (0 to 35 year frequency and low severity) to Category IV (35 to 100+ year frequency, stand replacement severity). The IFNM is characterized as a Category III historic/natural fire regime (i.e., having a 35- to 100-year frequency with a mixed severity of fires).

The current condition classes include Class 1 (i.e., lands where vegetation species, composition, and structure are intact and functioning within historic range), Class 2 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been moderately modified), and Class 3 (i.e., lands where fire size, frequency, intensity, severity, and/or landscape pattern and vegetation have been significantly altered from historical range). All of the lands within the IFNM Decision and planning areas are designated as current condition Class 1. The BLM's Arizona Statewide Land Use Plan Amendment for Fire, Fuels and Air Quality Management provides general direction for fire management to meet statewide goals (USDI, BLM 2003a). Fuels treatments would occur on a case-by-case basis, generally in areas where treatments would be necessary for removal of invasive or exotic species.

3.1.8 Cultural Resources

Research in the Tucson vicinity and southern Arizona has outlined the cultural history of the region (Reid and Whittlesey 1997). Human occupation of the area can be separated into six periods that represent changing adaptations and lifeways. These include the Paleoindian (circa 12,000–8000 B.C.), Archaic (circa 8000–1500 B.C.), Late Archaic/Early Agricultural (circa 1500 B.C.–A.D. 650), Formative (circa A.D. 650–1400), Ethnohistoric (aboriginal protohistoric and historic, circa A.D. 1400–1950), and Euro-American historic (circa A.D. 1500–1950) eras.

Paleoindian occupation began at least as early as 12,000 B.C. during the late Pleistocene era when expansive ice sheets were retreating from the North American continent. Paleoindians hunted species that became extinct at the end of the Ice Age, such as mammoths. Although significant Paleoindian hunting sites have been found in southeastern Arizona, evidence of the Paleoindian era in the vicinity of the IFNM is limited to isolated spear points (Agenbroad 1967; Ayres 1970; Doelle 1985; Huckell 1984).

The subsequent Archaic era, beginning at approximately 8000 B.C., represents an adaptation based on hunting wild game and gathering indigenous plant foods within a climatic regime similar to modern conditions (Sayles 1983; Sayles and Antevs 1941).

Several Late Archaic/Early Agricultural era sites have been discovered along the course of the Santa Cruz River southeast of the IFNM (Gregory and Mabry 1998; Mabry et al. 1997). Late Archaic/Early Agricultural sites on the Santa Cruz River include some of the oldest canal systems and oldest pottery vessels found in southern Arizona (Gregory 1999; Heidke 1997; Heidke and Ferg 1998; Mabry 1999).

Sites of the Formative era dominate the regional archaeological record. These sites reflect an adaptation focused on farming villages, although wild game and indigenous plant foods continued to be exploited. Around A.D. 500, a culture known as the Hohokam began to flourish and occupied much of what is today southern and central Arizona for approximately a millennium. Marine shell jewelry, obsidian flaked stone artifacts, turquoise, copper bells, and macaws indicate the Hohokam traveled well beyond their core area of settlement or traded with groups in surrounding areas.

The current condition of cultural resources is characterized by discussing three indicators: (1) inventory and evaluation, (2) threats to the historical integrity of resources and responses to those threats, and (3) public and professional interpretation of cultural resources.

3.1.8.1 Extent of Inventory and Evaluation

Cultural resource survey is labor intensive and costly, and simple inventory and evaluation is a major challenge for managing cultural resources. Archaeological sites reflecting both prehistoric and historic-era occupation of the region are abundant, and the sites that have been recorded represent only a small percentage of the cultural resources within the IFNM. Twenty-one documented surveys have, in the aggregate, inventoried approximately 21,194 acres (33.1 square miles) for cultural resources within the IFNM (Table 3-7). (Approximately 30 additional cultural investigations have been conducted in the IFNM, but are not well documented.) The surveys encompass about 12 percent of the public land and about 9 percent of the nonpublic lands within the IFNM.

Table 3-7: Summary of Cultural Resource Inventory Data

	State and Private Lands	Federal Public Lands (Surface Estate)	Planning Area (Entire IFNM)
Size (acres)	60,221	128,398	188,619
Size (square miles)	94	201	295
Surveyed for cultural resources (acres)	5,622	15,572	21,194
Surveyed for cultural resources (square miles)	8.8	24.3	33.1
Percentage surveyed	9.3%	12.1%	11.2%
Recorded cultural resources	64	279	343
Density (sites/square mile)	7	11	10
Projected number of resources	700	2,300	3,000

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: Numerous errors regarding site jurisdiction were noted in the AZSITE database. Jurisdiction was determined by overlaying a current geographic information system jurisdictional map onto the site locations. If any part of a site was on public land, it was treated as being within the decision area. BLM has no authority or responsibility to manage cultural resources on State Trust and private lands within IFNM.

The various surveys within the IFNM have recorded a total of 343 archaeological and historical sites. More than 80 percent of the recorded sites (279) are on BLM surface estate, and the other are on State Trust land (61) and private lands. The average density is about 11 sites per square mile on public land and about 7 sites per square mile on State and private land. The survey data suggest there could be approximately 3,000 sites within the IFNM (with about 2,300 on the BLM surface estate. The University of Arizona recently completed a more statistically rigorous sample survey that indicates that there could be about twice that many sites within the IFNM (Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey also recorded almost

3,400 isolated finds indicating that there could be on the order of 125,000 isolated artifacts and features within the IFNM.

About 89 percent of the 343 sites recorded within the IFNM reflect the aboriginal occupation of the region, and about 7 percent reflect historical Euro-American occupation. About 3 percent of the sites have both aboriginal and Euro-American components, and the cultural and temporal affiliations of the remaining sites are unknown.

The only possible evidence of Paleoindian occupation identified in the IFNM is a broken spear point found on sites with Archaic and Hohokam components. Five recorded sites have been identified as dating to the Archaic era and 19 other Archaic components have been recognized on other multicomponent sites.

Evidence of the Hohokam occupation of the region dominates the archaeological record of the IFNM; 201 of the recorded sites have been classified as Hohokam or probably Hohokam sites, and 34 other Hohokam components have been recorded at multicomponent sites. The cultural affiliations of 63 other recorded sites and 2 components at sites with historical Euro-American components have been classified as reflecting unidentified prehistoric occupation. Nine sites have been classified as reflecting protohistoric or historic period O'odham use of the IFNM, and 13 other O'odham components have been identified at multicomponent sites. Two components at sites with O'odham components have been tentatively identified as possibly reflecting affiliations with the Patayan culture, which was centered along the lower Colorado River west of the Hohokam territory, and a possible Apache component has been recorded on a Hohokam site.

About 25 to 30 of the sites recorded in the IFNM appear to represent Hohokam habitation sites, ranging from small farmsteads to large villages. Features noted at these sites include trash mounds, roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, and petroglyphs (rock art), along with numerous artifacts. A focus of Hohokam habitation that overlaps the northeastern corner of the IFNM has been designated as the Los Robles Archaeological District. About 130 archaeological sites have been recorded within the 20.7-square-mile district. Many of the sites within the district are on State Trust land, including the large villages known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. The Los Robles platform mound site at the core of the district also is on State Trust land north of the IFNM. Twenty-one of the significant sites within the Los Robles Archaeological District are located on BLM surface estate.

Another Hohokam habitation focus has been designated as the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. There are at least two Hohokam habitation sites and many petroglyphs in the district, which encompasses two large buttes, three smaller hills, and the surrounding flats on public and private land in the southeastern part of the IFNM.

Most of the other aboriginal sites appear to reflect seasonal habitation or camps, or temporary work locations where activities such as collection and processing of indigenous resources (such as cactus fruits) were pursued. These sites consist of scatters of artifacts such as broken pottery and pieces of flaked and ground stone. About one-third of the artifact scatters have archaeological features of various types, such as roasting pits, rock piles, rock alignments, clearings, check dams, petroglyphs, stone tool quarries, and bedrock grinding stones. About 45 of the recorded sites have petroglyphs.

A unique historic-period site is the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission, which was the location of a *visita* (chapel served by a visiting priest) built in 1810-1811. The building is no longer extant, but artifacts and features are scattered across the site, which also has an O'odham component.

Twenty-four historic-period sites have been classified as having or probably having Euro-American affiliations. These sites include the Silver Bell Cemetery and the alignment of an abandoned railroad that

served the mining town of Silver Bell, located in the Silver Bell Mountains just outside the IFNM. Other Euro-American sites include a gravesite, a camp, three mining prospects, a road segment, and trash scatters. Two minimally recorded sites have yielded no clues about their cultural affiliations.

There is limited information pertaining to specific places within the IFNM identified as having traditional cultural significance, but an inventory study has not been conducted. Tribes with traditional cultural affiliations with the region are known to have concerns about treatment of human remains, funerary objects, sacred objects, and objects of cultural patrimony that are sometimes present within archaeological sites. Members of the Tohono O’odham Nation, which borders the IFNM, also might consider some places within the IFNM that were used traditionally, such as stands of saguaro where fruit was collected, as having cultural significance (Nabhan 1987, 1982). The Cocoraque Butte area is also known to have some significance as a traditional cultural place. BLM plans to work closely with the Tohono O’odham Nation and other concerned tribes to implement cultural resource management that accounts for the extensive historic use of the area by local tribes, and that acknowledges tribal knowledge of and concern for the cultural resources of the IFNM. Additional discussion of tribal interests is provided in Section 3.4.

Prior to the designation of the IFNM, which provides recognition and a measure of protection for all of the cultural resources within the IFNM, three historic properties had been recognized as having special significance by being listed in the National Register of Historic Places (Table 3-8). These include the Los Robles Archaeological District, Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District, and the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site. The transfer of cultural resources eligible for the National Register is, by regulatory definition, an “adverse effect.” BLM approval of the land exchange implies that overall it resulted in public benefits. In 1986, the Arizona State Legislature authorized development of a state park to preserve and publicly interpret the Los Robles Archaeological District, but development of the park was not pursued and it was declassified as a state park in 1988.

Table 3-8: National Register Status of Cultural Resources Recorded within the IFNM

National Register Status	Total Sites	%	Owner			
			BLM	%	Private/ State	%
<i>Properties listed</i>						
Los Robles Archaeological District						
Sites within IFNM identified as contributing properties	53	15%	21	40%	32	60%
Sites within IFNM identified as noncontributing properties	4	1%		0%	4	100%
Sites within IFNM not identified in nomination	1	<1%		0%	1	100%
Subtotal of sites within Los Robles Archaeological District in IFNM ¹	59	17%	21	36%	38	64%
Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission Site	1	<1%	1	100%		0%
<i>Recommended eligible</i>	175	51%	175	100%		0%
<i>Recommended ineligible</i>	22	6%	22	100%		0%
Unknown or unevaluated	86	25%	59	69%	27	31%
Totals	343	100%	279	81%	64	19%

SOURCES: AZSITE 2003; Dart and Gibson 1988; Gibson 1987a, 1987b; Heilen 2004; U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2004a

NOTE: ¹ The Los Robles Survey assigned a total of 158 sites numbers. Some of these were combined when site numbers were assigned in the Arizona State Museum survey system. A total of 119 sites with Arizona State Museum numbers are classified as contributing sites in the Los Robles District, and 10 as noncontributing sites. Approximately 45 percent of the sites within the listed district are within IFNM.

The recorders of 175 other sites have recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register, and 22 sites have been evaluated as ineligible. The eligibility of the remaining sites within the IFNM has not been evaluated.

Subsequent to the issuance of the draft EIS, two surveys inventoried cultural resources along 126.25 miles of selected roads within and adjacent to the IFNM (Fischler and French 2007; Whitney and others 2008). The surveys covered 30-foot-wide corridors along approximately 111.5 miles of roadways on Federal public land managed by BLM within the IFNM, 7 miles of roadways on State Trust land within the IFNM, and 7.75 miles on Arizona State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM. With the completion of those surveys, all but about 15 miles that the proposed Alternative C designates as remaining open for motorized use have been inventoried for cultural resources.

The surveys found 10 previously recorded sites and discovered 80 other archaeological and historical sites (Table 3-9). (Thirty-five of the other previously recorded archaeological and historical sites are located along 21.4 miles of roads covered by prior surveys on public land within the IFNM.) Fifty-seven of the discovered sites were along roads on public land managed by BLM within the IFNM. Nine of the sites are on State Trust land within the IFNM, and the other 14 sites are on State Trust land adjacent to the IFNM.

Table 3-9: Summary of Supplemental Cultural Resource Road Surveys

	Federal Public Land	State Land within IFNM	State Land adjacent to IFNM	Totals
<i>Extent of Supplemental Survey</i>				
Miles surveyed within IFNM	111.5	7.0	7.75	126.25
<i>Sites Discovered</i>				
Archaic	2	0	0	2
Hohokam artifact scatter	19	5	6	30
Hohokam habitation	3	0	3	6
Prehistoric (unidentified period)	9	0	3	12
Historical O'odham	11	1	0	12
Historical Euro-American	10	2	0	12
Prehistoric/Historic	3	1	2	6
Total Sites Discovered	57	9	14	80
<i>National Register of Historic Places Evaluations</i>				
Recommended eligible	50	9	14	73
Recommended potentially eligible	5	0	0	5
Recommended not eligible	2	0	0	2

The discovered sites were similar to those previously recorded on the IFNM. Fifty of the sites reflect prehistoric occupation of the area. Twelve of those could not be more precisely dated, but 2 were identified as dating to the Archaic period and 36 to the Hohokam period. Twelve sites were identified as historical Tohono O'odham sites, and 12 were identified as historical Euro-American sites. Six sites had both prehistoric and historical components.

Most of the prehistoric sites seem to reflect seasonal camps or temporary use locations, but six sites appear to be remnants of permanently occupied Hohokam habitations. The historical sites include trash dumps, camps, windmills, cairns, mine shafts and prospects, and other features associated with mining and ranching activities.

The BLM has not formally evaluated the National Register eligibility of the 80 discovered sites, but the recorders evaluated 73 of them as having potential to yield important information and recommended that they be considered eligible for the National Register under Criterion D. The recorders recommended that five of the historical Euro-American sites be considered potentially eligible pending the results of further

archival research, and they also concluded that two historical trash dumps had no values that warrant preservation, and recommended that they be considered ineligible for the National Register.

3.1.8.2 Extent of and Responses to Threats

Three factors threaten the integrity of cultural resources, including (1) disturbance or destruction by various types of development projects or land uses (including travel by undocumented immigrants and smugglers), (2) natural erosion, and (3) unauthorized excavating and artifact collecting by vandals or uninformed recreational users.

Review of potential impacts on cultural resources due to authorized uses of public land within what is now the IFNM began in the 1970s in response to the passage of the National Historic Preservation Act. Prior to that time, the most substantial use of the area was related to livestock grazing and prospecting and the most substantial impacts on cultural resources probably were due to development of roads. Projects or land uses reviewed since the 1970s have included electrical transmission lines, microwave communication sites, roads, mineral exploration, range improvements (such as fences, cattle guards, waterlines, and reseeding projects), and an ultralight airfield. The only approved project that has resulted in an adverse effect on cultural resources in the vicinity of IFNM was a land exchange with ASARCO for expansion of the Silver Bell Mine. Three prehistoric and eight historical sites immediately adjacent to IFNM were studied before they were transferred from Federal ownership (Slawson and Ayres 1994, 1992). Two sites on the National Register have sustained notable damage over the last few years. Petroglyphs within the Los Robles Archeological District on BLM land have been vandalized and defaced by imposter (new) petroglyphs. Other sites on State Trust land within the District have also been extensively damaged. BLM regularly monitors this site. The Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac Mission site was damaged by the creation of an unauthorized immigration route through the foundation of the chapel. In collaboration with the Tohono O'odham Nation, BLM has placed a barrier of approximately 35 boulders around the chapel foundation to prevent vehicular travel across the site. This barrier has proven to be an effective protection measure. Both the BLM and Tohono O'odham Nation currently monitor the site. Additionally, BLM and the Tohono O'odham Nation intensively mapped the site and surface features as part of the stabilization process.

There are only meager data regarding the extent to which erosion is threatening the historic integrity of cultural resources within the IFNM. Responses to the threats of erosion include stabilization and restoration.

Unauthorized collection of cultural materials by persons uninformed of cultural resource protection laws and intentional vandalism, such as target shooting and graffiti, are the most serious threats to cultural resources on public land within the IFNM. However, there is little quantitative data about the extent of the problem. Current responses to the threat of vandalism include site monitoring, reconnaissance, and law enforcement. BLM cooperates with the State Historic Preservation Office in supporting a statewide site-steward program. Volunteers regularly monitor selected sites and report vandalism or other damage to appropriate land managing agencies. This has been one of the most successful strategies for protecting cultural resources on public land. The Tucson Field Office currently is working with approximately six volunteer site stewards and a local landowner who monitor archaeological sites within the IFNM. Sites are monitored throughout the IFNM with a special focus on the Los Robles and Cocoraque Butte Archeological Districts and Silver Bell Cemetery. When vandal excavations and damaged or stolen cultural materials are noted, they are reported to BLM rangers for follow-up investigations.

Other protection measures include placing signs at sites to inform visitors of laws protecting cultural resources and penalties for unauthorized collection and excavation. The only signs, fences, and gates installed to protect cultural resources within the IFNM are in the vicinity of the Cocoraque Butte Archeological District; but installation of signs to protect other sites is planned. Administrative measures

such as road closures or special management designations also can be used to protect cultural resources. Roads have been closed at Cocoraque Butte, but these closures have been difficult to enforce.

3.1.8.3 Interpretation of Cultural Resources

The primary motivation for protecting and preserving cultural resources is to enhance public and professional interpretation and appreciation of our cultural heritage. Public interpretation within the IFNM has been limited primarily to occasional guided tours of Hohokam petroglyph sites. Future opportunities for public interpretation include heritage publications, other media products, interpretive signs and kiosks, and visitor centers.

Professional interpretation of cultural resources within the IFNM has been more intensive. The IFNM has been used as an “outdoor laboratory” for training student and avocational archaeologists. University of Arizona faculty and students have conducted two major research investigations of archaeological resources within IFNM. One of these studies involved an extensive survey that documented the Hohokam Los Robles platform mound community and the Cerro Prieto trincheras site, and resulted in the listing of the Los Robles Archaeological District in the National Register (Downum 1993). The second study was a University of Arizona research project that surveyed 5,186 acres in sample parcels distributed throughout the IFNM in order to better understand the distribution of archaeological resources within the IFNM (Heilen 2005; Heilen and Reid 2006). The survey doubled the number of recorded sites within the IFNM. The third study involved an evaluation of the Santa Ana de Cuiquiburitac visita site (Reid and Heilen 2005).

3.1.9 Paleontological Resources

Paleontological resources constitute a fragile and nonrenewable scientific record of the history of life on earth. Once damaged, destroyed, or improperly collected, the scientific and educational values of these resources are reduced greatly or lost forever. In addition to their scientific, educational, and recreational values, paleontological resources can be used to understand interrelationships between the biological and geological components of ecosystems over long periods of time.

The fossils found on public lands are considered part of our national heritage and are therefore afforded protection. Vertebrate fossils or other noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate and plant fossils are considered significant by the BLM. Invertebrate and plant fossils are typically more abundant, and therefore, the BLM does not ordinarily consider them to be of significance.

Areas containing vertebrate fossils or noteworthy occurrences of invertebrate or plant fossils are managed under one of four management classes:

Class 1 (low sensitivity): Igneous and metamorphic geologic units and sedimentary geologic units where vertebrate fossils or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils are unlikely to occur

Class 2 (moderate sensitivity): Sedimentary geologic units that are known to contain or have unknown potential to contain fossils that vary in significance, abundance, and predictable occurrence

Class 3 (moderate sensitivity): Areas where geologic units are known to contain fossils but have little or no risk of human-caused adverse impacts and/or low risk of natural degradation

Class 4 (high sensitivity): Areas where geologic units regularly and predictably contain vertebrate fossils and/or uncommon nonvertebrate fossils, and are at risk of natural degradation and/or human-caused adverse impacts

The IFNM is mainly Class 1 and Class 2, though there are a few Class 3 areas. Acres within each management class are summarized in Table 3-10.

Table 3-10: Classification of Lands within the IFNM for Fossil Sensitivity

Management Class	Approximate acres within the Planning Area	Approximate acres administered by BLM
Class 1	62,610	43,800
Class 2	107,050	71,630
Class 3	20,040	12,970

SOURCE: U.S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Land Management 2005

Paleontological resources in southern Arizona are typically found in the Quaternary deposits. There are a few limited known occurrences of paleontological resources on the IFNM; however, no significant fossils are known to occur within the monument. Several neotoma (packrat) middens located in late Pleistocene and subrecent deposits have yielded various animal and plant species in the Wolcott Peak area of the IFNM (USDI, BLM 1980a). Vertebrate fossils in southern Arizona include remnants of early horses, elephants, dogs, gomphotheres, camels, mammoths, llamas, birds, fish, beavers, rats, foxes, weasels, squirrels, lizards, snakes, chipmunks, mice, gophers, tortoises, bats, marmots, wolves, bears, badgers, skunks, ground sloths, woodchucks, cats, donkeys, rhinoceros, peccaries, deer, elk, and bison. These are typically found in the unconsolidated silt, sand, and gravel deposits of the Quaternary (Holocene and Pleistocene), as well as the Tertiary sedimentary units. Some of these have been discovered during major earth-moving activities, such as during highway and building construction projects. Others have been discovered as ongoing erosional processes expose fossil remnants (Ratkevich 1993; Scarborough 2003; USDI, BLM 1980a). Some of the Jurassic-aged sedimentary units in southern Arizona have yielded fragments of dinosaur (believed to be tritylodontid) and crocodile (McCord and Tegowski 1996). Some Cretaceous-aged dinosaurs (stegosaurian or archosaurian) have been found in the Comobabi Mountains to the west of Tucson (McCord and Tegowski 1996). These older fossils are not abundant, but they may occur in some geologic units in the planning area. Mammal tracks have been reported in Tertiary volcanic sedimentary rocks in the Sawtooth Mountains (Scarborough 2002).

Various invertebrate fossils have been noted in southern Arizona and include corals, brachiopods, gastropods, foraminifera, holothurians, ostracods, bryozoans, crinoids, trilobites, cephalopods, pelecypods, echinoids, blastoids, and others.

The BLM has developed objectives for paleontological resources (BLM Manual H-8270-1, General Procedural Guidance for Paleontological Resource Management) to provide protection of the resources. It is the policy of BLM to manage paleontological resources for these values and to mitigate adverse impacts on them.

3.1.10 Visual Resources

The IFNM is a landscape of contrasts. Its broad, flat valleys are interrupted by rugged, steep-sloped mountains, and punctuated by isolated hills. The gently sloping bajadas that soften the transitions between jagged mountain and valley floor are dissected by dry, desert washes that nevertheless support a variety of colors. A variation of green-hued vegetation is found in abundance, and the reds and yellows of native flowers appear in their seasons. The richness of the ecosystem is manifest in the sometimes dramatic, sometimes subtle variations in colors and textures that cover, yet fail to obscure, the striking landforms that hint at the geological processes that formed this southwestern region of the United States. The sculptural forms of Sonoran Desert cacti add an almost museum quality to some of the landscapes within the IFNM.

Tab 6

Silverbell

Areas of Scientific & Historic Interests

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SETTING

The Silverbell Resource Conservation Area is a unique, scenic area of rolling desert and Ironwood woodlands around the Silverbell, Waterman and Roskrige mountains. Located along the Tohono Reservation boundary, within an hour of the rapidly growing Tucson metropolitan area, the Resource Conservation Area offers outstanding dispersed recreation opportunities but is also highly vulnerable to the impacts of growth. In addition to Tucson, the area is readily accessible from the Phoenix Metropolitan area. Access into the area is provided by dirt roads connecting with Interstate Highway 10.

Much of the vegetation in this area is classic Sonoran desert upland habitat dominated by cactus; saguaro, Bigelow's cholla, and staghorn cholla. Common plants include; ironwood, palo verde, creosote, brittle-bush, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo, and thornbush. The upper slopes of the Silver bell Mountains possess a chaparral community dominated by jojoba. The lower bajadas contain inter-braided stream beds which carry water after heavy rains. These desert wash habitats are characterized by large ironwood, blue paloverde, and saguaro.

The resource conservation area encompasses most of the mountain ranges that are important to the diverse wildlife and plant communities associated with the saguaro/ironwood forest.. In addition, the resource conservation area contains habitat for several endangered species, a site on the National Register of Historic Places, an archaeological district on the National Register of Historic Places, an ACEC to protect an endangered cactus, a Desert Bighorn Sheep special management area, Desert Tortoise habitat, Historic mining camps and scenic open space.

The resource conservation area encompasses 150,114 acres in southeast Arizona roughly bounded by the Santa Cruz river valley on the north and east, Tohono Reservation on the west and on the south.

AREAS OF PREHISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Areas Of Prehistoric Interest**

Description: Although only a portion the land administered by the BLM in the proposed Ironwood Preserve area has been inventoried for cultural resources, enough documentation has been accomplished to provide a general idea about what types of cultural properties are located there. Stone tools found along ancient gravel shoals, which seem to be situated over intermittent, subterranean streams, indicate that Archaic hunter/gatherers roamed the area at least 4,000 years ago. Later prehistoric cultures, including the Hohokam, Trincheras, and Tohono O'odham, are represented at several hundred recorded sites in the area. Valuable scientific information could be learned about the use of water by these ancient cultures, and about their relationship with the desert environment. Numerous historic sites, mostly associated with silver and copper mining during the late 1800's and early 1900's, are located in the area. These historic sites represent an important aspect concerning the industrial development of southeast Arizona. All the information associated with both the prehistoric and historic cultural properties in the proposed preserve area is important in terms of its humanistic and scientific value to the people of the United States.

Location: Silverbell RCA

Significance: National

Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District**

Description: The Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District was listed on the National Register of Historic Places on October 10, 1975. This district is composed of 480 acres of public land administered by the BLM, which are located in the proposed preserve area. Widely known and studied for the numerous petroglyphs (rock art) located on the granite boulders composing the butte formation, this archaeological district includes an adjacent, moderately extensive Hohokam village site.

The rock art at this site is of special merit because of its wide variety of prehistoric, decorative motifs and the evidently long time period during which it was created. Increased destruction of southern Arizona rock art sites through land modification projects, vandalism and theft enhances the value of sites like Cocoraque Butte. The village at this site contains archaeological materials which could provide important information about how the Hohokam adapted their technology and social structure to the desert foothill regions of southeast Arizona. Valuable information about the environment, climate and weather that existed during the time that the Hohokam occupied this site could, at sometime in the future, be recovered through systematic, scientific investigation. Some of the rock art at this site may date back to the Archaic Period, from roughly 6000 B.C. to around A.D. 250. Most of the designs and motifs are characteristic of the

Hohokam culture and date to between A.D. 500 to A.D. 1450.

Also, a significant quantity of rock art is located on a 160 acre parcel of privately owned land adjacent to the Cocoraque Butte Archaeological District. This land is part of an historic ranch owned for several generations by the same family. The owner has been very protective of the rock art there. Consequently, it has been protected against vandalism and theft and most of it is in a state of excellent preservation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro, BLM files

Name: **Los Robles Archaeological District**

Description: The Los Robles Archaeological District was placed on the National Register of Historic Places on May 11, 1989. It encompasses 12,89 acres of land, most of which are located in Pinal County, Arizona, north of the proposed preserve area boundary. Approximately 1,920 acres of public land administered by the BLM are included in this archaeological district. Approximately 6,500 acres are owned by the state of Arizona and the remainder is privately owned. The district is named for Los Robles Wash, which runs along its eastern edge. It encompasses the northern prominences of the Samaniego Hills, including two volcanic formations known as Cerro Prieto and Pan Quemado. Highly significant prehistoric archaeological sites are located at each formation, primarily on State Trust and privately owned land.

Cerro Prieto rises some 700 feet above the surrounding desert valley floor and is believed by archaeologists to have been an important focal location for prehistoric habitation and perhaps as a defensive refuge. The archaeological site here is a large, complex, hillside "Trincheras" village which includes more than 250 masonry rooms and numerous stone compounds, terraces, walls and other features. Archaeological materials and features at Cerro Prieto indicate that this hillside settlement was occupied sometime between A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1300, which is roughly synonymous with the Hohokam Classic Period, A.D. 1100 to A.D. 1450. Exactly how the Trincheras people might have related to the neighboring Hohokam in the near-by Los Robles community is the subject of current archaeological inquiry and debate. One of the central questions in this inquiry is whether the Trincheras people represented a separate and distinct culture from the Hohokam or were simply a variant of the Hohokam culture. Although a number of Trincheras sites have been documented in southeast Arizona, and the Tucson area, they are most abundant in northern Sonora along the Altar and Magdalena rivers. The question about how they relate to the Cerro Prieto has yet to be answered.

Pan Quemado, along with the bedrock outcrops and volcanic hills in the Ragged Top and Silver Bell Mountains, is unusual for the amount, variety and complexity of prehistoric rock that has found along its slopes. Some may date back to the Archaic Period, while most seems to be characteristic of the Hohokam and is most probably associated with the Los Robles Hohokam community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files

Name: **Robles Platform Mound Community**

Description: The Robles Platform Mound Community is located approximately one and one-half (1 ½) miles southeast of Pan Quemado. It is in Pima County, on Arizona State Trust Land adjacent to public land administered by the BLM, and is inside the proposed preserve area. This site includes an earthen platform mound, constructed during the Hohokam Classic period, which rises six to eight feet above the surrounding desert floor. It is surrounded by partly buried trash mounds. The probability is high that adobe walls and pit house remains are buried in the ground surrounding the mound. The possible relation between this mound and community with the Trincheras at Cerro Prieto and the local Hohokam is the subject of intense interest within the archaeological community.

Location: Los Robles Archaeological District, North East end of Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: Urban and Mayro BLM files,

AREAS OF HISTORIC INTEREST

Name: **Silver Bell Mining District**

Description: Most of the historic cultural sites located within the proposed preserve area are associated with the Silver Bell Mining District. Exactly when the first mining operation opened in this district is not known. Unsubstantiated information holds that the first operation began in 1865 at the Old Boot Mine. The first, recorded claim at this location was made by E.O. Shaw and Edward N. Fish in 1879. Historic records show that the first mine was put into operation in 1873, by Charles O. Brown, representatives of Tully, Ochoa & Company, and E.M. Pearce, who formed a partnership and sank a shaft on the Mammoth lode at the Old Boot Mine and began to recover native copper with good silver values. By the end of 1874, the Young America Mine in the Silver Mountain Mining District, located six miles southeast of the Old Boot Mine, was sufficiently productive to justify the construction of a small smelter. Today, slag deposits and wall foundations that can be seen along the county road near ASARCO's Silver Bell Unit may be the remains of this smelter.

Fluctuations in the price of copper during the following decades determined the level of production and success of mining ventures in the Silver Bell Mining District. During the 1880's several new mines opened and numerous mining camps evolved into life.

Between 1988 and 1991, a Class III cultural resources inventory was conducted over 4,448 acres of public land administered by the BLM in the Silver Bell Mining District in preparation for a land exchange between ASARCO and the BLM. A total of twenty-three sites were recorded. Data recovery was carried out at historic and prehistoric sites determined eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places.

Historic sites located outside the ASARCO exchange land, but inside the proposed preserve area include the Silver Bell Cemetery and several small, mining camps represented as tin can and glass scatters. Several isolated historic graves have also been reported.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Silver Bell Cemetery**

Description: The Silver Bell Cemetery is located on public land administered by the BLM within the proposed preserve area. About thirty graves, dating from around 1880 to 1930, are located in the cemetery. Several isolated historic graves have also been found in the area.

Location: Northwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

Name: **Arizona Southern Railroad**

Description: The Arizona Southern Railroad began hauling copper and silver ore between the towns of Silver Bell and Red Rock in 1904. Initially the ore was hauled to a smelter in Douglas, Arizona. However, by 1907, enough ore was being produced in the Silver Bell Mining District to make it economically viable for the Southern Arizona Smelting Company (SASCO) to build a smelter, where the town of Sasco was located. The railroad tracks and the smelter were dismantled in 1933. Today, the railroad bed is used as a road and is maintained by Pima County.

Location: North end of the Silver Bell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: BLM files

AREAS OF GEOLOGIC INTEREST

Name: Silver Bell Mining District

Description: The Silver Bell Mining District contains porphyry copper mineral deposits. These deposits are typical in that they are associated with intrusions of quartz monzonite porphyry and they consist of disseminated chalcopyrite, an enriched zone of chalcocite, and an overlying zone of copper oxide.

Mining dates back to 1873. Open pit mining began in 1954 and was discontinued in 1984, after which leaching of dump material continued. Open pit mining from two deposits, El Tiro and Oxide, yielded 83.5 million metric tons of ore from 1954 to 1984 averaging 0.76% copper and 0.55 grams per metric ton silver. ASARCO began mining the Silver Bell North deposit in July, 1997. This deposit was reported in 1990 to have 185 million metric tons averaging 0.61% copper. ASARCO produces 16,000 metric tons of copper annually from oxide ore from the new pit as well as some leaching in the El Tiro and Oxide pits. Copper cathode is produced in a new solvent extraction - electro winning plant.

Location: Southwest side of the Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: Regional

Source: Arizona Department of Mines and Mineral Resources - Arizona's Mining Update - 1998 (<http://www.admmr.state.az.us/minupdat.htm>).

Name: Ragged Top Peak

Description: Ragged Top is the eroded remnant of a volcanic rhyolite dome of Oligocene age extruded along the Ragged Top fault. Erosion of this resistant rock has created spectacular spires, domes and pinnacles. Ragged Top is a familiar landmark in the Silver Bell Mountains.

Location: North side of Silver Bell Mountains

Significance: local

Source: Nowlan, G.A., Peterson, J.A., Pitkin, J.A., Hanna, W.F., Kreidler, T.J., 1989, Mineral resources of the Ragged Top wilderness area, U.S. Geological Survey Bulletin 1702-H, 22 pp.

AREAS OF BIOLOGICAL INTEREST

Name: Sensitive Wildlife Species

Description: The diversity of vegetative communities and topographical features provide habitat for a diversity of sensitive wildlife species including

Location: throughout entire RCA

Significance: Statewide

Source: BLM Files; Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Diversity of Avian Species

The Sonoran desert contains a diverse avian community. Gila wood pecker, common flickers, and ladder-backed woodpeckers create cavities in ironwood, palo verde, saguaro, and mesquite. Elf owl, screech owl, kestrel, ash-throated flycatcher, and pygmy owl (mentioned above) take advantage of these cavities once they are abandoned by their original occupant. Other desert species include roadrunner, cactus wren, curve-billed thrasher, verdin, Bullock's oriole, pyrrhuloxia, black-throated sparrow, Gambel's quail, white-winged dove, Harris hawk, red-tailed hawk, Cooper's hawk, and loggerhead shrike. As urban sprawl advances other species; house sparrow, common grackle, starling, and cowbird (which benefit from human modification of habitat); move into desert habitats and usurp niches occupied by native species.

Name: **Cactus ferruginous pygmy owl:**

Description: The cactus ferruginous pygmy owl feeds on small mammals, birds, lizards, and insects. Its preferred habitat is the Sonoran desert where shrub vegetation is dense and saguaro, ironwood and paloverde offer cavities for nesting. This small owl has recently been listed as endangered by US Fish and Wildlife Service. The area is not listed as critical habitat however suitable habitat is present in desert washes where large ironwoods and saguaros are present in abundance. This species is primarily endangered due to loss and degradation of habitat.:

Location: Saguaro/Ironwood/Palo Verde vegetation association

Significance: National

Source

Name: **Peregrine falcon:**

Description Recently removed from the endangered species list, this raptor has been observed during nesting season in the area, preying on swallows and swifts. Inaccessible cliffs are preferred as nesting habitat.

Location: Ragged Top

Significance: National

Source:

Name: **Diversity of Mammals**

Description: A number of mammal species occur in the area. The largest predator is the mountain lion. Bobcat, grey fox, and ring-tailed cat occur in the more rugged areas with dense vegetation. Kit fox occur on open deserts flats and bajadas. Coyote, the one predator which is well adapted to humans, is common throughout. Desert mule deer are relatively scarce but can be found. Collared peccary (or javelina) occur in family groups usually in association with prickly pear cactus, their favored forage plant. A myriad of small rodents and rabbits provide the forage base for hawks, owls, snakes, and other predators previously mentioned.

Location: US and Mexico.

Significance: National
Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Bat diversity:
.When in bloom, the dense saguaro forest surrounding the Ragged Top Mountain, provides a feeding ground for the nectar feeding, lesser long-nosed bat. This endangered species may roost in natural caves or mine shafts in the area. Other bat species which may occur include Mexican long-tongued bat (a nectar feeder) and the insectivorous Yuma myotis, Cave myotis, Townsend's big-eared bat, California leaf-nosed bat, and Mexican freetailed bat.

Name: Desert bighorn sheep:
Description: This area contains one of the last remaining native bighorn sheep populations in southeastern Arizona. This species inhabits the rugged slopes and steep hillsides, consuming a wide variety of shrubs, grasses and annual plants. Herd size of less than one hundred animal make this population vulnerable to decline due to disease outbreaks, predation, or natural variations in climate and forage quality. Whereas a large herd would be able to recover from such losses and maintain itself over the long run, this small herd may become extinct without intervention. Also important to the health of the herd are movement corridors between areas of rugged terrain with the Silver Bell Mountains as well as movement corridors to and from other mountain ranges. Road, fences, mining, and housing development is gradually blocking the opportunities for sheep to move within and between ranges. In order to improve the habitat for sheep the Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society, Arizona Game and Fish Department, and Bureau of Land Management have developed several water holes and closed critical lambing areas to motor vehicles.

Location: Silverbell Bighorn Sheep Special Management Area

Significance: National

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Mule Deer

Description: A medium-sized ungulate and premier game animal of the inter-mountain west. Brown in winter, reddish in summer. Males are characterized by broad branching antlers and dark facial patch. Feeds on a wide variety of shrubs and herbaceous plants, seldom on grasses. Usually found in open deserts and woodlands

Location: Arizona

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: Collared peccary

Description: Collared peccary (also called javelina) is member of the "new world" pig family, usually 30 to 40 pounds. Dark gray in color, with a light colored "collar" over the shoulders. Travels in groups. Feeds, often by digging, on cactus, succulent plants, roots, and tubers. Found in almost all habitats in southern Arizona.

Location: Mostly southern Arizona north to the Mogollon Rim

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Name: **Mountain Lion**

Description: The largest felid of the region, rivaled only by the jaguar. More common than observation would support, but is very secretive and only rarely observed. Feeds on any animal it can catch and kill.

Location: Canyons, woodlands, and other similar areas.

Significance: Regional

Source: Hoffmeister, Donald Frederick: Mammals of Arizona. University of Arizona Press, Arizona Game and Fish Department, Tucson.

Reptile and Amphibian diversity:

Due to variety in elevation, geology, and vegetation, a wide variety of amphibians and reptiles inhabit the area. These include Couch's spadefoot toad, Woodhouse's toad, Colorado rover toad, banded gecko, desert iguana, lesser earless lizard, zebra tailed lizard, collared lizard, desert spiny lizard, regal horned lizard, western whiptail, Sonoran whipsnake, coachwhip snake, gopher snake, kingsnake, western ground snake, banded sand snake, night snake, coral snake, western diamondback, sidewinder, and Mojave diamondback..

Name: **Desert tortoise:**

Description: .The most sensitive reptile (that is most likely to be affected by modifications of the habitat) in the area is the desert tortoise. The desert tortoises found in the Silver Bell Mountains are part of the Sonoran population. This herbivorous species is found throughout the area but prefers hillsides and bajadas with boulders and desert washes with caliche banks for den sites. The Silver Bell Mountain area includes Category 1, 2 and 3 desert tortoise habitat. These classifications refer to the habitat quality as it relates to 4 criteria: stability, density, and viability of tortoise populations and manageability of the habitat. Tortoise densities in the area vary from low to high depending on the specific site. Tortoise feed on a wide variety of grasses, annual plants, flowers, and shrubs. Tortoise are negatively affected by mining, grazing, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles. Population declines have been linked to disease, such as upper respiratory tract disease. Habitat degradation may be a significant factor in these disease outbreaks.

Location: Throughout the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Gila monster**

Description: One of only two venomous lizards, Gila monster can be found in throughout the area. It feeds on a variety of prey including small mammals, birds, eggs, and small lizards. It seeks shelter in burrows, under rocks, in woodrat nests, or brush thickets when not actively hunting. Likely the tortoise it is affected by mining, road construction, collection for pets, and off-road vehicles.

Location: Throughout the RCA

Significance: Regional

Source: Schwalbe, Cecil. Reptiles & Amphibians of Arizona. University of Arizona Press.

Name: **Vegetation**

The planning area is located within the Southeastern Arizona Basin and Range. The area can be further subdivided into resource units and their corresponding ecological sites:

(12-16 inch PZ) Sonoran Semidesert Grassland

(7-12 inch PZ) Upper Sonoran Desert Shrub Mix

This area is one of the most diverse ecological areas in North America. Plant communities found on these ecological sites are strongly influenced by the soil's ability to capture the intense summer thunderstorms.

The current potential natural vegetation for most of the area is upper-sonoran desert shrub. Three-awn species dominate the grass understories. Ironwood, saguaro, cholla, prickly pear, triangle-leaf bursage, ocotillo and mesquite overstories occur throughout the area. Ironwood trees are predominant along the stream beds and sandy washes.

Location: Silverbell resource conservation area

Significance: International

Source: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service. *Land Resource Regions and Major Land Resource Areas of the United States*. Agriculture Handbook 296. Washington, D.C.: Government Printing Office.

Special Status Plants

Name: **Nichols Turkshead Cactus**

Description: Although the planning area has a high diversity of plants, only three are considered of special concern for management. The Nichols Turks head cactus (*Echinocactus [= Neolloydia] horizontalonius* var *nicholii*) is a federally listed species found in

eastern Pima county. Typically the cactus is found on open sites dominated by desert grassland or mixed shrub vegetation.

Location: Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Pima Indian Mallow** (*Abutilon parishii*)

Description: The pima indian mallow is a former category 2 candidate species and BLM sensitive species that grows at 3,000 to 4,800 feet in elevation, almost exclusively in the canyons with south or west exposures. It has been found in 17 mountain ranges from central Arizona to Sonora, Mexico. In 1991, the Pima Indian Mallow was found on Ragged Top peak.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: National
Source: BLM TFO Files

Name: **Tumamoc Globeberry** (*Tumamoca macdougalii*)

Description: The Tumamoc Globeberry was federally listed as endangered, but has since been delisted, and BLM sensitive species. It has been found in the Avra valley near gullies and sandy washes of hills and valleys. Potential habitat for the species is in all areas of the RCA below 3,000 feet elevation.

Location: Silverbell RCA
Significance: Regional
Source: U.S. Department of the Interior, Fish and Wildlife Service. Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; <http://ifw2es.fws.gov/EndangeredSpecies/lists/>

AREAS WITH SPECIAL MANAGEMENT

Name: **Silverbell Resource Conservation Area**

Description: The Silver Bell RCA, covering 150,114 acres was designated in the Phoenix RMP for the purpose of retaining public lands (surface and subsurface estate) and to consolidate public ownership and intensively manage lands in the RCA. The RCA contains several different Special Management Areas (SMA's) protecting the unique features of the area. These include the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment. The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. vegetation condition, improve

native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition to good.

Location: Surrounding proposed Ironwood preserve
Significance: National
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area**

Description: The Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area which covers 16,699 acres, and has an activity plan for the Agua Blanco Ranch Multiple Resource Management Area to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, and reduce sediment

Location: Southeast part of the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area**

Description: The 47,976 acre Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area has an activity plan for the Cocoraque Butte-Waterman Mountains Multiple Resource Management Area and manage to improve watershed condition, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield, improve ecological site condition to good and promote the recovery of an endangered plant. Also to improve vegetation condition, improve native fish habitat, reintroduce native fish, if feasible, enhance water quality and stream flow, increase soil cover, reduce sediment yield and improve ecological site condition.

Location: Southwest part of the RCA
Significance: Regional
Source Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Waterman Mountains Area of Critical Environmental Concern**

Description: ACEC established in the Phoenix RMP to protect the habitat for the Nichols Turkshead Cactus , containing 1,960 acres of Public land.

Location: Waterman Mountains.
Significance: National
Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area**

Description: The 2,720 acre Avra Valley Cultural Resource Management Area contains 14

archaeological sites to be managed for for information potential and 1 for conservation values.

Location: Southwest side of the RCA
Significance: National
Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

Name: **Silverbell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area**
Description: The 56,800 acre Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area is to be managed for improved habitat condition for desert bighorn sheep. Up to 17,630 acres of state and private land in the Silver Bell Desert Bighorn Sheep Management Area were identified for acquisition in the Phoenix RMP.

Location: Silverbell and West Silverbell Mountains
Significance: Regional
Source: Phoenix Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, December 1988

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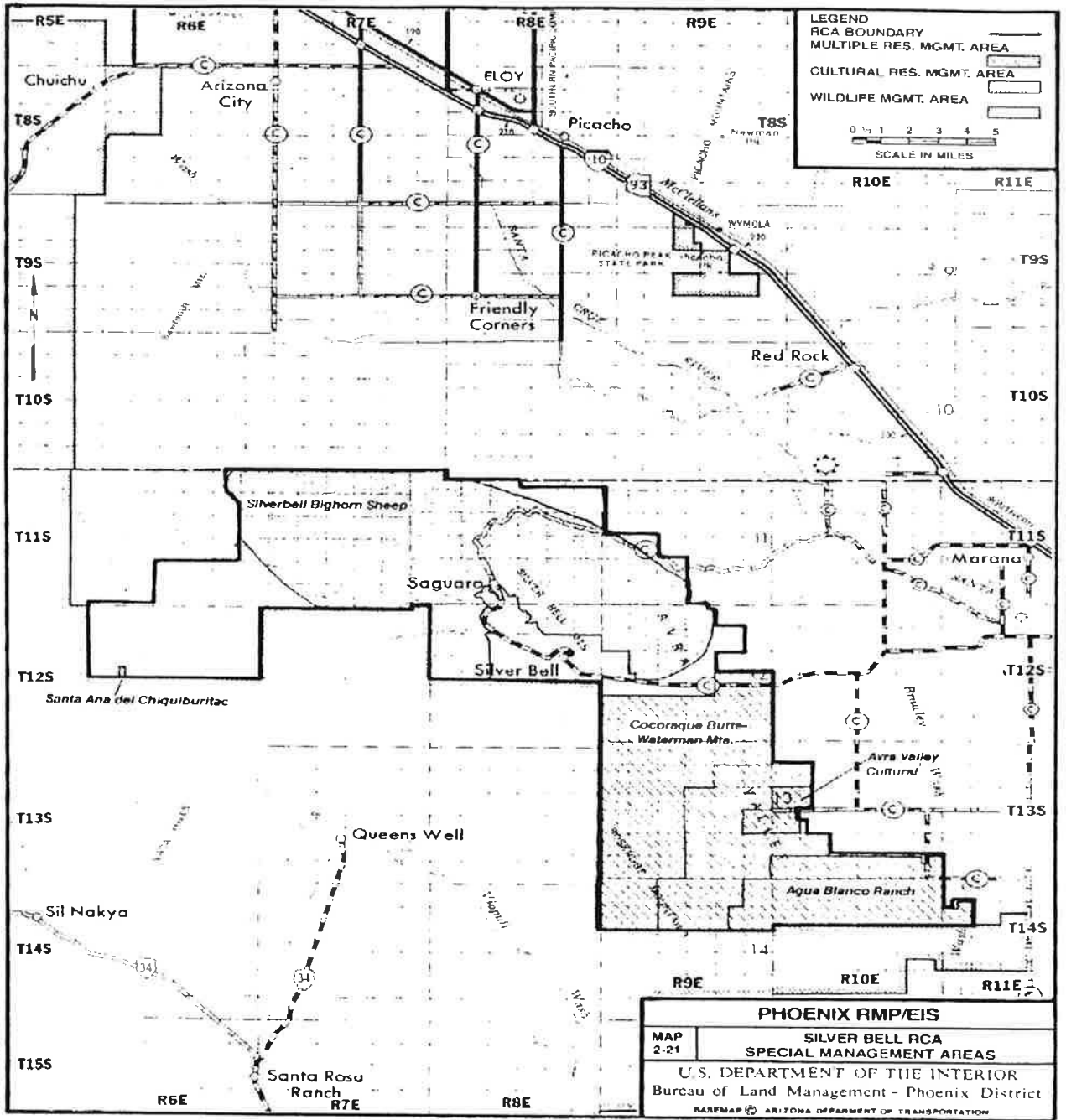
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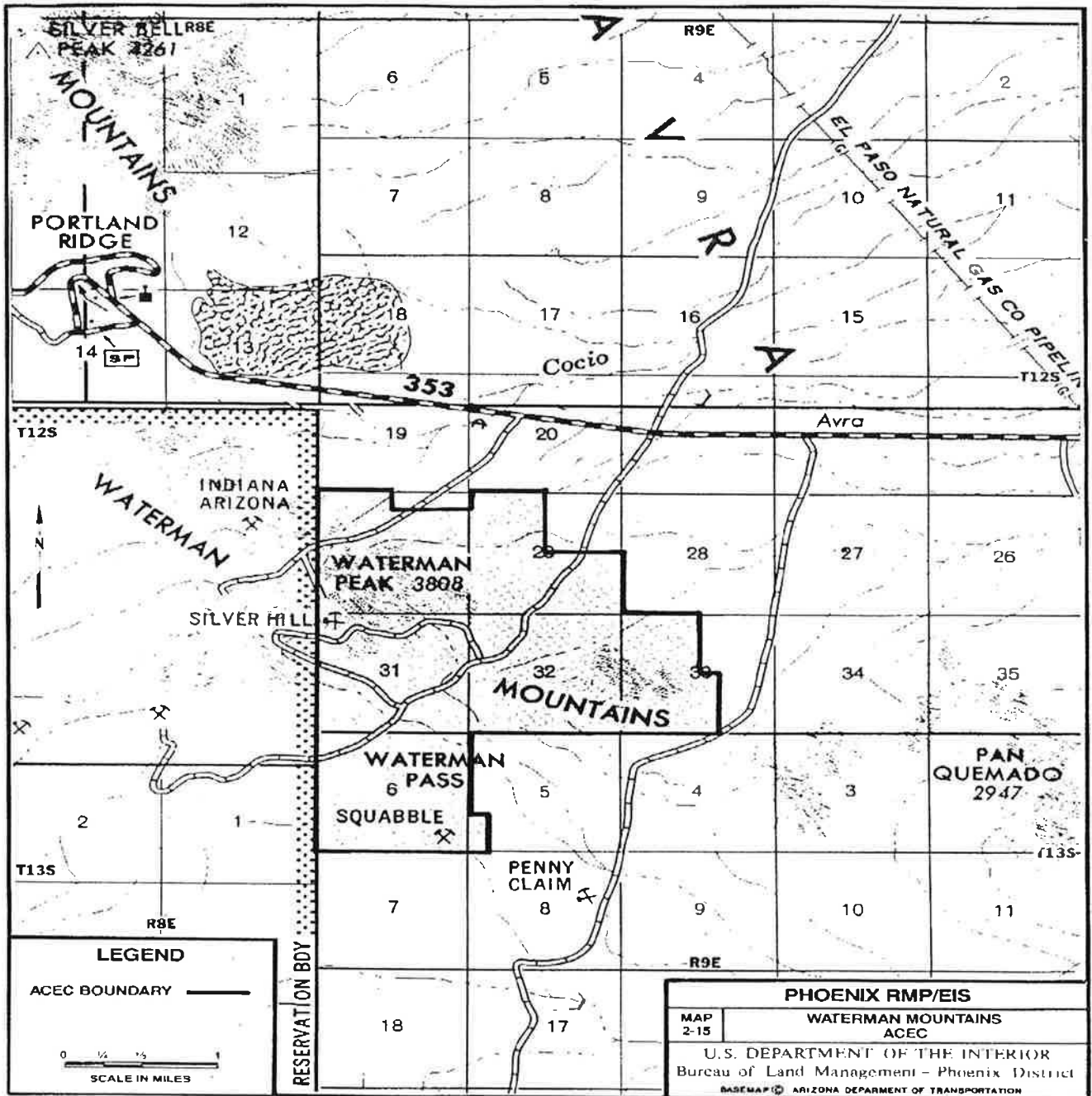
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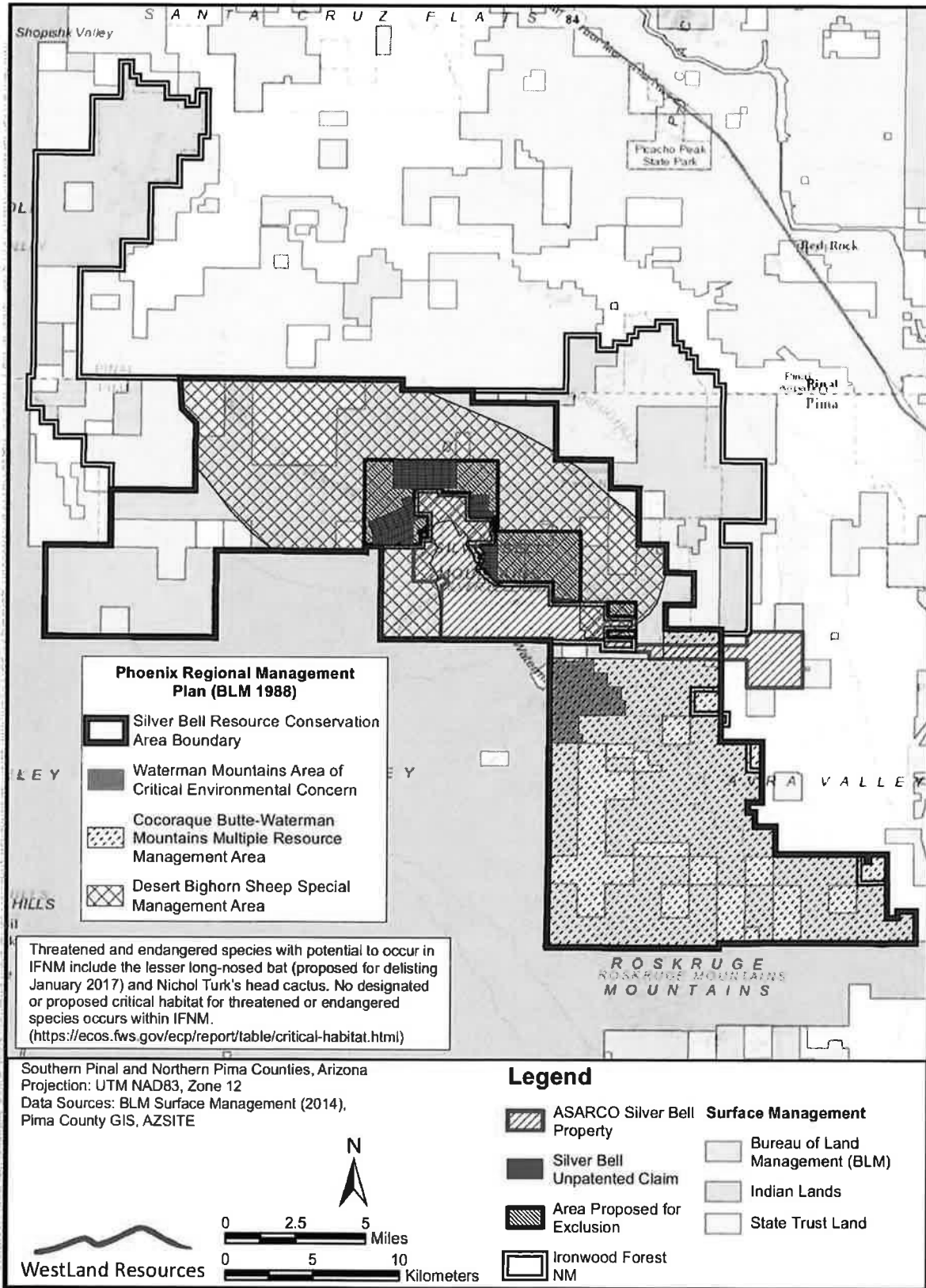
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Tab 7

BLM Phoenix Regional Management Plan Special Land Use Designations



Tab 8

Recreation Management Zones

BLM Administered Land Only
Ironwood Forest National Monument
RODI/Approved RMP

Legend

Recreation Management Zone (RMZ)

- Roaded Natural (RN)
- Semi-Primitive Motorized (SPM)
- Semi-Primitive Non-Motorized (SPNM)
- Ragged Top Watchable Wildlife
- Primitive

Recreation Sites

- Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Group Campsite with Motorized Access on BLM Land
- Primary Access Points

Route Designations

- Primitive Road
- Primitive road open to all motorized use
- Road
- Road open to all motorized vehicle use. (Includes county routes across IFNM and BLM routes)
- Primitive Road, Administrative
- Primitive road open for administrative motorized vehicles and public non-motorized and mechanized use.
- Trail
- Open for administrative and public non-motorized and non-mechanized use only
- Road, Administrative
- Road open only for El Tiro Gliderport lease administrative use.
- Closed for Restoration

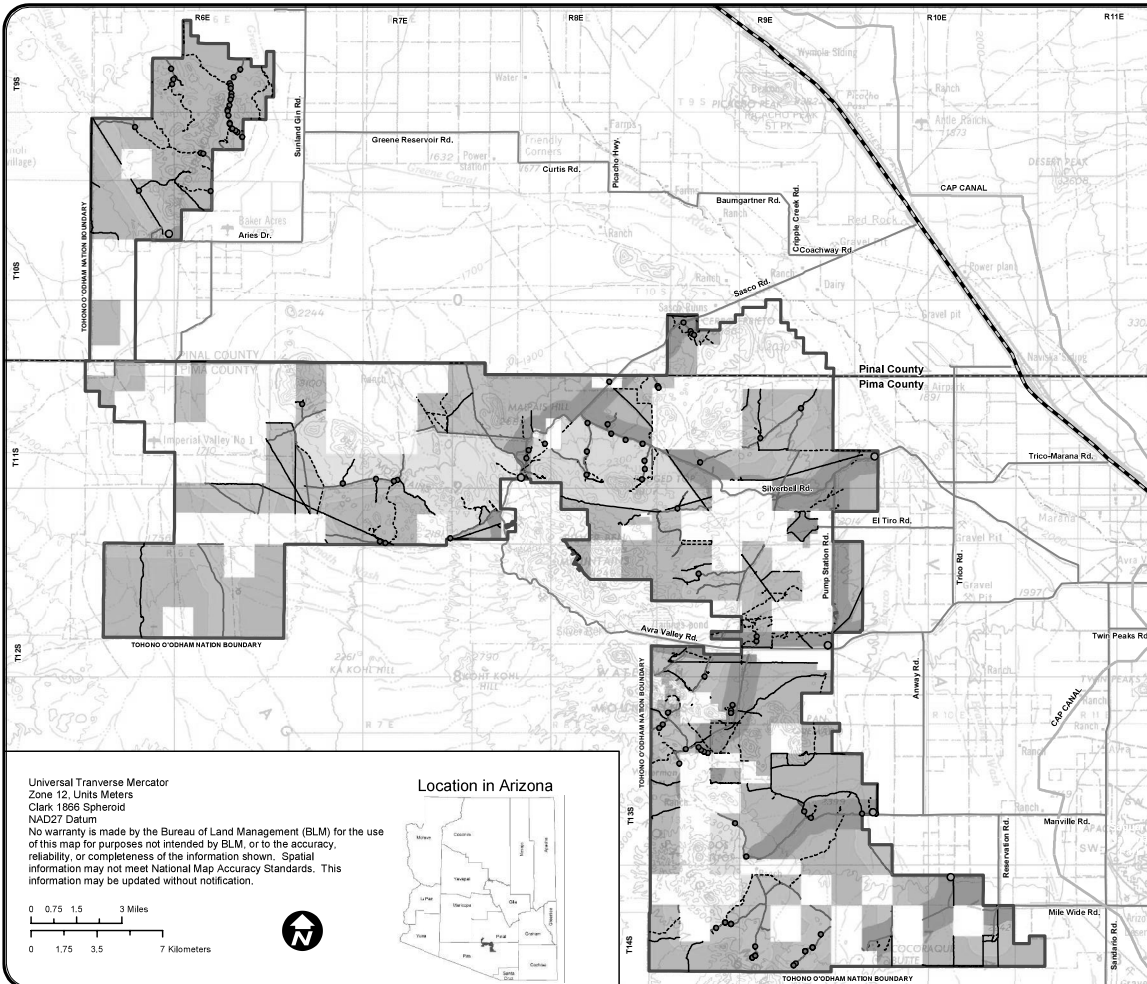
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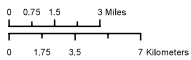
- County Boundary
- Central Arizona Project (CAP) Canal
- River
- Interstate 10
- Main public access routes to monument. County administered roads connecting monument travel route system to public highways.

Planning Area

- Ironwood Forest National Monument



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Zone 12, Units Meters
Clark 1866 Spheroid
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Location in Arizona



Tab 9



JANE DEE HULL
GOVERNOR
STATE OF ARIZONA

April 6, 2001

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Jane Hull".

The Honorable Gale Norton
Secretary of Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Secretary Norton:

Thank you very much for your letter of March 28, 2001 in regard to the impact of National Monument designations within the State of Arizona.

As you know, during the past year, five new National Monuments were declared in Arizona encompassing an estimated two million acres of Arizona. This is an area approximately equivalent in size to the combined states of Delaware and Rhode Island. A land mass of such notable size carries with it a number of impacts, and I am grateful for the opportunity to share my perspective on those impacts.

As a preliminary matter, I would like to say that much of the land that lies within the boundaries of our five new National Monuments is exquisite and certainly worthy of conservation. In Arizona, we are aggressive in our pursuit of conservation, and we have several ongoing programs and projects that allow us to set aside our most magnificent scenery. Even now, we are supporting state legislation that will enable Arizona to engage in land exchanges that will result in the conservation of special State Trust lands.

My fundamental concern with the five new National Monuments is the inadequate selection process through which they were established. As a result of planning that occurred almost exclusively in Washington D.C., and not in Arizona, we have monuments with boundaries that do not protect the best of the terrain, do not give due consideration to wildlife management, do not allow vital energy transmission to cross into regions of the state, render hundreds of thousands of acres of School Trust land nearly valueless, prohibit essential roads, create uncertainty in the state's long-term water supply, and diminish the use of thousands of acres of private property.

I believe the inadequacy of the selection process was the direct result of a nearly complete failure on the part of the former administration of the Department of the Interior to provide meaningful opportunity for Arizona residents and qualified experts to participate. To highlight the absence of that participation, please note that neither I nor

any member of my cabinet was ever invited to a public meeting to discuss the potential declaration of any monument. Moreover, three of the monuments were declared with virtually no public process. The only sign that an area was under consideration for monument status was a visit to this state by the former secretary for a short hike to which a handful of supporters and select media were invited.

Please review your records to verify this claim. It would be very interesting to learn what the file has to say in regard to public participation prior to each declaration in Arizona.

Other concerns I have in regard to the monuments are site specific, and I have attached for your review a list of concerns my cabinet and I have compiled on each monument. You will notice the same concern often arises with multiple monuments. Where possible, we have also listed potential solutions to the issues raised. While the solutions may not be perfect, they certainly reflect more closely the will of those who make their home in this state.

Please note before you review this list that I am not suggesting the repeal of any monument in Arizona, nor a reduction in the size of any monument. I am simply asking that boundaries and proclamation language be amended where necessary to protect the best interests of the citizens of this state, including the certainty of their water and electricity supplies, school funding, necessary roads and sound wildlife management.

I appreciate your consideration of the following lists. If you need any additional information, I would be delighted to provide it.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Jane Dee Hull". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

JANE DEE HULL
Governor

**IRONWOOD FOREST
NATIONAL MONUMENT**

Summary of Impacts of Monument Designation on Existing or Planned Activities on State Trust lands Within the Specific Monuments

Ironwood Forest - Approximately 54,700 acres of State surface and 37,600 acres of State mineral estate are within the 201 square mile Monument located in south central Arizona. Most of the State land within the Monument is best described as being large blocks of Trust lands located on the periphery of targeted federal lands. State Trust lands make up almost half (43%) of the Monument.

1. Livestock grazing - Approximately 53,300 acres (97%) of the State land within the Monument is currently leased for livestock grazing under eight grazing leases. The Monument designation is subject to existing valid rights including livestock grazing. These rights, however, can be regulated in order to protect the purpose of the Monument. Generally the State grazing lands are used in conjunction with federal lands within one lessees ranch allotment. If grazing is reduced or eliminated on the federal land within the Monument, the lessees may be forced to reduce their livestock herds, fence off the federal lands, construct additional improvements (i.e. water, corrals, fencing, etc.) and periodically request to graze additional livestock on the remaining State lands. Eventually the lessees may be forced out of business due to the reduced availability of range land resources.
2. Agriculture - The Monument encompasses an active 680 acre agricultural lease (SESE Section 16, All Section 22, T11S, R6E). The agricultural lease is located on the western boundary of the Monument and does not appear to fit any criteria described as the purpose of the Monument.
3. Commercial - One State commercial lease (3.67 acres, Section 26, 27, T10S, R 9E) for communication purposes and 495 acres of commercially classified lands (unleased) are located within the Monument's eastern boundary. The town of Marana has expanded to within four miles of the Monument's eastern boundary while rural residential development is occurring in the area.
4. Rights of Way - There are 14 existing rights of way across State land for various purposes within the Monument, mostly confined to the northern position of the Monument. Expansion of these rights of way may be restricted resulting from restrictions on adjacent federal lands. New rights of way may be rerouted away from State lands due to their inclusion in the Monument. A major gas line (El Paso Natural Gas) crosses the northeastern portion of the Monument and includes State land.
5. Access - Motorized and mechanized vehicle travel off-road is prohibited within the Monument other than for administrative or emergency purposes. Vehicular traffic is confined to existing roads and trails. No new roads may be developed. Future road closures and travel restrictions may be enforced to protect the Monument. These closures may impact access to the State lands.

6. Mining - There are no mining leases or prospecting permits on State land within the Monument. New mining claims or mineral leases are prohibited as the federal lands within the Monument are withdrawn from the 1872 Mining Law as well as other mineral leasing acts and related laws. The Monument entraps ASARCO's Silver Bell mine between the Monument and the Tohono O'Odham Indian Reservation. The State has several thousand acres of mineral estate within the Monument and adjacent to the Silver Bell mine. State land is included within the projected trend of mineralization being mined by ASARCO. Silver Bell Mine or initiation of new mining on the State lands is effectively stymied due to the restrictions placed on adjacent federal lands. The Department reports that the Monument lies within a zone identified as having potential for multiple undiscovered copper deposits. State estimates potential loss of \$100 million in mineral rights held by State.

CURRENT REVENUES (2000-2001) OF STATE LAND CONTRACTS

Ironwood Forest National Monument (54,772.79ac)

53,274.39 acres	8 Grazing leases	\$3,196
3.67 acres	1 Commercial lease	\$1,500
680.00 acres	1 Ag lease	\$10,000
2.00 acres	2 Ag Slups (leased)	\$1,000
320.00 acres	1 Grazing Slup (unleased)	\$100
various acres	6 (10yr. Pay Rights of Way)	\$5,600
495.25 acres	Unleased Commercial	

Note: Perpetual rights of way that have paid in full are not reflected in annual rent

Ninety-five percent of the State Trust Lands within this monument belongs to the Public Schools.

**Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands
Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument**

Presidential Proclamation

Wildlife conservation represents one of the primary purposes of the National Monument. To reaffirm the importance of wildlife management and maintaining and enhancing wildlife resources and wildlife-related recreation within the Monument, the Arizona Game and Fish Department recommends adding the following language to the Proclamation (after the description of natural/wildlife resources in the introduction; page 1):

Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument. Management actions will ensure the continued well-being of existing, re-introduced, supplemented or expanded populations of wildlife. Necessary management actions within the monument could include releases of wildlife into currently unoccupied habitats, maintenance of existing wildlife water developments, construction of new wildlife water developments, and implementation of other wildlife habitat improvement projects.

Surface disturbance and vegetation manipulation (e.g., chaining, disking, burning) that is necessary to maintain the wildlife management, research, and ecological restoration purposes of the Monument shall be allowed.

To address our specific concerns regarding wildlife management and wildlife-related recreation, we recommend changing several of the standard paragraphs, as follows [each statement from the Proclamation (pages 2 and 3) is followed by our recommended language]:

For the purpose of protecting the objects identified above, all motorized and mechanized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes.

The use of motorized vehicles will continue to be allowed on existing roads and trails within the monument. For the purposes of protecting the objects identified above, motorized vehicle use off road will be prohibited, except for emergency or authorized administrative purposes. Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.

The Secretary of the Interior shall manage the monument through the Bureau of Land Management, pursuant to applicable legal authorities, to implement the purposes of this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall manage the land within the monument, pursuant to applicable legal authorities. The State of

Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department, shall manage the wildlife within the monument. The Arizona Game and Fish Department shares management authority for migratory, threatened, endangered, and candidate fish and wildlife species with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service.

The Secretary of the Interior shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions, including road closures or travel restrictions, necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation.

The Secretary of the Interior, through the Bureau of Land Management, shall prepare a transportation plan that addresses the actions necessary to protect the objects identified in this proclamation. The transportation plan shall reflect the mutual agreement of the State of Arizona, through the Arizona Game and Fish Department.

Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to enlarge or diminish the jurisdiction of the State of Arizona with respect to fish and wildlife management.

Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to diminish the jurisdiction and necessary management activities of the State of Arizona with respect to wildlife management, including the establishment of wildlife population goals and the regulation of hunting, within the monument.

The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and wildlife management with the Monument.

AGFD comment - The statement, "Warning is hereby given to all unauthorized persons not to appropriate, injure, destroy, or remove any feature of this monument and not to locate or settle upon any of the lands thereof" should be modified to clarify the specific type(s) of action(s) that will be prohibited within the monument. If this prohibition applies on all public lands managed by the BLM (which is likely the case under FLPMA) - the "warning" statement should be deleted.

**Arizona Game and Fish Department Comments on the Federal Lands
Within the Ironwood Forest National Monument**

Interim Management Policy

Under, "Adhere to direction in the President's Proclamation:", Add: *Wildlife conservation shall be a high priority within the monument.*

Modify: The State's responsibilities, authorities, and abilities regarding wildlife management, including fishing and hunting, within the Monument are unaffected by the Proclamation and shall be unaffected by this policy and the new management plan for the Monument.

Add: *Interim wildlife management will focus on completing wildlife projects that were started prior to the area being designated as a Monument.*

Add: *Prepare a new wildlife management plan in cooperation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department. The new wildlife management plan must reflect the mutual agreement of the agencies.*

Attachment 1-1 Discussion of Specific Activities – first paragraph -

Add: *Proposed restrictions that have the potential to impact fish and wildlife resources, or the management of those resources, shall include coordination and consultation with the Arizona Game and Fish Department.*

Wildlife management activities by the Arizona Game and Fish Department generally do not conflict with the established purposes of the Monument. The BLM will consult with the Arizona Game and Fish Department prior to any action or decision that may affect wildlife resources and management with the Monument.

Under, "Animal Damage Control", Delete, "...specifically targeting individual predators rather than predator populations."

Add, *This will not affect the Arizona Game and Fish Department's predator management objectives and activities, including contracting with Wildlife Services for predator management activities, with the Monument.*

Under, "Hunting and Fishing", Add - *Hunting and fishing shall be allowed within the monument in accordance with applicable laws and regulations of the United States and the State of Arizona. The use of wheeled game carriers shall be allowed within the monument for the retrieval of downed big game.*

Attachment 1-2

Off-Road Vehicles – Delete: “Motorized and mechanical vehicular use should only occur on designated roads or routes.”

Add – *Necessary wildlife management activities will be considered authorized administrative purposes for off-road vehicular use in the Monument.*

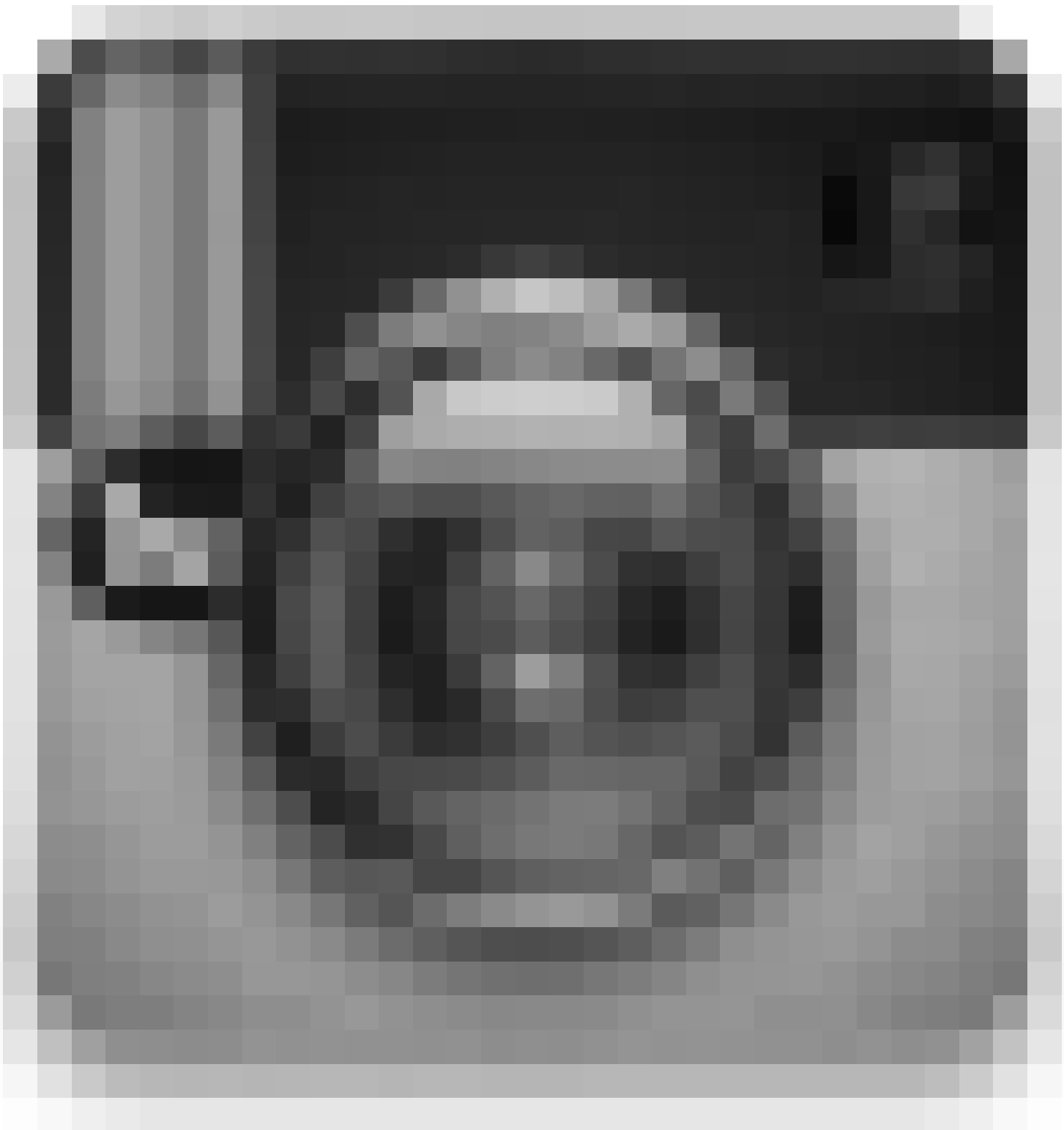
Add – *Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.*

Roads – Add (first sentence) – *The use of motorized vehicles will continue to be allowed on existing roads and trails within the monument. Should the decision be made to close a road or trail, or portion of a road or trail, within the monument, consideration must be given to providing alternative vehicular access to that area.*

Scientific, Archeological, and Historical Investigations – Modify the last sentence, as follows – *“but surface disturbance should be avoided” to the greatest extent possible.*

Vegetation Manipulation – Replace the existing sentence, with – *Chaining or other methods that cause surface disturbance but are necessary for wildlife management or an authorized science-based ecological restoration project shall be permitted.*

Wilderness Study Areas – Replace the first sentence, with - *Future Wilderness designation within the Monument is inconsistent with the Proclamation and will not be considered during interim and future management of the area.*







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To: Elise McAllister[picorg@mvdsl.com]
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Thanks for sending.

On Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 3:33 PM, Elise McAllister <picorg@mvdsl.com> wrote:

Hi again,

To my horror, I realized I sent you the draft last night before I cleaned up the citations for my quotes, etc. If you haven't read that one yet (or if you have) please delete it and use the attached. Again, my apologies. Elise

Elise

Administrator

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From: Elise McAllister [mailto:picorg@mvdsl.com]
Sent: Wednesday, August 2, 2017 5:29 PM
To: Downey Magallanes <downey_magallanes@ios.doi.gov>; Russell Roddy
<russell_rodny@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: Gold Butte observations and research

Hi Downey and Russell,

(I am sending this to both of you as Troy Tanner send me Russell's business card via text, and it was

blurry—so I am guessing at Russell's email address)

First, thank you both, and thank Secretary Zinke for the amazing honor to spend a few minutes with all of you last Sunday. I cannot believe the hours you put in; I hope somewhere Monday afternoon, you got a chance for a nap!

That was such exciting news to read where the Secretary is going to let cattle graze in the refuge in Montana because the grazing allotments burned. Now that is so cool and such common-sense, out-of-the-box thinking! I am thrilled beyond words at what you all are doing.

I will be mailing the attached documents to Russell, along with the 550 petitions (asking for no designation) to you tomorrow. The main attachment is some research and observations about Gold Butte and monument/restrictive designations in general. I am attaching Lindsey's talking points too. I am also including some letters I found from 1995 when the BLM made the ranchers remove their cattle from the land—I am mainly sending those so you can see we have been doing this for decades and decades. I also attached a map as it is an idea I had for the reduction in size of the Gold Butte monument. First, I prefer rescind. That would be so wonderful. Second, I prefer small monuments around the most important petroglyph panels—a Gold Butte complex of 100 acres or so for the most unique/important petroglyph sites. Third is this map. It is a block of land wherein most of the petroglyphs and Little Finland are and it is matched by a Recreation Area of equal size. The Recreation Area includes Whitney Pockets and Devils Throat and that is where about 90% of the recreational use of that whole area occurs. The rest of the Gold Butte area would be fantastically wonderful to return to its previous ACEC designation or even better, the original multiple-use designation.

Thank you again for your time, on Sunday, for <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> <<...>> reading this, for everything you have done for Gold Butte and for sensible, common-sense management of our public lands. I seriously never thought this day would come, even when President Trump won---I didn't think it would affect public lands and now it is! That is incredible beyond words! Thank you, please thank Secretary Zinke EVERY day for us! Thank you, Elise

Elise McAllister

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[Letter from SW NM Mayors to Sec. Zinke.pdf](#)

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From: Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez <cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov>
Date: Mon, Aug 14, 2017 at 4:01 PM
Subject: FOLLOW UP TO RECENT VISIT: Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument
To: Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez <cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov>



Good afternoon:

Please see the attached correspondence on behalf of the Mayors of the City of Las Cruces, Town of Mesilla, City of Anthony and the Dona Ana County Commission in New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez

Mesilla Town Clerk/Treasurer

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A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)

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Tim Williams

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A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THE REGION

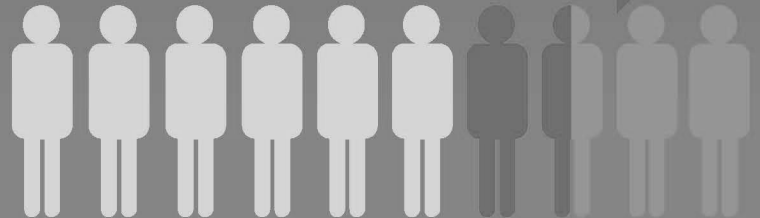
102% INCREASE

In Visitors to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

FROM 2015 TO 2016

FY2015: **84,197** FY2016: **170,451**

POPULAR COMMUNITY ASSET



Doña Ana County voters overwhelmingly support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument (61% positive, 14% negative)

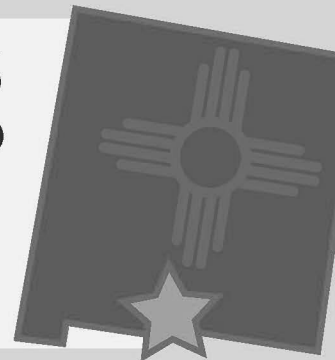
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OUR STAR IS ON THE MAP

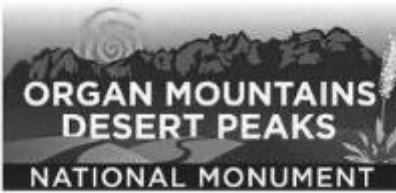
International media exposure

Sunset Magazine ★ *LA Times*

Lonely Planet ★ *Trip Advisor*







August 14, 2017

Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

Secretary Zinke,

We hope you had an informative visit to Doña Ana County as a part of your Department's review of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. While no one could fully appreciate the diverse values of the Monument in just two days - a monument that local citizens spent decades researching and advocating for - we hope you left with a better appreciation of the critical role this Monument plays in our regional economy, its deep social and cultural associations with our citizens, and the overwhelming support our communities have for keeping the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks fully protected.

We are greatly troubled by the repeated inaccurate misrepresentations Congressman Pearce made to you regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in his correspondence on May 25, 2017. It is disappointing to see our outgoing Congressman fundamentally misrepresent the impacts of the Monument and fail to represent the majority opinion of Doña Ana County citizens who want our Monument to stay protected. Four local governments have passed resolutions opposing any changes to our Monument including the Doña Ana County Commission, the Cities of Las Cruces and Anthony and the Town of Mesilla.¹ Close to 70% of local residents support its protection according to a recent poll.²

Given the significant responsibility you have been given to evaluate the fate of our protected public lands it is important that any decisions made be based on facts and not on misunderstandings or inaccuracies. Along with information detailing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Monument's many attributes and community successes, we have attached a document detailing the extensive inaccurate statements made to you by Congressman Pearce.

Misstatements made by Rep. Pearce include:

RANCHING - Rep. Pearce alleged that the OMDP National Monument "will have a devastating impact on ranching."

¹ <http://www.shreveporttimes.com/story/news/local/2017/07/07/city-anthony-adds-support-omdp/459729001/>

² <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/local/2017/06/14/green-chamber-poll-residents-support-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument/394384001/>

FACT: The OMDP National Monument has had zero impact on local ranchers including the number of livestock permitted in the Monument according to a Congressional Research Service Memo dated July 14, 2017. (See attached report from the Congressional Research Service dated July 14, 2017)

TOURISM - Rep. Pearce alleged "There are a lot of voices claiming that the monument itself will bring tourism jobs and money. While there is no credible data to support this, I believe that rescinding the monument boundary to the Organ Mountains will preserve whatever tourism is created..."

FACT: Visitation to the Monument has increased 152% in just three years according to the BLM, which Rep. Pearce actively misstates and refuses to acknowledge. There are new Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument based tourist promotions including the City of Las Cruces' "Monuments to Main Street"³ and the 306 mile mountain bike trail called the "Monumental Loop" which are promoting sites across the Monument.⁴

ECONOMIC CONCERNS— Rep. Pearce alleged that the OMDP National Monument may prevent the "Ghost City project west of Las Cruces that is projected to provide hundreds of jobs for the local area."

FACT: The so called "Ghost City" is not planned in the Monument, and has failed to come to fruition in spite of moving its planned location three times, and failing to meet any of benchmarks it has publicly stated.⁵

BORDER SECURITY - Rep. Pearce alleged "the Potrillo Mountains could easily become a drug and human smuggling corridor...given the restrictive language in the monument designation."

FACT: Border Security activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. The Antiquities Act does not have any language limiting law enforcement.⁶

2. The Presidential proclamation establishing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument specifically states "Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to affect the provisions of the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding between the U.S Department of Homeland Security, the U.S Department of the Interior, and the U.S Department of Agriculture regarding "Cooperative National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts on Federal Lands along the United States' Borders."⁷

3. The southern boundary of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument begins five miles from the border allowing an expanded border security buffer zone beyond the current Wilderness Study Area that is within a half a mile from the border. This adjustment was

³ <http://www.monuments2mainstreet.com/>

⁴ <http://www.bikepacking.com/routes/monumental-loop/>

⁵ <http://www.demingheadlight.com/story/news/2016/07/14/cite-plans-explained-proposed-mock-city/87094890/>

⁶ <https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/anti1906.htm>

⁷ <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>

incorporated as a result of collaboration with the U.S Customs and Border Protection. (see attached letter from former CBP Commissioner Alan Bersin)

4. The Doña Ana County and Luna County Sherriff's have both stated that the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument has not impacted their law enforcement activities. (see footnoted KVIA story on 4-27-17 regarding Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department statement, and attached letter from the Luna County Sheriff)⁸

"DEVASTATING IMPACT OF MONUMENT" - Rep. Pearce alleged "I can show you the devastating impacts of this designation on the ground."

FACT: There have been zero documented negative impacts of the Monument, including those that opponents of the designation alleged prior to its establishment. Rather, the Monument has experienced a tremendous surge in visitation, and new publicity, tourism and economic activity associated with it. (See attachment related to the recent Congressional Research Service report on continued unimpeded ranching within the OMDP and footnote referencing the Las Cruces Sun News article documenting increase in visitation in the OMDP. Both documents show the complete inaccuracy of the statement that the OMDP has had a "devastating impact.")⁹

In closing, we hope that the information we have provided you will give a clear picture of the facts regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. We urge you to support our county and state's strong desire to keep this national treasure, and its abundant cultural, scientific, and historic resources, fully protected.


Mayor of Las Cruces Ken Miyagishima


Mayor of Mesilla Nora Barraza


Mayor of Anthony Diana Murillo-Trujillo


Doña Ana County Commissioner Billy G. Garrett

⁸ <http://www.kvia.com/news/new-mexico/trumps-executive-order-has-some-concerned-about-status-of-organ-mountains-national-monument/466687558>

⁹ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/2017/05/21/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument-economic-impact/101788252/>



ORGAN MOUNTAINS-DESERT PEAKS NATIONAL MONUMENT

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

A Monument of Diverse Lands and Rich History

Organ Mountains

Iconic Mountain Range of Southern New Mexico
 Rare Plants and Animals
 Soldier Outpost and Site of a Civil War Surrender
 Shelter, Achenbach, Pena Blanca, and Hermit's Caves

Sierra de las Uvas

22 Miles of the Southern Overland/Butterfield Trail
 WW II Bombing Targets
 Bartlett - Garcia Conde International Boundary Survey
 Archaic, Puebloan, and Apache Native American Sites
 Historic Ranches and Stagecoach Stop
 Multiple Apache Raid and Related Burial Sites
 Critical and Diverse Wildlife Habitat

Robledo Mountains

Billy the Kid's Outlaw Rock Hideout
 Slot Canyons; Robledo, Chavez, and Geronimo's Caves
 Prehistoric Trackways and Petrified Forest
 US Army Heliograph Site
 Native American Petroglyphs and Pictographs
 Hand Built Civilian Conservation Corps Rock Dams

Picacho Peak

Southern Peak of the Robledo Mountains

Potrillo Volcanic Field

Kilbourne Hole, Apollo Astronaut Training Site
 Fumarole and Vents with Holocene Faunal Remains
 Volcanic Cones, Craters and Lava Flow
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Rep. Pearce Repeatedly Misrepresents the Facts of the OMDP Monument and Is Pushing for an Unprecedented Abolishment and Rollback of National Monuments Across America

- Rep. Pearce has issued many inaccurate statements about the OMDP National Monument.
- Rep. Pearce wants to abolish or reduce 24 of 27 National Monuments under review by the Trump Administration.¹
- Rep. Pearce wants to reduce the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument by close to 90%, including in the Organ Mountains by almost 25%.²

Rep. Pearce's Inaccurate Statements Regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

On May 25th Rep. Pearce sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke urging him to reduce the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument from its current size of approximately 496,330 acres, to just 54,800 acres. In his letter, Rep. Pearce gave extensive inaccurate data to Sec. Zinke regarding the Monument and its impacts.

BORDER SECURITY

Rep. Pearce statement to Sec. Zinke:

“The Potrillo Mountains could easily become a drug and human smuggling corridor...given the restrictive language in the monument designation.”

FACT: Border Security activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

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¹ Western Caucus letter to Sec. Zinke

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² <https://pearce.house.gov/organ-mountains>

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FACT: Ranching activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. There is ranching in all parts of Monument, and there have been no changes in the permitted numbers of livestock allowed since its designation. (See attached report from the Congressional Research Service dated July 14, 2017)
2. The history of BLM managed national monuments in America clearly show that every single one contains ranching with the exception of Tents Rocks National Monument that did not have ranching prior to designation. (See attached document titled "Permitted Uses in Western National Monuments")

⁴ <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>

⁵ <https://blm-egis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=0ec2e3e6e13c4321b4eef2a9a74f43f8>

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2. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad is considering new rail crossing, but needs a new rail line in the area. The current footprint would prevent this new line, as the designation does not permit new rights of way.”
FACT: There is no commitment by the BNSF to build a new rail line, nor a stated conflict with the boundaries of the OMDP preventing such development. ⁹

ENERGY POTENTIAL

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

1. “The west mesa is an ideal location for future solar energy development”
FACT: The BLM identified Solar Energy Zone is outside of Monument boundary. ¹⁰

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⁸ <http://www.demingheadlight.com/story/news/2016/07/14/cite-plans-explained-proposed-mock-city/87094890/>

⁹ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/local/county/2016/12/27/rail-planning-could-lead-relocation-some-bnsf-tracks/95890716/>

¹⁰ http://blmsolar.anl.gov/maps/data/allocations/Solar_PEIS_ROD_NM_map.pdf

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“There are a lot of voices claiming that the monument itself will bring tourism jobs and money. While there is no credible data to support this, I believe that rescinding the monument boundary to the Organ Mountains will preserve whatever tourism is created...”

FACT: Visitation to the Monument has increased 152% in just three years according to the BLM, which Rep. Pearce actively misstates and refuses to acknowledge. ¹¹

1. The BLM has documented a 152% increase in visitation to the Monument, resulting in over 80,000 additional visitors in the last year alone. The BLM has a map allowing visitors to document their origin. This map has shown visitation coming from around the country and globe.
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3. The Monument has garnered international publicity since its designation including being recommended as a travel destination by Lonely Planet, Los Angeles Times, Outside Magazine, and Readers Digest. ¹⁴

“DEVASTATING IMPACT OF MONUMENT”

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

“I can show you the devastating impacts of this designation on the ground.”

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¹² <http://www.bikepacking.com/routes/monumental-loop/>

¹³ <http://www.monuments2mainstreet.com/>

¹⁴ <https://www.lonelyplanet.com/usa/las-cruces/attractions/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument/a/poi-sig/1493939/1314525>

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800 BUSINESSES OPPOSED TO THE MONUMENT

Representative Pearce has also allegedly submitted the names of approximately 800 people and businesses opposed to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. This is a years old list of people who were allegedly opposed to a prior piece of proposed wilderness legislation introduced by Senator Jeff Bingaman. This inaccurate list includes individuals who support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

FACT: Rep. Pearce’s list of businesses and people opposed to the Monument is not accurate and contains Monument supporters.¹⁶ Current polling and governmental resolutions show that a strong majority of Doña Ana County citizens and businesses support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

1. A recent poll conducted in April by the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce showed that 66% of Dona Ana County residents support the Monument, including majorities of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. Only 16% of those polled oppose the Monument.¹⁷
2. The Cities of Las Cruces, Mesilla, and Anthony and the Doña Ana County Commission have all passed Resolutions supporting the Monument and opposing any reduction to it.¹⁸

¹⁵ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/2017/05/21/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument-economic-impact/101788252/>

¹⁶ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/opinion/letters/2017/07/12/letters-who-were-800-omdp-foes-cited-pearce/470640001/>

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¹⁸ <http://www.shreveporttimes.com/story/news/local/2017/07/07/city-anthony-adds-support-omdp/459729001/>



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

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The Honorable Jeff Bingaman
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Commissioner

Dear Senator Bingaman:

I write to thank you for your efforts to address border enforcement concerns in S. 1689, the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Wilderness Act. The provisions of this bill, including your recent changes to address the operational needs of the Border Patrol, would significantly enhance the flexibility of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to operate in this border area.

As you know, the existing wilderness study area along the southern boundary of the West Potrillo Mountains provides CBP with 1/3 of a mile in which to perform its activities. The most recent changes that you have made to the bill would provide five miles between the U.S.-Mexico border and the area with full wilderness protections. Three miles of this zone would allow normal public access, and an additional two miles would allow restricted use by the public. Throughout the entire buffer zone, CBP could operate motor vehicles, build infrastructure, and carry out other activities as it would on any non-wilderness Bureau of Land Management land.

I also appreciate other security-focused modifications that you have made to the bill, including:

- Explicit provision to allow the East-West way, which will be closed to the public, to be accessible to CBP and other law enforcement personnel;
- Clarification that no provision of the bill would restrict CBP from pursuit of suspects within the wilderness area, including the use of motorized vehicles in hot pursuit; and
- Clarification that nothing prevents CBP from conducting low-level overflights above the wilderness area.

The security-related enhancements to this bill are the result of careful consultations between your office and CBP in New Mexico and Washington, DC. While the solutions identified in this bill are specific to this particular area of the border, the collaborative process should be a model for future consideration of wilderness designation along the border.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Bersin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alan Bersin
Commissioner



MEMORANDUM

July 14, 2017

To: The Honorable Tom Udall
Attention: Stephenne Harding

From: Carol Hardy Vincent, Specialist in Natural Resources Policy, 7-8651

Subject: **Livestock Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument**

This memorandum responds to your request for a brief memorandum addressing livestock grazing in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in New Mexico. Your questions included what if any effect the establishment of the monument has had on livestock grazing on monument lands.

Information in this memorandum may be of general interest to Congress. As such, this information may be provided to other congressional requesters, and may be published by CRS in products for general distribution to Congress at a later date. Your confidentiality as a requester will be preserved in any case.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

Proclamation for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument was designated by President Obama on May 21, 2014 (by Presidential Proclamation 9131).¹ The monument is managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM); the lands within the area were being managed by BLM prior to the establishment of the monument. With regard to livestock grazing, the proclamation establishing the monument provides that: “Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the BLM in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument, consistent with the protection of the objects identified above.”² This provision essentially provides that authorities governing livestock grazing on BLM lands generally will continue to apply to lands within the monument. It makes explicit that the application of livestock grazing authorities is to be consistent with protection of the objects in the monument that were identified by the proclamation. In proclaiming the monument, President Obama identified a variety of objects and attributes in the area, including archaeological resources, paleontological research areas, historically significant areas, geologic features, and diverse animals and vegetative communities.

BLM Monument Management. BLM manages a total of 27 national monuments,³ including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, under multiple authorities. They include the Federal Land Policy and

¹ See *Presidential Proclamation—Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument*, May 21, 2014, on the White House website at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>.

² *Ibid.*

³ Information on provisions of monument proclamations for selected monuments managed by BLM, including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, is contained in CRS Congressional Distribution Memorandum, *Livestock Grazing in BLM National Monuments*, (continued...)

Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA),⁴ the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934,⁵ the individual presidential proclamations and statutes that designated the monuments, and resource management plans. Under FLPMA, BLM lands are generally managed for sustained yield of multiple uses. However, some lands are withdrawn (restricted) from one or more uses or managed for a predominant use. Under the Taylor Grazing Act, BLM regulates and apportions livestock grazing within grazing districts. Of the 248 million total acres managed by BLM, 155 million acres were available for livestock grazing and 139 million were used for grazing in FY2015.⁶

BLM develops resource management plans governing use and protection of lands under its jurisdiction. These plans sometimes address livestock grazing, among other land uses and activities. BLM typically develops a plan for each monument under its management.

Management Plan for and Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation for Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks calls for the development of a management plan for the protection and restoration of identified objects, but no management plan for the monument has been developed to date. BLM also has not issued interim guidance regarding livestock grazing within the monument. The agency has indicated that such guidance is not necessary, as livestock grazing on lands in the monument is being managed under existing authorities.⁷

To date, there have been no changes to livestock grazing on the ground as a result of the establishment of the monument, according to BLM. For instance, there have been no changes to terms and conditions of grazing leases and permits, or the number of acres grazed, as a result of the monument proclamation, according to the agency. However, BLM has asked livestock permittees to “enhance their communication” with the agency on maintenance activities that occur on linear features (e.g., pipelines) and roads.⁸

May 30, 2014, available from Carol Hardy Vincent. In addition, provisions of monument proclamations pertaining to livestock grazing for 21 land-based monuments under review by the Secretary of the Interior are addressed in CRS Report R44886, *Monument Proclamations Under Executive Order Review: Comparison of Selected Provisions*, by Carol Hardy Vincent and Laura A. Hanson.

⁴ 43 U.S.C. §§ 1701, et seq.

⁵ 43 U.S.C. §§ 315, et seq.

⁶ These figures are the most current that are available.

⁷ This information was conveyed by BLM to CRS on June 30, 2017.

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KELLY GANNAWAY
SHERIFF



JOSE MARTINEZ
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July 6, 2017 .

Dear Secretary Zinke,

As law enforcement professionals responsible for protecting the citizens of Doña Ana and Luna County, we write in strong support of keeping the entire Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument intact, without any reductions. The monument's final boundaries were developed after a process of sustained collaboration with our offices and others, and the interests of law enforcement and public safety are well represented in the final product. As a result, the monument's designation in 2014 has not created new challenges for us, nor have local trends changed due to the monument.

The needs of law enforcement and border security were taken very seriously in the creation of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation language and map went through several rounds of major changes in order to best accommodate law enforcement needs.

Designation of the national monument has not weakened the authority or ability of the Border Patrol to do its job, and does not change the jurisdiction of local, state, or federal law enforcement agencies. Designation also allows for continued collaboration among law enforcement agencies.

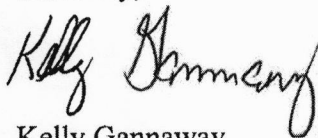
National monument management has not affected any of our law enforcement tools. There is no new restriction on the use of motorized transportation or equipment. Existing road access remains for routine patrols. Off-road travel is not allowed on BLM lands in Doña Ana County, New Mexico regardless of land designation. However, off-road travel or use of aircraft or other tools by federal law enforcement in exigent circumstances is allowed by both the proclamation and the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Homeland Security, Department of Agriculture, and Department of the Interior regarding *"Cooperative National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts on Federal Lands along the United States' Borders."* Page 6 of the proclamation makes clear that in emergencies, motor vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted off of designated roads and that additional roads or trails may be established if necessary for public safety.

Based on detailed discussions with law enforcement agencies, including discussions of law enforcement sensitive information, various parcels of land were removed from the original draft proposals and the final monument boundary. Areas of higher activity based on topography and existing infrastructure as well as strategic surveillance points were excluded from the monument. The Senators also significantly increased the buffer from the border. Based on discussions with Border Patrol and DHS headquarters, the monument begins approximately five miles from the border, whereas the existing Wilderness Study Area reaches to within a third of a mile of the border. Further, as a result of feedback from the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office and others, the monument excludes land necessary for closing critical radio coverage gaps along the border. The required infrastructure has been built and has enhanced officer effectiveness and safety.

The Las Cruces District Office of the Bureau of Land Management hosts one of the most effective and collaborative Border Management Task Forces in the nation. The relationships between federal, state, and local law enforcement and land managers in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks area are strong. Furthermore, the Border Patrol has consistently reported to that group and congressional offices that the monument has had no impact on their operations or local border-crossing trends.

Three Commissioners of Customs and Border Protection wrote letters in support of the senators' previous legislation to protect these lands, upon which the monument boundaries were based. We lend our voices to that of our colleagues. As a result of law enforcement's in depth involvement, the monument designation has safeguarded our necessary law enforcement activities as well as our cultural and natural heritage.

Sincerely,



Kelly Gannaway
Sheriff, Luna County



I Concur
D. A. 7/27/17

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From: Cynthia Stohner-Hernandez <cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov>

Date: Mon, Aug 14, 2017 at 4:01 PM

Subject: FOLLOW UP TO RECENT VISIT: Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument

To: Cynthia Stohner-Hernandez <cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov>



Good afternoon:

Please see the attached correspondence on behalf of the Mayors of the City of Las Cruces, Town of Mesilla, City of Anthony and the Dona Ana County Commission in New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Stohner-Hernandez

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A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)

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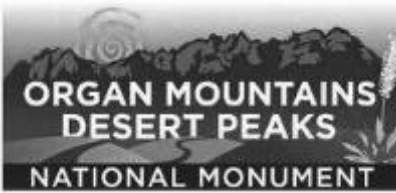
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Office of Congressional & Legislative Affairs

Office of the Secretary of the Interior





August 14, 2017

Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

Secretary Zinke,

We hope you had an informative visit to Doña Ana County as a part of your Department's review of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. While no one could fully appreciate the diverse values of the Monument in just two days - a monument that local citizens spent decades researching and advocating for - we hope you left with a better appreciation of the critical role this Monument plays in our regional economy, its deep social and cultural associations with our citizens, and the overwhelming support our communities have for keeping the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks fully protected.

We are greatly troubled by the repeated inaccurate misrepresentations Congressman Pearce made to you regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in his correspondence on May 25, 2017. It is disappointing to see our outgoing Congressman fundamentally misrepresent the impacts of the Monument and fail to represent the majority opinion of Doña Ana County citizens who want our Monument to stay protected. Four local governments have passed resolutions opposing any changes to our Monument including the Doña Ana County Commission, the Cities of Las Cruces and Anthony and the Town of Mesilla.¹ Close to 70% of local residents support its protection according to a recent poll.²

Given the significant responsibility you have been given to evaluate the fate of our protected public lands it is important that any decisions made be based on facts and not on misunderstandings or inaccuracies. Along with information detailing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Monument's many attributes and community successes, we have attached a document detailing the extensive inaccurate statements made to you by Congressman Pearce.

Misstatements made by Rep. Pearce include:

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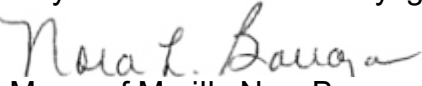
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In closing, we hope that the information we have provided you will give a clear picture of the facts regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. We urge you to support our county and state's strong desire to keep this national treasure, and its abundant cultural, scientific, and historic resources, fully protected.


Mayor of Las Cruces Ken Miyagishima


Mayor of Mesilla Nora Barraza


Mayor of Anthony Diana Murillo-Trujillo


Doña Ana County Commissioner Billy G. Garrett

⁸ <http://www.kvia.com/news/new-mexico/trumps-executive-order-has-some-concerned-about-status-of-organ-mountains-national-monument/466687558>

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ORGAN MOUNTAINS-DESERT PEAKS NATIONAL MONUMENT

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

A Monument of Diverse Lands and Rich History

Organ Mountains

Iconic Mountain Range of Southern New Mexico
 Rare Plants and Animals
 Soldier Outpost and Site of a Civil War Surrender
 Shelter, Achenbach, Pena Blanca, and Hermit's Caves

Sierra de las Uvas

22 Miles of the Southern Overland/Butterfield Trail
 WW II Bombing Targets
 Bartlett - Garcia Conde International Boundary Survey
 Archaic, Puebloan, and Apache Native American Sites
 Historic Ranches and Stagecoach Stop
 Multiple Apache Raid and Related Burial Sites
 Critical and Diverse Wildlife Habitat

Robledo Mountains

Billy the Kid's Outlaw Rock Hideout
 Slot Canyons; Robledo, Chavez, and Geronimo's Caves
 Prehistoric Trackways and Petrified Forest
 US Army Heliograph Site
 Native American Petroglyphs and Pictographs
 Hand Built Civilian Conservation Corps Rock Dams

Picacho Peak

Southern Peak of the Robledo Mountains

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Rep. Pearce Repeatedly Misrepresents the Facts of the OMDP Monument and Is Pushing for an Unprecedented Abolishment and Rollback of National Monuments Across America

- Rep. Pearce has issued many inaccurate statements about the OMDP National Monument.
- Rep. Pearce wants to abolish or reduce 24 of 27 National Monuments under review by the Trump Administration.¹
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Rep. Pearce's Inaccurate Statements Regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

On May 25th Rep. Pearce sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke urging him to reduce the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument from its current size of approximately 496,330 acres, to just 54,800 acres. In his letter, Rep. Pearce gave extensive inaccurate data to Sec. Zinke regarding the Monument and its impacts.

BORDER SECURITY

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FACT: Border Security activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. The Antiquities Act does not have any language limiting law enforcement.³
2. The Presidential proclamation establishing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument specifically states “Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to affect the provisions of the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding

¹ Western Caucus letter to Sec. Zinke

<https://westerncaucus.house.gov/sites/westerncaucus.house.gov/files/documents/6.30.17%20Final%20letter%20to%20Zinke%20Antiquities%20Review.pdf>

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FACT: Ranching activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. There is ranching in all parts of Monument, and there have been no changes in the permitted numbers of livestock allowed since its designation. (See attached report from the Congressional Research Service dated July 14, 2017)
2. The history of BLM managed national monuments in America clearly show that every single one contains ranching with the exception of Tents Rocks National Monument that did not have ranching prior to designation. (See attached document titled "Permitted Uses in Western National Monuments")

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FACT: There is no commitment by the BNSF to build a new rail line, nor a stated conflict with the boundaries of the OMDP preventing such development. ⁹

ENERGY POTENTIAL

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

1. “The west mesa is an ideal location for future solar energy development”
FACT: The BLM identified Solar Energy Zone is outside of Monument boundary. ¹⁰

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1. The BLM has documented a 152% increase in visitation to the Monument, resulting in over 80,000 additional visitors in the last year alone. The BLM has a map allowing visitors to document their origin. This map has shown visitation coming from around the country and globe.
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3. The Monument has garnered international publicity since its designation including being recommended as a travel destination by Lonely Planet, Los Angeles Times, Outside Magazine, and Readers Digest. ¹⁴

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¹⁴ <https://www.lonelyplanet.com/usa/las-cruces/attractions/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument/a/poi-sig/1493939/1314525>

FACT: There have been zero documented negative impacts of the Monument, including those that opponents of the designation alleged prior to its establishment. Rather, the Monument has experienced a tremendous surge in visitation, and new publicity, tourism and economic activity associated with it. (See attachment related to the recent Congressional Research Service report on continued unimpeded ranching within the OMDP and footnote referencing the Las Cruces Sun News article documenting increase in visitation in the OMDP. Both documents show the complete inaccuracy of the statement that the OMDP has had a “disastrous impact.”)¹⁵

800 BUSINESSES OPPOSED TO THE MONUMENT

Representative Pearce has also allegedly submitted the names of approximately 800 people and businesses opposed to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. This is a years old list of people who were allegedly opposed to a prior piece of proposed wilderness legislation introduced by Senator Jeff Bingaman. This inaccurate list includes individuals who support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

FACT: Rep. Pearce’s list of businesses and people opposed to the Monument is not accurate and contains Monument supporters.¹⁶ Current polling and governmental resolutions show that a strong majority of Doña Ana County citizens and businesses support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

1. A recent poll conducted in April by the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce showed that 66% of Dona Ana County residents support the Monument, including majorities of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. Only 16% of those polled oppose the Monument.¹⁷
2. The Cities of Las Cruces, Mesilla, and Anthony and the Doña Ana County Commission have all passed Resolutions supporting the Monument and opposing any reduction to it.¹⁸

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¹⁸ <http://www.shreveporttimes.com/story/news/local/2017/07/07/city-anthony-adds-support-omdp/459729001/>



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

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The Honorable Jeff Bingaman
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Commissioner

Dear Senator Bingaman:

I write to thank you for your efforts to address border enforcement concerns in S. 1689, the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Wilderness Act. The provisions of this bill, including your recent changes to address the operational needs of the Border Patrol, would significantly enhance the flexibility of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to operate in this border area.

As you know, the existing wilderness study area along the southern boundary of the West Potrillo Mountains provides CBP with 1/3 of a mile in which to perform its activities. The most recent changes that you have made to the bill would provide five miles between the U.S.-Mexico border and the area with full wilderness protections. Three miles of this zone would allow normal public access, and an additional two miles would allow restricted use by the public. Throughout the entire buffer zone, CBP could operate motor vehicles, build infrastructure, and carry out other activities as it would on any non-wilderness Bureau of Land Management land.

I also appreciate other security-focused modifications that you have made to the bill, including:

- Explicit provision to allow the East-West way, which will be closed to the public, to be accessible to CBP and other law enforcement personnel;
- Clarification that no provision of the bill would restrict CBP from pursuit of suspects within the wilderness area, including the use of motorized vehicles in hot pursuit; and
- Clarification that nothing prevents CBP from conducting low-level overflights above the wilderness area.

The security-related enhancements to this bill are the result of careful consultations between your office and CBP in New Mexico and Washington, DC. While the solutions identified in this bill are specific to this particular area of the border, the collaborative process should be a model for future consideration of wilderness designation along the border.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Bersin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alan Bersin
Commissioner



MEMORANDUM

July 14, 2017

To: The Honorable Tom Udall
Attention: Stephenne Harding

From: Carol Hardy Vincent, Specialist in Natural Resources Policy, 7-8651

Subject: **Livestock Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument**

This memorandum responds to your request for a brief memorandum addressing livestock grazing in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in New Mexico. Your questions included what if any effect the establishment of the monument has had on livestock grazing on monument lands.

Information in this memorandum may be of general interest to Congress. As such, this information may be provided to other congressional requesters, and may be published by CRS in products for general distribution to Congress at a later date. Your confidentiality as a requester will be preserved in any case.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

Proclamation for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument was designated by President Obama on May 21, 2014 (by Presidential Proclamation 9131).¹ The monument is managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM); the lands within the area were being managed by BLM prior to the establishment of the monument. With regard to livestock grazing, the proclamation establishing the monument provides that: “Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the BLM in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument, consistent with the protection of the objects identified above.”² This provision essentially provides that authorities governing livestock grazing on BLM lands generally will continue to apply to lands within the monument. It makes explicit that the application of livestock grazing authorities is to be consistent with protection of the objects in the monument that were identified by the proclamation. In proclaiming the monument, President Obama identified a variety of objects and attributes in the area, including archaeological resources, paleontological research areas, historically significant areas, geologic features, and diverse animals and vegetative communities.

BLM Monument Management. BLM manages a total of 27 national monuments,³ including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, under multiple authorities. They include the Federal Land Policy and

¹ See *Presidential Proclamation—Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument*, May 21, 2014, on the White House website at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>.

² *Ibid.*

³ Information on provisions of monument proclamations for selected monuments managed by BLM, including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, is contained in CRS Congressional Distribution Memorandum, *Livestock Grazing in BLM National Monuments*, (continued...)

Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA),⁴ the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934,⁵ the individual presidential proclamations and statutes that designated the monuments, and resource management plans. Under FLPMA, BLM lands are generally managed for sustained yield of multiple uses. However, some lands are withdrawn (restricted) from one or more uses or managed for a predominant use. Under the Taylor Grazing Act, BLM regulates and apportions livestock grazing within grazing districts. Of the 248 million total acres managed by BLM, 155 million acres were available for livestock grazing and 139 million were used for grazing in FY2015.⁶

BLM develops resource management plans governing use and protection of lands under its jurisdiction. These plans sometimes address livestock grazing, among other land uses and activities. BLM typically develops a plan for each monument under its management.

Management Plan for and Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation for Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks calls for the development of a management plan for the protection and restoration of identified objects, but no management plan for the monument has been developed to date. BLM also has not issued interim guidance regarding livestock grazing within the monument. The agency has indicated that such guidance is not necessary, as livestock grazing on lands in the monument is being managed under existing authorities.⁷

To date, there have been no changes to livestock grazing on the ground as a result of the establishment of the monument, according to BLM. For instance, there have been no changes to terms and conditions of grazing leases and permits, or the number of acres grazed, as a result of the monument proclamation, according to the agency. However, BLM has asked livestock permittees to “enhance their communication” with the agency on maintenance activities that occur on linear features (e.g., pipelines) and roads.⁸

May 30, 2014, available from Carol Hardy Vincent. In addition, provisions of monument proclamations pertaining to livestock grazing for 21 land-based monuments under review by the Secretary of the Interior are addressed in CRS Report R44886, *Monument Proclamations Under Executive Order Review: Comparison of Selected Provisions*, by Carol Hardy Vincent and Laura A. Hanson.

⁴ 43 U.S.C. §§ 1701, et seq.

⁵ 43 U.S.C. §§ 315, et seq.

⁶ These figures are the most current that are available.

⁷ This information was conveyed by BLM to CRS on June 30, 2017.

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KELLY GANNAWAY
SHERIFF



JOSE MARTINEZ
CAPTAIN

LUNA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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July 6, 2017 .

Dear Secretary Zinke,

As law enforcement professionals responsible for protecting the citizens of Doña Ana and Luna County, we write in strong support of keeping the entire Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument intact, without any reductions. The monument's final boundaries were developed after a process of sustained collaboration with our offices and others, and the interests of law enforcement and public safety are well represented in the final product. As a result, the monument's designation in 2014 has not created new challenges for us, nor have local trends changed due to the monument.

The needs of law enforcement and border security were taken very seriously in the creation of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation language and map went through several rounds of major changes in order to best accommodate law enforcement needs.

Designation of the national monument has not weakened the authority or ability of the Border Patrol to do its job, and does not change the jurisdiction of local, state, or federal law enforcement agencies. Designation also allows for continued collaboration among law enforcement agencies.

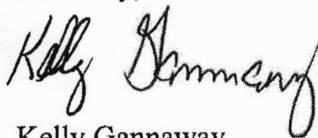
National monument management has not affected any of our law enforcement tools. There is no new restriction on the use of motorized transportation or equipment. Existing road access remains for routine patrols. Off-road travel is not allowed on BLM lands in Doña Ana County, New Mexico regardless of land designation. However, off-road travel or use of aircraft or other tools by federal law enforcement in exigent circumstances is allowed by both the proclamation and the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Homeland Security, Department of Agriculture, and Department of the Interior regarding *"Cooperative National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts on Federal Lands along the United States' Borders."* Page 6 of the proclamation makes clear that in emergencies, motor vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted off of designated roads and that additional roads or trails may be established if necessary for public safety.

Based on detailed discussions with law enforcement agencies, including discussions of law enforcement sensitive information, various parcels of land were removed from the original draft proposals and the final monument boundary. Areas of higher activity based on topography and existing infrastructure as well as strategic surveillance points were excluded from the monument. The Senators also significantly increased the buffer from the border. Based on discussions with Border Patrol and DHS headquarters, the monument begins approximately five miles from the border, whereas the existing Wilderness Study Area reaches to within a third of a mile of the border. Further, as a result of feedback from the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office and others, the monument excludes land necessary for closing critical radio coverage gaps along the border. The required infrastructure has been built and has enhanced officer effectiveness and safety.

The Las Cruces District Office of the Bureau of Land Management hosts one of the most effective and collaborative Border Management Task Forces in the nation. The relationships between federal, state, and local law enforcement and land managers in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks area are strong. Furthermore, the Border Patrol has consistently reported to that group and congressional offices that the monument has had no impact on their operations or local border-crossing trends.

Three Commissioners of Customs and Border Protection wrote letters in support of the senators' previous legislation to protect these lands, upon which the monument boundaries were based. We lend our voices to that of our colleagues. As a result of law enforcement's in depth involvement, the monument designation has safeguarded our necessary law enforcement activities as well as our cultural and natural heritage.

Sincerely,



Kelly Gannaway
Sheriff, Luna County

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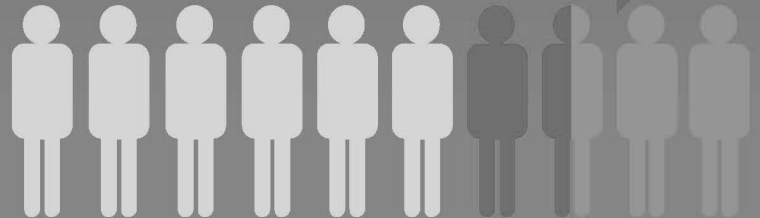
102% INCREASE

In Visitors to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

FROM 2015 TO 2016

FY2015: **84,197** FY2016: **170,451**

POPULAR COMMUNITY ASSET



Doña Ana County voters overwhelmingly support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument (61% positive, 14% negative)

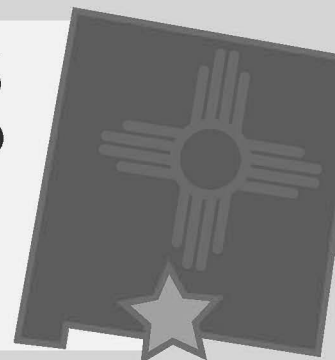
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Good afternoon:

Please see the attached correspondence on behalf of the Mayors of the City of Las Cruces, Town of Mesilla, City of Anthony and the Dona Ana County Commission in New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez

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A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)

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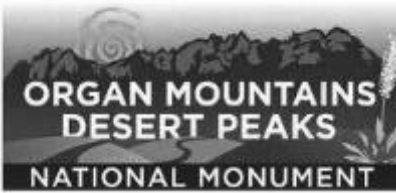
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August 14, 2017

Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, N.W.
Washington DC 20240

Secretary Zinke,

We hope you had an informative visit to Doña Ana County as a part of your Department's review of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. While no one could fully appreciate the diverse values of the Monument in just two days - a monument that local citizens spent decades researching and advocating for - we hope you left with a better appreciation of the critical role this Monument plays in our regional economy, its deep social and cultural associations with our citizens, and the overwhelming support our communities have for keeping the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks fully protected.

We are greatly troubled by the repeated inaccurate misrepresentations Congressman Pearce made to you regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in his correspondence on May 25, 2017. It is disappointing to see our outgoing Congressman fundamentally misrepresent the impacts of the Monument and fail to represent the majority opinion of Doña Ana County citizens who want our Monument to stay protected. Four local governments have passed resolutions opposing any changes to our Monument including the Doña Ana County Commission, the Cities of Las Cruces and Anthony and the Town of Mesilla.¹ Close to 70% of local residents support its protection according to a recent poll.²

Given the significant responsibility you have been given to evaluate the fate of our protected public lands it is important that any decisions made be based on facts and not on misunderstandings or inaccuracies. Along with information detailing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Monument's many attributes and community successes, we have attached a document detailing the extensive inaccurate statements made to you by Congressman Pearce.

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In closing, we hope that the information we have provided you will give a clear picture of the facts regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. We urge you to support our county and state's strong desire to keep this national treasure, and its abundant cultural, scientific, and historic resources, fully protected.


Mayor of Las Cruces Ken Miyagishima


Mayor of Mesilla Nora Barraza


Mayor of Anthony Diana Murillo-Trujillo


Doña Ana County Commissioner Billy G. Garrett

⁸ <http://www.kvia.com/news/new-mexico/trumps-executive-order-has-some-concerned-about-status-of-organ-mountains-national-monument/466687558>

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ORGAN MOUNTAINS-DESERT PEAKS NATIONAL MONUMENT

The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

A Monument of Diverse Lands and Rich History

Organ Mountains

Iconic Mountain Range of Southern New Mexico
 Rare Plants and Animals
 Soldier Outpost and Site of a Civil War Surrender
 Shelter, Achenbach, Pena Blanca, and Hermit's Caves

Sierra de las Uvas

22 Miles of the Southern Overland/Butterfield Trail
 WW II Bombing Targets
 Bartlett - Garcia Conde International Boundary Survey
 Archaic, Puebloan, and Apache Native American Sites
 Historic Ranches and Stagecoach Stop
 Multiple Apache Raid and Related Burial Sites
 Critical and Diverse Wildlife Habitat

Robledo Mountains

Billy the Kid's Outlaw Rock Hideout
 Slot Canyons; Robledo, Chavez, and Geronimo's Caves
 Prehistoric Trackways and Petrified Forest
 US Army Heliograph Site
 Native American Petroglyphs and Pictographs
 Hand Built Civilian Conservation Corps Rock Dams

Picacho Peak

Southern Peak of the Robledo Mountains

Potrillo Volcanic Field

Kilbourne Hole, Apollo Astronaut Training Site
 Fumarole and Vents with Holocene Faunal Remains
 Volcanic Cones, Craters and Lava Flow
 Rock Art and Ancestral Puebloan Habitation Sites
 Rattlesnake Peak and Mega-fauna Rubs

Doña Ana Mountains

Popular Mountain Biking & Rock Climbing Destination
 Native American Cultural Sites

Rep. Pearce Repeatedly Misrepresents the Facts of the OMDP Monument and Is Pushing for an Unprecedented Abolishment and Rollback of National Monuments Across America

- Rep. Pearce has issued many inaccurate statements about the OMDP National Monument.
- Rep. Pearce wants to abolish or reduce 24 of 27 National Monuments under review by the Trump Administration.¹
- Rep. Pearce wants to reduce the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument by close to 90%, including in the Organ Mountains by almost 25%.²

Rep. Pearce's Inaccurate Statements Regarding the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument

On May 25th Rep. Pearce sent a letter to U.S. Secretary of Interior Ryan Zinke urging him to reduce the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument from its current size of approximately 496,330 acres, to just 54,800 acres. In his letter, Rep. Pearce gave extensive inaccurate data to Sec. Zinke regarding the Monument and its impacts.

BORDER SECURITY

Rep. Pearce statement to Sec. Zinke:

“The Potrillo Mountains could easily become a drug and human smuggling corridor...given the restrictive language in the monument designation.”

FACT: Border Security activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. The Antiquities Act does not have any language limiting law enforcement.³
2. The Presidential proclamation establishing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument specifically states “Nothing in this proclamation shall be deemed to affect the provisions of the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding

¹ Western Caucus letter to Sec. Zinke

<https://westerncaucus.house.gov/sites/westerncaucus.house.gov/files/documents/6.30.17%20Final%20letter%20to%20Zinke%20Antiquities%20Review.pdf>

² <https://pearce.house.gov/organ-mountains>

³ <https://www.nps.gov/history/local-law/anti1906.htm>

between the U.S. Department of Homeland Security, the U.S. Department of the Interior, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture regarding "Cooperative National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts on Federal Lands along the United States' Borders." ⁴

3. The southern boundary of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument begins five miles from the border allowing an expanded border security buffer zone beyond the current Wilderness Study Area that is within a half a mile from the border. This adjustment was incorporated as a result of collaboration with the U.S. Customs and Border Protection. ⁵ (see attached letter from former CBP Commissioner Alan Bersin)
4. The Doña Ana County and Luna County Sherriff's have both stated that the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument has not impacted their law enforcement activities. (see footnoted KVIA story on 4-27-17 regarding Doña Ana County Sheriff's Department statement, and attached letter from the Luna County Sheriff) ⁶

RANCHING

Rep. Pearce statement to Sec. Zinke:

"The expansive footprint of the OMDP Monument will have a devastating impact on local ranchers... and will prevent farmers and ranchers from accessing certain parts of their allotments to do maintenance work. The western reaches of the monument envelop a number of ranchers, and may eventually limit the number of cattle those ranches can run. This could make certain ranches uneconomical, crushing a ranching industry..."

FACT: Ranching activities remain unaffected by the National Monument

1. There is ranching in all parts of Monument, and there have been no changes in the permitted numbers of livestock allowed since its designation. (See attached report from the Congressional Research Service dated July 14, 2017)
2. The history of BLM managed national monuments in America clearly show that every single one contains ranching with the exception of Tents Rocks National Monument that did not have ranching prior to designation. (See attached document titled "Permitted Uses in Western National Monuments")

⁴ <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>

⁵ <https://blm-egis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=0ec2e3e6e13c4321b4eef2a9a74f43f8>

⁶ <http://www.kvia.com/news/new-mexico/trumps-executive-order-has-some-concerned-about-status-of-organ-mountains-national-monument/466687558>

3. The Presidential proclamation establishing the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument clearly maintains current cattle grazing policies “Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the BLM in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument.” ⁷

ECONOMIC CONCERNS

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

1. “The Monument may prevent the “Ghost City project west of Las Cruces that is projected to provide hundreds of jobs for the local area.”
FACT: The so called “Ghost City” is not planned in the Monument, and has failed to come to fruition in spite of moving its planned location three times, and failing to meet any of benchmarks it has publicly stated. ⁸
2. The Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad is considering new rail crossing, but needs a new rail line in the area. The current footprint would prevent this new line, as the designation does not permit new rights of way.”
FACT: There is no commitment by the BNSF to build a new rail line, nor a stated conflict with the boundaries of the OMDP preventing such development. ⁹

ENERGY POTENTIAL

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

1. “The west mesa is an ideal location for future solar energy development”
FACT: The BLM identified Solar Energy Zone is outside of Monument boundary. ¹⁰

⁷ <https://obamawhitehouse.archives.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>

⁸ <http://www.demingheadlight.com/story/news/2016/07/14/cite-plans-explained-proposed-mock-city/87094890/>

⁹ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/local/county/2016/12/27/rail-planning-could-lead-relocation-some-bnsf-tracks/95890716/>

¹⁰ http://blmsolar.anl.gov/maps/data/allocations/Solar_PEIS_ROD_NM_map.pdf

TOURISM

Rep. Pearce statements to Sec. Zinke:

“There are a lot of voices claiming that the monument itself will bring tourism jobs and money. While there is no credible data to support this, I believe that rescinding the monument boundary to the Organ Mountains will preserve whatever tourism is created...”

FACT: Visitation to the Monument has increased 152% in just three years according to the BLM, which Rep. Pearce actively misstates and refuses to acknowledge. ¹¹

1. The BLM has documented a 152% increase in visitation to the Monument, resulting in over 80,000 additional visitors in the last year alone. The BLM has a map allowing visitors to document their origin. This map has shown visitation coming from around the country and globe.
2. There are new Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument based tourist promotions including the City of Las Cruces’ “Monuments to Main Street” and the 306 mile mountain bike trail called the “Monumental Loop” which are promoting protected sites outside of the Organ Mountains. It’s a documented fact that tourists are not only visiting these areas, but spending money at businesses and communities throughout Doña Ana County. These sites include Kilbourne Hole and the Robledo, Sierra de las Uvas, Doña Ana and Potrillo Mountains. ^{12 13}
3. The Monument has garnered international publicity since its designation including being recommended as a travel destination by Lonely Planet, Los Angeles Times, Outside Magazine, and Readers Digest. ¹⁴

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¹² <http://www.bikepacking.com/routes/monumental-loop/>

¹³ <http://www.monuments2mainstreet.com/>

¹⁴ <https://www.lonelyplanet.com/usa/las-cruces/attractions/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument/a/poi-sig/1493939/1314525>

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800 BUSINESSES OPPOSED TO THE MONUMENT

Representative Pearce has also allegedly submitted the names of approximately 800 people and businesses opposed to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. This is a years old list of people who were allegedly opposed to a prior piece of proposed wilderness legislation introduced by Senator Jeff Bingaman. This inaccurate list includes individuals who support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

FACT: Rep. Pearce’s list of businesses and people opposed to the Monument is not accurate and contains Monument supporters.¹⁶ Current polling and governmental resolutions show that a strong majority of Doña Ana County citizens and businesses support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument.

1. A recent poll conducted in April by the Las Cruces Green Chamber of Commerce showed that 66% of Dona Ana County residents support the Monument, including majorities of Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. Only 16% of those polled oppose the Monument.¹⁷
2. The Cities of Las Cruces, Mesilla, and Anthony and the Doña Ana County Commission have all passed Resolutions supporting the Monument and opposing any reduction to it.¹⁸

¹⁵ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/2017/05/21/organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument-economic-impact/101788252/>

¹⁶ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/opinion/letters/2017/07/12/letters-who-were-800-omdp-foes-cited-pearce/470640001/>

¹⁷ <http://www.lcsun-news.com/story/news/local/2017/06/14/green-chamber-poll-residents-support-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument/394384001/>

¹⁸ <http://www.shreveporttimes.com/story/news/local/2017/07/07/city-anthony-adds-support-omdp/459729001/>



**U.S. Customs and
Border Protection**

JUN 1 2010

The Honorable Jeff Bingaman
United States Senate
Washington, DC 20510

Commissioner

Dear Senator Bingaman:

I write to thank you for your efforts to address border enforcement concerns in S. 1689, the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks Wilderness Act. The provisions of this bill, including your recent changes to address the operational needs of the Border Patrol, would significantly enhance the flexibility of U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) to operate in this border area.

As you know, the existing wilderness study area along the southern boundary of the West Potrillo Mountains provides CBP with 1/3 of a mile in which to perform its activities. The most recent changes that you have made to the bill would provide five miles between the U.S.-Mexico border and the area with full wilderness protections. Three miles of this zone would allow normal public access, and an additional two miles would allow restricted use by the public. Throughout the entire buffer zone, CBP could operate motor vehicles, build infrastructure, and carry out other activities as it would on any non-wilderness Bureau of Land Management land.

I also appreciate other security-focused modifications that you have made to the bill, including:

- Explicit provision to allow the East-West way, which will be closed to the public, to be accessible to CBP and other law enforcement personnel;
- Clarification that no provision of the bill would restrict CBP from pursuit of suspects within the wilderness area, including the use of motorized vehicles in hot pursuit; and
- Clarification that nothing prevents CBP from conducting low-level overflights above the wilderness area.

The security-related enhancements to this bill are the result of careful consultations between your office and CBP in New Mexico and Washington, DC. While the solutions identified in this bill are specific to this particular area of the border, the collaborative process should be a model for future consideration of wilderness designation along the border.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Alan Bersin". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Alan Bersin
Commissioner



MEMORANDUM

July 14, 2017

To: The Honorable Tom Udall
Attention: Stephenne Harding

From: Carol Hardy Vincent, Specialist in Natural Resources Policy, 7-8651

Subject: **Livestock Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument**

This memorandum responds to your request for a brief memorandum addressing livestock grazing in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument in New Mexico. Your questions included what if any effect the establishment of the monument has had on livestock grazing on monument lands.

Information in this memorandum may be of general interest to Congress. As such, this information may be provided to other congressional requesters, and may be published by CRS in products for general distribution to Congress at a later date. Your confidentiality as a requester will be preserved in any case.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have additional questions.

Proclamation for the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument was designated by President Obama on May 21, 2014 (by Presidential Proclamation 9131).¹ The monument is managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM); the lands within the area were being managed by BLM prior to the establishment of the monument. With regard to livestock grazing, the proclamation establishing the monument provides that: “Laws, regulations, and policies followed by the BLM in issuing and administering grazing permits or leases on lands under its jurisdiction shall continue to apply with regard to the lands in the monument, consistent with the protection of the objects identified above.”² This provision essentially provides that authorities governing livestock grazing on BLM lands generally will continue to apply to lands within the monument. It makes explicit that the application of livestock grazing authorities is to be consistent with protection of the objects in the monument that were identified by the proclamation. In proclaiming the monument, President Obama identified a variety of objects and attributes in the area, including archaeological resources, paleontological research areas, historically significant areas, geologic features, and diverse animals and vegetative communities.

BLM Monument Management. BLM manages a total of 27 national monuments,³ including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, under multiple authorities. They include the Federal Land Policy and

¹ See *Presidential Proclamation—Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument*, May 21, 2014, on the White House website at <http://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/05/21/presidential-proclamation-organ-mountains-desert-peaks-national-monument>.

² *Ibid.*

³ Information on provisions of monument proclamations for selected monuments managed by BLM, including Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks, is contained in CRS Congressional Distribution Memorandum, *Livestock Grazing in BLM National Monuments*, (continued...)

Management Act of 1976 (FLPMA),⁴ the Taylor Grazing Act of 1934,⁵ the individual presidential proclamations and statutes that designated the monuments, and resource management plans. Under FLPMA, BLM lands are generally managed for sustained yield of multiple uses. However, some lands are withdrawn (restricted) from one or more uses or managed for a predominant use. Under the Taylor Grazing Act, BLM regulates and apportions livestock grazing within grazing districts. Of the 248 million total acres managed by BLM, 155 million acres were available for livestock grazing and 139 million were used for grazing in FY2015.⁶

BLM develops resource management plans governing use and protection of lands under its jurisdiction. These plans sometimes address livestock grazing, among other land uses and activities. BLM typically develops a plan for each monument under its management.

Management Plan for and Grazing in Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation for Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks calls for the development of a management plan for the protection and restoration of identified objects, but no management plan for the monument has been developed to date. BLM also has not issued interim guidance regarding livestock grazing within the monument. The agency has indicated that such guidance is not necessary, as livestock grazing on lands in the monument is being managed under existing authorities.⁷

To date, there have been no changes to livestock grazing on the ground as a result of the establishment of the monument, according to BLM. For instance, there have been no changes to terms and conditions of grazing leases and permits, or the number of acres grazed, as a result of the monument proclamation, according to the agency. However, BLM has asked livestock permittees to “enhance their communication” with the agency on maintenance activities that occur on linear features (e.g., pipelines) and roads.⁸

May 30, 2014, available from Carol Hardy Vincent. In addition, provisions of monument proclamations pertaining to livestock grazing for 21 land-based monuments under review by the Secretary of the Interior are addressed in CRS Report R44886, *Monument Proclamations Under Executive Order Review: Comparison of Selected Provisions*, by Carol Hardy Vincent and Laura A. Hanson.

⁴ 43 U.S.C. §§ 1701, et seq.

⁵ 43 U.S.C. §§ 315, et seq.

⁶ These figures are the most current that are available.

⁷ This information was conveyed by BLM to CRS on June 30, 2017.

⁸ This information was conveyed by BLM to CRS on June 30, 2017. Grazing permittees might install, use, maintain, or modify range improvements or developments on BLM lands, such as fences, pipelines, and wells, under certain terms and conditions. These improvements or developments could enhance livestock grazing as well as have other land benefits (e.g., improving resources and habitat). See the BLM regulations at 43 CFR 4120.3.

KELLY GANNAWAY
SHERIFF



JOSE MARTINEZ
CAPTAIN

LUNA COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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July 6, 2017 .

Dear Secretary Zinke,

As law enforcement professionals responsible for protecting the citizens of Doña Ana and Luna County, we write in strong support of keeping the entire Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument intact, without any reductions. The monument's final boundaries were developed after a process of sustained collaboration with our offices and others, and the interests of law enforcement and public safety are well represented in the final product. As a result, the monument's designation in 2014 has not created new challenges for us, nor have local trends changed due to the monument.

The needs of law enforcement and border security were taken very seriously in the creation of the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument. The proclamation language and map went through several rounds of major changes in order to best accommodate law enforcement needs.

Designation of the national monument has not weakened the authority or ability of the Border Patrol to do its job, and does not change the jurisdiction of local, state, or federal law enforcement agencies. Designation also allows for continued collaboration among law enforcement agencies.

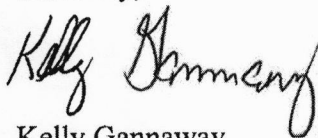
National monument management has not affected any of our law enforcement tools. There is no new restriction on the use of motorized transportation or equipment. Existing road access remains for routine patrols. Off-road travel is not allowed on BLM lands in Doña Ana County, New Mexico regardless of land designation. However, off-road travel or use of aircraft or other tools by federal law enforcement in exigent circumstances is allowed by both the proclamation and the 2006 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Department of Homeland Security, Department of Agriculture, and Department of the Interior regarding *"Cooperative National Security and Counterterrorism Efforts on Federal Lands along the United States' Borders."* Page 6 of the proclamation makes clear that in emergencies, motor vehicle use in the monument shall be permitted off of designated roads and that additional roads or trails may be established if necessary for public safety.

Based on detailed discussions with law enforcement agencies, including discussions of law enforcement sensitive information, various parcels of land were removed from the original draft proposals and the final monument boundary. Areas of higher activity based on topography and existing infrastructure as well as strategic surveillance points were excluded from the monument. The Senators also significantly increased the buffer from the border. Based on discussions with Border Patrol and DHS headquarters, the monument begins approximately five miles from the border, whereas the existing Wilderness Study Area reaches to within a third of a mile of the border. Further, as a result of feedback from the Doña Ana County Sheriff's Office and others, the monument excludes land necessary for closing critical radio coverage gaps along the border. The required infrastructure has been built and has enhanced officer effectiveness and safety.

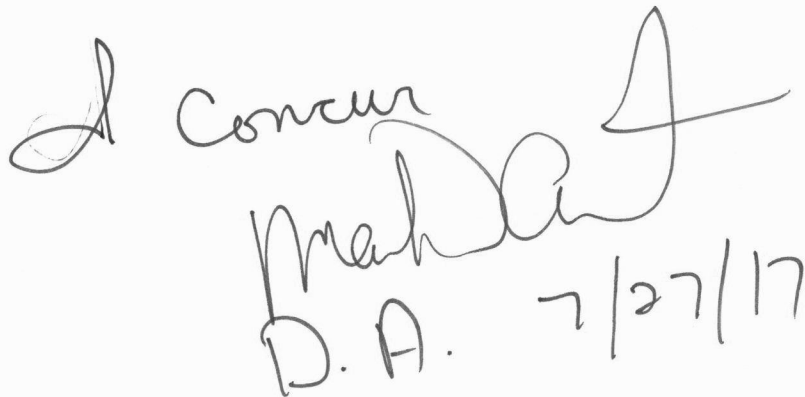
The Las Cruces District Office of the Bureau of Land Management hosts one of the most effective and collaborative Border Management Task Forces in the nation. The relationships between federal, state, and local law enforcement and land managers in the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks area are strong. Furthermore, the Border Patrol has consistently reported to that group and congressional offices that the monument has had no impact on their operations or local border-crossing trends.

Three Commissioners of Customs and Border Protection wrote letters in support of the senators' previous legislation to protect these lands, upon which the monument boundaries were based. We lend our voices to that of our colleagues. As a result of law enforcement's in depth involvement, the monument designation has safeguarded our necessary law enforcement activities as well as our cultural and natural heritage.

Sincerely,



Kelly Gannaway
Sheriff, Luna County



I Concur
D. A. 7/27/17

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A POSITIVE INFLUENCE ON THE REGION

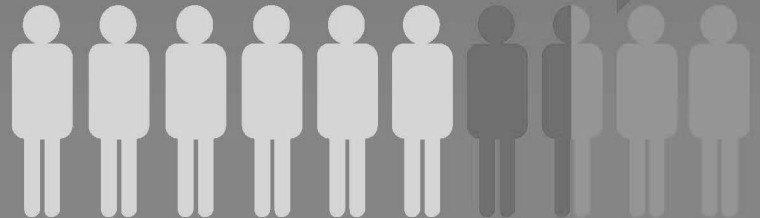
102% INCREASE

In Visitors to the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks

FROM 2015 TO 2016

FY2015: **84,197** FY2016: **170,451**

POPULAR COMMUNITY ASSET



Doña Ana County voters overwhelmingly support the Organ Mountains-Desert Peaks National Monument (61% positive, 14% negative)

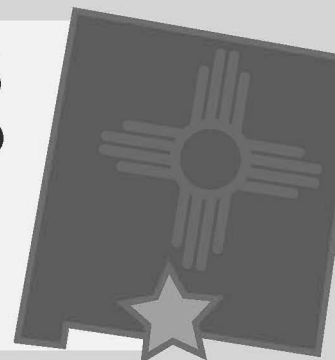
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To: Bowman, Randal[randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov]
From: Todd Willens
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Subject: Re: FOLLOW UP TO RECENT VISIT: Organ Mountains Desert Peaks National Monument
Received: 2017-08-15T04:50:16-04:00

Yes. They certainly have invested a lot into their campaign on this.

Todd Willens
Assistant Deputy Secretary
Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C Street, NW - MIB Room 6116
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On Aug 14, 2017, at 9:14 PM, Bowman, Randal <randal_bowman@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

FYI. Micah sent it around also, about a minute later.

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To: Cynthia Stohner-Hernandez <cynthias-h@mesillanm.gov>

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Good afternoon:

Please see the attached correspondence on behalf of the Mayors of the City of Las Cruces, Town of Mesilla, City of Anthony and the Dona Ana County Commission in New Mexico.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Stoechner-Hernandez

Mesilla Town Clerk/Treasurer

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A positive attitude may not solve all your problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worth the effort.

Herm Albright (1876 - 1944)

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