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### New Jersey & Philadelphia September 27 - September 29, 2017



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Location: Alma de Cuba

1623 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

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# GATEWAY NATIONAL RECREATION AREA, SANDY HOOK UNIT



9/27/2017

Overview

This document includes a site overview; Gateway National Recreation Area Overview Map and a Sandy Hook Map

#### I. The primary point(s) of contact for the visit is:

Jen Nersesian, Superintendent 718-619-6553

#### **II. KEY PARTICIPANTS:**

Minka Sendich, Deputy Superintendent, (917) 846-2834
Captain Greg Norman, Chief Ranger, Sandy Hook Law Enforcement, (917) 559-0039
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Jim Grant, Chief, Facility Management Division 718-619-2137
Pam McLay, Chief, Business Services Division
Daphne Yun, Public Affairs Officer, (917) 282-9393

#### III. HOT TOPICS

#### **Deferred Maintenance**

Deferred Maintenance for Sandy Hook is listed at \$106 million. The actual figure is higher due in part to the fact that many of the unoccupied buildings are not included in this assessment.

#### Leasing

The park has embarked on an ambitious program to lease multiple historic buildings at Fort Hancock. The buildings under consideration are in poor condition and require significant rehabilitation. Long-term leases are being offered on a competitive basis to entities interested in investing in their rehabilitation, with the ability to offset lease payments by the amount of that investment. Overcoming prior years of controversy, the park established a Federal Advisory Committee in January of 2013 to develop a re-use plan for the site. Thanks to this cooperative effort with local community, government, and private sector representatives, the park has advanced the leasing program with broad community support. Currently 35 buildings are listed on a rolling Request for Proposals.

#### **Proposed Change to Alcohol Policy**

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#### Sandy Recovery

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#### **Demolition**

In the park's 2014 General Management Plan, historic structures were prioritized according to importance, condition, use and other factors, to focus limited maintenance staff and funding on where it

would have the most impact. Buildings at the lower end of this list were identified as structures that the park would either not invest in or actively seek to demolish. Currently four buildings that were damaged by Hurricane Sandy are slated for demolition. There is some opposition to this by local constituent groups. The park is currently in dialogue with the local community, NJ State Historic Preservation Office, and the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation on these issues.

#### IV. BACKGROUND

- •The Sandy Hook Unit is one of the three units that make up Gateway National Recreation Area. Sandy Hook is a seven mile peninsula located in New Jersey. It includes recreational beaches, natural resources and historic structures.
- •Sandy Hook receives over 2 million visitors per year. While there is no entrance fee to any part of Gateway, there is a beach parking fee of \$20 per car charged from Memorial Day weekend through Labor Day. Sandy Hook collected \$2.4 million in parking revenues in 2017.
- •Sandy Hook includes Fort Hancock, which was U.S. Army installation from the late 18<sup>th</sup> century until 1972. There was also a Nike missile base located here during the cold war. The entire peninsula is a National Historic Landmark. The Sandy Hook Proving Ground was established by the U.S. Army in 1874 as a place to test new weaponry. This site was used until 1919, when it was moved to Aberdeen, MD.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

Map



Jen Nersessian
Gateway National Recreation Area
Superintendent

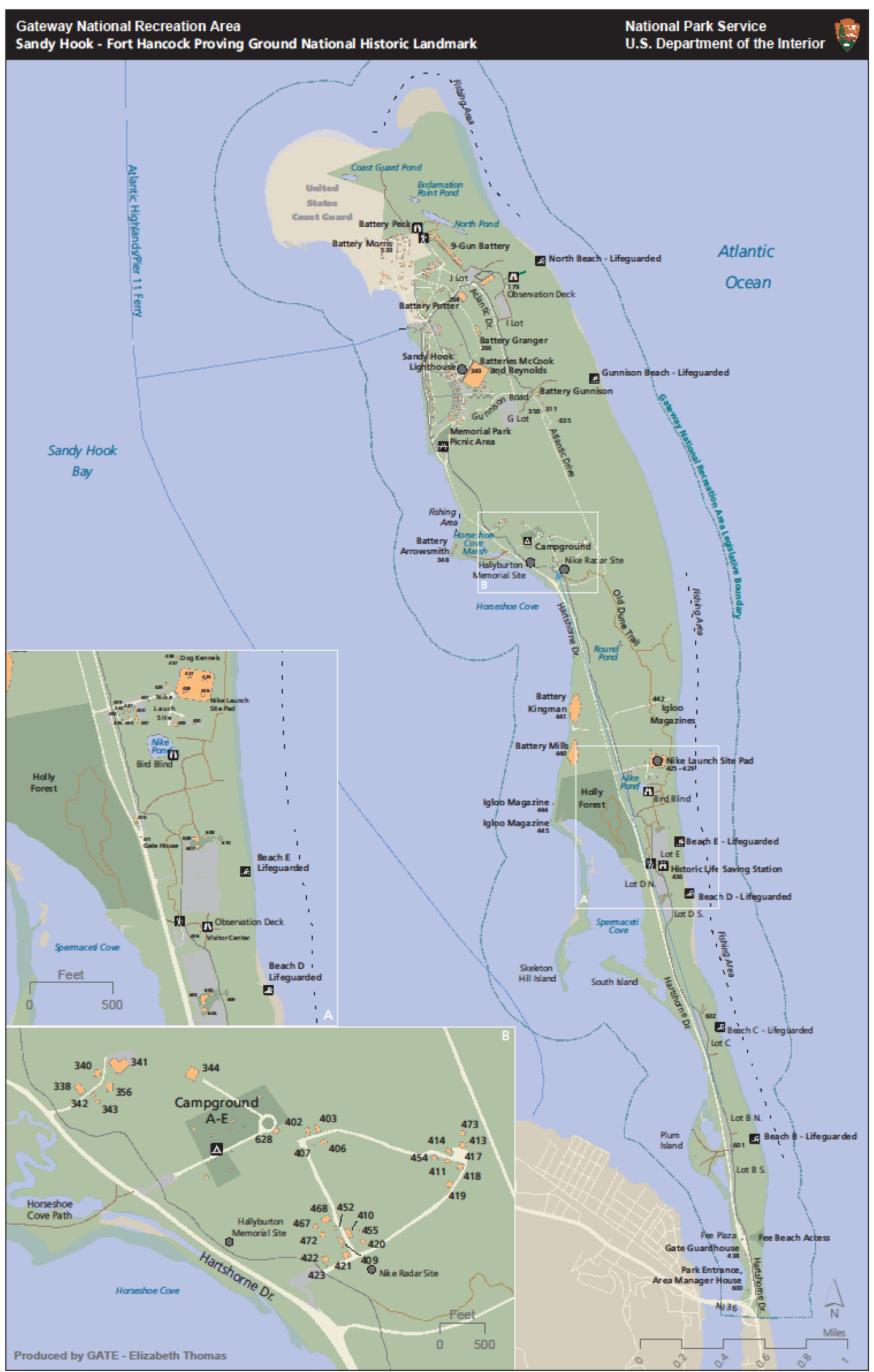
Jennifer T. Nersesian serves as the Superintendent of Gateway National Recreation Area, currently in her fourth year.

Gateway encompasses 26,000 acres, includes Jamaica Bay and parts of Staten Island in New York City as well as Sandy Hook in NJ, and contains significant recreational, historic, and natural resources that over eight million visitors a year come to enjoy.

Previously Nersesian was superintendent at New Bedford Whaling National Historical Park in Massachusetts, and a Management Assistant at Yosemite National Park in California with a focus on community engagement.

She began her career with the National Park Service in 2002 as a realty specialist in Oakland, CA, as a Presidential Management Fellow.

Prior to joining the NPS she worked in video production and software development. She has a Master's in Public Policy from Rutgers University.



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#### **Fishing**

Surf fishing is permitted at all beaches, *except*:

- at oceanside beaches when lifeguards are on duty, and;
- when sections of the beach are closed to protect nesting shore birds (typically March to September).
- When areas of the beach are closed due to safety concerns.

Salt water fishing in New Jersey requires a permit from the state of New Jersey. Registration is free. The New Jersey Saltwater Recreational Registry Program is part of an improved data program to help protect long-term sustainability of recreational fishing.

Annual passes for nighttime fishing can be purchased from the park. Annual Fishing Passes can now be purchased online and picked up after 7 days or mailed within 14 days.

Fish Smart, Eat Smart is a guide for eating fish caught in New Jersey coastal waters from the New Jersey State Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Fish and Wildlife. Please read this before eating what you catch.

#### **Biking**

For a great way to see Sandy Hook, the seven-mile long Multi-Use Pathway (MUP) starts at the park entrance and loops around Fort Hancock. It is shared by walkers, bicyclists and in-line skaters. Bring your own bicycle or you can rent a bike during your visit. Bike Rentals may be available during the peak season as weather permits..

The MUP is for everyone! Whether you walk, bike or rollerblade, stay on your side of the yellow line. Keep animals on a short enough leash to keep your pet on your side of the trail.

#### Hiking

Trails begin at the Spermaceti Cove Lifesaving Station (closed due to damage from Hurricane Sandy) and at Area M near Nine Gun Battery. Walking ocean beaches is permitted but in spring and summer some areas are closed due to the shorebird nesting season.

#### **Birding**

Sandy Hook is a prime spot for birding. Try Plum Island, the Spermaceti Cove boardwalk, the Horseshoe Cove salt marsh, North Pond or the fields at Fort Hancock. Birding is not permitted in the campground for the duration of the camping season. In summertime on Saturday and Sunday mornings from 9 am to 11 am, join a park ranger at the Lot M Observation Deck (park at lot after K Lot near Nine Gun Battery) to learn more about birds in the area. A scope will be set up to view raptors, marsh birds, and migrating songbirds.

#### **Camping**

Overnight tent camping is available at Sandy Hook. Reservations are available at www.recreation.gov under "Camp Gateway."

#### **Boating**

Non-motorized car top boats can be launched from Beach Area C and Horseshoe Cove. Windsurfing and kite-boarding is best on the bay across from Beach Area C. Horseshoe Cove is popular with recreational boaters. *Landing on the beach with a motorized boat is prohibited.* 

#### **Canoe Cruises**

On Sunday, September 17 & Saturday, September 23, 2017, from 9:15 am to 12 pm, take a two-mile paddle (ages 14 & up) to explore Sandy Hook Bay from an ideal vantage point - the water iteslf. Rangers guide you on a two and a half hour tour of the bayside waters and Skeleton Hill Island. Go to www.recreation.gov to reserve for this program.

#### **History**

For centuries, the safest way to sail into New York Harbor was by hugging the shore of Sandy Hook, where the water was deepest. This six mile peninsula had an outsize influence on the safety of the harbor and the defense of New York City. From its days as a British colony and outpost to the era of nuclear missiles, Sandy Hook lighted the paths of seafarers and protected New Yorkers from potential attack and invasion. Since the Federal government completed purchase of the entire peninsula in 1814, it was spared the commercial development that dominates much of the New Jersey coast. In 1982, the Sandy Hook peninsula was designated as the Fort Hancock and Sandy Hook Proving Ground National Historic Landmark.

#### **Sandy Hook Lighthouse**

Sandy Hook includes the oldest surviving lighthouse in what is now the United States. Built in 1764, it is still in use today. The British Army captured the lighthouse in 1776 and held it until the evacuation of New York in 1783. At least once the Continental Army tried to knock it down. Sandy Hook's maritime history includes the heroic U.S. Life Saving Service, which saved passengers and crew from shipwrecks. The distinctive structures of the USLSS can still be seen here today. The Sandy Hook Lighthouse was designated a National Historic Landmark in 1964.

#### **Fort Hancock**

Sandy Hook's history as a military location began with the American Revolution, when British and Loyalist soldiers occupied the Hook for almost the entire war. U.S. defenses at Sandy Hook took place in fits and spurts during the War of 1812 and the Civil War. The "Fortifications at Sandy Hook" was renamed Fort Hancock in 1895, beginning the Army's permanent operational defensive fortifications of the Hook that spanned the Spanish-American War to the age of nuclear missiles--missiles which were housed here. Most of the fort's iconic yellow brick buildings survive.

#### **Sandy Hook Proving Ground**

An area that overlaps Fort Hancock in both time and space, the Sandy Hook Proving Ground was established by the U.S. Army in 1874 as a place to test new weaponry. The Proving Ground moved to Aberdeen, Maryland in 1919. By then, Fort Hancock had also been established at Sandy Hook.

#### **Fees**

Sandy Hook has an entrance fee of \$15 per car. This is lower than most of the surrounding beaches on the Jersey shore. Last year the park proposed a fee increase to \$20 per car, which was met with some opposition from local politicians and was not enacted. Those politicians said they would support an increase if the park re-introduces it in 2019, which it plans to do. This would coincide with the major Hurricane Sandy recovery projects being completed and would likely be met with greater public support.

#### **Partnerships (AGFA)**

The Army Ground Forces Association (AGFA) is a park partner at Sandy Hook that is dedicated to the preservation and stewardship of Battery Gunnison, which retains its historic gun. AGFA volunteers conduct hands-on preservation work and conduct a variety of public programs, often in period uniform, that highlight the operations of a coastal battery installation during WWII.

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The Sandy Hook Foundation is the primary Friends group (i.e. nonprofit fundraising partner) for this site. They have undertaken such projects as the restoration of the Lighthouse Keepers Quarters, the new viewing platform at North Beach, and improvements to the History House. Most recently they have pledged matching funds for the restoration of two historic buildings at the Nike Radar site that will be used for group camping.

#### **USACE Dredging**

We partner with the USACE on periodic dredging at the northern tip of Sandy Hook to keep the navigational channel clear. Currents along the Jersey shore run northward and Sandy Hook is the terminus, and thus accretes at a rapid rate.

#### **ESA Management**

Sandy Hook is recognized by USFWS as one of the most successful nesting sites for piping plover, an endangered shorebird, in the northeast. The park is able to balance managing for seasonal closures of nesting sites while still welcoming over 2 million visitors a year for a high quality beach experience.

#### **UXO Management**

As a former army installation and proving grounds, there is still remnants of unexploded ordinance at Sandy Hook. 2010 Over the past several years the NPS has been partnering with USACE to undertake a systematic survey of the site to make sure any potential issues are identified and remediated.

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#### **Short-Term Leasing**

The park has a very successful short-term leasing operation with the Chapel, which is popular for weddings and other events. As the park moves forward with it's long-term leasing project at Fort Hancock, other services such as overnight accommodations and/or catering facilities could grow this further.

#### **Ferry Service**

The park currently has a ferry service that runs to Sandy Hook from Manhattan from Memorial Day weekend to the last weekend in September. It runs 3-4 times per day, and the average yearly ridership is 20,000.

#### **US Coast Guard**

The US Coast Guard has an installation that they own at the tip of Sandy Hook, and partners with the park on various undertakings, such as communications infrastructure.

#### **Largest Maritime Holly Forest**

Sandy Hook is home to a globally rare ecosystem, a maritime holly forest. There are only two in the world (Sandy Hook's is the larger), the other being at Fire Island National Seashore. Among other things, it provides important habitat for migratory birds.

#### **North Maintenance**

This group of buildings are very significant historically, but also in a very low-lying area and were flooded with high waters for weeks after Hurricane Sandy. With the determination that it would be impractical and cost-prohibitive to make them more resilient to flood events, the Sandy Recovery program has included a project to move the maintenance functions they housed to other buildings that will be rehabbed for that purpose. It remains to be determined whether or which of the North Maintenance buildings will be demolished, a proposal that involves ongoing consultation with the SHPO/Advisory Council and a pending planning process. Parts of the structures may remain as an interpretive display or for a picnic pavilion.

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Location: 1 Constitution Ave NE

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9:30-10:00 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

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Location: Office

10:20-12:00 Wild Horse Roundtable

Location: 5160 Conference Room

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1:30-1:50 Meeting with Paul Ryan

Location: H-232 / The Capitol

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2:30-3:00 HOLD: Call

3:00-3:30 Speech Prep for Heritage Event

Location: Office

3:30-4:00 Meeting with National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)

Location: Office

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4:30-6:00 OPEN

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6:30-7:00 REMARKS: Jefferson Island Club Citizen of the Year Award

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7:15-7:30pm EDT: Depart RON en route Dinner

Location: Alma de Cuba

1623 Walnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19103

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Personal Dinner

9:00-9:15pm EDT: Depart Dinner en route RON

Location: Kimpton Monaco Hotel

#### 433 Chestnut Street Philadelphia, PA 19106

#### Friday, September 29, 2017

Philadelphia, PA → Washington, DC

8:00-10:45am EDT: Depart Philadelphia, PA en route Washington, DC

Drive Time: ~2 hours, 45 minutes



# Wild Horses and Burros (WH&B) by the Numbers

- 10 Western states have WHBs
- 177 Herd Management Areas (HMAs)
- 26.9 million acres of public rangelands
- 26,715 animals is the Appropriate Management Level (AML)
- 72,674 animals on the range (as of March 2017)
  - ½ in Nevada
- 43,436 animals in holding (July 2017)
  - 11,624 in 26 corrals (\$4.99 per day; \$28.4 million total in FY16)
  - 32,771 in 28 pastures (\$1.82 per day; \$21 million total in FY16)
- **3,116** adopted/sold in 2016 (\$2,367/animal adopted)
  - Adoptions have declined from 7,800 in 2002
- 3,038 removed from the range in 2016 (\$1,007/animal removed)



★ State Capitals

Road Classification

Herd Management Areas

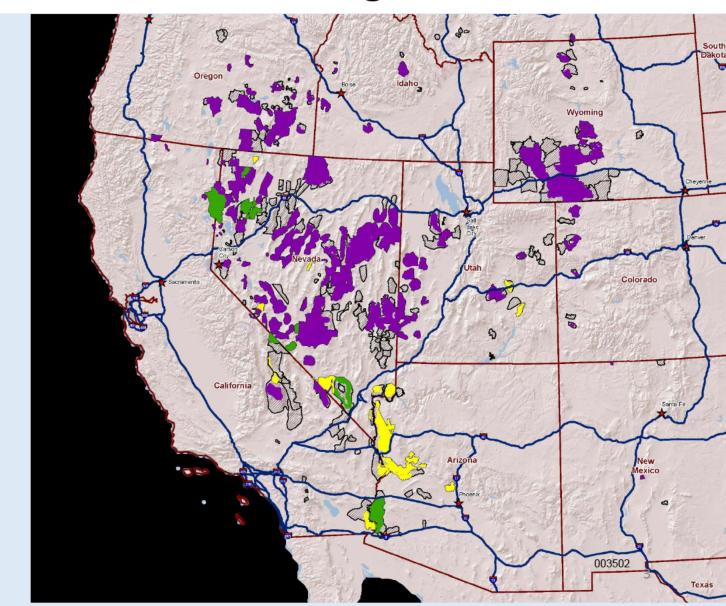
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Burro

Herd Areas

Freeway or Other Major Road

### **Herd Areas and Herd Management Areas**

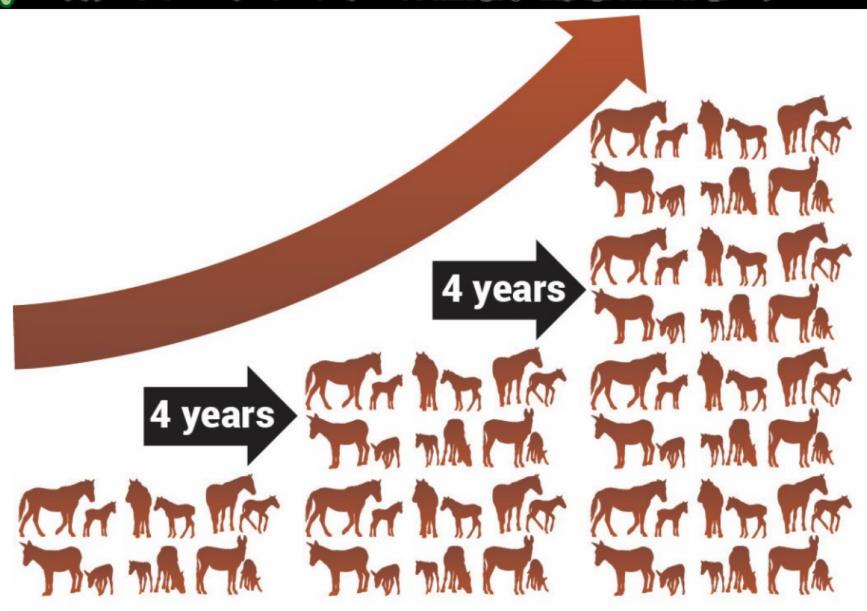


# **Appropriate Management Levels**

- Population range for long-term sustainability
- Relies on data collected over 3-5 years:
  - Grazing utilization
  - Ecological condition and trend
  - Actual use
  - Climate & weather
- AUM for horses is 1.25 times greater than that of livestock







Unchecked herds double in size every 4 years

# Wild Horses and Burros Population



wild horses and burros lived on public lands in 1971

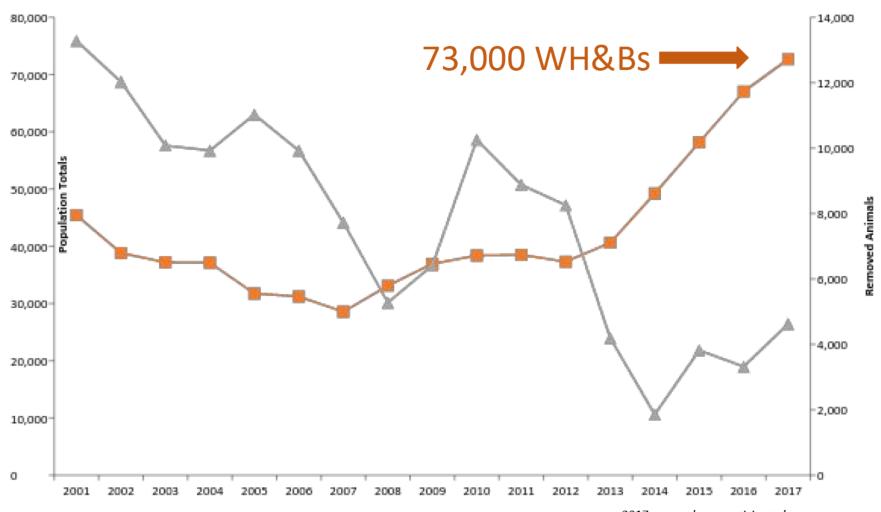
27,000

wild horses and burros can live in balance with wildlife and livestock on healthy public lands

73,000

wild horses and burros live on public lands in 2017

# Overpopulation





# High Costs to Care for Unadopted Animals



# Off-Range Corrals

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- \$4.99/animal/day
- \$28.4 million spent in FY16

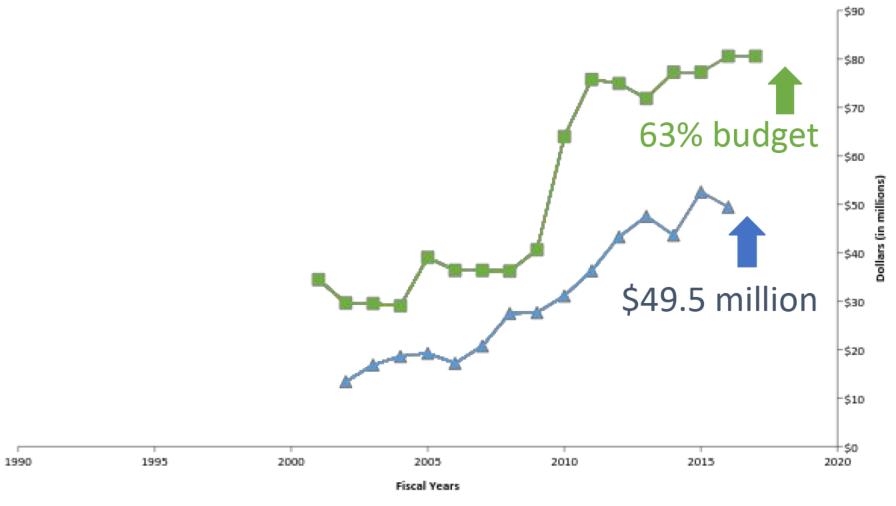


# Off-Range

Pasturies as of July, 2017

- \$1.82/animal/day
- \$21 million spent in FY16

# High Costs to Care for Unadopted Animals



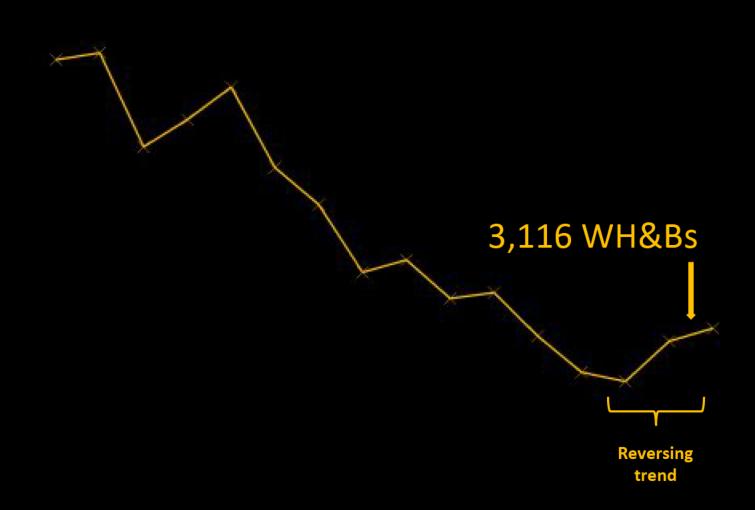
BLM Enacted Budget \* 🍲 Total Holding Expenditures \*

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# **Adoption and Sales**

- An application is required for both adoption and sales
- Adoption fee: \$125 dollars
- Sale price: negotiated or competitive bid
- Placement: dramatic decline from 7,800 in 2002 to 3,100 in 2016





# **Management Challenges**

- Herd growth: nearly unchecked
- Number sold or adopted: declined from 7,800 in 2002 to about 3,100 in 2016

## Fertility vaccines:

- Effective for one year with an estimated cost of \$2,750 per mare (helicopter capture)
- About 500-1,000 are vaccinated annually
- About 30,000 would need to be treated annually to stabilize the population

## Overpopulation effects:

- Damage to rangeland condition and wildlife habitat
- Moving out of designated management areas, onto private land and public highways
- Effecting other land users such as hunters and livestock permitees as well as the economic viability of small western communities
- Tools provided by the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971:
- Sale and humane destruction
- Leaves the BLM without sufficient tools to meet the intent of the Act<sup>2</sup>

# **Increase Public Partnerships**

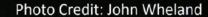
- Develop a broad coalition of interest groups and citizens willing to contribute to the management of wild horses and burros
  - Assist with fertility control application (field darting)
  - Assume the care and maintenance of unadopted animals
  - Place animals in private care or adoptions





## End

Questions/Discussion



### SECRETARY ZINKE SCHEDULE

## Tuesday, September 26, 2017

7:30am – 8:00am	Depart Residence en route to Reserve Officers Association
8:00am – 9:00am	Remarks at National Clean Energy Week Symposium Location: Reserve Officers Assoc, 1 Constitution Ave NE
9:00am – 9:30am	Depart en route to DOI - Drive time 2.1miles/8-22 min
9:30am – 10:00am	Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting
10:00am – 10:20am	Meeting with Madeline Pickens
10:20am – 12:00pm	Wild Horse Roundtable Location: DOI Room 5160
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch
1:00pm — 1:30pm	Drive time to Capitol This event has invited guests.
1:30pm – 1:50pm	Meeting with Speaker Ryan H-232, the Capitol
2:00pm 2:30pm	Drive time Capitol to DOI
3:30pm - 4:00pm	Meeting with National Fish and Wildlife Foundation
4:00pm – 4:30pm	Meeting with John Faraci
5:00pm – 5:15pm	Call with Rick Dearborn & Andrew Bremberg
5:15pm - 5:30pm	Speech Prep (for Heritage 9/29 event)
6:00pm – 6:30pm	Depart DOI for Jefferson Island Club 701 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004
6:30pm – 7:00pm	Remarks at Jefferson Island Club Citizen of the Year Award Location: Siemens Corp - 300 New Jersey Ave, NW
7:15pm – 9:00pm	Hold: (b) (6)



#### United States Department of the Interior

Washington, DC 20585

## **EVENT MEMORANDUM**

To:

Secretary Zinke

From:

Aaron Thiele, Advance, Office of Scheduling and Advance

Type of Event:

National Clean Energy Week Symposium

Secretary's Role:

Conversation style discussion on "Harnessing the

Potential of Clean Energy in the 21st Century"

Location:

Reserve Officers Association,

1 Constitution Ave NE, Washington, DC 20002

**Event Date:** 

Tuesday, September 26, 2017 Time: 8 a.m. to 9 a.m.

Press:

Open (This event will be live streamed on youtube)

#### Secretary's Role

You and Secretary Perry have been invited to participate in a discussion together on "Harnessing the Potential of Clean Energy in the 21<sup>st</sup> Century" moderated by the Honorable Kelly Ayotte (former N.H. Senator), who serves as a senior advisor to Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions.

## **Event Timeline:**

7:50 a.m.

Arrive, proceed to 4th floor hold room with refreshments

8:00 a.m.

Proceed with Secretary Perry to 5th floor via stairs to ballroom

8:05 AM

Welcome Remarks

Heather Reams, Managing Director, Citizens for Responsible Energy Solutions

And Former U.S. Senate Ayotte, CRES Senior Advisor

8:10 AM

Breakfast Discussion: Harnessing the Potential of Clean Energy in the 21st

Century

Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke and Secretary of Energy Rick Perry

#### **Introduced by and Event Host:**



Kelly Ayotte was elected to the Senate in 2010, where she was widely hailed as one of the most bipartisan senators working across party lines to find solutions to our nation's biggest challenges. Prior to serving in the Senate, Ayotte served as New Hampshire's first female attorney general from 2004 to 2009. First appointed to that position by a Republican governor, she was twice reappointed by a Democratic governor.

As both a U.S. Senator and Attorney General, Ayotte amassed a bipartisan, clean energy record of accomplishment that was as long as it was distinguished. In 2016, she introduced an amendment to the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, legislation that calls for the United States to be a world leader in reducing greenhouse gas emissions that contribute to climate change. Additionally, Ayotte joined with Republican colleagues to form the Energy and Environmental Working Group to enact common-sense energy reforms that strengthen the economy, achieve cleaner energy production, and ensure a clean air legacy. She also became the first Republican to support the Clean Power Plan, which aimed to address climate change through clean energy solutions, and has been a leader in the successful fight to reauthorize the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) through 2018.

#### Room Set Up:

You will be seated on stage along with Secretary Perry and Sen. Ayote. (Sen. Ayote will use the podium to deliver the opening remarks but will then take a seat for the moderated discussion.) You will stay seated for the entire discussion and will be provided with a wireless lavaliere microphone. The audience will be seated in table rounds.

#### Audience:

There will be approximately 175 people at the event comprised of Hill staff, industry, academia, and press.

### **About National Clean Energy Week:**

NCEW brings together industry associations, businesses, non-profits, and advocates in the clean energy space for activities in Washington, D.C. and across America to showcase how they are helping to make the industry stronger, and influence the discussion around common sense clean energy solutions that directly address America's need for abundant, reliable forms of energy. Thirteen clean energy organizations comprise the NCEW Steering Committee, and

## **Energy Remarks**

Secretary Perry

Interior energy portfolio is vast, includes hydropower and other renewables

All-of-the-above strategy
-Pres Trump: path to
energy dominance

Government shouldn't pick winners and losers

Hydropower: Bureau of

Reclamation

-BOR: 2<sup>nd</sup> largest hydropower producer in U.S. (53 plants)

-Hydropower is a cost-effective and stable-priced source of energy

-Addressed invasive mussel problem

## United States Department of the Interior



Washington, D.C. 20240

#### INFORMATIONAL MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE: Tuesday, September 26

TIME: 10:20 a.m. to Noon

FROM:

Mike Nedd, Acting Director for BLM

**SUBJECT:** 

Briefing Paper for Wild Horse and Burro Roundtable Discussion

**DOI Staff Participating:** 

Casey Hammond, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land & Minerals

Mike Nedd, Acting Director for BLM

John Ruhs, Acting Deputy Director for Operations Cally Younger, Counselor to the BLM Director

Aurelia Skipwith, Deputy Assistant Sec, Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Tim Williams, Deputy Director of Internal Affairs

Downey Magallanes, Acting Deputy Chief of Staff, Senior Advisor

and Counselor to the Secretary

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary of the Interior is holding a Wild Horse and Burro (WHB) Roundtable on September 26, 2017 to facilitate discussion amongst concerned stakeholders about the future of the WHB program.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

- Madeleine Pickens, Developer and stockholder of the Del Mar Country Club in Rancho Santa Fe, California, owner of the Mustang Monument: Wild Horse Eco-Resort near Wells, Nevada and founder of Saving America's Mustangs (SAM).
- Dominque Pickens
- Blair Brandt, Real estate entrepreneur based in NYC, start-up co-founder and listed in Forbes 30 under 30 at just age 23. Next Step Realty provides urban apartment-finding service to new graduates.
- Nancy Perry, Senior Vice President of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA, Washington, D.C.)
  - Background: Has served as senior vice president of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals since May 4, 2011. She has helped to defund government-supported horse slaughter.
- Richard Patch, Vice President of Federal Affairs for the ASPCA
- Katie Kraska, Manager of Federal Legislation for ASPCA
- Deborah Press, Director of Regulatory Affairs for the ASPCA
- Wayne Pacelle, CEO of the Humane Society
- Jillian Lyons, Director of the Horse Program, Humane Society
- Tracie Letterman, Federal and Regulatory Affairs (Humane Society)\_An expert in animal law and issues in the Animal Welfare Act (AWA). Specializes in the protection of

grazing. Since the 1971 Act was passed, livestock grazing on BLM lands has already declined by 32 percent.

- 2. Nearly all wild horse and burro herd management areas are chronically overpopulated. Application of fertility-control as a solution alone will not reduce current population levels, which are already affecting rangeland health, animal welfare and wildlife habitat. Removals will need to be part of any management solution.
- 3. Increasing appropriate management levels will only make this challenge greater in the future. A larger breeding population will mean more animals are added to the range each year than can be placed into private care or managed through fertility-control operations.
- 4. The BLM does not have a highly effective, affordable and easily delivered fertility-control tool. PZP and Gonacon vaccines are currently the best tools and are effective for about one year unless animals can be revaccinated. With the exception of a few areas where animals can be successfully field darted to apply contraceptive vaccines, helicopter gathers would need to be initiated to revaccinate annually to maintain infertility. The average cost estimate to apply contraceptive vaccine to one mare by helicopter gathering in a catch, treat and release operation is about \$2,750. Today, about 30,000 mares would need to be vaccinated annually to stabilize population growth.

Moving forward, the BLM needs a diverse set of management tools in order to put the Wild Horse and Burro Program back on a sustainable track. An alternative means of disposition must be considered for the large number of unadopted and unsold animals cared for in BLM facilities at taxpayer expense. A longer-lasting fertility control vaccine, currently the goal of multiple ongoing research projects, may reduce the need for future removals. Other tools, such as spay and neuter, will need to play a role as well.

#### V. TALKING POINTS/REMARK

- The appropriate management level on-range for wild horses and burros is 26,715 animals across 10 Western states. As of March 1, 2017, public rangelands were home to nearly 73,000 wild horses and burros, which is almost three times the target level.
- Though overpopulated herds are already having an impact on the range, the BLM has not been able to remove enough wild horses and burros from overpopulated herds to control herd size. Wild horse herds can double in size in just 4-5 years if not managed.
- BLM is pursuing the development of improved, longer-lasting fertility control vaccines through a new research initiative launched in 2015 focused on investing nearly \$11 million in up to 21 projects to improve management tools for wild horses and burros.
- With the support of Congress, the President's budget would give us back crucial tools in the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act. Doing so would let us return to a commonsense approach to begin addressing the unsustainable number of animals held off-range.
- By enabling the BLM to use all tools provided for in the Act, we can better protect our nation's wild horses and burros living on the range, as well as the habitat on which they, and many other species, depend.



#### United States Department of the Interior

Washington, D.C. 20240

#### MEETING MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY

DATE:

9/26/17

**TIME:** 1:30 PM

FROM:

Micah Chambers, Dep. Director, OCL, 208-5348

SUBJECT: Prebrief for Meeting with Speaker Ryan

#### **DOI Staff Participating:**

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To inform the Secretary on the contents of the meeting with Speaker Ryan.

#### II. **PARTICIPANTS**

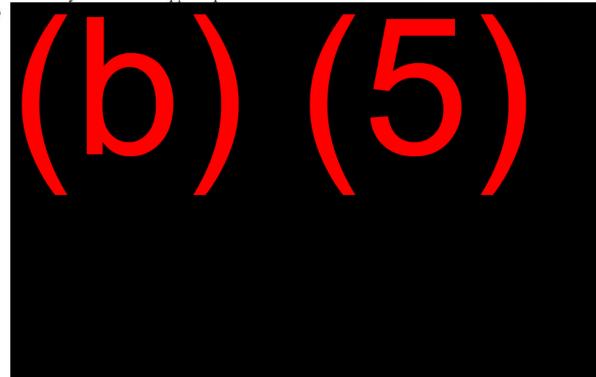
Speaker Ryan (Speaker of the House), Kiel Weaver (Energy Adviser), Secretary Zinke, Scott Hommel (DOI COS) & Micah Chambers (Dep. Dir., OCL)

#### BACKGROUND III.

Secretary Zinke requested a meeting with Speaker Ryan to discuss the DOI/NPS/FWS Maintenance backlog proposal. The Secretary has 20 minutes with the Speaker and the Speaker's office has indicated they would like to talk about a range of issues.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

• Sportsman Access: The Speaker is an avid hunter and would like to hear of the Secretary's efforts to support sportsman and outdoor recreation.



MEETING DATE: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 MEETING TIME: 3:30p.m.

**FROM:** Greg Sheehan, Principal Deputy Director, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, (202)

208-4545

**THROUGH:** Acting Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF)

DOI Staff Participating: Todd Willens, Scott Hommel

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To prepare the Secretary for an upcoming meeting with the leadership of the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF). The Secretary had some discussions with Jeff Trandahl, CEO, NFWF, during a recent event in Missouri for the opening of the Wonders of Wildlife Museum, and this discussion is a follow-up.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

The following individuals will be participating in the meeting, in addition to noted DOI staff:

- John Faraci, NFWF Board chair
- Jeff Trandahl, CEO, NFWF

#### III. BACKGROUND

NFWF was established by Congress in 1984 as an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization governed by a Board of Directors approved by the Secretary of the Interior. NFWF works with both the public and private sectors to protect and restore our nation's fish, wildlife, plants and habitats. NFWF supports conservation efforts in all 50 states and U.S. territorics. Their projects – more than 15,000 since its founding – are rigorously evaluated and awarded to some of the nation's largest environmental organizations, as well as some of the smallest. NFWF neither advocates nor litigates. Instead, NFWF focuses on bringing all parties to the table, getting results, and building a better future for our world. Since its founding, financial commitments to its conservation mission now top \$3.5 billion.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

NFWF is governed by a 25-member Board of Directors approved by the Secretary of the Interior, after consulting with the Secretary of Commerce and considering the recommendations submitted by the Board. Board members serve 6 year terms. To the maximum extent practicable, the membership of the Board represents diverse points of view relating to conservation and management of fish, wildlife, plants, and other natural resources.

## U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service



#### **BRIEFING PAPER**

TITLE:

National Fish and Wildlife Foundation (NFWF) Board Members

#### **CURRENT MEMBERS**

John V. Faraci, Jr. (Chairman)

Connecticut

Wyoming

Paul Tudor Jones II (Vice-Chair)

Florida

Charles D. McCrary (Vice-Chair)

Alabama

Don J. McGrath (Vice-Chair)

California

Michael L. Campbell

New York

Max C. Chapman, Jr.

Texas and Wyoming

J. Michael Cline

Connecticut

John Dane III

Mississippi

Blas Fonalledas

Puerto Rico

JJ Healy

California and Wyoming

Christopher M. James

California

Sydney McNiff Johnson

Idaho and Washington, DC

Eaddo H. Kiernan



#### United States Department of the Interior

Washington, DC 20585

### **EVENT MEMORANDUM**

To: Secretary Zinke

From: Aaron Thiele, Advance, Office of Scheduling and Advance

Type of Event: Jefferson Island Club Citizen of the Year Award

S-1's Role: Receive award and give acceptance remarks

Location: Seimens Corporation, 300 New Jersey Avenue, NW;

Washington DC

Event Date: Tuesday, September 26, 2017 Time: 6:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Press:** Closed press, assume any remarks are on record.

#### S-1's Role

You have been chosen as the 2017 Citizen of the Year. Jefferson Islands Club presents its Citizen of the Year award to legislatures who have distinguished themselves for their outstanding leadership, dedication to public service and contribution in the spirit of America's founding fathers. Previous winners have been Kevin Brady, Cory Gardner, Martin Heinrich, Paul Ryan, Lisa Murkowski, and Steny Hoyer.

The Jefferson Island Club's mission is to support bipartisanship solutions for a better America and to promote conservation of the Potomac River and Chesapeake Bay.

In depth agenda attached.

#### **Event Timeline:**

6:30 p.m. Secretary Zinke arrives

6:35 p.m. JIC President Bill Baugh Welcoming Remarks

6:45 p.m. Secretary Zinke's Remarsk

6:55 p.m. JIC President Bill Baugh provides closing remarks

7:00 p.m. Secretary Zinke departs

#### Room Set Up:

Rooftop Penthouse with a podium and Capitol as a backdrop. Dispersed high top tables across the rooftop.

#### Audience:

General Congressional Reception, guest list is invite only and the following 14 members are confirmed on the RSVP list: Rep. Aumua Amata (American Samoa); Rep. Brian Babin (TX-36); Rep. Debbie Dingell (MI-12); Rep. Tom Emmer (MN-06); Rep. Ron Estes (KS-04); Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18); Rep. Doug Lamborn (CO-05); Rep. Carolyn Maloney (NY-12); Rep. David B. McKinley, P.E. (WV-01); Rep. Steven Palazzo (MS-04); Rep. Stacey Plaskett (VI) Rep. Chris Stewart (UT-02); Rep. Don Young (AK-01); Senator James Inhofe (OK-Sr.)

DOI Staff Attending: Rusty Roddy

Event Contact: Cheryl Luczko, Administrator, Jefferson Island Club

Cheryl@jeffersonislandclub.com; 703-464-7072

#### September 26, 2017 Citizen of the Year Award Reception Honoring Interior Secretary Ryan Zinke at The Roof Top Terrace at Siemens Corporation Program Schedule

6:00pm Reception Begins 6:30pm Secretary Zinke arrives 6:35-6:40pm JIC President Welcome

6:40-6:45pm COY Award

6:45-6:50pm Secretary Zinke's Remarks 7:00pm Secretary Zinke departs

- 1. Welcome provided by JIC President Bill Baugh
  - a. Welcomes everyone to COY. Recognize Members of Congress.
  - b. Recognizes the Citizen of the Year Reception Event Sponsors
    - i. COY **Platinum Sponsors** are:
      - 1. BP America (Joe Ellis)
    - ii. COY GOLD Sponsors are:
      - 1. American Petroleum Institute (Jack Gerard)
      - 2. Chevron (Maria Pica Karp)
      - 3. ConocoPhillips (Andrew D. Lundquist)
      - 4. ExxonMobil Corporation (Gantt Walton)
      - Global Energy Institute (Hon. Karen Harbert)
      - 6. National Ocean Industries Association (Randall Luthi)
      - 7. National Shooting Sports Foundation (Lawrence Keane)
      - 8. Norfolk Southern Corporation (Darrel Wilson)
      - 9. Veteran Corps of America (John Wheeler)
    - iii. COY Silver Sponsors are:
      - 1. BNSF Railway
      - 2. Forbes Tate Partners

- 3. National Marine Manufacturers Association
- 4. Shell Oil Company
- 5. Siemens Corporation
- 6. Yamaha Marine Group
- c. Acknowledge Annual Corporate Sponsors
  - i. 2 Jefferson –BP America (Joe Ellis) and National Shooting Sports Foundation (Larry Keane)
  - ii. 2 Truman Sponsors—National Sand, Stone and Gravel Association (Michael Johnson) and Thornhill Energy, Inc. (Tom Thornhill)
  - iii. 1 Social Sponsors Siemens Corporation (Liz Reicherts)
- 2. COY Award Presentation JIC President discusses the award and past honorees in attendance (Karen Harbert will introduce Secretary Zinke). Secretary Zinke will be presented with the award.
- 3. Allow Remarks from Honoree
- 4. JIC President, Bill Baugh provides closing remarks

RSVPs of Past COY Awardees expected to attend:

- Senator James Inhofe 2003
- Rep. Don Young 1995

RSVPs from MCs expected to Attend (actual attendance will be confirmed at the event):

Prefix	First_Name	Last_Name	Purview
Rep.	Aumua	Amata	American Samoa
Rep.	Debbie	Dingell	(MI-12)
Rep.	Tom	Emmer	(MN-06)
Rep.	Ron	Estes	(KS-04)
Rep.	Sheila	Jackson Lee	(TX-18)
Rep.	Doug	Lamborn	(CO-05)

Rep.	Carolyn	Maloney	(NY-12)
Rep.	David B.	McKinley, P.E.	(WV-01)
Rep.	Steven	Palazzo	(MS-04)
Rep.	Stacey	Plaskett	(VI)
Rep.	Chris	Stewart	(UT-02)
Rep.	Don	Young	(AK-01)
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r	James	Inhofe	(OK-Sr.)

#### **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.25

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To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Schedule: 9.25

September 25

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 PreBrief for WSJ Interview

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Interview: WSJ Ed Board | Kim Strassel

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11:00-11:45 Meeting with Federated States of Micronesia President Peter Christian

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5:30-6:00 Remarks: National Sand, Stone and Gravel Association Legislative and Policy

**Forum** 

Location: Hyatt Regency on Capitol Hill

#### 6:00-6:30 Depart en route Biergarten Haus

#### 6:30 Dinner with Jay Johnson

Location: Biergarten Haus

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From: ryanzinke <(b) (6)

**Sent:** Sat Sep 23 2017 03:58:14 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

Subject: RE: Schedule: 9.25

On Sunday I have Mr ed Hagerty at the office, lincoln monument tour, and then dinner. Z

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

----- Original message -----

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline boulton@ios.doi.gov>

Date: 09/22/2017 5:08 PM (GMT-06:00)

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Schedule: 9.20-9.23

**Attachments:** 

147. Schedule: 9.20-9.23/1.1 Trip 9.20-9.23 MO TX.pdf

#### "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Tue Sep 19 2017 15:48:42 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 9.20-9.23

Attachments: Trip 9.20-9.23 MO TX.pdf

6:10 pickup for a 7:52 flight.

Remember to bring: park passport, your diving items if you want to bring yours, and anything for shooting with the NRA on Friday.

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## ryanzinke <(b) (6)

From: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Sent:** Wed Sep 20 2017 04:51:30 GMT-0600 (MDT)

**To:** "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Subject:** RE: Schedule: 9.20-9.23

Why am I not on delta put of dca and instead American out of dwi. Also pls send me flight info for charleston so lola has the same flight. Z

Sent from my Verizon Wireless 4G LTE smartphone

----- Original message ------

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline boulton@ios.doi.gov>

Date: 09/19/2017 5:48 PM (GMT-05:00)

To: ios.doi.gov Cc: ryanzinke <(b) (6) Subject: Schedule: 9.20-9.23

6:10 pickup for a 7:52 flight.

Remember to bring: park passport, your diving items if you want to bring yours, and anything for shooting with the NRA on Friday.

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

## Missouri & Texas September 20 - September 23, 2017

**Draft: 9/19/2017** 



## TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

#### Missouri & Texas

September 20 - September 23, 2017

Weather:

Springfield, MO Wednesday: High 91°, Low 70°; Mostly Sunny; 20% Chance of

Precipitation

Thursday: High 90°, Low 68°; Partly Cloudy; 10% Chance of

Precipitation

Dallas, TX Thursday: High 93°, Low 74°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of

Precipitation

Friday: High 93°, Low 73°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of

Precipitation

Austin, TX Saturday: High 91°, Low 71°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of

Precipitation

Time Zone:

Missouri/Texas Central Daylight Time

Advance (Missouri):

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

Advance (Dallas):

Security Advance (b) (6), (b) (7)(0)
Advance Luke Bullock

Advance (Austin):

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

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge

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

Deputy Director, Fish and Wildlife Service Greg Sheehan

Deputy Communications Director
Press Secretary
Photographer

Russell Newell (Missouri)
Heather Swift (Dallas)
Tami Heilemann

Attire:

Wednesday: Wetsuit (Dive) / Blazer & Tie (Evening Events)

Thursday: Business Casual (Conservation Briefing) / Park Casual (Battlefield tour)

Friday: Business Casual / Business Attire

Saturday: Park Casual







#### Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Washington, DC → Springfield, MO

6:10-6:55am EDT: Depart Residence en route Baltimore-Washington International Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

Drive time: ~45 minutes

7:52am EDT-

9:15am CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (BWI) en route Chicago, IL (ORD)

Flight: American Airlines 1521 Flight time: 2 hours, 23 minutes

RZ Seat: 16B

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-1 hour)

9:15-10:05am CDT: Layover in Chicago, IL // 50 minute layover

10:05am CDT-

11:38am CDT: Wheels up Chicago, IL (ORD) en route Springfield, MO (SGF)

Flight: American Airlines 3731 Flight time: 1 hour, 33 minutes

RZ Seat: 7C

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

Staff: Russell Newell, Tami Heilemann

11:38-12:00pm CDT: Wheels down Springfield-Branson National Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2300 North Airport Boulevard

Springfield, MO 65802

12:00-12:20pm CDT: Depart Airport en route Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum &

Aquarium

Location: Morris Conservation Center

Main Entrance

600 West Sunshine Street Springfield, MO 65807

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead State Vehicle: State Officer

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

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Russell Newell Tami Heilemann

Drive time: ~15 minutes

Note: Rusty Roddy will be on site upon RKZ arrival to site

12:20-12:45pm CDT: Arrive Bass Pro Shop and Proceed to Cave and Prairie Classrooms for Lunch

Note: Box lunches provided by Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum

& Aquarium

12:45-1:00pm CDT: Prepare for Dive into Out to Sea Aquarium

Location: Dive Locker Room (top of Out to Sea Aquarium)

Note: Change into Wetsuit

1:00-1:15pm CDT: Briefing & Photo Opportunity at Out to Sea Deck

Participants: RZ

Governor Greitens

Note: Press will be staged at 1:00pm

1:15-1:45pm CDT: Dive into Aquarium with Governor Greitens / Q&A with Students

Participants: RZ

Governor Greitens

Sth grade students from WOLF School
Press: Open -- Outdoor Writers will be filming
Note: Will have mics to communicate with students

Note: Sand Tiger Sharks, Brown Sharks, Goliath Grouper, and numerous fish

species will be in the exhibit

1:45-2:15pm CDT: Shower/Change in Locker Room

2:15-2:35pm CDT: Depart Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum en route RON

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton

2431 North Glenstone Avenue

Springfield, MO 65803

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russell Newell Tami Heilemann Greg Sheehan

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

2:30-4:45pm CDT: Downtime/Run

4:45-5:05pm CDT: Depart RON en route Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton

2431 North Glenstone Avenue Springfield, MO 65803

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russell Newell Tami Heilemann Greg Sheehan

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

5:05-6:00 pm CDT: Hold in Green Room / Review Remarks

Location:

Participants: Russell Newell

Rusty Roddy Greg Sheehan 6:00-7:25pm CDT: Greet former Presidents / Tour of Museum / Cocktails & Hors d'oeuvres

7:25-10:30pm CDT: Program & Concert for Conservation

Note: Remarks during program

8:43pm VOG introduces RZ

8:44pm RZ Remarks, introduces the Conservation Success Videos (2

minute remarks)

10:30-10:45pm CDT: Depart en route RON

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton

2431 North Glenstone Avenue

Springfield, MO 65803

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russell Newell Tami Heilemann Greg Sheehan

Drive Time: ∼15 minutes

10:15pm CDT: RON

Thursday, September 21, 2017

Springfield,  $MO \rightarrow Dallas$ , TX

8:40-9:00am CDT: Depart RON en route Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum

Location: 500 West Sunshine Street

Springfield, MO 65807

Vehicle Manifest:

State Lead Vehicle: State Officer

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russell Newell Tami Heilemann

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

Note: Staff vehicle will depart for event prior to RKZ departure from hotel

9:00-10:00am CDT: Remarks at Conservation Briefing

10:30-10:55am CDT: Depart en route Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Location: 6424 West Farm Road 182

Republic, MO 65738

Vehicle Manifest:

State Lead Vehicle: State Officer

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russ Newell

Tami Heilemann

Drive Time: ∼25 minutes

10:55-11:00am CDT: Arrive Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Location: Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Visitor Center Parking Lot

Greeted By: Ted Hillmer, Superintendent, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Congressman Billy Long (MO-7)

11:00-11:05am CDT: Photo Opportunity with Lyon Elementary School Students

Location: Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Visitor Center Welcome Sign

Participants: RKZ

Ted Hillmer, Superintendent, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Congressman Billy Long (MO-7)

Chance Wistrom, Superintendent, Republic School District

Teacher from Lyon Elementary School 26 students from Lyon Elementary School

Note: Participants will be in place prior to RKZ arrival. Photo will showcase

The students' drawings for the 2018 Wilson's Creek National

Battlefield calendar

11:05-11:30am CDT: Meet & Greet with NPS Employees / Volunteers / Foundation Board of Directors

Location: Wilson Creek National Battlefield

Visitor Center Multi-Purpose Room

Participants: RKZ

Ted Hillmer, Superintendent, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Congressman Billy Long (MO-7) 35 National Park Service Employees

5 NPS Volunteers

8 - 10 Foundation Board of Directors

Note: Light refreshments will be provided by the Wilson Creek National

Battlefield Foundation

11:30-11:35am CDT: Depart Visitor Center en route Edgar Cemetery

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

11:35-11:40am CDT: Arrive Edgar Cemetery & Prepare for Horseback Riding Tour

11:40-11:50am CDT: Depart Edgar Cemetery via Horseback en route Split Rail Restoration Project

Location: Wilson Creek National Battlefield

Horseback Riding Trail

Horseback Participants: RKZ

Ted Hillmer, Superintendent, Wilson's Creek

National Battlefield (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Christine Stokely, Wrangler

Vehicle Manifest:

NPS Lead Vehicle: Jordan Foster, NPS Ranger

Rusty Roddy Russ Newell Tami Heilemann

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

NPS Staff Vehicle: Mike Debacker, Manager, NPS Science Section

Rep. Billy Long

TBD Rep. Billy Long staffer

Travel Time: ~10 minutes

Note: Horses provided by NPS volunteer

Note: Vehicles will follow horseback riding group

Note: Rep. Billy Long will travel via car

11:50-12:00pm CDT: Participate in Split Rail Restoration Project with Youth Conservation Corp

Participants: RKZ

Rep. Billy Long 6 students Crew Leader

Note: Project consists of participating in Battlefield rail restoration by placing

pre-cut logs on existing fence

Note: Group photo with RKZ & students at completion of participation

12:00-12:15pm CDT: Depart Split Rail Project via Horseback en route Tour Road Stop 5

Horseback Participants: RKZ

Ted Hillmer, Superintendent, Wilson's Creek

National Battlefield (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Christine Stokely, Wrangler

Vehicle Manifest:

NPS Lead Vehicle: Jordan Foster, NPS Ranger

Rusty Roddy Russ Newell Tami Heilemann State Officer

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

NPS Staff Vehicle: Mike Debacker, Manager, NPS Science Section

Rep. Billy Long

TBD Rep. Billy Long staffer

Travel Time: ~15 minutes

State Vehicle:

12:15-12:50pm CDT: Depart Tour Road Stop 5 & Begin Discussion on Partnerships with Local Farmers

& Civil War Trust // Fire Cannon

Greeted by: John Sutton, NPS Chief Ranger

Gary Sullivan, NPS Chief of Natural Resources & Facility

Management 7 Artillery Volunteers

Format: Discussion on partnerships with local farmers led by Gary Sullivan,

NPS Chief of Natural Resources & Facility Management

Discussion on partnerships with Civil War Trust led by Ted Hillmer,

Superintendent, Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Note: Jacket & Hat provided for RKZ

Note: Group photo with RKZ & Artillery Volunteers at completion of cannon firing

Note: Horses will be placed in trailers during discussions

12:50-12:55pm CDT: Depart Tour Road Stop 5 en route Wilson Creek National Battlefield Visitor Center

Location: Visitor Center Parking Lot

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

12:55-1:00pm CDT: Transfer Box Lunches to Vehicles

1:00-1:20pm CDT: Depart Wilson's Creek Battlefield en route Airport

Location: 2300 North Airport Boulevard

Springfield, MO 65802

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Russell Newell Tami Heilemann

Drive Time: ∼20 minutes

2:17pm CDT-

3:47pm CDT: Wheels up Springfield, MO (SGF) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American Airlines 3439 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RZ Seat: 20D

AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Staff: Tami Heilemann

3:47-4:05pm CDT: Wheels down Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

4:05-4:20pm CDT: Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

4:20-5:00pm CDT: Downtime at RON

Personal Dinner (by SMU)

Friday, September 22, 2017

Dallas, TX

9:45-10:30am CDT: HOLD: NRA Women's Leadership Forum Executive Committee Meeting (45 min)

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas Attendees: 25 Executive Comm. Members TBD

Remarks: Q&A (Informal)

Press: Closed

Contact: Dee Dee Lancaster (b) (6)

10:30-12:00pm CDT: OPEN

12:00-1:00pm CDT: HOLD: TBD Luncheon

Location: 10 community leaders

Attendees: TBD
Remarks: Informal
Press: Closed

1:00-1:30pm CDT: Depart TBD en route to Sporting Clay Shoot

Drive Time: ∼35 minutes

1:30-4:30pm CDT: HOLD: Women's Leadership Forum Members Sporting Clay Shoot

Location: Sportsman's Shooting Center (Aim Point)

1960 Enchanted Way Grapevine, TX 76051

Attendees: TBD

Press: Closed (TBD)

6:00-7:00pm CDT: NRA Women's Leadership Forum Reception & Photo Opportunity

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Press: Closed

7:00-9:00pm CDT: NRA Women's Leadership Forum Dinner

Location: Pavilion Room

Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

Attendees: 150-200 people

Press: Closed

Set Up: Seated on the dais at head table; no podium

Format: Introduction by Susan LaPierre

RZ delivers keynote remarks (35 minutes for remarks, Q&A)

Saturday, September 23, 2017

Dallas,  $TX \rightarrow Austin, TX \rightarrow Washington, DC$ 

5:35-5:50am CDT: Depart RON en route Airport

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Scott Hommel

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock

Drive Time:

6:50am CDT-

7:47am CDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route Austin, TX (AUS)

Flight: American Airlines 1004

Flight time: 57 minutes

RZ Seat:

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

Staff: Heather Swift, Tami Heilemann

7:47-8:00am CDT: Wheels down Austin-Bergstrom International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 3600 Presidential Boulevard

Austin, TX 78719

8:00-8:30am CDT: Depart Airport en route FEMA JFO

Location: 11000 North 1-35 Frontage Road

Austin, TX 78753

Vehicle Manifest

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift Tami Heilemann

Drive Time: ~25 minutes

8:30-9:15am CDT: Arrive FEMA JFO // Briefing by FEMA Leadership on Joint Recovery Work

Location: 11000 North 1-35 Frontage Road

Austin, TX 78753

Participants: Rick Dawson, DOI Office of Restoration and Damage Assessment

Tim Raines, Acting Director of USGS Texas Water Science Center Terry Schertz, Deputy Director for Hydrolic Data at USGS Texas

Water

Science Center

Note: USGS & FWS Employees will join the briefing to share DOI-specific

updates

9:15-10:00am CDT: Tour of FEMA JFO

Location: 11000 North 1-35 Frontage Road

Austin, TX 78753

10:00-10:10am CDT: Depart FEMA JFO en route USGS Office

Location: 1505 Ferguson Lane

Austin, TX 75754

10:15-11:15am CDT: Field Demonstration of USGS Hurricane Monitoring Work

11:15-12:00pm CDT: Lunch en route to Airport

Location: 3600 Presidential Boulevard

Austin, TX 78719

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift Tami Heilemann

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

Drive Time: ~25 minutes

1:00pm CDT-

1:55pm CDT: Wheels up Austin, TX (AUS) en route Houston, TX (HOU)

Flight: Southwest Airlines 2246

Flight time: 55 minutes

RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Staff: Heather Swift, Tami Heilemann

1:55-3:00pm CDT: Layover in Houston, TX // 1 hour, 5 minute layover

3:00pm CDT-

7:10pm EDT: Wheels up Houston, TX (HOU) en route Washington, DC (BWI)

Flight: Southwest Airlines 2371

Flight time: RZ Seat: 3 hours, 10 minutes Assigned at airport (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Heather Swift, Tami Heilemann AiC:

Staff:

7:10-8:00pm EDT: **Depart Airport en route Residence** 

#### **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.19

**Attachments:** 

148. Schedule: 9.19/1.1 0919 EDB Daily Briefing Summary .pdf

/48. Schedule: 9.19/1.2 Trip 9.20-9.23 MO Dallas (1).pdf

#### "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Mon Sep 18 2017 17:42:16 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Schedule: 9.19

Attachments: 0919 EDB Daily Briefing Summary .pdf Trip 9.20-9.23 MO Dallas

(1).pdf

Draft trip schedule is attached. Note: Rusty has not made edits yet to MO and we do not have the final itinerary for Austin.

#### September 19

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

10:45-11:00 Prebrief on Meeting with Carl Higbie

Location: Office

11:00-11:30 Meeting with Carl Higbie | Corporation for National and Community Service

Location: Office

11:30-12:00 OPEN

12:00-12:30 Meeting

Location: Office

12:30-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 PreBrief on Micronesia President Christian

Location: Office

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

2:00-2:45 Meeting with National Parks of New York Conservancy

Location: Office

2:45-3:00 OPEN

#### 3:00-3:30 PreBrief for Wild Horse Roundtable

Location: Office

### 3:30-4:00 Prep for Upcoming Speaking Engagements

Location: Office

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have three meetings/briefings:

11:00 - 11:30 am Meeting with Carl Higbie, Chief of External Affairs, CNCS and

Gina Cross, Acting Director, CNCS / AmeriCorps

01:00 - 01:30 pm Pre-brief with Micronesia President Christian

02:00 - 02:45 pm Meeting with National Parks of the New York Conservancy

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TIME: 11:00 - 11:30 am

SUBJECT: Meeting with Carl Higbie, Chief of External Affairs, CNCS and

Gina Cross, Acting Director, CNCS / AmeriCorps

**FROM:** Mike Nedd, Acting BLM Director

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide background information for Secretary Zinke's meeting with Carl Higbie and Gina Cross on September 19 regarding the Department of Interior's relationship with AmeriCorps and Conservation Corps.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

- Carl Higbie, External Affairs, Corporation for National and Community Service ("CNCS")
- Gina Cross, AmeriCorps

#### III. BACKGROUND

Volunteers in Service to America (VISTAs) was created in 1965 as part of the "War on Poverty." In 1993, it merged with the newly created CNCS and became part of AmeriCorps. The AmeriCorps VISTA mission is to strengthen organizations that alleviate poverty through volunteering and the mobilization of resources.

VISTAs at BLM develop sustainable programs that create economic opportunities through employment training, internships, and community resource development. Additionally, VISTAs initiate programs that teach rural and urban communities healthy habits such as food sovereignty initiatives, nutritional education, and the development of community gardens. VISTA projects specifically address the sustainability of healthy living, economic opportunity, cultural preservation, and environmental stewardship in underserved communities nationwide. During fiscal year 2015 six DOI/VISTAs have been placed in partnership with BLM. BLM/ORRP is also participating at the AmeriCorps Vista Federal Career Fair to be held on Thursday, October 26, 2017 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm.

#### IV. DISCUSSION

Carl and Gina would like to discuss how the Department of the Interior can better use CNCS and AmeriCorps. They may also ask for the Secretary to give a statement sometime in the future thanking them for their work in National Parks.

#### V. TALKING POINTS/REMARK

Thanks for your volunteers' great work.

#### VII. ATTACHMENTS

**NOTE - Attachment in Briefing Book** 

Flyers

TIME: 01:00 - 01:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Pre-brief with Micronesia President Christian

**FROM:** Doug Domenech, Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To inform the Secretary on the various issues President Christian would like to raise with him in his courtesy visit with the Secretary on Monday, September 25, at 11 a.m.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

Interior Assistant Secretary for Insular Areas Doug Domenech Director of the Office of Insular Affairs Nik Pula FSM Desk Officer Tanya Joshua

#### III. BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION

Need 30 minutes of the Secretary's time to go over the issues that the President might raise.

#### **Amended Compact (Compact II)**

Implementation of Infrastructure Grants
Expiration of the Sector Grant financial assistance in 2023
Compact Trust Fund
US Federal Programs
Security and Defense Relations Under the Compact

#### Veterans Benefits for FSM veterans of the U.S. Armed Services

#### FSM Citizens' Healthcare Eligibility

#### Real ID Act of 2005

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

The Secretary will receive the FSM President on Monday, September 25 at 11 a.m.

TIME: 02:00 - 02:45 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with National Parks of the New York Conservancy

**FROM:** Joshua Laird, Commissioner, National Parks of New York Harbor, 212-668-5180,

Joshua laird@nps.gov

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide background information for the Secretary in advance of his meeting with key representatives of the National Parks of New York Harbor Conservancy (the Conservancy). This memo is highlights the history of the Conservancy, its relationship to national parks sites around New York Harbor and suggests ways in which the Department can assist its most important initiatives, including a fundraising campaign for the restoration of Federal Hall National Memorial and the expansion of urban camp grounds at Gateway National Recreation Area. The Conservancy's request for this meeting was suggested by Steve Smith of the Department.

The Conservancy will seek the Secretary's support and is likely to ask about ways in which the Department can highlight its efforts and help enhance the identity of New York City's national park sites as premier NPS assets and gateways to the entire system. Mr. Smith indicated to Ms. Marks that there are ways the Department could assist the Conservancy with identifying grant opportunities to compliment the Conservancy's fundraising initiative.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

- Secretary Zinke
- Aurelia Skipwith, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
- Marshall Critchfield, Advisor, Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks
- Marie Salerno, President, National Parks of New York Harbor Conservancy
- Tonio Burgos, Board Director, National Parks of New York Harbor Conservancy
- Brandi Marks, Partnership Consultant, National Parks of New York Harbor Conservancy

#### III. BACKGROUND

The National Parks of New York Harbor Conservancy is a 501 [c] 3 non-profit organization with headquarters at Federal Hall. The Conservancy provides funding and programmatic support for national park sites in and around New York Harbor under six contracts with the National Park Service, including an overarching Friends Agreement for the National Parks of New York Harbor and a Fundraising Agreement for Federal Hall specifically, authorizing an \$18 million campaign to help restore the structure and re-conceive how the site is interpreted for the public.

Founded in 2005 by Marian Sulzberger Heiskell, David Rockefeller Jr. and Marie Salerno, the Conservancy has successfully raised more than \$15 million to support programs, projects and activities across the 11 national park units comprising the National Parks of New York Harbor, including Federal Hall and Gateway National Recreation Area. The Conservancy's mission is to support natural and cultural resource protection, improve access to NPS sites, enhance the visitor experience and expand park funding through philanthropy and earned revenue.

The National Parks of New York Harbor (NPNH) coordinates the administration of eleven NPS sites that include 23 unique destinations located in the New York metropolitan area. NPNH was formed in 2003 and administers properties ranging from the Statue of Liberty National Monument to Gateway National Recreation Area, Governors Island National Monument and

historic sites in Manhattan and Mount Vernon Collectively, these properties make nearly 27,000 acres and attract more than 16 million visitors each year.

#### I. DISCUSSION

#### Federal Hall National Memorial

The Conservancy is working with NPNH to restore and activate Federal Hall through its *New Day Federal Hall* fundraising initiative as a premier cultural destination. Federal Hall is the site where George Washington was inaugurated as America's First President and where the First Federal Congress invented American government and enacted the Bill of Rights. The Conservancy has funded and completed a program vision plan for this \$18 million initiative which kicks off in October 2017. To-date they have raised close to \$6 million for programs, projects and activities at Federal Hall. Federal Hall currently receives over 300,000 visitors annually, with many more simply enjoying the views of Lower Manhattan from its sweeping front steps.

The Conservancy and NPS envision activating Federal Hall as a unique cultural destination for exploration and learning about American government and democracy. The vision is focuses on restoring the landmark Greek revival building which has a \$7.5 million backlog of deferred maintenance projects, creating innovative exhibits, new technology experiences and public programs. The current Federal Hall experience needs to be reinvigorated and the potential and need to create a robust visitor destination at Federal Hall is tremendous. Over 300,000 people visit the site annually, a number comparable to the very competitive New York City history museums. However, this is significantly lower than the site could receive if new investments were made in restoration, public programs and exhibits. With success of the Conservancy's private campaign and investments from NPS in deferred maintenance, we project that these improvements could launch as early as 2020 and begin to grow visitation to over 600,000 annually.

#### Gateway National Recreation Area

The Conservancy is also working with NPNH to create America's Largest Urban Campground—a long-term initiative to give residents and visitors the opportunity to camp and recreate all across Gateway National Recreation Area. Beginning at Fort Wadsworth in Staten Island, its efforts focus on expanding existing camping opportunities and developing supporting recreation trails and activities. The Conservancy has funded and completed a vision plan with a landscape architecture firm and are awaiting completion of federal compliance planning and identification of a sustainable partnership model for camping in order to move forward. To date they have raised over \$1 million for programs, projects and activities at Gateway National Recreation Area.

Although New York City has a robust park system, only the National Park Service offers overnight camping and expansive free public boating programs, primarily in kayaks. It is these programs that make gateway to the larger national park system. With a population of over 8.5 million inhabitants and a public school system of over 1 million young people, many New Yorkers have their first experience camping or out in the water at Gateway. The Conservancy and the park believe that existing campgrounds in the Jamaica bay and Staten Island units of Gateway can be expanded to reach even larger audiences. To this end, in 2017 the Conservancy spearheaded a pilot program to introduce small, overnight cabins at Fort Wadsworth that were managed by a private company called *Getaway*. Based on the overwhelming success of this pilot, the Conservancy and park intended to further expand camping opportunities at Fort Wadsworth with additional tent and cabin sites.

There are 3 general ways in which the Secretary can act to support the Conservancy:

- Identify a Point of Contact within the Department who can help the Conservancy identify relevant grant and/or other opportunities;
- Help identify and make introductions to potential supporters of the Conservancy's fundraising campaign for Federal Hall;
- Agree to be honored by the Conservancy at next year's gala at Federal Hall in order to enhance the profile and visibility of the Federal Hall campaign.

#### V. TALKING POINTS/REMARK

- The Department recognizes the important historical events that took place at Federal Hall and its potential to emerge as a premier cultural and learning destination.
- The Department recognizes the importance of public private partnerships and the value of the work the Conservancy has done to support the National Parks of New York Harbor throughout the years.
- The Department acknowledges Marian Sulzberger Heiskell as the founder of the Conservancy and one of the leading figures in the 1974 creation of Gateway National Recreation Area.
- The Department recognizes the value a site like Gateway can play in introducing the outdoors and the importance of environmental conservation to young children in New York City who might not otherwise have opportunities to visit national parks in other parts of the country. The expansion of Gateway's camping programs will enhance the importance of the park as a gateway to the NPS
- The Secretary may also want to share impressions of his recent visit to Fort Wadsworth, including a tour of the site's campground and rental cabins.

#### VI. NEXT STEPS

- Provide the Conservancy with a resource list of potential grant programs
- Provide the Conservancy with a Point of Contact to assist them with their grant exploration
- Agree to visit Federal Hall on a future trip to NYC

#### VII. ATTACHMENTS

NOTE: Attachments in Briefing Book

Photos of Federal Hall and Fort Wadsworth camping

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

## Missouri & Dallas, TX September 20 - September 23, 2017

Draft: 9/14/2017



#### TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Missouri & Dallas, TX September 20 - September 23, 2017

Weather:

High 89°, Low 69°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Springfield, MO Wednesday:

Precipitation

High 83°, Low 65°; Partly Cloudy; 50% Chance of Thursday:

**AM Thunderstorms** 

High 93°, Low 74°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of Dallas, TX Thursday:

Precipitation

Friday: High 93°, Low 73°; Partly Cloudy; 20% Chance of

Precipitation

Houston, TX Saturday:

**Time Zone:** 

Missouri/Texas Central Daylight Time

Advance (Missouri):

Security Advance Advance Rusty Roddy

Advance (Dallas):

Security Advance Advance Luke Bullock

**Advance (Houston): Cell Phone:** 

Tami Heilemann

Security Advance

Advance Rusty Roddy

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Chief of Staff Scott Hommel Russell Newell (Missouri)

**Deputy Communications Director** Press Secretary Heather Swift (Dallas)

Photographer

Attire:

(b) (6)



**Cell Phone:** 

**Cell Phone:** 

#### Wednesday, September 20, 2017

Washington, DC → Springfield, MO

TBD-6:55am EDT: Depart Residence en route Baltimore-Washington International Airport

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Drive time: ~xx minutes

7:52am EDT-

9:15am CDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (BWI) en route Chicago, IL (ORD)

Flight: American Airlines 1521 Flight time: 2 hours, 23 minutes

RZ Seat: 16B

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to CDT (-1 hour)

9:15-10:05am CDT: Layover in Chicago, IL // 50 minute layover

10:05am CDT-

11:38am CDT: Wheels up Chicago, IL (ORD) en route Springfield, MO (SGF)

Flight: American Airlines 3731 Flight time: 1 hour, 33 minutes

RZ Seat: 7C

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

11:38-12:00pm CDT: Wheels down Springfield-Branson National Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2300 North Airport Boulevard

Springfield, MO 65802

12:00-1:15pm CDT: Lunch

1:15-2:45pm CDT: Dive into Aquarium with Governor

2:45-3:30pm CDT: Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum & Aquarium Ribbon Cutting

Location: 500 West Sunshine Street

Springfield, MO 65807

3:30-6:00pm CDT: Downtime/Run

6:00-7:00pm CDT: Tour of Museum

7:00-8:30pm CDT: Dinner & Program

Note: Remarks during program

8:33pm RZ Remarks, introduces the Conservation Success Videos

8:30-10:00pm CDT: Concert for Conservation

10:00-10:15pm CDT: Depart en route RON

Location: DoubleTree by Hilton

2431 North Glenstone Avenue

Springfield, MO 65803

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

10:15pm CDT: RON

**Thursday, September 21, 2017** 

Springfield,  $MO \rightarrow Dallas$ , TX

8:45-9:00am CDT: Depart RON en route Johnny Morris Wonders of Wildlife National Museum

Location: 500 West Sunshine Street

Springfield, MO 65807

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Drive Time: ~15 minutes

9:00-10:00am CDT: Remarks at Conservation Briefing

10:30-10:55am CDT: Depart Museum en route Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Location: 6424 West Farm Road 182

Republic, MO 65738

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Scott Hommel

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Laura Rigas

Drive Time: ~25 minutes

10:55-11:00am CDT: Arrive Wilson's Creek National Battlefield

Location: Wilson's Creek National Battlefield Visitor Center

Greeted By: Superintendent Ted Hillmer

Rep. Billy Long

11:00-11:05am CDT: Photo Opportunity with Lyon Elementary School Students

Location: Visitor Center

Note: Photo will showcase their drawings for the 2018 Wilson's Creek

National Battlefield calendar

11:05-11:30am CDT: Meet & Greet with Employees and Foundation Board of Directors

Location: Visitor Center

Attendees:

Note: Snacks provided by the Foundation

11:30-11:35am CDT: Depart Visitor Center en route Edgar Cemetery

Walk Time: ∼5 minutes

11:35-11:40am CDT: Depart Edgar Cemetery via Horseback en route Split Rail Project

Ride Time: ~5 minutes

Note: Will ride horses (provided by a NPS volunteer)

11:40-11:50am CDT: Assist with Split Rail Project with Youth Conservation Corp

Note: Photo Opportunity

11:50-12:05pm CDT: Depart Split Rail Project en route Cannon

Ride Time: ~15 minutes

12:05-12:50pm CDT: Discussion on Partnerships with Local Farmers & Civil War Trust // Fire Cannon

12:50-12:55pm CDT: Depart Cannon en route Visitor Center

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

12:55-1:00pm CDT: Pick up Box Lunches

1:00-1:20pm CDT: Depart Wilson's Creek Battlefield en route Airport

Location: 2300 North Airport Boulevard

Springfield, MO 65802

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Drive Time: ∼20 minutes

2:17pm CDT-

3:47pm CDT: Wheels up Springfield, MO (SGF) en route Dallas, TX (DFW)

Flight: American Airlines 3439 Flight time: 1 hour, 30 minutes

RZ Seat: 20D

AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Staff: Scott Hommel

3:47-4:05pm CDT: Wheels down Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport // Proceed to Vehicle

4:05-4:20pm CDT: Depart Airport en route RON

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock

Drive Time: ∼15 minutes

4:20-5:00pm CDT: Downtime at RON

Personal Dinner (by SMU)

Friday, September 22, 2017

Dallas, TX

9:45-10:30am CDT: HOLD: NRA Women's Leadership Forum Executive Committee Meeting (45 min)

Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas Attendees: 25 Executive Comm. Members TBD

Remarks: Q&A (Informal)

Press: Closed

Contact: Dee Dee Lancaster (b) (6)

10:30-12:00pm CDT: OPEN

12:00-1:00pm CDT: **HOLD: TBD Luncheon** 

> 10 community leaders Location:

Attendees: **TBD** Remarks: Informal Press: Closed

1:00-1:30pm CDT: Depart TBD en route to Sporting Clay Shoot

> Drive Time: ~35 minutes

1:30-4:30pm CDT: **HOLD:** Women's Leadership Forum Members Sporting Clay Shoot

> Sportsman's Shooting Center (Aim Point) Location:

> > 1960 Enchanted Way

Grapevine, TX 76051

Attendees: **TBD** 

Press: Closed (TBD)

NRA Women's Leadership Forum Reception & Photo Opportunity 6:00-7:00pm CDT:

> Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas Location:

> > 4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Press: Closed

7:00-9:00pm CDT: NRA Women's Leadership Forum Dinner

**Pavilion Room** Location:

Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

150-200 people Attendees:

Press: Closed

Set Up: Seated on the dais at head table; no podium

Format: Introduction by Susan LaPierre

RZ delivers keynote remarks (35 minutes for remarks, Q&A)

Saturday, September 23, 2017

Dallas,  $TX \rightarrow Austin, TX \rightarrow Washington, DC$ 

5:35-5:50am CDT: Depart RON en route Airport

> Location: Four Seasons Dallas at Las Colinas

> > 4150 North MacArthur Boulevard

Irving, TX 75038

Vehicle Manifest:

RZSecretary's Vehicle:

Scott Hommel

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock

Drive Time:

6:50am CDT-

7:47am CDT: Wheels up Dallas, TX (DFW) en route Austin, TX (AUS)

> Flight: American Airlines 1004

Flight time: 57 minutes

RZ Seat:

AiC:

Staff: Heather Swift, Tami Heilemann

#### FEMA JFO in Austin

1:00pm CDT-

1:55pm CDT: Wheels up Austin, TX (AUS) en route Houston, TX (HOU)

Flight: Southwest Airlines 2246

Flight time: 55 minutes

RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Staff: Heather Swift, Tami Heilemann

1:55-3:00pm CDT: Layover in Houston, TX // 1 hour, 5 minute layover

3:00pm CDT-

7:10pm EDT: Wheels up Houston, TX (HOU) en route Washington, DC (BWI)

Flight: Southwest Airlines 2371
Flight time: 3 hours, 10 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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**Sent:** Fri Sep 15 2017 15:19:31 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (a) (b) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 9.16 & 9.18

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2:45-3:15 Drive to DOI

3:15-3:45 American Legion Riders Check Presentation

Location: C Street Steps

3:45-6:00 OPEN

6:00 Depart for Wolf Trap

September 18

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 OPEN

10:00-11:00 Politicals Meeting (Optional)

Location: 5160

11:00-11:30 Review Re-Org Video

Location: Office

11:30-1:00 OPEN

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Location: He will call Elinor; she will transfer

1:15-1:30 OPEN

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

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Location: Office

2:30-4:00 OPEN

Note: Potential for another call during this time

4:00-5:00 HOLD: Meeting with SAFE (Secure American's Future Energy)

Location: Office

5:00-6:00 Reception for Doug Domenech

Location: 6th floor ALSM Hallway

7:00-7:15 Drive to Movie Screening

7:15-9:00 Movie Screening: Only the Brave

Location: AMC Loews Georgetown 14 (3111 K St NW)

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**CC:** ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

**Subject:** Re: Schedule: 9.16 & 9.18

We didn't pull together an event memo for tomorrow, but here are the details:

American Legion Riders Check Presentation

Time: 3:15pm

Location: C Street Steps Participants: 100-120 veterans

Press: Closed

Format: Bill McNutt (US Navy, Vietnam Veteran), Dennis Christy (President, American Legion Riders), and Sam Zurzolo (Assistant to Bill McNutt, ret. Sgt. Major USMC) will present a check to NPS for care and upkeep of the Vietnam Wall.

The check will be for \$40,778.28.

Staff: Aaron, Laura

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**Attachments:** 

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Location: Office

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Location: Office

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Location: Office

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Location: TBD

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Location: 7100 Hallway

2:30-3:00 Hallway Visit: Office of the Solicitor

Location: 6300 Hallway

3:00-3:30 (b) (6) Stop By

Location: Office

3:30-4:00 Weekly Meeting with the Deputy Secretary

Location: Office

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Sent: Thu Sep 14 2017 17:13:11 GMT-0600 (MDT)
To: Roddy Rusty <russell\_roddy@ios.doi.gov>

**Subject:** Fwd: Schedule: 9.15

Attachments: 0915 EDB.pdf

After saying I'd cc you I completely forgot. Here was the email.

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

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Date: September 14, 2017 at 6:52:17 PM EDT

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two briefings:

10:00 - 10:45 am Meeting with President of Marshall Islands

11:00 - 11:30 am Meeting with Alaska Federation of Natives

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TIME: 10:00 - 10:45 am

**SUBJECT:** Pre-brief for meeting with President of Marshall Islands

**FROM:** Joseph McDermott, Staff Assistant, Policy Division, Office of Insular Affairs

(OIA), 219-0037

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To inform the Secretary about his scheduled meeting with Her Excellency Hilda Heine (pronounced *high-KNEE*), President of the Marshall Islands.

The Republic of the Marshall Islands has a Compact of Free Association with the United States.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The President of the Marshall Islands is on the East Coast in connection with her attending this month's opening session of the U.N. General Assembly in New York. The Secretary will be the highest-level Administration official to meet with the President. On Capitol Hill the President has appointments with members of the Alaska, Hawaii and territorial delegations.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The embassy has indicated that the President will discuss the following:

#### **Letters of Condolences**

 President Heine will express her appreciation for the letter of condolences that Mr. Pula sent early last month upon OIA's learning of the death of Minister Matt Zackhraa. (At the time of his death, Minister Matt Zackhras was serving as the Minister-in-Assistance, the Marshall Islands' equivalent of Deputy President of the Marshall Islands.)

The President will declare that Minister Matt Zackhras epitomized the teammanship between the United States and the Marshall Islands as, together, the two nations handle issues of mutual attention.

The President will relay also her gratefulness for the letter of condolences that Mr. Pula sent late last month upon the death of Tony de Brum, the Marshall Islands' former Foreign Minister and Ambassador.

#### **Talking Points:**

You may want to renew to the President, on the Department's behalf, our expression of sympathy
to the President and the people of the Marshall Islands at the loss in less than a month of two of
the Marshall Islands' leaders.

#### Kwajalein Atoll

• President Heine will invite you, Mr. Domenech and Mr. Nik Pula to attend at Santo or Third Island in northern Kwajalein Atoll during the week of Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, the ribbon-cutting for several projects funded by Australia, Taiwan and the Asian Development Bank and by the U.S.-Marshall Islands Joint Economic Management and Financial Accountability Committee, whose chairman is Mr. Pula.

Santo Island derives its name *Third Island* from its location as the third island south of the connected islands of Roi and Namur, which are a major part of the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command's Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site, which hosts several radar systems

used to track and to characterize missile re-entry vehicles.)

The President will add that, through OIA, the Department has visited other islands within Kwajalein Atoll, such as Ebeye, the Loi Islands, Gugeegue and even Mejatto, but that neither DOI generally nor OIA specifically has ever sent anyone to Santo or Third Island. The President will say that these events next month would be a great opportunity to show the Department's flag in this important part of Kwajalein Atoll, the Marshall Islands' second most populous atoll.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Thank the President for the kind invitation and you will look at your schedule to see if it is possible.
- Indicate that you will find out if a senior person on your staff might attend the ceremony.
- Do indicate that you plan to visit the RMI in the future if it does not work out this time.

#### Reception

- President Heine has invited you, Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula to attend a reception this evening (Friday) which the President will host at the Embassy on Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Last week your office should have received an invitation for this event from the Embassy.
- The President will thank you for your kindness this morning in receiving her, Foreign Minister John Silk, Ambassador Gerald Zackios and the other members of the President's delegation, including her husband, Thomas Kijiner Jr., the President of the Marshall Islands National Telecommunications Authority. The President hopes that you will allow her and her delegation to return your courtesy this evening.

#### **Talking Points:**

• Thank the President for her gracious invitation for this evening and say that, after you have finished this meeting, you will check with your scheduler, and either Mr. Domenech or Mr. Pula will let Ambassador Zackios know this afternoon of your availability.

#### **Elimination of Tax and Trade Provisions**

- President Heine will raise that for years her government has asked the U.S. Government to compensate Marshall Islanders for the loss of investments due to the Congressional elimination of tax and trade provisions in the 1986 Compact.
- When the Congress enacted the 1986 Compact, the Congress made major changes to the previously negotiated tax and trade provisions. In substitution, the Congress added several programs and some development funding in exchange for eliminating these provisions. The Congress then included a provision that the Marshall Islands Government might submit a claim for up to \$20,000,000 if the Marshall Islands Government could show economic losses resulting from the Congressional changes. The 2003 Amended Compact extended this provision.

In a March 2011 letter to the then Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Jeff Bingaman (Dem.-New Mex.), the Federal Interagency Group concluded that the Marshall Islands Government had reasonably demonstrated a net adverse impact of at least \$20,000,000, based on the loss of these benefits. The President will ask for your support for her government's efforts to secure this compensation from the Congress.

#### **Talking Points:**

- This is a new issue for you and you promise to look into the issue.
- Ask for a copy of the analysis RMI submitted previously.
- You may want to advise the President that her best efforts in this area will be during her meeting with the present Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Lisa

#### Ten-Year Review

• President Heine will note that we are now in September 2017 and will ask about the release of the *Ten-Year Review*, which covers the financial provisions of the first ten fiscal years (2004-2013) of the Amended Compact between the United States and the Marshall Islands.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Please state that (1) Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula have advised you that OMB division directors and staff members are still reviewing this report and (2) DOI and specifically OIA long ago completed their review of this report.
- You may want to add that, when you next speak with OMB Director Mick Mulvaney, you will raise this issue with him and then relay what you have learned to Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula, who can provide that information to Ambassador Zackios.

#### **REAL ID Act**

President Heine will mention that Marshall Island citizens lawfully in the United States under the
terms of the Amended Compact frequently encounter problems as they try to comply with the REAL
ID Act of 2005, which set forth the DHS requirements for driver's licenses. The problem is that,
although DHS has published and distributed a fact sheet showing that Marshall Island citizens, as well
as citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau, qualify for driver's licenses, the actual
public law did not list the three freely associated states by name.

The President will ask if she can count on your support as her government works on Capitol Hill to secure the needed legislation, that is, an amendment to this Act of Congress, which would include the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau by name.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Please reply to the President that you will do as much as your circumstances as the Secretary of the Interior allow you.
- Please advise the President that her best efforts in this area will be during her meeting with the
  present Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Lisa
  Murkowski (Rep.-Alaska).

#### **Trust Fund**

• President Heine will indicate that there are now just six fiscal years left until the end of contributions to the Marshall Islands Trust Fund, whose balance as of this past June 30<sup>th</sup> was nearly \$342,000,000 and whose chairman is Acting Assistant Secretary Nik Pula. The President will ask what the U.S. Government is doing to prepare for the transition from a period of regular contributions by the U.S., Marshall Islands and Taiwan Governments to the era of distributions from the Trust Fund.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Assure the President that Mr. Pula have advised you that the U.S. Government voting members on the Marshall Islands Trust Fund Committee have reviewed an internal, green paper on these very points.
- Tell the President that the U.S. voting members have now convened the *Group of Eight*, an interagency working group of staff members (four from OIA, one from SOL/GL, two from the Department of State and one from the Department of Education) to develop the green paper into a white paper, which will include recommendations on the post-2023 distribution.
- Once accepted by the U.S. voting members, the white paper will be presented to the Marshall Islands voting members.
- This white paper may not be ready for the last quarterly meeting of calendar year 2017, but the U.S. voting members hope to have the white paper ready for transmittal to the Marshall Islands

voting members by the first quarterly meeting of calendar year 2018.

#### Marshall Islands Delegation for the Secretary's Meeting

- 1. Her Excellency Hilda C. Heine, President
- 2. The Honorable Gerald M. Zackios, Ambassador to the United States
- 3. The Honorable John M. Silk, Minister for Foreign Affairs and Trade
- 4. The Honorable Jack Ading, Member of the *Nitijela* from Enewetak Atoll
- 5. The Honorable Alvin Jacklick, Member of the *Nitijela* from Kwajalein Atoll
- 6. Thomas Kijiner Jr., President, National Telecommunications Authority
- 7. Christopher de Brum, Chief of Staff to the President
- 8. Viola Milne Zackios, Minister-Counselor, Marshall Islands Embassy, Washington, D.C.
- 9. Denise de Brum Reiher, Press Secretary to the President
- 10. Gregory Danz, Esq., Legal Advisor to the President

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

- A decision from Mr. Pula on whether to send an OIA staff member, perhaps the OIA field representative in Majuro Atoll, to next month's observances in Kwajalein Atoll.
- A decision on attending the reception at the Marshall Islands Embassy this evening (Friday).
- Speaking with OMB Director Mick Mulvaney on the status of OMB's progress on the *Ten-Year Review*.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

None.

TIME: 11:00 - 11:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Alaska Federation of Natives

**FROM:** Steve Wackowski, Senior Advisor for Alaska Affairs, 907-330-9304

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) has requested a follow up meeting with you from your meeting with their board last May. Your participation in this meeting was encouraged by all the members of the Alaska Congressional Delegation.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

Julie Kitka, President, AFN
Ben Mallot, Vice President, AFN
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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two briefings:

10:00 - 10:45 am Meeting with President of Marshall Islands

11:00 - 11:30 am Meeting with Alaska Federation of Natives

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TIME: 10:00 - 10:45 am

**SUBJECT:** Pre-brief for meeting with President of Marshall Islands

**FROM:** Joseph McDermott, Staff Assistant, Policy Division, Office of Insular Affairs

(OIA), 219-0037

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To inform the Secretary about his scheduled meeting with Her Excellency Hilda Heine (pronounced *high-KNEE*), President of the Marshall Islands.

The Republic of the Marshall Islands has a Compact of Free Association with the United States.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The President of the Marshall Islands is on the East Coast in connection with her attending this month's opening session of the U.N. General Assembly in New York. The Secretary will be the highest-level Administration official to meet with the President. On Capitol Hill the President has appointments with members of the Alaska, Hawaii and territorial delegations.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The embassy has indicated that the President will discuss the following:

#### **Letters of Condolences**

 President Heine will express her appreciation for the letter of condolences that Mr. Pula sent early last month upon OIA's learning of the death of Minister Matt Zackhraa. (At the time of his death, Minister Matt Zackhras was serving as the Minister-in-Assistance, the Marshall Islands' equivalent of Deputy President of the Marshall Islands.)

The President will declare that Minister Matt Zackhras epitomized the teammanship between the United States and the Marshall Islands as, together, the two nations handle issues of mutual attention.

The President will relay also her gratefulness for the letter of condolences that Mr. Pula sent late last month upon the death of Tony de Brum, the Marshall Islands' former Foreign Minister and Ambassador.

#### **Talking Points:**

You may want to renew to the President, on the Department's behalf, our expression of sympathy
to the President and the people of the Marshall Islands at the loss in less than a month of two of
the Marshall Islands' leaders.

#### Kwajalein Atoll

 President Heine will invite you, Mr. Domenech and Mr. Nik Pula to attend at Santo or Third Island in northern Kwajalein Atoll during the week of Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>, the ribbon-cutting for several projects funded by Australia, Taiwan and the Asian Development Bank and by the U.S.-Marshall Islands Joint Economic Management and Financial Accountability Committee, whose chairman is Mr. Pula.

Santo Island derives its name *Third Island* from its location as the third island south of the connected islands of Roi and Namur, which are a major part of the U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command's Ronald Reagan Ballistic Missile Defense Test Site, which hosts several radar systems

used to track and to characterize missile re-entry vehicles.)

The President will add that, through OIA, the Department has visited other islands within Kwajalein Atoll, such as Ebeye, the Loi Islands, Gugeegue and even Mejatto, but that neither DOI generally nor OIA specifically has ever sent anyone to Santo or Third Island. The President will say that these events next month would be a great opportunity to show the Department's flag in this important part of Kwajalein Atoll, the Marshall Islands' second most populous atoll.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Thank the President for the kind invitation and you will look at your schedule to see if it is possible.
- Indicate that you will find out if a senior person on your staff might attend the ceremony.
- Do indicate that you plan to visit the RMI in the future if it does not work out this time.

#### Reception

- President Heine has invited you, Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula to attend a reception this evening (Friday) which the President will host at the Embassy on Massachusetts Avenue, N.W. Last week your office should have received an invitation for this event from the Embassy.
- The President will thank you for your kindness this morning in receiving her, Foreign Minister John Silk, Ambassador Gerald Zackios and the other members of the President's delegation, including her husband, Thomas Kijiner Jr., the President of the Marshall Islands National Telecommunications Authority. The President hopes that you will allow her and her delegation to return your courtesy this evening.

#### **Talking Points:**

• Thank the President for her gracious invitation for this evening and say that, after you have finished this meeting, you will check with your scheduler, and either Mr. Domenech or Mr. Pula will let Ambassador Zackios know this afternoon of your availability.

#### **Elimination of Tax and Trade Provisions**

- President Heine will raise that for years her government has asked the U.S. Government to compensate Marshall Islanders for the loss of investments due to the Congressional elimination of tax and trade provisions in the 1986 Compact.
- When the Congress enacted the 1986 Compact, the Congress made major changes to the previously negotiated tax and trade provisions. In substitution, the Congress added several programs and some development funding in exchange for eliminating these provisions. The Congress then included a provision that the Marshall Islands Government might submit a claim for up to \$20,000,000 if the Marshall Islands Government could show economic losses resulting from the Congressional changes. The 2003 Amended Compact extended this provision.

In a March 2011 letter to the then Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Jeff Bingaman (Dem.-New Mex.), the Federal Interagency Group concluded that the Marshall Islands Government had reasonably demonstrated a net adverse impact of at least \$20,000,000, based on the loss of these benefits. The President will ask for your support for her government's efforts to secure this compensation from the Congress.

#### **Talking Points:**

- This is a new issue for you and you promise to look into the issue.
- Ask for a copy of the analysis RMI submitted previously.
- You may want to advise the President that her best efforts in this area will be during her meeting with the present Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Lisa

#### **Ten-Year Review**

• President Heine will note that we are now in September 2017 and will ask about the release of the *Ten-Year Review*, which covers the financial provisions of the first ten fiscal years (2004-2013) of the Amended Compact between the United States and the Marshall Islands.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Please state that (1) Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula have advised you that OMB division directors and staff members are still reviewing this report and (2) DOI and specifically OIA long ago completed their review of this report.
- You may want to add that, when you next speak with OMB Director Mick Mulvaney, you will raise this issue with him and then relay what you have learned to Mr. Domenech and Mr. Pula, who can provide that information to Ambassador Zackios.

#### **REAL ID Act**

President Heine will mention that Marshall Island citizens lawfully in the United States under the
terms of the Amended Compact frequently encounter problems as they try to comply with the REAL
ID Act of 2005, which set forth the DHS requirements for driver's licenses. The problem is that,
although DHS has published and distributed a fact sheet showing that Marshall Island citizens, as well
as citizens of the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau, qualify for driver's licenses, the actual
public law did not list the three freely associated states by name.

The President will ask if she can count on your support as her government works on Capitol Hill to secure the needed legislation, that is, an amendment to this Act of Congress, which would include the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia and Palau by name.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Please reply to the President that you will do as much as your circumstances as the Secretary of the Interior allow you.
- Please advise the President that her best efforts in this area will be during her meeting with the
  present Chair of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, Senator Lisa
  Murkowski (Rep.-Alaska).

#### **Trust Fund**

President Heine will indicate that there are now just six fiscal years left until the end of contributions to the Marshall Islands Trust Fund, whose balance as of this past June 30<sup>th</sup> was nearly \$342,000,000 and whose chairman is Acting Assistant Secretary Nik Pula. The President will ask what the U.S. Government is doing to prepare for the transition from a period of regular contributions by the U.S., Marshall Islands and Taiwan Governments to the era of distributions from the Trust Fund.

#### **Talking Points:**

- Assure the President that Mr. Pula have advised you that the U.S. Government voting members on the Marshall Islands Trust Fund Committee have reviewed an internal, green paper on these very points.
- Tell the President that the U.S. voting members have now convened the *Group of Eight*, an interagency working group of staff members (four from OIA, one from SOL/GL, two from the Department of State and one from the Department of Education) to develop the green paper into a white paper, which will include recommendations on the post-2023 distribution.
- Once accepted by the U.S. voting members, the white paper will be presented to the Marshall Islands voting members.
- This white paper may not be ready for the last quarterly meeting of calendar year 2017, but the U.S. voting members hope to have the white paper ready for transmittal to the Marshall Islands

voting members by the first quarterly meeting of calendar year 2018.

#### Marshall Islands Delegation for the Secretary's Meeting

- 1. Her Excellency Hilda C. Heine, President
- 2. The Honorable Gerald M. Zackios, Ambassador to the United States
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- 6. Thomas Kijiner Jr., President, National Telecommunications Authority
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- 10. Gregory Danz, Esq., Legal Advisor to the President

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

- A decision from Mr. Pula on whether to send an OIA staff member, perhaps the OIA field representative in Majuro Atoll, to next month's observances in Kwajalein Atoll.
- A decision on attending the reception at the Marshall Islands Embassy this evening (Friday).
- Speaking with OMB Director Mick Mulvaney on the status of OMB's progress on the *Ten-Year Review*.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

None.

TIME: 11:00 - 11:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Alaska Federation of Natives

**FROM:** Steve Wackowski, Senior Advisor for Alaska Affairs, 907-330-9304

I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Alaska Federation of Natives (AFN) has requested a follow up meeting with you from your meeting with their board last May. Your participation in this meeting was encouraged by all the members of the Alaska Congressional Delegation.

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**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one briefings:

11:00 - 12:00 am Darryl James Meeting

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TIME: 11:00 - 12:00 am

**SUBJECT:** Darryl James Meeting

FROM: Bureau of Land Management

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide background information to the Secretary on the Wilks Ranch proposed land exchange with the BLM in advance of his meeting with Wilks brothers, Ferris and Dan, and Wilks Ranch representative, Darryl James.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

- Ferris and Dan Wilks
- Darryl James

### III. BACKGROUND

Ferris and Dan Wilks are among the largest private landowners in Montana. Residing primarily in Texas, the brothers amassed wealth through the hydraulic fracturing industry and, upon selling their company in 2011, began purchasing large swathes of land in the West, including over 300,000 acres in Montana. Among their purchases was the historic 62,000-acre N Bar Ranch in central Montana, which had been listed for \$45 million. Within the property, there are a number of BLM-managed parcels.

## IV. DISCUSSION

In 2014, in an effort to consolidate their holdings, the Wilks brothers proposed a land exchange with the BLM which would have included the BLM's relinquishment of its 2,700 acre inholding within Durfee Hills, a prime elk hunting destination. Although accessible primarily by air via a public backcountry airstrip, Durfee Hills is immensely popular with sportsmen groups. As part of the proposed exchange, the Wilks brothers offered land which would have restored motorized access to approximately 50,000 acres within the BLM's Upper Missouri River Breaks National Monument, which is currently inaccessible by vehicle. Sportsmen and conservation groups strongly objected to the proposal and, in August 2014, the BLM announced it was no longer considering the proposed land exchange with the Wilks Ranch.

In July 2015, the Wilks Ranch proposed a modified land exchange proposal which still included the contentious Durfee Hills. Sportsmen and conservation groups again fervently opposed, and at the January 2016 meeting of the BLM's Central Montana Resource Advisory Committee meeting, the local BLM district manager announced that the exchange was not in the best interest of the public and would not be analyzed further. While neither the Governor nor the state's congressional delegation has voiced an opinion on the matter, the BLM believes their views would likely mirror those of the sportsmen and conservation groups.

*Unrelated* - In July 2016, Wilks Ranch and the BLM settled trespass claims involving construction of a fence that inadvertently encroached on public land. The settlement required the Wilks Ranch to relocate the fence and pay compensation for damages incurred.

### V. TALKING POINTS/REMARKS

- Expanding access to hunting, fishing, and recreation on Federal lands is one of the Secretaries top priorities.
- Local stakeholders, including elk hunters and residents of Lewistown, MT, strongly support the BLM's decision.

#### VI. NEXT STEPS

The BLM will consider alternative proposals for a land exchange with the Wilks Ranch, provided the exchange is in the public's best interest. Additionally, if the Wilks Ranch was to resubmit its recent proposal, the Secretary may use his discretion to have the BLM reconsider its decision.

# VII. ATTACHMENTS

NOTE: ATTACHMENT IN BRIEFING BOOK

Map.

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**Subject:** Schedule: 9.13 **Attachments:** 0913 EDB.pdf

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**Subject:** Re: Schedule: 9.13

Please make sure you leave by 11:00AM in order to make the 4pm! It was the only time that worked for the meeting with Mark Baker that you asked to be set up.

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one briefing:

05:15 - 09:00 pm Remarks at Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation Annual Banquet

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TIME: 05:15 - 09:00 pm

Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation 28th Annual Banquet and Auction **SUBJECT:** 

FROM: U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service - Greg Sheehan, Principal Deputy Director,

Room 3358, 202-208-4545

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide information about the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation 28th Annual Banquet and Auction. The banquet will be held on Wednesday, September 13, 2017, beginning at 5:30 p.m. at the Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill in Washington, D.C. The theme for the 2017 banquet is "Celebrating the American System of Conservation Funding: 80 Years of Success."

#### II. **PARTICIPANTS**

- Jeff Crane, President, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation
- Gary Kania, Vice President, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation
- Senate Co-Chair Jim Risch
- Senate Co-Chair Joe Manchin
- Senate Vice-Chair Deb Fischer
- Senate Vice-Chair Heidi Heitkamp
- House Co-Chair Jeff Duncan
- House Co-Chair Gene Greene
- House Vice-Chair Austin Scott
- House Vice-Chair Marc Veasey

Approximately 65 additional members of congress have indicated they will attend the event. CSF board members and banquet sponsors (see attachment) will also be in attendance.

#### III. SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

5:00PM 5:15PM	VIP Reception Begins Arrives VIP Reception - located at Hyatt Regency Capitol Hill - Congressional A
5:25PM	Jeff Crane gives welcoming remarks; introduces Paul Miller, CSF's Chairman
5:27PM	Paul Miller remarks, introduces Safari Club International
5:30PM	Safari Club International remarks and presents check to Crane and Miller
5:35PM	Crane introduces Secretary Zinke
5:37PM	Secretary Zinke remarks
5:45PM	Q&A
6:00PM	VIP reception concludes; proceed down to ballroom for general reception
6:00 -	General Reception
7:00PM	•
7:15PM	General Reception concludes, proceed to Dinner location - Table 4
7:30PM	Dinner begins, Jeff Crane short opening remarks, acknowledges Secretary Zinke
9:00PM	Dinner concludes

## IV. BACKGROUND

The banquet is a fundraising event to support the work of the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF). Since 1989, the CSF has worked with Congress, governors, and state legislatures to educate members about and advocate for hunting, angling, recreational shooting and trapping. The CSF works to support the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus (CSC), the Governors Sportsmen's Caucus (GSC) and the National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses (NASC). CSF also works with major hunting, angling, recreational shooting and trapping organizations on policy matters that advance the interests of America's hunters and anglers.

The bipartisan CSC has grown into one of the largest caucuses in the U.S. Congress with nearly 300 members of the House and Senate representing almost all 50 states. The CSC, with direct support from the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation, works to support and advance the interests of sportsmen and women in Congress.

# V. DISCUSSION

There are a number of topics which attendees may broach with the Secretary. Congress is currently considering legislation advocated for by various conservation, hunting and fishing organizations; so-called "Sportsmen's bills." Bill summaries are provided as an attachment.

These include the following bills:

- Target Practice and Marksmanship Training and Support Act
- Modernizing Pittman-Robertson for the Needs of Tomorrow Act of 2017
- Recovering America's Wildlife Act of 2017
- Gray Wolf State Management Act of 2017
- Sportsmen's Heritage and Recreational Enhancement (SHARE) Act
- Hunting Heritage and Environmental Legacy Preservation (HELP) for Wildlife Act
- Wildlife Innovation and Longevity Driver (WILD) Act
- Sportsmen's Act

Additionally, attendees may inquire about the status of a number of Administration efforts to address sportsmen's/women's issues, including access for hunting and fishing. There is substantial interest in the timeline for implementation of Secretarial Order 3347, *Conservation Stewardship and Outdoor Recreation*. Associated with the Secretarial Order is the status of the 2 federal advisory committees charged with collaborating on implementation of the order: the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council and the Sport Fishing and Boating Partnership Council. A number of attendees participated at the Fish and Wild Service-hosted "Sportsmans's Access Ramp Up Summit" on August, 2, 2017. Attendees may inquire about the status of both of these efforts and how they are being coordinated within the Department and among bureaus. DOI is currently reviewing the status of various federal advisory committees.

A number of organizations representing big game hunters, including international hunts, will be in attendance. Representatives from these organizations may inquire about the status of policy related to the importation of elephant and lion trophies from Africa. DOI is currently reviewing policies regarding a number of countries.

Finally, attendees may broach the on-going Administration review of National Monument designations.

## V. ATTACHMENTS

# **NOTE:** In Briefing Book

- List of CSF Banquet and Auction Sponsors- Summary of sportsmen's/women's legislation pending in Congress

# **Sportsmen Remarks**

America's outdoor tradition worth defending

Legacy of the land

Responsibility as Secretary of the Interior

Most experience hunting on our public lands

My experience growing up was the same

Hunting for me wasn't about getting the elk It was about:

- Bologna sandwiches
- Waking up early
- Father-son time w/ my dad

Teaching my kids what my dad taught me

Experience important to protect

DOI: active support of hunting/outdoor rec

Overturned ban on lead ammo and tackle

Troubled by the divide in the hunting community Elite vs. everyday

Elite hunting groups want to restrict access, making it more difficult for the young/disabled/ elderly to participate

This is misguided; we should push for public access to public land

- -Our young people should have a tie to the outdoors
- -Everyone should be able to enjoy our American traditions

Proud to have support of real hunting groups
-I fight for everyday Americans

# Secretarial order on hunting

- Expand hunting on public lands
- Look at access
- Streamline permits

Next step: public-private partnerships

- Wildlife corridors
- Connect trails
- Use tech to enrich exp. for youth

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Memo on Virgin Islands: Hurricane Update

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DATE: September 8, 2017

**FROM:** Doug Domenech, Senior White House Advisor, 202-208-2409

**SUBJECT:** Hurricane Irma Impacts in the United States Virgin Islands

## I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

You requested information you might be able to use to update the President and his Cabinet on Hurricane Irma impacts on the U.S. Virgin Islands. It should be noted that Hurricane Jose is due to hit the USVI on Saturday, September 9 as a Category 4 storm.

## II. BACKGROUND

The Department of the Interior coordinates federal policy for the territories of American Samoa, Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands and the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands.

The Department has 264 employees on USVI and PR, and operates the following facilities:

NPS: San Juan National Historic Site, Puerto Rico

NPS: Buck Island Reef St. Croix, VI

NPS: Christiansted St. Croix, VI

NPS: Salt River Bay St. Croix, VI

NPS: Virgin Islands National Park St.John, VI

NPS: Virgin Islands Coral Reef St. John, VI

FWS: Cabo Rojo National Wildlife Refuge

FWS: Culebra National Wildlife Refuge

FWS: Desecheo National Wildlife Refuge

FWS: Laguna Cartagena National Wildlife Refuge

FWS: Navassa Island National Wildlife Refuge

FWS: Vieques National Wildlife Refuge

USGS: Caribbean-Florida Water Science Center, San Juan office

## III. IMPACTS

# **United States Virgin Islands**

Major Disaster Declaration approved.

Confirmed fatalities on St. Thomas and St. John = 4

No power; No communications; Only satellite phones working.

Extensive damage to major infrastructure:

• Cyril E King Airport on St. Thomas was destroyed; currently closed

- Hospital on St. Thomas roof destroyed, partial building collapse
- 3 fire stations destroyed
- 2 police stations destroyed
- Most power lines have been blown down
- 90% of St Thomas damaged or destroyed

All National Park sites closed

**St. Croix:** Power/Water/Communication/Transportation – repairs ongoing but facilities are operational for emergency response purposes and most of the population.

NPS: Saint Croix Parks have been deemed safe.

#### St. Thomas and St. John:

Power/Water/Communication: total blackout conditions due to damages and also to allow repairs.

NPS: Virgin Islands National Park reports extensive damage to buildings, including employee housing units. 4 NPS homes damaged; 1 is a total loss.

Homes and businesses affected due to repairs needed: St. Thomas 19.500, St. John 2,800.

USVI Water and Power Authority is performing assessments today and making repairs as able.

## **Health & Safety:**

<u>Search & Rescue:</u> USVI National Guard and Police, FEMA, DOD and other Federal and non-profit organizations assisting.

<u>Federal Response</u>: Response and assessment activities are occurring. Also, assets staged in US Mainland (e.g., ambulances, mobile hospital units, supplies) are being moved to USVI by DOD.

<u>St. Thomas critical need</u> – only island hospital evacuated due to destruction of roof and interior damage. 43 patients – 17 to St. Croix, 26 to Puerto Rico facilities. St. Thomas hospital open for emergency only. HHS is helping to search for alternate facility on St. Thomas – probably a school. Naval health ships in the area.

## **Transporation:**

St. John: Seaplanes open only for military flights.

St. Thomas: helicopter access attempts.

Ports are closed.

#### **Sheltered/ Evacuees:**

USVI shelters have flooding and damage issues, opening new shelters at other schools. Nonessential Federal personnel and families who sheltered at NPS housing are being evacuated.

# **Specific Actions by Governor:**

More shelters to be opened.

Need four major power generating systems for additional shelters, need tarps, hygiene packs, cots, blankets, more water and more MREs (U.S. military ready to eat meals) - FEMA is responding to requests.

Plan to cover people in place, with tarps over their roofs, while setting up several alternate sites to house people who have more severely damaged properties.

#### **Puerto Rico**

NPS reports that San Juan National Historic Site and will likely reopen today, Flight arrangements for 13 San Juan National Historic Site personnel, including the facility chief, traveling to Virgin Islands National Park are scheduled for this morning.

# II. SECRETARIAL ACTION

Secretary Zinke has reached out the Governor Kenneth Mapp in the USVI. (Specifically the Office of Insular Affairs reached out before the storm and after the storm. The Governor is on St. Thomas where phones are not working.)

Secretary Zinke has authorized the release of the rum excise tax payment to USVI (\$223,925,000).

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.9-9.13

**Attachments:** 

154. Schedule: 9.9-9.13/1.1 Trip 9.10-9.13 PA NY (2).pdf

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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**Sent:** Fri Sep 08 2017 13:18:49 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (a) (b) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Schedule: 9.9-9.13

Attachments: Trip 9.10-9.13 PA NY (2).pdf

# **Camp David Information**

LUGGAGE: you are permitted to bring one well-marked suitcase and a small carry on on the helicopter to Camp David.

GENERAL CABINET MEMBER ATTIRE: Business casual – khakis, blazer, carry a tie in your pocket. Slacks and casual dressing are also appropriate for women.

GENERAL SPOUSE ATTIRE: Casual elegance (similar to the WH Congressional Picnic) – khakis, slacks, dresses, skirts, comfortable shoes.

COCKTAILS/DINNER ATTIRE: Camp casual elegant. Heels are acceptable. Sport coat is recommended and we suggest that you carry a tie in your pocket in the event that the President wears a tie.

PHOTOS AND SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY: Only White House Photographers are allowed to take photos at Camp David. Help us preserve the privacy and security of the Presidential Retreat by refraining from taking or making Camp David-related posts on social media. \

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

# Pennsylvania & New York September 10 - September 13, 2017

**Draft: 9/7/2017** 



## TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Pennsylvania & New York September 10 - September 13, 2017

Weather:

Camp David Saturday: High 61°, Low 47°, Mostly Sunny

Sunday: High 64°, Low 50°, Mostly Sunny

Shanksville, PA Sunday: High 66°, Low 48°, Sunny

Monday: High 67°, Low 53°, Partly Cloudy

Monday: High 77°, Low 61°, Mostly Sunny New York City:

Tuesday: High 78°, Low 64°, Partly Cloudy Wednesday: High 74°, Low 64°, Showers

Time Zone:

Maryland/Pennsylvania/New York Eastern Daylight Time

**Advance (Pennsylvania):** 

Security Advance Luke Bullock

Advance

Advance (New York):

Security Advance Security Advance

Advance

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge

Deputy Communications Director

Press Secretary Photographer Tami Heilemann

Russell Newell Heather Swift

**Cell Phone:** 

Attire:

Saturday (Camp David): Business Casual (carry a tie) // Camp Casual (sport coat + carry a tie) for cocktails/dinner

Spouse attire: casual elegance

Sunday (Pennsylvania):

Monday (Pennsylvania):

Tuesday (New York): Park Casual

# Saturday, September 9, 2017

Washington, DC → Camp David

9:35-9:45am EDT: Depart Residence en route Fort McNair

Location: Fort McNair Parade Field

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Note: Must be on field by 10:00AM

Must arrive by 9:45AM

10:00-10:30am EDT: Board Helicopter

10:30-10:45am EDT: Depart Washington, DC en route Camp David

Helo Manifest: RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Secretary Steven Mnuchin

Mrs. Louis Linton

**Attorney General Jeff Sessions** 

Mrs. Mary Sessions Secretary Alex Acosta Mrs. Jan Acosta Secretary Wilbur Ross

Mrs. HIlary Ross Secretary Tom Price Dr. Betty Price

10:45-11:00am EDT: Walk to Chapel

Greeted By: Jeffrey Deviney, Camp David Commanding Officer

Note: Military Aides will bring luggage to assigned cabins

11:00-11:30am EDT: Briefing in Chapel

Jeffrey Deviney will lead briefing

11:30-11:45am EDT: Walk to Aspen

11:45-12:00pm EDT: Cabinet Group Photo at Aspen

12:00-12:20pm EDT: Gather at Laurel for Luncheon

12:20-2:00pm EDT: Seated Luncheon

2:00-3:30pm EDT: Cabinet Meeting

Note: Spouses attend a Historic Camp David Presentation

4:00-6:00pm EDT: Activities // Downtime

Note: Guided walking tours, skeet shooting, gym, pool available Note: Sign up required for skeet shooting and walking tour

6:00-6:30pm EDT: Cocktail Gathering at Laurel

**6:30-7:45pm EDT:** Dinner

7:45-10:00pm EDT: Optional Evening Activities

Note: Movies, bowling, Camp David Bar, game room available

Sunday, September 10, 2017 Camp David → Stoystown, PA

7:00-9:30am EDT: Breakfast Buffet at Laurel

8:00am EDT: Catholic Mass at Chapel

Note: Camp Casual Elegant attire

9:00am EDT: Protestant Service at Chapel

Note: Camp Casual Elegant attire

10:00am EDT: Luggage Call

11:00-1:00pm EDT: Depart Camp David en route Flight 93 National Memorial

Location: 6424 Lincoln Highway

Stoystown, PA 15563

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ Drive time: ~2 hours, 10 minutes

1:00-3:30pm EDT: Flight 93 Memorial

Meet with Superintendent + staff upon arrival (10 minutes), film NPF video, stamp park

passport

3:30-4:35pm EDT: Flight 93 Sound Breaking Ceremony

Location: Future Tower of Voices location (1/16 mi from Memorial entrance)

Participants: ~750 attendees

Press:

Set Up: [have planned to have a tent if it rains]

Format: 3:30-3:34 Welcome

3:34-3:37 John Reynolds remarks on Flight 93 Partnership

3:38-3:41 Walker remarks on local efforts

3:42-3:46 Will Shafroth remarks on Flight 93 NMEM campaign

3:47-3:51 Friends of Flight 93 remarks 3:51-3:55 Families on Flight 93 remarks 3:55-3:56 Hartman introduces RZ

3:57-4:00 RZ remarks; invitation to groundturning

4:01-4:05 Groundturning

4:06-4:12 Paul Murdoch, Architect, remarks

4:13-4:14 Soundbreaking 4:14-4:16 Closing remarks

5:00-6:30pm EDT: Reception with Families

Location:

Press: Closed

6:30-6:55pm EDT: Depart Flight 93 National Memorial en route RON

Location: Hampton Inn Somerset

324 Laurel Crest Road Somerset, PA 15501 Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock Russell Newell

Drive time: ~25 minutes

6:55-7:25pm EDT: Downtime at RON

7:25-7:30pm EDT: Depart RON en route Dinner

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Dinner

Location:

9:00-9:05pm EDT: Depart en route RON

Location: Hampton Inn Somerset

324 Laurel Crest Road Somerset, PA 15501

9:05pm EDT: RON

Monday, September 11, 2017

Stoystown, PA → New York, NY

8:45-9:10am EDT: Depart RON en route Flight 93 National Memorial

Location: 6424 Lincoln Highway

Stoystown, PA 15563

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Staff Vehicle: Luke Bullock Staff Vehicle: Russell Newell

Drive time: ~25 minutes

9:15-9:30am EDT: Speakers Briefing

Location: Visitor Center

9:30-11:00am EDT: Flight 93 Annual Remembrance Ceremony

Location: Between the Visitor Center and the Memorial Groves

Participants: Vice President Pence

RZ

Steve Clark, Superintendent Governor Tom Wolf (D-PA)

Gordon Felt, President, Families of Flight 93 9:30-9:44 Prelude: Celtic Aire, U.S. Air Force

Format: 9:30-9:44 Prelude: Celtic Aire, U.S. Air Force 9:45-9:48 Superintendent Steve Clark welcomes

9:48-9:51 National Anthem

9:51-9:55 Moment of Silence

9:55-10:10 Name Presentation/Ringing of Bells by Ranger Ranz

10:10-10:14 Musical Selection

10:15-10:18 Superintendent Clark introduces Governor Wolf

10:19-10:23 Governor Wolf Remarks

10:23-10:24 Governor Wolf introduces Gordon Felt

10:24-10:31 Gordon Felt Remarks

10:31-10:32 Superintendent Clark introduces RZ 10:33-10:36 RZ Remarks; introduces VPOTUS

10:37-10:47 VPOTUS Remarks 10:47-10:53 Musical Selection

10:54-10:57 Superintendent Clark closing remarks 10:57-11:02 Postlude: Celtic Aire, U.S. Air Force

11:15-4:00pm EDT: Depart Flight 93 National Memorial en route New York, NY

Location: Holiday Inn Manhattan-Financial District

99 Washington Street New York, NY 10006

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Drive time: ~ 4 hours, 50 minutes without traffic

4:00-5:45pm EDT: Downtime at Hotel

5:45-6:30pm EDT: Depart RON en route Fox Studio

Location: 1211 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10036

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke Heather Swift

Drive time:  $\sim 15$  minutes without traffic

7:00-7:30pm EDT: Interview: Fox News

7:30-7:50pm EDT: Depart Studio en route Dinner

Location: 116 East 80th Street

New York, NY

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Drive time:  $\sim 15$  minutes without traffic

8:00-9:30pm EDT: Personal Dinner

Location: 116 East 80th Street

New York, NY

9:30-10:15pm EDT: Depart Dinner en route RON

Location: Holiday Inn Manhattan-Financial District

99 Washington Street New York, NY 10006

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Drive time:  $\sim 45$  minutes without traffic

9:00pm EDT: RON

# Tuesday, September 12, 2017

New York, NY

8:15-9:00am EDT: Depart RON en route Fort Wadsworth (Gateway National Recreation Area)

Location: 210 New York Avenue

Staten Island, NY 10305

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

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Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

9:00-10:15am EDT: Tour of Fort Wadsworth

10:15-11:45am EDT: Horseback Ride with USPP

11:45-12:45pm EDT: Depart Fort Wadsworth en route SiriusXM Studio

Location: 1221 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10036

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

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Mrs. Zinke

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ∼1 hour

12:45-2:15pm EDT: HOLD: SiriusXM Radio Interviews

Location: 1221 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10036

1:00-1:15pm Interview: Anthony Rivera | David Webb Show 1:15-1:30pm Interview: Michael Binns | The Wilkow Majority

2:15-3:00pm EDT: Depart SiriusXM Studio en route Battery Park

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

3:00-5:30pm EDT: Tour of the Statue of Liberty

Note: Brian Kilmeade will accompany
Note: 15 minute boat ride each direction

5:30-6:00pm EDT: Depart Battery Park en route RON

Location: Holiday Inn Manhattan-Financial District

99 Washington Street New York, NY 10006

6:00-6:30pm EDT: Downtime at RON

6:30-6:45pm EDT: Depart RON en route Dinner

6:45-8:00pm EDT: HOLD: Dinner with Ambassador Nikki Haley

8:00-8:15pm EDT: Depart Dinner en route RON

Location: Holiday Inn Manhattan-Financial District

99 Washington Street New York, NY 10006

8:15pm EDT: RON

Wednesday, September 13, 2017

New York, NY → Washington, DC

7:00-7:30am EDT: Depart RON en route Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site

Location: 28 East 20th Street

New York, NY 10003

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Mrs. Zinke

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~30 minutes

7:30-8:15am EDT: TBD Tour of Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site

Location: 28 East 20th Street

New York, NY 10003

8:15-8:30am EDT: Depart Theodore Roosevelt Birthplace National Historic Site en route Fox Studio

Location: 1211 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10036

8:30-9:00am EDT: Prepare for Interview

9:00-9:30am EDT: Interview: Fox Business

Location: 1211 Avenue of the Americas

New York, NY 10036

9:30-1:45pm EDT: Depart RON en route Washington, DC

Location: Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RΖ

# Staff Vehicle:

Drive time: ~ 4 hours, 10 minutes without traffic

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.8

**Attachments:** 

155. Schedule: 9.8/1.1 0908 EDB.pdf

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**CC:** ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 9.8
Attachments: 0908 EDB.pdf

September 8

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-9:45 Photo Op with Ryan Nelson & Nephew

Location: Office

9:45-10:00 Brief Meeting with Dave Mihalic

Location: Office

10:00-10:30 PreBrief for Washington Examiner Interview

Location: Office

**10:30-11:00 Interview: Washington Examiner** Location: Secretary's Conference Room 6151

11:00-11:30 Meeting to Discuss OMB Park Funding Legislation

Location: Office

11:30-11:45 HOLD: Call with Ambassador Haley

12:00-1:00 HOLD: Interview: KJJR

Location:

1:00-1:30 Meeting on Solar Emphasis Areas Location: Secretary's Conference Room 6151

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-3:00 Meeting with Ron Walters, VA Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs

Location: Office

# **4:30-5:00 Weekly Meeting with Lori** Location: Office

Caroline Boulton Department of the Interior Scheduling & Advance
Caroline Boulton@ios.doi.gov | Scheduling@ios.doi.gov **FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one briefing:

01:00 - 01:30 pm Meeting on Solar Emphasis Areas

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TIME: 01:00 - 01:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting on Solar Emphasis Areas

**FROM:** Michael D. Nedd, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo is to answer two questions: 1. Provide specific examples where solar or wind energy was given preference over mineral development; and 2. Provide documentation of appropriated funding spent on renewable energy projects since 2008 in comparison to coal and oil and gas programs.

## II. BACKGROUND

Secretarial Order 3285, issued March 11, 2009, established the development of environmentally responsible renewable energy as a priority for the Department. As part of the "New Energy Frontier," the Department established an aggressive goal for the approval of 10,000 megawatts (MW) by the end of 2012; this goal was more aggressive than the goal for 2015 from the Energy Policy Act of 2005. The President, in June 2013 as part of the Climate Action Plan, announced a goal to approve renewable energy projects on the public lands to support the needs of 6 million homes or a total of 20,000 MWs of renewable energy projects by 2020. These, and other initiatives, prioritized renewable energy development on public lands, in terms of funding and in relation to other energy resource programs.

# III. DISCUSSION

Both withdrawals and segregations are used as a means of prioritizing renewable energy development. The 2012 Solar Energy PEIS identified the use of withdrawals as a means of protecting Solar Energy Zones (SEZs) from potentially conflicting uses including the location of mining claims. On July 5, 2013, Public Land Order #7818 was published that withdrew, for 20 years, 303,900 acres of land within 17 SEZs from location of mining claims that could impede development of solar energy sites. The lands, however, remained open to geothermal and mineral leasing and mineral material sales. The BLM analyzed the effects of the withdrawal in the Solar Energy PEIS, which included the preparation of mineral potential reports, and determined that there would not be significant impacts to locatable mining as a result of the withdrawal.

For areas not under a withdrawal, BLM State Directors have the authority to segregate public lands from location under the mining laws for which the BLM has received an application for wind or solar development. The lands, however, remain open to geothermal and mineral leasing and mineral material sales. Segregations, subject to extension for an additional 2 years, are a common means to protect proposed wind and solar energy projects that are undergoing the permitting process.

The following is a table of appropriated funds allocated for each of the energy programs, from 2008 to present, that depicts the relationship of each program to the others. These amounts do not include special one-time funding or cost recovery amounts associated with wind and solar projects under the right of way regulations. Renewable energy includes program funding for wind, solar and geothermal development.

Amounts provided are in millions of dollars.

Fiscal Year	Renewable Energy	Coal	Oil and Gas
2008	\$12.075*1	\$9.372	\$112.819
2009	\$14.656*2	\$9.533	\$137.809
2010	\$18.100	\$9.739	\$133.497
2011	\$18.235	\$9.724	\$134.877
2012	\$20.953	\$7.043	\$123.478
2013	\$21.275	\$7.552	\$117.961
2014	\$29.061	\$9.595	\$126.877
2015	\$29.061	\$9.595	\$138.604
2016	\$29.061	\$10.868	\$137.131
2017	\$29.061	TBD	TBD

<sup>\*1</sup> entirely geothermal program funding : Sec. 234 of EPA add-on funding and normal program funding;

# V. TALKING POINTS/REMARK

Both withdrawals and segregations are enacted only after mineral potential and impact analyses are completed with input from the public and stakeholders. In addition, valid existing rights are protected and areas remain open to both mineral and geothermal leasing, as well as mineral material sales. Impacts to mining and other mineral development are addressed in the NEPA process. The renewable energy budget was commensurate with meeting the identified megawatt production goals at the time.

# VI. NEXT STEPS

Realign the renewable energy program as part of broader initiatives to advance American energy independence and economic growth.

<sup>\*2</sup> does not include \$11.000 from the lands and realty management subactivity that was used to support the processing of ROW applications; Note: Sec. 234 of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 provides for 25% of geothermal revenue to be made available to BLM for implementation of revisions to the Geothermal Steam Act for period of 5 years (terminated a year early by 2010 Interior Appropriations Act; P.L. 111-88).

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.6

**Attachments:** 

156. Schedule: 9.6/1.1 EDB Daily Briefing Summary (2).pdf

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cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Schedule: 9.6

Attachments: EDB Daily Briefing Summary (2).pdf

September 6

8:00-8:20 Depart Home en route DOI

8:30-9:30 Migratory Birds Conservation Commission Meeting

9:30-10:30 Meeting with Rick Dice and Michael Wheelock

10:30-5:00 OPEN (No ND)

Note: potential for AM press

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two briefings:

08:30 - 09:30 am Migratory Birds Conservation Commission Meeting 09:30 - 10:30 am Meeting with Rick Dice and Michael Wheelock

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TIME: 08:30 - 09:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Migratory Birds Conservation Commission Meeting

**FROM:** A. Eric Alvarez, Secretary to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission,

703-447-1064

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary is the statutory Chair of the bipartisan Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission) and leads Commission meetings. The next meeting is on September 6, 2017, from 8:30-9:30am, at the Main Interior Building, in the South Penthouse. The primary objective of the Commission is to conserve wetlands and related habitat that will sustain migratory waterfowl populations for the enjoyment of present and future generations of Americans.

# II. BACKGROUND

Established by the Migratory Bird Conservation Act, the bipartisan Commission has an 80-year history of setting aside much of this Nation's most important waterfowl habitat, as well as establishing, or enhancing many of our most popular destinations for waterfowl hunting. Commission-established and funded refugees now account for 75% of all refuge visits for waterfowl hunting and migratory bird hunting and nearly 50% of all refuge visits for fishing.

The Commission meets to consider and approve any area of land or water (or interest therein) that you, through the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) recommend for purchase or rental to conserve wetlands and related habitat for migratory birds, and to approve the expenditure of Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (i.e., Federal Duck Stamp) monies for the area(s) recommended for acquisition. In addition, the Commission approves funding for North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) wetlands conservation grant proposals.

The Commission is an independent body that includes:

- Secretary of the Interior (Chair)
- Secretary of Agriculture
- Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
- Two members of the U.S. Senate [one from each party]
- Two members of the U.S. House of Representatives [one from each party]
- State ex officio member(s) [each votes only on refuge project(s) from his/her State]
- Two NAWCA ex officio members [vote only on NAWCA projects]

The current Congressional members and their length of service on the MBCC:

•	Senator Thad Cochran (R-Mississippi)	36 years
•	Senator Martin Heinrich (D-New Mexico)	2 years
•	Congressman Rob Wittman (R-Virginia)	8 years
•	Congressman Mike Thompson (D-California)	2 years

Commission meetings are typically held twice per year in April and September, and run 50-60 minutes. Pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure (Rules), adopted by Commission member vote, the meetings are closed to the general public and the press/media. Commission meetings usually are attended only by Commission members and their staff, North American Wetlands Conservation Council (NAWCA Council) members, Service and DOI employees, and state fish and game directors or their designees for states with proposals on the agenda.

Commission Rules require Congressional members to attend in person to vote, and all four of the Congressional members attend most meetings. Although the Rules permit you to delegate your responsibilities as statutory Chair to the Deputy Secretary or to the Assistant Secretary for Fish and Wildlife and Parks, Congressional members have requested that the Secretary chair the meeting when possible. Under recent Administrations, the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment, or his/her Deputy, has attended on behalf of the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Deputy Administrator, or a Senior Advisor, has represented the EPA.

The Migratory Bird Conservation Commission approves funding for NAWCA wetlands conservation grants recommended by the NAWCA Council. These grants fund collaborative (private, municipal, state, and federal) projects to conserve, restore, or enhance large wetlands and associated upland habitat for migratory birds. Since 1990, the Commission has approved more than \$1.5 billion in NAWCA grants to protect, restore, and enhance habitats for migratory birds in all 50 states, Canada, and Mexico. Thousands of partners have contributed more than twice that amount in matching funds. These grants have helped conserve or restore over 10 million acres of wetlands and associated habitat in the U.S. alone.

The Migratory Bird Conservation Commission also oversees the only land conservation program in the Federal Government that requires local government and State consultation, State legislative approval, and State executive approval for Federal land acquisitions. All refuge acquisition proposals submitted for Commission consideration are from landowners who are willing sellers, and the Commission only considers such proposals in a State after:

- the State's legislature has passed a law authorizing Federal land acquisition for migratory bird conservation purposes (16 U.S.C. 715f),
- the Secretary, acting through the Service's Director, has consulted with the affected county or other unit of local government and with the State's Governor or the appropriate State agency (16 U.S.C. 715c) about the proposed land acquisition, and
- the State's Governor or the appropriate State agency official (designated by the Governor or State law) has approved the proposed acquisition in writing (16 U.S.C. 715k-5).

In addition, the State's ranking officer (or his/her designee) serves as an ex officio member of the Commission as it relates to proposed refuge acquisitions in their State.

# III. DISCUSSION

Three of the four Congressional members have confirmed their attendance (Senator Cochran's office called August 29 to indicate that he cannot attend due to a last minute scheduling conflict). The draft script (attached) identifies the Department of Agriculture and EPA representatives that will attend, as well as the North American Wetlands Conservation Council and state ex officio members (i.e., state game directors or their designees) expected at the meeting.

The meeting will follow the general sequence below:

**8:30 AM** (or after Eric Alvarez, as Secretary to the Commission, confirms a quorum and notifies the Chair) – You, as Chair, call the meeting to order; welcome Commission members and meeting attendees (may ask those at the table to introduce themselves); give prepared remarks; introduce the FWS Director for prepared remarks; and call for approval of the minutes of the last Commission meeting on April 26, 2017.

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# **ATTACHMENTS**

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- Meeting Book for the September 6, 2017, Commission meeting (delivered August 24)

TIME: 09:30 - 10:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Rick Dice and Michael Wheelock

**FROM:** Bryan Rice, Director, Office of Wildland Fire, (202) 208-2719

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

You will participate in a meeting with Rick Dice, President of PatRick Corporation, and Michael Wheelock, President of Grayback Forestry Inc., to discuss the 2017 fire season and the Department's Wildland Fire Management program.

# II. BACKGROUND

PatRick Corporation started fighting wildland forest fires in 1972 and continues to send emergency service crews and engines to incidents such as wildfires, hurricane and space shuttle recovery throughout the nation. The PatRick Corp. is a member of the private sector, participating in both wildfire and fuels contracting from coast to coast, and is a family run business with five facilities in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and North Carolina. It employs 200-350 firefighting personnel every year during fire season, providing fire resources such as crews, engines and equipment on many different federal and state contracts. PatRick's fire equipment, engines, and tenders, are on a R-6 and R-8 engine contract and Emergency Equipment Rental Agreements. PatRick's crews are ordered through the Oregon Department of Forestry, Pacific Northwest Coordination Center, and Boise National Interagency Fire Center.

Grayback Forestry Inc. is a Wildfire Suppression, Fuels Management - Forest Restoration, and Mobile Emergency Services contractor and has 5 strategic locations which greatly increases their ability to mobilize resources quickly, and provide efficient and effective service. Grayback has performed wildfire suppression services and provided fire crews on over 1000 incidents since 1984, many of them initial attack assignments. Grayback has averaged 10 to 16 Type 2 and/or Type 2 Initial Attack crews per year, depending on fire season severity. Grayback Forestry has a total of 20 - Type 6 Engines, 4 - Type 4 Engines and 3 - Tactical Tenders.

Trenton Johnson, a Grayback employee, was killed while fighting forest fire on the Seely Ranger District of the Lolo National Forest in Montana in July. Trenton was 19-years-old and a resident of Missoula, Montana. This was Trenton's first year as a firefighter and second tour of duty this season.

Both described companies have maintained a very good reputation within the wildland firefighting community. Staffing availability and performance is consistent with federal resources as the workforce demographic is generally the same.

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Agencies gain the flexibility they need to increase or decrease support with the most cost effective solution through private contract resources for national and regional 20-person fire fighting crews, engines, dozers, tenders and other specialized equipment, as well as support services, such as caterers and shower/hand-washing units.

Training, insurance costs, benefits, gear and transportation are all conducted by the contractor. According to the National Wildfire Suppression Association (NWSA) approximately 40

**percent of the resources** across the United States are provided by private wildland fire services. NWSA represents more than 150 private sector contract companies in 16 states that can field a **workforce of around 12,000** during the height of fire season.

Private wildland fire fighting contractors have developed a wildland and prescribed fire training program that meets or exceeds the training, experience, and physical fitness standards identified in the National Wildfire Coordinating Group (NWCG) Wildland Fire Qualification System Guide (PMS 310-1). All equipment must meet NWCG, Department of Transportation (DOT) and local coordinating group equipment standards for safety and operational use.

Fire crews are ordered by a standardized 'type' classification consisting of 3 types: Type 1 (Interagency Hotshots); Type 2 with IA capability (Initial Attack – Can be broken up into squads, fireline construction, firing to include burnout); and Type 2 ((hand crews with minimum standards). Qualification requirements and differentiations are outlined in the Interagency Fire and Fire Aviations Operations redbook.

NIFC Forest Service has contracted nationally for T-2IA Crews (National Contract Resources, or NCR). National Contract Resources (NCR) are hosted by local units (Host Unit Coordination Centers, or HUCC) which are contractually required to utilize dispatch priorities when mobilizing crews, as outlined in section C.7 of the National Type-2IA Firefighter Crew Contract.

In the past both DOI and the bureaus, along with the Forest Service contracted for the same resources, including heavy airtankers. Around 2002, a determination was made to have a single agency service these contracts to increase efficiency and still support the needs of the firefighting community. The Forest Service assumed this capability and expanded their FTE to meet the need, while DOI assumed the contracts for single engine airtankers. Forest Service also contracts for showers and caterers. All ordering for the services is done through the "on-call" resources regardless of which agency contracted.

The Forest Service awards a five year national contract (base, plus four option years) for Type 2 Initial Attack Contract Crews that is solicited through Federal Business Ops for Small Business Set Aside. The contract is structured with 41 lines items, each specific to where the crews are hosted and determined by the agency based on historical use and need. 98% of the crews are hosted in the Northwest and California. Some locations can host more than one crew, for example there are four crews in Prineville, Oregon. Through this contract vehicle, all land management agencies can utilize the Type 2 IA crew, including FEMA under ESF4, although the main purpose is firefighting.

Contractors can bid for one or multiple line items/locations. The locations could have varying mandatory availability periods in which the crew is required to be at the designated dispatch point and available. Contracted Type 2 Initial Attack crews support are required to be fully self sufficient with their own transportation, tools, and logistical support. Outside the mandatory availability periods, crews can self status availability through the resource ordering system (ROSS). Each coordination center strategically mobilizes and prioritizes resources.

# III. DISCUSSION

As of August 18, 2017, the following **contract crews** are currently deployed on large wildfire incidents:

• 34 Type 2 Initial Attack crews\*

• 160 Type 2 crews

As of August 16, 2017, the following **DOI resources** are currently deployed on large wildfire incidents:

- 2,979 personnel (firefighting and support)
- 14 Interagency Hotshot crews
- 25 Type 2 Initial Attack crews
- 13 Type 2 crews
- 23 Fire camp crews
- 79 Engines
- 25 Contracted helicopters
- 9 Dozers
- 1 Tractor Plow
- 4 Water tenders

As of Thursday, August 24, 2017 the two vendors had the following status:

Vendor	Resource Type		Total Days Resource Assigned to Fires	Number of DOI Fire Dispatches	Days Resource Assigned to DOI Fires	% of Use on DOI
Grayback	Chipper	1	5	0	0	0%
Grayback	Crew	97	762	16	99	13.0%
Grayback	Engine	58	464	16	81	17.5%
Grayback	Tender	8	79	0	0	0%
Grayback	Totals	164	1310	32	180	13.7%
Patrick	Crew	87	606	16	104	17.2%
Patrick	Engine	44	311	13	131	42.1%
Patrick	Totals	131	917	29	235	25.6%

- Firefighter and public safety is paramount in all firefighting operations. Before engaging in any activity, we fully evaluate risks with a broad perspective for both planned and unplanned ignitions, while considering the people we serve and the landscapes we protect.
- These impacts and declining forest health are exacerbated by an ever-expanding wildland urban interface, and the inherent complexities and dangers of fighting wildfire in and around these growing communities. We continue to be impacted by escalating emergency responses and increasingly dangerous and costly wildfire response operations.
- So far this season, we have seen outbreaks of large fires in the midwest, southeast, southwest, Northern Rockies and California, as well as individual large fires elsewhere. As of September 1, more than 46,000 fires have burned over 7 million acres of land. While the number of fires to date this year is less than the rolling 10-year average for the number of fires, the acres burned exceeds the 10-year average (3.2 million acres).

# IV. NEXT STEPS

[You may want to discuss the potential to increase contract support as the Department shifts more resources to the front lines.]

• Increasing the use of contract crews may pose a challenge as contractors would need a

- fiscal guarantee each season. Diminishing federal resources has limited the number of crews available to fight fires at the highest preparedness levels (4 & 5), where contract crews provide needed surge capacity.
- The National Multi-Agency Coordinating Group increased the National Preparedness Level (PL) to its highest level, PL 5 on August 10, 2017. The decision to move to PL 5 reflects the complexity facing our Federal and non-Federal fire managers.
- During periods of high wildfire activity, when assets are stretched thin, Federal, Tribal, state, and local partners work together to prioritize wildfires so that those threatening life, property, and valuable natural and cultural resources receive assets as quickly as possible.
- Based on this level of wildfire activity, and to meet existing challenges, the Secretary asked that all DOI supervisors make all qualified personnel immediately available for fire assignments so that critical fire positions are filled.
- If employees are red carded and available to assist in any capacity, their first priority should be response to fire incidents. If employees are not qualified or unavailable for assignments, they should support DOI's wildland firefighting efforts by providing backup for those who accept fire assignments.
- The Department continues to leverage our diverse partnerships to create a safer and more effective wildland fire management program, despite diminishing budgetary resources. Critical fire issues include the growing wildland urban interface, workforce development and succession planning, integrating fire and natural resource programs, fire risk management, and our trust responsibility to the tribes.

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.4 + 9.5

**Attachments:** 

157. Schedule: 9.4 + 9.5/1.1 0905 EDB Schedule .pdf

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Fri Sep 01 2017 15:55:04 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

**Subject:** Schedule: 9.4 + 9.5

**Attachments:** 0905 EDB Schedule .pdf

# September 4

# 4:30-5:00 Rep. Scalise Visit

Location: NRH Hospital (right next to Medstar Washington Hospital Center)

Note: Proceed to front desk upon arrival and let them know that you are there to visit a non-published patient. If they ask for initials they are SJS. They will check you in and their security

detail will come meet him and escort him to the room.

# September 5

# 8:45-9:00 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

# 9:00-10:00 FY19 Budget Briefing

Location: Office

# 10:00-11:00 Politicals Meeting

Location: 5160 Conference Room

# 11:00-11:45 Pre-Migratory Birds Conservation Commission Briefing

Location: Office

# 11:45-1:00 OPEN

# 1:00-1:15 Call with Senator Burr

Location: He will call Elinor; she will transfer to you

# 1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

# 2:00-2:30 Meeting with Trust for the National Mall

Location: Office

# 2:30-6:00 OPEN

# 6:00-6:45 Drive to Wolf Trap

# 7:30 Wolf Trap Concert

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two briefings.

11:00 - 12:00 am Pre-Migratory Birds Conservation Commission

02:00 - 02:30 pm Meeting with Trust for the National Mall - Chip Akridge and Lanny Griffith

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TIME: 11:00 - 12:00am

**SUBJECT:** Pre-Migratory Birds Conservation Commission

**FROM:** A. Eric Alvarez, Secretary to the Migratory Bird Conservation Commission,

703-447-1064

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary is the statutory Chair of the bipartisan Migratory Bird Conservation Commission (Commission) and leads Commission meetings. The next meeting is on September 6, 2017, from 8:30-9:30am, at the Main Interior Building, in the South Penthouse. The primary objective of the Commission is to conserve wetlands and related habitat that will sustain migratory waterfowl populations for the enjoyment of present and future generations of Americans.

# II. BACKGROUND

Established by the Migratory Bird Conservation Act, the bipartisan Commission has an 80-year history of setting aside much of this Nation's most important waterfowl habitat, as well as establishing, or enhancing many of our most popular destinations for waterfowl hunting. Commission-established and funded refuges now account for 75% of all refuge visits for waterfowl hunting and migratory bird hunting and nearly 50% of all refuge visits for fishing.

The Commission meets to consider and approve any area of land or water (or interest therein) that you, through the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) recommend for purchase or rental to conserve wetlands and related habitat for migratory birds, and to approve the expenditure of Migratory Bird Conservation Fund (i.e., Federal Duck Stamp) monies for the area(s) recommended for acquisition. In addition, the Commission approves funding for North American Wetlands Conservation Act (NAWCA) wetlands conservation grant proposals.

The Commission is an independent body that includes:

- Secretary of the Interior (Chair)
- Secretary of Agriculture
- Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency
- Two members of the U.S. Senate [one from each party]
- Two members of the U.S. House of Representatives [one from each party]
- State ex officio member(s) [each votes only on refuge project(s) from his/her State]
- Two NAWCA ex officio members [vote only on NAWCA projects]

The current Congressional members and their length of service on the MBCC:

Senator Thad Cochran (R-Mississippi)	36 years
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Commission meetings are typically held twice per year in April and September, and run 50-60 minutes. Pursuant to the Commission's Rules of Procedure (Rules), adopted by Commission member vote, the meetings are closed to the general public and the press/media. Commission meetings usually are attended only by Commission members and their staff, North American Wetlands Conservation Council (NAWCA Council) members, Service and DOI employees, and state fish and game directors or their designees for states with proposals on the agenda.

Commission Rules require Congressional members to attend in person to vote, and all four of the Congressional members attend most meetings. Although the Rules permit you to delegate your responsibilities as statutory Chair to the Deputy Secretary or to the Assistant Secretary for Fish and

Wildlife and Parks, Congressional members have requested that the Secretary chair the meeting when possible. Under recent Administrations, the Under Secretary for Natural Resources and the Environment, or his/her Deputy, has attended on behalf of the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Deputy Administrator, or a Senior Advisor, has represented the EPA.

The Migratory Bird Conservation Commission approves funding for NAWCA wetlands conservation grants recommended by the NAWCA Council. These grants fund collaborative (private, municipal, state, and federal) projects to conserve, restore, or enhance large wetlands and associated upland habitat for migratory birds. Since 1990, the Commission has approved more than \$1.5 billion in NAWCA grants to protect, restore, and enhance habitats for migratory birds in all 50 states, Canada, and Mexico. Thousands of partners have contributed more than twice that amount in matching funds. These grants have helped conserve or restore over 10 million acres of wetlands and associated habitat in the U.S. alone.

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# III. DISCUSSION

Three of the four Congressional members have confirmed their attendance (Senator Cochran's office called August 29 to indicate that he cannot attend due to a last minute scheduling conflict). The draft script (attached) identifies the Department of Agriculture and EPA representatives that will attend, as well as the North American Wetlands Conservation Council and state ex officio members (i.e., state game directors or their designees) expected at the meeting.

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TIME: 02:00 - 02:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Trust for the National Mall - Chip Akridge and Lanny Griffith

**FROM:** Maureen Foster, Chief of Staff to the Assistant Secretary,

Fish and Wildlife and Parks, 202.208.5970

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

To provide background information on the Trust for the National Mall in advance of a Secretarial meeting with the organization's Chair, John "Chip" Akridge, and Board member Lanny Griffith of BGR Group.

# II. BACKGROUND

The Trust for the National Mall (The Trust) was founded in 2007 as an official nonprofit partner of the National Park Service (NPS). The goal is to restore, improve and preserve America's Front Yard--a public space that evokes the pride and patriotism of our nation. Chip Akridge and Lanny Griffith approached then-Secretary of the Interior Gale Norton with concerns over the condition of the National Mall. Subsequent discussions with the NPS led to the creation of the Trust. Its Board of Directors is made up of 16 members from the corporate and philanthropic worlds, including The Trust's Executive Director Catherine Townsend.

Over the last 10 years, The Trust has provided philanthropic and project management support for multiple projects for the National Mall and Memorial Parks, in partnership with the NPS. The projects include in-kind support for the turf panels restoration, support for the Lincoln Reflecting Pool rehabilitation, support for the Thomas Jefferson Memorial seawall restoration, and development of the National Mall and Memorial Parks Plan, the planning document for the next 50 years of development on the National Mall.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The Trust has leveraged over \$150 million in resources for the National Mall. It seeks to expand its participation with the NPS in preserving and rehabilitating the National Mall. The partnership between the Trust and the National Mall has grown to allow for a better alignment toward mutual goals. The meeting will provide Chip and Lanny an opportunity to highlight its impact and the warm relationship with the park.

# IV. NEXT STEPS

Several new partnership projects are underway with the Trust's support.

- The Trust is funding and project managing the relocation of the Lockkeeper's House at 17th Street and Constitution Avenue. This should be completed before 2018.
- It has established an endowment for the cherry trees along the Tidal Basin, and the rehabilitation of the George Mason Memorial. The contract has been awarded work will begin Fall 2017.
- The Trust and NPS are developing a strategic plan for the rehabilitation of the United States Park Police Horse Stables near the John F. Kennedy Hockey Fields. It is working with board member Sheila Johnson on driving interest.

These are highly visible projects that the Trust may ask for the Secretary's support and appearance at ceremonial events related to them.

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 9.1

**Attachments:** 

158. Schedule: 9.1/1.1 0901 EDB.pdf

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**Subject:** Schedule: 9.1 **Attachments:** 0901 EDB.pdf

Note: Doggy Day!

# September 1

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 Weekly Meeting with the Deputy Secretary

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 FY19 Budget Briefing Location: 6151 Conference Room

11:00-11:30 Meeting with Governor Hogan

Location: Office

11:30-12:00 Depart for the Pentagon

12:00-1:30 Lunch with Secretary Mattis

Location: Pentagon

1:30-2:00 Drive to DOI

2:00-3:00 Meeting to Review Gifts

Location: TBD--Gift Location

3:00-3:30 Weekly Meeting with Lori

Location: Office

3:30-4:00 Meeting with Jim Lighthizer, Civil War Trust

Location: Office

4:30-5:00 HOLD: Call

# 5:30-6:00 Ron Cassoni

Location: Office

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have three briefings:

10:00 - 11:00am 2019 Budget Submission to the Office of Management and Budget

12:00 - 01:00pm Lunch with Secretary Mattis

03:30 - 04:00pm Meeting with Jim Lighthizer, President Civil War Trust

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TIME: 10:00 - 11:00am FROM: Olivia B. Ferriter

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Budget, Finance, Performance and Acquisition

Office of Policy, Management and Budget, 202-208-4881

**SUBJECT:** 2019 Budget Submission to the Office of Management and Budget

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo describes the upcoming briefing planned for September 1<sup>st</sup> to update you on the 2019 Budget Submission to the Office of Management and Budget which is due on September 11<sup>th</sup>.

# II. BACKGROUND

The OMB 2019 Budget guidance sets Interior's 2019 funding target at essentially the FY 2018 request level of \$11.6 billion. OMB allowed agencies to submit up to 5% above the target in additional investments. For Interior, this is another \$582 million for a total budget of \$12.2 billion. The OMB guidance also directs agencies to submit their Agency Reform Plans and long-term workforce plans with the FY 2019 budget.

### III. DISCUSSION

We have blocked time on your schedule to meet with you for an hour to provide an overview of the 2019 Budget and answer any questions.

The overall objectives which informed the development of the FY 2019 budget were

- support Presidential and Secretarial priorities such as Energy, Economic Growth and Infrastructure, and Access;
- refocus resources on new Administration directions; and,
- support the reorganization and reform package.

At the Target level, there is not much flexibility, as bureaus had to make room for \$130 million in unavoidable or fixed costs by cutting programs. However, it was possible to provide increases for priorities such as the OCS Five Year Plan, Indian Water Settlements, and North Slope Energy Assessments and protect National Park Service operations and infrastructure investments. Payment in Lieu of Taxes is funded at the 2018 level of \$396.9 million.

At the Over Target Level, there are opportunities to advance Administration and Secretarial priorities with an additional \$582 million in targeted investments to support Energy, Infrastructure, Economic Growth, Access and Reorganization.

TIME: 12:00 - 01:30pm FROM: Doug Domenech

**SUBJECT:** Topics for Lunch with Secretary Mattis

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

On Friday, September 1, 2017 you will be having lunch with Secretary Mattis in his office and at his invitation. The specific topic of the meeting was not made known. This memo briefly details subjects that might come up.

# II. ISSUES

ISSUE: Oil and Gas Leasing Coordination Between the Department of Defense (DoD) and/Bureau of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) on Joint Use of the Outer Continental Shelf (OCS)

DOI and DoD have committed to working together to resolve spatial conflicts between oil and gas activities and military operations on the OCS. The Departments have a strong working relationship, developed over the past 30 years, and have resolved issues in those areas where there is ongoing oil and gas activity. However, there are potential conflicts to address in areas under consideration for leasing in the next Five Year OCS Leasing Program.

BOEM has worked collaboratively with DoD at both the planning and operational stages for OCS oil and gas leasing activities to ensure that each agency meets the requirements of its mission while not unduly interfering with the other. This has been accomplished for more than 30 years under a 1983 Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between DOI and DoD with no serious conflict.

While it is recognized that the requirements for oil and gas exploration/development and defense-related activities may conflict from time to time, the coordination and consultation mechanisms set forth in the MOA have enabled BOEM to continue to meet its OCS Lands Act mandate to make OCS resources available for expeditious and orderly development, as well as allowing the DoD to meet its critical national defense and security mission.

Given the development of a new 2019-2024 National OCS Oil and Gas Leasing Program, continuing the close working relationship and coordination between DOI and DoD remains a priority for both Departments to ensure mutual resolutions of spatial conflicts between potential oil and gas activities and military operations on the OCS.

TIME: 03:30 - 04:00pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Jim Lighthizer, President of the Civil War Trust

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

You are meeting with Jim Lighthizer President of the Civil War Trust to discuss with the Secretary some possible remedies to better facilitate delivery of funds for battlefield preservation and short term funding needs.

# II. BACKGROUND

The Civil War Trust (CWT) and the American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) have worked together closely since ABPP's inception in 1991, primarily through the Battlefield Planning Grants and Battlefield Land Acquisition Grants (BLAG) programs. As of July 2017, Congress appropriated over \$107 million for the BLAG Program, which has enabled the protection of over 29,200 acres at 105 battlefields in 19 states since 1998. Along with financial management of the BLAGs, the ABPP staff also provides technical assistance and support in brokering the real estate transactions, writing easements, and planning for future uses on these battlefield properties.

The Civil War Trust has acted as the non-profit applicant and/or sub-grantee purchaser in over 200 of the more than 300 grants awarded since the grant program was created in 1998. Since 2010, approximately 87% of BLAGs have had Civil War Trust involvement; 23 or the 28 BLAG grants awarded in FY17 involve CWT. To assist with the increased administrative workload associated with managing these grants, CWT donated \$170,000 to the NPS in FY 17 for staffing.

# III. DISCUSSION

Currently, there are approximately 120 (+/-) active BLAG grants and applications. Appropriations have averaged between \$9 - \$10 million since 2010, and the number of grant applications increases annually. In FY2016, ABPP funded 46 new grants.

# IV. NEXT STEPS

NPS was directed and received funds in the FY2017 Budget Bill to hire two FTE to support the BLAG Program. These two positions, plus three other vacancies, are being recruited and will be onboard by mid-November 2017. CWT has committed to continuing to fund two positions through FY 2018.

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 8.31

**Attachments:** 

159. Schedule: 8.31/1.1 0831 EDB Summary.pdf

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**Subject:** Schedule: 8.31

Attachments: 0831 EDB Summary.pdf

August 31

8:45-9:00 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:00-9:30 Park Rangers Appreciation Coffee

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 Depart en route USGS

10:00-11:30 USGS

10:00-10:20 Brief Overview of USGS

10:20-10:40 Critical Minerals (3DEEP, NMIC) 10:40-11:00 Reston Microbiology Laboratory

11:00-11:30 All Hands Meeting

11:30-12:00 Depart en route DOI

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

1:30-2:00 Prep for Press Conference

Location: Office

2:00-2:45 Press Conference on Fire Report

Location: Room 4041

2:45- OPEN

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Caroline Boulton

Department of the Interior Scheduling & Advance Caroline Boulton@ios.doi.gov I Scheduling@ios.doi.gov

**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two meetings/briefings:

09:00am - 09:30am 10:00am - 11:30am Park Ranger Appreciation Coffee/ Presenting Certificates

Visit USGS:

• Critical Minerals

• Reston Microbiology Laboratory

• Town Hall

TIME: 09:00 - 09:30am

**SUBJECT:** Park Ranger Appreciation Coffee/ Presenting Certificates

**FROM:** Natalie Davis, Special Assistant to the Secretary

#### I. PURPOSE

NPS has 22 Park Rangers who coordinate and guide the Department's private VIP D.C. Monument Tours. These rangers have gone above and beyond to ensure our VIP guests receive exemplary service. We have received nothing but great reports from our guests who have participated in these tours. These rangers have often volunteered on their days off to perform tours on weekends/holidays when we have a special request from the White House or Members of Congress. We have had certificates prepared and signed by the Secretary to present to these Rangers at this event. There will be coffee and snacks available for the Rangers and Secretary.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

# **RANGERS**:

Jerry Hawn	Eric Pominville
Mark Morse	John Donoghue
Steve Hazelton	Dennis Hubscher
Catherine Cilfone	Mike Rose
Carlos De La Torre	David Rapple
Brad Berger	Ryan Nessle
Kristel Nelson	Richard Ayad
Lauren Devore	Janet Buerger
Ed Fleming	Eric Martin
Manuel Gentile	Christopher Dewell
Kellen Allen	-

# III. AGENDA

9:00AM	Secretary Zinke opens the meeting by welcoming the participants and offering
	introductory comments
9:05AM	Secretary Zinke presents certificates with photo-op in front of grizzly bear
9:20AM	Secretary Zinke makes closing remarks
9:23AM	Mix and Mingle/Coffee and Snacks
9:30AM	Participants depart

# IV. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

Thank Rangers for their outstanding service to the Department and inform them that our VIP guests have sent back great reports of the tours. Very informational, kind, and great customer service. Ranger Jerry Hawn leads the organization of all tours. Please give Ranger Hawn extra recognition.

TIME: 10:00 - 11:30am

SUBJECT: Visit USGS: Critical Minerals; Reston Microbiology Laboratory; Town Hall

**FROM:** Andrea Travnicek, Ph.D., Acting Assistant Secretary for Water and Science

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Event Memo is to provide a brief overview of the USGS National Center in Reston, Virginia, to prepare the Secretary for his visit to the USGS John Wesley Powell Building, on Thursday morning, August 31, 2017.

#### **AGENDA**

9:15	DEPART Main Interior
9:45	ARRIVE USGS / Park in USGS V-Lot
10:00	<b>Brief Overview of USGS</b>   USGS Leadership Bill Werkheiser, Dave Applegate, Judy Nowakowski, Doug Beard, Kevin Gallagher, Murray Hitzman, Anne Kinsinger, Betsy Hildebrandt, Mike Tupper   Rm 7A413
10:20	Critical Minerals (NMIC, 3DEEP) Murray Hitzman, Steve Fortier, Nedal Nassar, Larry Meinert   Rm 7A413
10:40	Reston Microbiology Laboratory   Denise Akob   Rm 1B405   15 min
11:00	Town Hall with Secretary Zinke   Dallas L. Peck Auditorium   30 min
11:30	<b>DEPART USGS</b> enroute Main Interior

#### BACKGROUND

The *National Center* is the headquarters of the *USGS*, which serves as the *Nation's* premier natural resources science agency. The *USGS* works in cooperation with more than 2,000 organizations across the country to provide reliable, impartial scientific information to resource managers, planners, and other customers. Today, the USGS leads the Nation in providing unbiased earth science research and integrated assessments of natural resources and hazards; supporting the stewardship of public lands and waters; as well as promoting science to protect public safety, health, property, and U.S. economic prosperity.

The USGS headquarters has been in Reston since 1974. In addition to HQ functions, the National Center is home to a number of USGS Science Centers, such as the National Minerals Information Center, the Eastern Energy and Minerals Research Center, and the National Research Program. The campus houses approximately 1,200 USGS employees, 160 USGS contractors, 275 DOI employees, and 220 non-DOI employees.

#### **DISCUSSION**

Science highlighted during the Secretary's visit will include:

# **Critical Minerals (NMIC, 3DEEP)**

The Energy and Minerals Mission Area's **National Minerals Information Center** (NMIC) collects, analyzes, and publishes non-fuel mineral commodity information on materials of importance to U.S. economic and national security interests. The Center produces more than 700 publications annually, including the influential Mineral Commodity Summaries, which report the reliance of the U.S. on foreign sources of mineral raw materials, the Mineral Yearbook series, and studies on mineral criticality. The Center has ongoing work with the Departments of Defense, Homeland Security, Energy, and the intelligence agencies, among others, all of whom rely on data from the NMIC to deliver the aspects of their missions that relate to the supply of mineral raw materials.

The United States is 100 percent dependent on imports for 20 mineral commodities and 50 percent import dependent for another 30 mineral commodities. The United States almost certainly contains deposits of these critical and strategic minerals, but U.S. mineral exploration by the private sector is hampered by the lack of modern geological and geophysical data. The **3DEEP** program of the Energy and Minerals Mission Area will put the U.S. on the path to critical minerals independence by moving towards completion of topographic, geologic, and geophysical 3D mapping of the Nation through partnering with private sector companies, State Geological Surveys, and universities. The program would help to identify resources that would reduce mineral import dependence, thereby strengthening national security, creating jobs within the private sector, and generating ancillary economic and social benefits in value-added products and services. -- Murray Hitzman, Steve Fortier, Nedal Nassar (Rm 7A413)

# **Reston Microbiology Laboratory**

The National Research Program's **Reston Microbiology Laboratory** studies the interactions between microbes and their environment and how those microbes can affect biogeochemical cycling. Research focuses on a large variety of environmental questions involving microbes, such as natural gas production from coal, cleanup processes at contaminated sites, and uncovering unique and unseen biodiversity in sediments and water. The Lab is also involved in the study of diseases impacting amphibians across the United States. -- Denise Akob (Rm 1B405)

# **NEXT STEPS**

Topics that employees may bring up at the Town Hall include the USGS management realignment (talking points below), the budget, the possible Government shutdown, and attendance at scientific conferences.

# **Statement on USGS Realignment**

The U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has proposed a bureau-level management realignment to shift more authority out to your field-based science centers and provide a more efficient, clear management chain with a direct line of sight from the field to your senior leaders. This greater connectivity supports the goals I have for the Department of the Interior to improve efficiency and empower the front lines.

# **Talking Points:**

# How is the USGS realignment related to the DOI reorganization?

- Many USGS capabilities are national in scope and should be a resource to all DOI regions.
- Your executives in the field will be better able to align USGS expertise and capacity to support the DOI mission.

# How will USGS interact with the Joint Management Areas once they are established?

- USGS field-based Science Center Directors will have the primary responsibility for local, regional, and state-based partnership development and stakeholder engagement.
- USGS liaisons will be embedded within the DOI regional offices to facilitate access to all USGS science capabilities.

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 8.30

Attachments:

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NOTE: Call with Senator Tillis and with Chairman Calvert are pending for tomorrow

# August 30

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-11:00 Bi-Weekly Briefing with Assistant Secretaries

Location: 5160 Conference Room

11:00-1:00 OPEN

1:00-1:30 Call with Governor Cooper (NC)

Location:(b) (5) ; Access: (b) (5)

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:30 Call with Secretary Pacchiano (Mexico's Secretary of Environment & Natural

Resources)

Location: TBD call in number

2:30-3:30 OPEN

3:30-4:00 HOLD: Hallway Tour

4:00-4:30 Depart en route Medstar NRH

4:30-5:00 Visit with Rep. Scalise

Location: Medstar NRH

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Caroline Boulton

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have two briefings for Wednesday, August 30th.

1:00pm Call with NC Governor regarding North Shore Road Settlement

2:00pm Call with Secretary Pacchiano,

Mexico's Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources

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TIME: 01:00pm - 01:30pm SUBJECT: Swain County Road

**FROM:** Daniel Jorjani, Acting Solicitor and Principal Deputy Solicitor

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Governor Cooper will call to check in on the status of the potential payment of \$4M to Swain County, North Carolina.

# BACKGROUND

In the 1940s, the TVA built a dam that flooded a road in Swain County, NC. As the land abutting the reservoir became a part of Great Smoky Mountains NP, the NPS committed to rebuild the flooded road, subject to Congressional appropriations. In 2010, the Department entered into an agreement to pay Swain up to \$52M, subject to appropriations by Congress.

DOI has already paid \$12.8M. The 2010 Agreement also provides for up to \$39.2M in additional payments by the end of 2020, if appropriated by Congress. Swain recently sued the Department for alleged breach of the 2010 Agreement, but the court found it lacked jurisdiction until 2021, after the end of the payment period. Swain may still appeal this ruling.

# II. DISCUSSION



# III. NEXT STEPS



# IV. ATTACHMENTS

In Briefing Book: Memo from the Deputy Solicitor for General Law to the Principal Deputy Solicitor is attached.

TIME: 2:00pm - 2:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Call with Secretary Pacchiano,

Mexico's Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources

**FROM:** Karen Senhadji, Director, Office of International Affairs (202-208-5479)

Ethan Taylor, Senior Policy Adviser, OIA (202-513-7748)

# I. PURPOSE

Mexico is one of DOI's most important international partners, and our cooperative relationships on issues such as migratory wildlife extend back more than a century. The Ministry for Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) is one of DOI's primary Mexican counterparts, overseeing national parks, forest management, wildfire preparedness and response, and environmental regulation of oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico.

This courtesy call with the head of SEMARNAT – Secretary Rafael Pacchiano (rah-FAH-ell pah-key-AH-no) – has the following purposes:

- Become acquainted, underscoring the importance of a strong relationship between DOI and SEMARNAT.
- Prioritize environmental and safety cooperation for transboundary oil and gas reserves along our maritime boundary in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as exchanging best practices for managing and regulating offshore oil and gas development across the Gulf.
- Highlight our cooperation on wildfire preparedness and response, and express DOI's commitment to finalize the joint national operating plan which will strengthen the ability of our field personnel to work together on preparedness and response.

# **Participants**

# DOI

Vincent DeVito, Energy Counselor Karen Senhadji, Director, Office of International Affairs Ethan Taylor, Senior Policy Adviser, Office of International Affairs

#### **SEMARNAT**

Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources Rafael Pacchiano Enrique Lendo, Head, International Affairs Coordination Unit Others TBD

# II. TALKING POINTS

# Overall DOI-SEMARNAT Cooperation

- Underscore the importance of this long-standing relationship for many areas of mutual interest such as joint wildlife conservation, park and refuge management, wildfire response, and energy management.
- Acknowledge the importance of the memorandum of understanding on cooperation between our two agencies, first signed in 2000 and updated in 2016 to include SEMARNAT's new role on energy, following their constitutional reform.

# **Energy Cooperation**

- Note your call with Energy Secretary Joaquín (wah-KEEN) on July 11.
- Mention that Secretary Joaquín invited you to Mexico and that you would welcome a face-to-face meeting [with Pacchiano] in the near future when you visit.
- Underscore the importance of a strong relationship between DOI and SEMARNAT for purposes of safe and responsible energy development in the Gulf of Mexico.

- Recognize that DOI's BSEE and BOEM have developed a close working relationship with the sub-agency of SEMARNAT responsible for safety and environmental regulation of oil and gas production, the Agency for Safety, Energy, and the Environment (ASEA).
- Note that DOI looks forward to continuing to strengthen our relationship with ASEA.

# Wildland Fire Cooperation

- Note that cooperation on wildland fire preparedness and response is a top priority.
- Commit to finalizing and signing the National Operating Plan as quickly as possible ideally by the end of the year so that our field personnel can cooperate nationwide.

# Vaguita (Vah-KEY-tah)/Totoaba (Tow-tow-AW-bah) (if raised)

- Express appreciation for Mexico's recent commitment to permanently ban all gillnet fishing in the upper reaches of the Gulf of California.
- Express our eagerness to continue and strengthen the ongoing cooperation between the U.S. and Mexican law enforcement agencies, including FWS, to combat illegal fishing and totoaba trade.
- Recognize how severe the conservation concerns are with vaquita [fewer than 30 individual vaquita left in the world, all in the upper Gulf of California.]
- Note that FWS staff, in coordination with NOAA and others, have provided support on vaquita conservation issues in the past, and stand committed to continue these efforts.
- Commend Mexico for convening the first-ever trilateral meeting between the United States, Mexico, and China on combatting the illegal trafficking of totoaba fish. (**Note:** Secretary Pacchiano participated in the meeting, held on August 23-25, 2017 in Ensenada, Baja California, Mexico.)

# III. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

# Transboundary Hydrocarbon Reservoirs Agreement (TBA)

- SEMARNAT (through ASEA), together with Mexico's Energy Ministry (SENER) and National Hydrocarbons Commission (CNH), cooperate with DOI to exchange best practices for the safe and responsible production of oil and gas in the Gulf of Mexico, and to implement the Transboundary Hydrocarbon Reservoirs Agreement (TBA).
- The TBA creates a framework for oil and gas development along the maritime boundary between the U.S. and Mexico in the Gulf of Mexico.

# **BOEM Cooperation with SEMARNAT/ASEA**

- DOI's BOEM coordinates on a bilateral basis with SEMARNAT/ASEA on environmental issues associated with offshore oil and gas.
- In October 2016, BOEM and ASEA signed a Letter of Intent documenting their intent to increase coordination.
- A video conference between BOEM and Mexico took place on July 28 one of the annual exchanges of information required under the TBA.
- BOEM hosted a high-level delegation from CNH at its most recent Gulf of Mexico lease sale on August 16. (Note: Energy Counselor Vincent DeVito and Acting Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, Kate MacGregor, attended the lease sale.)
- BOEM is scheduled to meet with the Executive Director of ASEA, Carlos de Regules, in Washington on September 28. (**Note:** Both Energy Counselor DeVito and Acting Assistant Secretary MacGregor are also expected to meet with Mr. de Regules.)
- BOEM has been working closely with ASEA to design and hold a workshop in New Orleans focused on environmental assessment, monitoring and mitigation in September 2017.

#### **BSEE Cooperation with SEMARNAT/ASEA**

• DOI's BSEE and ASEA began to engage before ASEA officially opened in March 2015 and have developed strong working relationships.

- The scope of this relationship was agreed to in an October 2015 BSEE-ASEA Letter of Intent and formalized with an October 2016 Memorandum of Understanding.
- The areas of cooperation were driven by ASEA's requests, which were based on the schedule for offshore licensing rounds, and the TBA requirements.
- The agencies communicate regularly, and hold routine phone conferences, meetings, and workshops.
- Subjects include Safety and Environmental Management Systems (SEMS), oil spill preparedness, and response, among others.

# **National Wildfire Operating Plan**

- Since 1999, DOI, USDA, SEMARNAT, and Mexico's National Forestry Commission, or CONAFOR (a sub-agency of SEMARNAT), have maintained an agreement for mutual assistance on wildfire.
- The agreement was amended in 2003, extended in 2014, and updated and renewed in 2015 to add the potential for cooperation on preparedness, and reimbursable response nationwide (eg beyond the immediate border).
- As part of the Agreement, the Parties prepare a joint National Operating Plan that provides detailed guidelines on how to provide mutual assistance and execute both suppression and preparedness activities.
- The U.S. provided a draft plan to SEMARNAT in fall 2015. In June 2017, Mexico finally sent us their input on the initial draft of the Plan.
  - Note: CONAFOR staff advised that government-wide staffing and budget cuts as well as significant restructuring within SEMARNAT – slowed their ability to complete their lengthy interagency review process.
- The Plan is now being reviewed by program staff within DOI's Office of Wildland Fire and USDA's Forest Service. A legal review will follow the technical review.
- Your courtesy call with Secretary Pacchiano can serve to reiterate the importance of completing and signing the Plan as quickly as possible ideally by the end of this year.
  - Note: In the interim, the Parties are able to use the existing Operating Plan established under the 1999 Agreement, which provides for non-reimbursable mutual assistance within 10 miles of the border.

#### Vaquita/Totoaba (if raised)

- The tiny vaquita (Vah-KEY-tah) porpoise of the northern Gulf of California, Mexico, is the world's most endangered cetacean species, estimated to number fewer than 30 individuals.
- Vaquita continue to die from entanglement in derelict gillnets used to catch shrimp and finfish which serve markets in the United States, as well as an illegal fishery for totoaba (Tow-tow-AW-bah) a large, critically endangered, and CITES Appendix I-listed fish species also endemic to the northern Gulf of California.
- The illegal totoaba fishery is fuelled by high demand in Chinese markets for the totoaba swim bladders.
- Law enforcement authorities in the United States and Mexico, including FWS, have been cooperating on border enforcement efforts to combat this illegal trade, some of which is transshipped through the U.S.

# **Additional DOI Cooperation with SEMARNAT**

DOI and SEMARNAT also cooperate on a range of other issues such as sister parks and management of adjoining protected areas along the border, conservation of migratory birds and shared species, and management of Colorado River water resources.

#### IV. BACKGROUND



# Rafael Pacchiano, Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT)

**Current Tenure:** Mr. Pacchiano has been the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT) for President Enrique Peña Nieto since August 27, 2015.

**Professional Background:** Mr. Pacchiano was an industrial engineer at the Monterey Institute of Technology and has worked previously for Booz-Allen & Hamilton, Pfizer, and BMW. Mr. Pacchiano served in the lower house of the Mexican congress from 2009 to 2012 where he was part of the commission of environment and natural resources, budget and public finances, and as secretary for the strengthening of federalism and constitutional matters. Later he was vice president of Globe International's Mexico chapter. He was named Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources by President Enrique Peña Nieto after having served as Undersecretary of Environmental Protection and Management since December 2012.

**Educational Background:** Mr. Pacchiano holds degrees in Administration and Climate Change from the Autonomous Technological Institute of Mexico.

Personal Details: Mr. Pacchiano was born in Querétaro, Mexico on November 4, 1975.

# **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 8.29

Attachments:

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August 29

8:20-8:40 Drive to Fox Studio

8:40-9:00 HOLD: Prepare for Interview

Location: 400 North Capitol Street

9:00-9:30 Interview: Varney and Co | Fox Business

Location: 400 North Capitol Street

9:30-10:00 Drive to DOI

10:15-10:30 Drive to WH

10:30-11:30 Monument Group Meeting

Location: White House

10:30-1:30 OPEN

1:30-2:00 Meeting with Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:30 Meeting with Terry O'Sullivan | Laborers' International Union of North America

Location: Office

3:00-3:30 Depart for (b) (6)

3:30-5:00 (b) (6)

# 5:00-5:30 Depart for DOI

# **6:15 Steve Ryan** Location: Office

Caroline Boulton Department of the Interior Scheduling & Advance
<u>Caroline Boulton@ios.doi.gov</u> I <u>Scheduling@ios.doi.gov</u> **FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** 

Today you have one meetings/briefings:

02:00 - 03:00 pm Meeting with Terry O'Sullivan,

General President, Laborers' International Union of North America (LIUNA)

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TIME: 02:00 - 03:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Terry O'Sullivan,

General President, Laborers' International Union of North America (LiUNA)

**FROM:** Timothy Williams - Deputy Director of External Affairs - 202-706-4982

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Department of the Interior and its role in land management are crucial to LiUNA and its mission to build necessary infrastructure while also protecting U.S. lands.

Meeting is to discuss partnership in accomplishing shared goals in the future.

#### II. BACKGROUND

Paul Philips President and Co-Owner of PAC/WEST has recommended this meeting as will as the White House. Secretary Zinke met with President O'Sullivan when the Secretary spoke to the National Building Trades Convention on April 3rd of this year. LIUNA could be a significant partner with the Department of the Interior as the Secretary works to accomplish the goals outlined at the Convention.

LiUNa met with President Trump on January 23, 2017.

Expected meeting participants (names and titles): Terry M. O'Sullivan, General President, Laborer's International Union; Greg Held, Business Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Oregon & Southern Idaho District Council of Laborers'; and, Yvette Pena, Political and Legislative Director, Laborers' International Union

#### III. DISCUSSION

Jobs. Does the Secretary see opportunities to partner in achieving his goals for the Department. The Laborers' International Union membership not only supply the workforce in many of the public works projects their membership are a customer of DOI assets and overwhelmingly enjoy the out of doors.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Look for opportunities for LiUNA and DOI to partner together on upcoming projects. Would they be amenable to participating in upcoming infrastructure rollouts etc.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

#### LIUNA Meets with President Donald Trump on Key Issues

Washington, D.C. (January 23, 2017) – Terry O'Sullivan, General President of LIUNA – the Laborers' International Union of North America, made the following statement on today's meeting with President Donald Trump:

Today along with Sean McGarvey, President of North America's Building Trades Unions, and fellow leaders of the construction trades, I met with President Donald Trump, Vice President Mike Pence and senior White House Officials in the Roosevelt Room and in the Oval Office, in a session that showed the President's remarkable courtesy and his commitment to creating hundreds of thousands of working class jobs.

It is very encouraging for the hard-working men and women who build our nation that President Donald Trump chose to meet within days of taking office to discuss pressing issues facing workers in the construction and energy industries. In the meeting, President Trump was clear about his determination to create opportunities for working men and women through infrastructure investment.

LIUNA looks forward to partnering with the Administration in pushing for an aggressive infrastructure plan. LIUNA and fellow representatives from the Building Trades Unions also raised the importance of key issues; including ensuring that investment in public construction supports good family-supporting jobs and the need for speedy approval of critical pipeline infrastructure projects like the Dakota Access and Keystone XL pipelines.

LIUNA is ready to work with the new Administration in the coming years to strengthen our country and to protect the livelihoods of working class men and women.

#### **LiUNA Press Release**

It is Finally Beginning to Feel Like a New Day for America's Working Class

Washington, D.C. (January 24, 2017) – Terry O'Sullivan, General President of LIUNA – the Laborers' International Union of North America – made the following statement today regarding President Trump's announcement on the Keystone XL and Dakota Access Pipelines:

For thousands of hard-working men and women who have been shut out of our economy for too long, it is beginning to feel like a new day. We applaud President Trump for turning the page for them, leaving the politicization of decisions over energy projects in the dustbin of the past.

Advancing the approval process for the Keystone XL Pipeline and the Dakota Access Pipeline embodies the President's commitment to creating good middle-class jobs and ending the political gamesmanship of the last eight years when it came to energy policy.

The Keystone Pipeline was stalled, delayed and ultimately blocked by the previous Administration to appease extremist environmentalists, reducing working class men and women to pawns in an elitist game. Despite multiple State Department reviews that found the pipeline would be safe, in the national interest, and unlikely to contribute to climate change, thousands of workers, desperate for means to care for the families, were ignored.

Likewise, the Dakota Access Pipeline has been delayed by a distortion of the regulatory process by the previous Administration, putting at risk the livelihoods of more than 4,500 construction workers, including 1,100 LIUNA members. While the project had been approved by local, state and federal agencies, the new last-minute hurdle blocking it put politics above people.

I am also pleased that the President included Executive Orders that ensure certainty in the permitting process and requiring that future pipelines be constructed from materials and equipment produced in the U.S., which will be a boon for America's manufacturing industry and workers.

The abuse and politicization of the permitting process that we have seen during the last few years has become an impediment to rebuilding our crumbling transportation and energy infrastructure.

President Trump has shown that it is not difficult to put country above politics and create an energy-independent America. He has shown that he respects laborers who build our great nation, and that they will be abandoned no more.

LIUNA looks forward to building the President's vision with a common sense energy policy, creating good jobs and accessible, affordable energy.\

#### Statement on the Election of Donald Trump as President

Washington, D.C. (November 9, 2016) – Terry O'Sullivan, General President of LIUNA – the Laborers' International Union of North America – made the following statement on the election results:

The men and women of LIUNA stand ready, able and willing to work with President-elect Trump to move an agenda that works for working families everywhere. The election of Donald Trump as the next President of the United States should be a wake-up call to Washington and quite frankly the country. The results convey a deep concern by many with the direction our country is headed and emphasizes the need to make our economy work for middle-class Americans.

LIUNA will continue to defend the founding principles of our nation and our union to ensure that regardless of race, heritage, or gender every working woman and man has an equal opportunity to succeed and prosper in the greatest country in the world.

The strong, proud, and united members of LIUNA will not be deterred in our efforts to fight for an aggressive agenda to increase infrastructure investment, define smart energy policy, defend prevailing wages, repeal the Cadillac tax, enact pension reform, protect Federal employees, enact meaningful postal reform, and win comprehensive immigration reform.

While the election is over, LIUNA members will continue to mobilize, energize, and activate for good working-class union jobs and to protect our fundamental right to a union.

Schedule: 8.28

Attachments:

162. Schedule: 8.28/1.1 EDB Daily Briefing Summary .pdf

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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**Sent:** Fri Aug 25 2017 15:15:02 GMT-0600 (MDT)

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cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 8.28

Attachments: EDB Daily Briefing Summary .pdf

NOTE: Potential for several additional calls with Members/Elected Officials

#### August 28

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 HOLD: Senior Staff Updates

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Politicals Meeting Location: 5160 Conference Room

11:00-1:00 OPEN

1:00-1:30 Meeting with Hilcorp Energy Company

Location: Office

3:00-3:30 Meeting on Upcoming Travel

Location: Office

5:30-7:00 HOLD: Potential Fox News Interview

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one meetings/briefings:

TIME: 01:00pm - 01:30pm

FROM: Vincent

**SUBJECT:** Hilcorp meeting

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Introductory.

#### II. BACKGROUND

For the first time in decades, an oil company has put significant money into leases in federal waters of Southcentral Alaska's Cook Inlet.

#### III. DISCUSSION

Hilcorp is an an emerging force in the Alaska oil and gas industry, spent over \$3 million for exploration rights to 14 federal offshore leases covering about 76,615 acres in Cook Inlet. Hilcorp, the dominant Cook Inlet oil producer, was the only company bidding. It was also the only company bidding in a state Cook Inlet lease sale held last month, picking up six tracts for a total \$922,392.30 in bids

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Encourage continued acquisition of leases to provide energy and jobs.

Schedule: MT/TN/NC

Attachments:

/63. Schedule: MT/TN/NC/1.1 Trip 8.24-8.26 MT TN NC.pdf

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Subject: Schedule: MT/TN/NC

Attachments: Trip 8.24-8.26 MT TN NC.pdf

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Subject: Re: Schedule: MT/TN/NC

Remember to bring your park passport!!

On Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 5:23 PM, Boulton, Caroline <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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CC: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Schedule: MT/TN/NC

Additionally--attire for dinner with Senator Alexander is sport jacket and khakis (no jeans).

On Wed, Aug 23, 2017 at 5:29 PM, Boulton, Caroline <aroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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

# Montana, Tennessee, North Carolina August 24 - August 26, 2017

**Draft: 8/22/2017** 



# TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Montana, Tennessee, North Carolina August 24- August 26, 2017

Weather:

Missoula, MT

High 82° / Low 50° - Mostly Cloudy, 20% chance of rain

Gatlinburg, TN

High 85° / Low 62° - Partly Cloudy, 20% chance of rain

Ashville, NC

High 79° / Low 58° - Partly Cloudy, 20% chance of rain

**Time Zone:** 

Missoula, MT Mountain Daylight Time Ashville, NC Eastern Daylight Time

Acvance (MT):

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Advance (TN/NC):

Security Advance Advance

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge Press Secretary Assistant Deputy Secretary Deputy Chief of Staff Director, Office of Wildland Fire

Attire:

Thursday AM: Casual; sturdy shoes

Thursday PM: Friday: Park attire

Saturday: Park/hiking attire

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Luke Bullock

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Aaron Thiele

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

Heather Swift Todd Willens Downey Magallanes Bryan Rice <u>Cell Phone:</u>
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C





Thursday, August 24, 2017

Washington, DC  $\rightarrow$  Missoula, MT  $\rightarrow$  Knoxville, TN

5:15-5:45am EDT: Depart Residence en route Andrews Air Force Base (KADW)

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Security Detail

6:00am EDT-

8:20am MDT: Wheels up Andrews Air Force Base en route Missoula, MT (MSO)

Flight:

Flight time: 4 hours, 20 minutes AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift, Bryan Rice

8:20-8:30am MDT: Wheels down Missoula International Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 5225 Highway 10 West

Missoula, MT 59808

8:30-8:35am MDT: Depart Missoula International Airport en route Northern Rockies Coordination

Center

Location: 5765 West Broadway Street

Missoula, MT 59808

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: Staff Vehicle: Drive Time: ~4 minutes

8:35-8:40am MDT: Arrive Northern Rockies Coordination Center

Greeted By: USFS + BLM Leadership

Senator Daines

Congressman Gianforte

8:40-9:40am MDT: Briefing on Current Fire Activity in District

Location:
Participants:
Staff:

9:40-9:45am MDT: Walk Through Aerial Fire Depot

Location:

9:45-10:30am MDT: Depart Northern Rockies Coordination Center en route Lolo National Forest

Location: Incident Command Post 5931 Klements Lane

Florence, MT 59833

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: Staff Vehicle: Drive Time: ~45 minutes

10:30-11:30am MDT: Briefing at Incident Command Post

Location: Incident Command Post

11:30-11:55am MDT: Media Availability

11:55-12:40pm MDT: Depart Lolo National Forest en route Missoula International Airport

Location: 5225 Highway 10 West

Missoula, MT 59808

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: Staff Vehicle:

Drive Time: ~45 minutes

12:45pm MDT-

6:20pm EDT: Wheels up Missoula, MT (MSO) en route Knoxville, TN (TYS)

Flight:

Flight time: 4 hours, 35 minutes AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Staff: Downey Magallanes, Heather Swift

6:20-6:30pm EDT: Wheels down McGhee Tyson Airport // Proceed to Vehicles

Location: 2055 Alcoa Hwy

Alcoa, TN 37701

7:00-8:00pm EDT: Depart Airport en route Dinner with Sen. Alexander and Stakeholders

Location: Gatlinburg, TN

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

Downey Magallanes

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

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele

Todd Willens Heather Swift

Drive Time: ∼1 hour

8:00-10:00pm EDT: Dinner with Senator Alexander

10:00pm EDT: Depart Dinner en route RON

Location: Gatlinburg, TN

10:10pm EDT: RON

Friday, August 25, 2017

Gatlinburg,  $TN \rightarrow Asheville$ ,  $NC \rightarrow Gatlinburg$ , TN

6:45am EDT: Depart RON en route Breakfast with Sen. Alexander and Stakeholders

7:30-8:30am EDT: Breakfast with Sen. Alexander and Stakeholders

Location: Crockett's Breakfast Camp

1103 Parkway

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Participants: 15-20 people

8:30-9:00am EDT: Depart Breakfast en route Sugarlands Visitor Center

Location: 1420 Fighting Creek Gap Rd,

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle:

Drive Time: ~5 minutes

9:00-9:15am EDT: Arrive at Sugarlands Visitor Center

Greeted By:

9:15-9:20am EDT: Get Park Passport Stamped

9:20-9:25am EDT: Walk to Park Headquarters

Location: 107 Park Headquarters Road

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Walk Time: ∼3 minutes

9:30-10:10am EDT: Founder's Day Remarks and Cake Cutting

Location:
Participants:
Format:

Press: Open

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Todd Willens Heather Swift

Advance: Aaron Thiele

10:10-10:30am EDT: Depart Park Headquarters en route Rainbow Falls Trail

Location: Rainbow Falls Trail

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle RZ

GSM Superintendent Sen. Alexander

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

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele

Todd Willens Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~18 Minutes

10:30-10:35am EDT: Arrive Rainbow Falls Trail

10:35-11:50am EDT: Hike to Volunteers and Youth Corps on Rainbow Falls Trail // Help Build Trail

Participants: TBD numbers

Press: Open

Note: .25 mile hike each way

11:50-12:15pm EDT: Depart Rainbow Falls Trail en route Pi Beta Phi Elementary School

Location: 125 Cherokee Orchard Road

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Note: Visit memorial trees

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle RZ

Sen. Alexander

Aaron Thiele Staff Vehicle:

> Downey Magallanes Todd Willens Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~15 Minutes

12:15pm EDT: Arrive Pi Beta Phi Elementary School

12:15-12:40pm EDT: Visit Memorial Trees at Pi Beta Phi Elementary School

> Participants: Mayor

> > School Officials **NPS** Employees

Depart en route Waterrock Knob Visitors Center 12:40-2:15pm EDT:

> Location: Blue Ridge Parkway, Milepost 451.2

> > Sylva, NC 28779

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle RZ

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele

Downey Magallanes Todd Willens Heather Swift

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 30 minutes Note: Box lunch in vehicle

Sen. Alexander departs

2:30-2:35pm EDT: **Arrive Waterrock Knob Visitors Center** 

Greeted By:

2:35-2:45pm EDT: Greet Staff and Sen. Tillis // Stamp Park Passport

Participants:

2:45-3:45pm EDT: Depart Waterrock Knob Visitors Center en route Mt. Pisgah

> Blue Ridge Parkway, Milepost 408 Location:

> > East Fork, NC 28716

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle RZ

Superintendent

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele

Downey Magallanes Todd Willens Heather Swift

Drive Time:  $\sim$ 1 hour

3:45-3:50pm EDT: Arrive Mt. Pisgah

Greeted by:

3:50-4:05pm EDT: Greet Staff

Participants:

4:05-4:15pm EDT: Visit Panoramic Deck

4:15-4:45pm EDT: Founder's Day Remarks and Cut Cake

Participants:

Press: Open

Format:

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Todd Willens Heather Swift

Advance: Aaron Thiele

4:45-5:15pm EDT: Visit with Campgrounds and Staff

Location: Mt. Pisgah Campgrounds

Blue Ridge Parkway, Milepost 408.8

5:15-7:15pm EDT: Depart en route Country Inn Gatlinburg

Location: 421 Reagan Lane

Gatlinburg, TN 37738

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Aaron Thiele

Heather Swift

Drive Time: ∼2 hours

7:30-9:00pm EDT: Dinner

9:00pm EDT: RON

Saturday, August 26, 2017

Gatlinburg,  $TN \rightarrow Washington$ , D.C.

10:00-2:00pm EDT: Arrive Hiking Trailhead // Hike

Location: Newfound Gap

Bryson City, NC 28713

Hiking Route: Newfound Gap to Clingman's Dome. 9.1 miles

Note: Cars will be driving to Clingman's Dome

2:00-2:45pm EDT: Lunch

2:45-4:30pm EDT: Depart Clingman's Dome en route McGhee Tyson Airport

Location: 2055 Alcoa Hwy,

Alcoa, TN 27701

Drive Time: 1 hour, 45 minutes

4:30pm EDT: Arrive McGhee Tyson Airport

5:41pm EDT-

7:21pm EDT: Wheels up Knoxville, TN (TYS) en route Detroit, MI (DTW)

Flight: Delta 3692

Flight time: 1 hour, 40 minutes

RZ Seat: 3C

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

Staff:

7:21-8:00pm EDT: Layover in Detroit, MI // 39 minute layover

8:00pm EDT-

9:29pm EDT: Wheels up Detroit, MI (DTW) en route Washington, DC (DCA)

Flight: Delta 1653

Flight time: 1 hour, 29 minutes

RZ Seat: 15D

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

Staff:

Schedule: 8.23

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To: (a) (b) Ryan Zinka ios.doi.gov

CC: ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

Subject: Schedule: 8.23

NOTE: Potential for more calls to be added to the afternoon

#### Wednesday, August 23

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Update

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 HOLD: Senior Staff Updates

Location: Office

10:30-11:00 Interview: Matt Brown | AP

Location: TBD Phone Call

11:00-11:30 Open / Monument Review

Location: Office

11:30-11:45 Record Video

Location: Office

11:45-12:00 Open

12:00-1:00 Working Lunch

Location: Office

1:00-1:30 Call with James F McDonnell, Director, Domestic Nuclear Detection Office at

DHS

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:15 Call with Senator Hatch

Location: (801) 524-4380

2:15-2:30 Call with Senator Collins

Location: 202-224-1941 Note: Darci will transfer you

2:30-2:45 Call with Sen. King

3:00-3:15 Call with Governor Susana Martinez

Location: (b) (6)

3:20-3:35 Call with Governor Sandoval

Location:(b) (6)

3:35-3:50 Call with Governor Herbert

Location:(b) (6)

3:50-4:45 OPEN // Hold: Additional Calls

4:45-5:00 Call with Governor Baker

6:00-6:15 Call with Senator Heller

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Schedule: 8.4

## "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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**Sent:** Thu Aug 03 2017 15:19:37 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: ios.doi.gov

CC: ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

Subject: Schedule: 8.4

August 4

8:45-9:10 Depart Home en route FEMA

9:10-9:15 Greeted by FEMA Officials / Escorted to Hold Room

9:15-9:30 Hold Room / Seated

9:30-11:15 FEMA 2017 Hurricane Preparedness Briefing

11:15-11:30 Depart FEMA en route DOI

11:30-12:30 General Update Meeting

12:30-1:00 OPEN

1:00-1:30 Intern Farewell

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with Chief of Staff

2:00-3:00 HOLD: Monument Review

3:00-3:15 TBD Additional Intern Farewell

3:15-3:30 Video Recording

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#### FYI - Security Cell Phone for Intl Trip

#### "Getto, Leila" <leila\_getto@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Getto, Leila" <leila\_getto@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Thu Aug 03 2017 10:55:08 GMT-0600 (MDT)

Elinor Renner <elinor\_renner@ios.doi.gov>, Russell Roddy

<russell roddy@ios.doi.gov>, Aaron Thiele

To: <aaron\_thiele@ios.doi.gov>, Wesley Luke Bullock

<wesley bullock@ios.doi.gov>, Caroline Boulton

<caroline boulton@ios.doi.gov>

CC: Timothy Nigborowicz <timothy nigborowicz@ios.doi.gov>

Subject: FYI - Security Cell Phone for Intl Trip

FYI -- Security has been given temporary phones for Greece and Turkey ...

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thanks!

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To: (b)(6)-Fyan 2/thc ios.doi.gov

CC: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Fwd: FYI - Security Cell Phone for Intl Trip

For contacting your detail when they're with you in Europe, these will be their temporary numbers:

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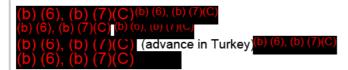
Subject: Re: FYI - Security Cell Phone for Intl Trip

Passing on to RZ so he has them.

Thanks!

On Thu, Aug 3, 2017 at 12:55 PM, Getto, Leila < leila getto@ios.doi.gov > wrote:

 $\ensuremath{\mathsf{FYI}}$  -- Security has been given temporary phones for Greece and Turkey ...



thanks!

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Schedule: August 3

## "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: August 3

August 3

9:00-10:00 General Update Meeting

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Sage Grouse Meeting

Location: Office

11:00-11:15 Brief Meet & Greet with Chase Spano and Steve Armentrout

Location: Office

11:15-12:15 Monuments Review

Location: Office

12:15-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 Remarks: OSMRE 40th Anniversary

Location: South Interior Auditorium

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:45 Meeting with Micah

Location: Office

3:30-4:00 Meeting with Tom Spoehr

Location: Office

4:30-6:00 Meeting with David Lesar, John Lesar, and Casey Malmquist

Location: Office

6:00-7:00 Lincoln Tour

7:00-8:30 Dinner

Location: Biergarten Haus

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Schedule: 8.2

## "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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To: ios.doi.gov

CC: ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

Subject: Schedule: 8.2

August 2

8:45-9:00 Video Recording

Location: Office

9:00-10:30 Bi-Weekly Meeting with Assistant Secretaries

Location: 5160 Conference Room

10:30-10:45 Sportsman Access Summit Stop By

Location: South Penthouse

10:45-10:55 Drive to White House

11:00-12:00 NEC Principals Meeting: Infrastructure

Location: White House Situation Room

**12:00-12:30 Hold in EEOB** *Location: EEOB 210-212* 

12:30-1:30 Monument Group Meeting

Location: EEOB Diplomat Room 210 & 212

1:30-1:40 Drive to Office

2:00-4:30 Personal(b) (6)

5:00-6:00 Sportsman Access Summit Photo Op

Location: Office

Note: Set up will begin at 4:00PM in your office

6:00-6:30 Depart for Residence

7:00-8:30 Dinner

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Schedule: 8.1

#### "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Mon Jul 31 2017 15:56:46 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (i) - Fyan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 8.1

August 1

9:00-9:15 Brief Scheduling & Communications Meeting

Location: Office

9:15-9:30 Bernhardt Swearing In

Location: Office

9:14 Bernhardt family brought in from 6151 conference room to SOI office

9:15 Greet family and guests; photo op

9:17 Take places; oath of office 9:20 Oath of Office concludes

9:21 All parties hold for photo op

9:25 Family and Friends exit // meeting with Bernhardt begins

9:30-10:00 Meeting with Bernhardt

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 HOLD: Monument Review Meeting

Location: Office

11:00-12:00 Lunch

11:45-12:00 Depart en route White House

12:00-1:00 White House Meeting

1:00-1:15 Depart en route DOI

1:30-2:00 Meeting with Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:30-3:00 Meeting with Douglas Lamont, Assistant Secretary of the Army

Location: Office

3:10-3:30 Depart en route Capitol

3:30-4:15 Meeting with Senator Merkley and Senator Wyden

Location: Hart SOB 313

# 4:15-4:45 Depart Capitol en route DOI

## 5:30-6:30 Reception for Bernhardt

Location: Dep Sec Office

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Schedule: Ohio Trip

Attachments:

/70. Schedule: Ohio Trip/1.1 Trip 7.25 Ohio (3) (1).pdf

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**Sent:** Tue Jul 25 2017 06:36:17 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: ryanzinke <(b) (6)

CC: subject: Schedule: Ohio Trip
Attachments: Trip 7.25 Ohio (3) (1).pdf

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

Youngstown, OH July 25, 2017 FINAL



# TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Youngstown, OH July 25, 2017

Weather:

Youngstown, OH High 76°, Low 59°; Partly Cloudy; 10% Chance of Precipitation

Time Zone:

Youngstown, OH Eastern Daylight Time (EDT)

Advance:

Security Advance

Advance

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Rusty Roddy Cell Phone: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C

**Traveling Staff:** 

None

Attire:

**Business Attire** 

#### **Tuesday, July 25, 2017**

Washington, DC → Youngstown, OH → Washington, DC

2:50-3:30pm EDT: Depart Department of the Interior en route Andrews Air Force Base (KADW)

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RKZ

Ben Collins

3:30-3:40pm EDT: Arrive Andrews Air Force Base (KADW) & Board Air Force One

4:15pm EDT: The President & Mrs. Trump arrive Andrews Air Force Base & Board Air Force

One

4:25pm EDT-

5:25pm EDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (DCA) en route Youngstown - Warren

Regional Airport (KYNG)
Flight: Air Force One
Principals: POTUS

The First Lady

RKZ

Secretary Rick Perry Secretary David Shulkin

Flight time: ~1 hour

5:25pm EDT: Wheels down Youngstown - Warren Regional Airport (KYNG)

Location: Air Reserve Station

Building 407

3796 King - Graves Road Vienna, Ohio 44473

5:25-5:35pm EDT: Proceed to Motorcade Vehicle & Await POTUS Arrival to Motorcade

5:35-5:55pm EDT: Depart Airport en route AMVETS Post 44

Location: AMVETS Post 44

Northside Rear Entrance

205 Elm Street Struthers, OH 44471

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

Rusty Roddy

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Ben Collins

5:55-6:00pm EDT: Arrive Salute to American Heroes Event & Proceed to Offstage Announce Area

Attendees: Terry Stocker, Mayor of Struthers, OH

150 invited service members and veterans

Press: Pool Press

6:00-6:35pm EDT: Participate in Salute to American Heroes Event

Backdrop: American flag, Ohio flag, Armed Services flags, Red, White & Blue

Salute to American Heroes step & repeat banner, local veterans

Staging: Podium with Presidential seal & mic; ground level wooden floor stage

Program: Offstage announce of Secretary Rick Perry

Secretary Rick Perry delivers remarks (2 minutes) & introduces RKZ RKZ delivers remarks (2 minutes) & introduces Secretary David

Shulkin

Secretary David Shulkin delivers remarks (2 minutes) & introduces

**POTUS** 

POTUS delivers remarks

Note: Prior to speaking, Secretaries Perry, Zinke & Shulkin wait in offstage

announce area until being announced to the stage. After speaking, Secretaries Perry, Zinke & Shulkin stand stage right while POTUS

delivers remarks

6:35-6:40pm EDT: Proceed to Motorcade Vehicle & Await POTUS Arrival to Motorcade

6:40-6:50pm EDT: Depart AMVETS Post 44 en route Covelli Center

Location: Covelli Center

Rear Loading Dock Entrance 229 East Front Street Youngstown, Ohio 44503

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

Rusty Roddy

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Ben Collins

6:50-7:00pm EDT: Arrive Covelli Center & Proceed to Staff & Guest Viewing Area

Location: Covelli Center arena floor

Front of Section 218

Note: POTUS & the First Lady will participate in photo op with local

Supporters prior to rally

7:00-7:45pm EDT: Make America Great Again Rally

Attendance: 7,000

7:45-8:00pm EDT: Proceed to Motorcade Vehicle & Await POTUS Arrival to Motorcade

Note: POTUS & the First Lady will participate in photo op with law

enforcement at conclusion of rally prior to departure

8:00-8:20pm EDT: Depart Covelli Center en route Youngstown - Warren Regional Airport (KYNG)

Location: Air Reserve Station

Building 407

3796 King - Graves Road Vienna, Ohio 44473

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RKZ

Rusty Roddy

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

Ben Collins

8:20-8:30pm EDT: Arrive Airport & Board Air Force One

8:30pm EDT-

9:35pm EDT: Wheels up Youngstown - Warren Regional Airport (KYNG) en route Washington,

DC (KADW)

Flight: Air Force One Principals: POTUS

The First Lady

RKZ

Secretary Rick Perry Secretary David Shulkin

Flight time: ~1 hour, 5 minutes

9:35-9:45pm EDT: Wheels down Andrews Air Force Base & Board Vehicle

9:45-10:00pm EDT: Depart Andrews Air Force Base en route Residence

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Car: RKZ

Ben Collins

Schedule: 7.20

Attachments:

171. Schedule: 7.20/1.1 0720 EDB.pdf

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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**Sent:** Wed Jul 19 2017 16:41:07 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (b) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 7.20 Attachments: 0720 EDB.pdf

**July 20** 

9:00-9:30 Daily Schedule Meeting

Location: Office

10:00-10:30 Meeting with Lori

Location: Office

10:30-11:00 Lara Trump Meeting

Location: Office

11:20-12:20 Depart en route Airport

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

DATE AND TIME OF THIS ELECTRONIC DAILY BRIEFING: July 19, 2017, 5:45 pm ET

Today you have one briefing:

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TIME: 10:30 - 11:00 am

SUBJECT: Wild horse and Burro Information for Lara Trump and Blair Brandt Meeting **FROM:** Kathleen Benedetto, Special Assistant to Secretary, Room 5650, Ph. 208-5934

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this memo is to provide information on the Bureau of Land Management's wild horse and burro (WH&B) program's management issues and animal welfare.

#### II. BACKGROUND

#### Off-Range

- Nearly 50,000 unadopted animals in corrals and pastures are being cared for at an annual cost of \$50 million.
- Animals placed in private care through adoptions and sales have declined from 8,000 in 2002 to 3,100 in 2016 due to low demand in the marketplace.
- Animal welfare standards are being implemented to formalize care and handling policy. On-Range
  - 73,000 (March 2017) WH&Bs roam public lands in 10 western states nearly 3 times target management numbers of 27,000.
  - Nearly all 177 herd management areas are overpopulated (2 to 15 times target numbers).
  - WH&Bs have no natural predators and if unmanaged increase annually by 15 to 20%, doubling in numbers every 4 years.
  - While contraceptive vaccines are utilized for fertility control; it requires annual retreatments, usually requiring gathers of twice the number of animals treated.
  - Removals restricted to 3,500 per year to avoid added cost for unwanted animal care.
  - Animal welfare standards implemented to regulate care and handling during roundups.
  - \$11 million invested in research to develop better management tools, primarily more effective fertility control methods.

#### Trump and Brandt Interests:

• Advocates for animal welfare and supporters of no kill dog shelters.

#### III. DISCUSSION

On-Range WH&B Over-Populations

- Animal health declining and some imperiled due to inadequate forage and water.
- WH&B are moving out of designated management areas in search of forage and water.
  - o Safety hazards along highways.
  - Unwanted presence on private land and damage to agricultural crops.
- Wildlife habitat and rangeland condition being damaged.
- Fertility control methods are inadequate due to short duration of effectiveness and need to treat a few months before spring foaling; removals are necessary.
- Western rangelands must be managed properly to benefit all all public land users.

#### Off-Range Issues

- Holding unwanted animals at high costs is not a good outcome for the animals or taxpayers.
- [You may want to suggest that we are open to offers from animal welfare organizations to take ownership of excess animals and place them in more sustainable environments on nonpublic lands at non-government expense].

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

- Working with Congress to acquire all the management tools provided for in WH&B Act.
- Submit to Congress a plan for a sustainable WH&B program.

Schedule: 7.19

Attachments:

172. Schedule: 7.19/1.1 0719 EDB.pdf

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cc: ryanzinke <(b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 7.19
Attachments: 0719 EDB.pdf

Wednesday, July 18, 2017 (As of July 17th at 6 pm)

8:45am Official Portrait

Location: Office

9:00am Daily Scheduling &

Communications Mtg

9:45am Drive to EEOB

Note: Jim is riding over with you

10:00am Meeting at OMB on

**Agency Reform Plan** 

EEOB Room 248

Note: Jim Cason will be joining you

12:00pm Lunch

1:30pm Daily Meeting with COS

2:30pm Meeting with American

**Chemistry Council and** 

**Solvay** 

3:00pm Meeting with Rep.

**Cramer and Select** 

## **Energy Services**

4:00pm Drive to Capitol

## 4:30pm Remarks at Western

**Caucus Foundation - Native American Western Policy Symposium and Reception** 

Location: SVC 203-02

## 6:30pm HOLD for White House Staff Monument Tour

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** 

Today you have one briefings:

03:00 - 03:30 pm Meeting with Representative Cramer and 'Select Energy Services'

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TIME: 03:00 - 03:30 pm

SUBJECT: Meeting with Representative Cramer and 'Select Energy Services'

**FROM:** Mike Nedd, Acting BLM Director, (202) 208-7120

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Inform the Secretary about a water development and distribution project in southeast New Mexico to support oil and gas development. The Secretary's Office has a meeting scheduled on July 19 at 3:00 pm with U.S. Rep. Kevin Cramer (ND) and Select Energy Services, LLC (Select) to discuss the project.

#### II. BACKGROUND

Select is preparing to submit a right-of-way (ROW) application to the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Carlsbad Field Office. Select seeks a 30-year ROW to construct and operate a 20-24 inch, 20 mile buried freshwater pipeline with related infrastructure. All but 0.27 miles (85 percent) is on public land administered by the BLM in Eddy and Lea counties.

#### III. DISCUSSION

- The pipeline will transport approximately 100K to 120K barrels of water per day used to frac (stimulate) Federal and non-Federal wells in the area. The freshwater source begins at Intrepid Potash's East Mine (Intrepid Potash owns the water rights).
- Water provided by the pipeline is typically less expensive to the customer (than trucked water), has less impact on the environment, and has significantly less impact on the road infrastructure of the area. Trucking is the only other alternative for transporting freshwater to well sites or frac ponds. This pipeline would transport the same amount of water as 770 to 925 one-way tanker truckloads per day (based on 130 bbls per truck). Assuming a frac job requiring 480,000 barrels of water, this pipeline would eliminate 3,700 tractor-trailer loads of water being transported along highways, county roads, and oil field service roads.
- Trucking of freshwater would have a significantly higher impact to wildlife, air quality, livestock, and other resources. Trucking also degrades the roads (both public and private) and contributes to vehicle accidents on roads that are already highly congested.
- The route of the pipeline has been designed to parallel existing paved and/or caliche roads, pipelines, or powerlines approximately 88 percent of its route thereby reducing impacts to the environment. As designed, the project should have very little impact to wildlife, plants, or other natural resources. However, eliminating trucking water would affect trucking jobs. Oil and gas operators and the potash mines are supportive, and coordination will be needed with the ranchers.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Select has scheduled a meeting with the BLM Carlsbad Field Office on August 2, 2017, to further refine the project and determine any additional information needs to initiate the environmental assessment.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

NOTE: Attachment in Briefing Book

Map of Select Energy project

## **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 7.18

Attachments:

173. Schedule: 7.18/1.1 attachment 1.pdf

## Caroline Boulton < caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: Caroline Boulton <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Mon Jul 17 2017 16:54:45 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (c) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 7.18
Attachments: attachment 1.pdf

7:30 Depart for WH

8:00-8:30 Live Interview Fox and Friends

(Note: Hit time 8:15 a.m.)

Room

8:45-9:15 Lincoln Tour for Sec. Perry

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling and Comms Mtg

Location: RZ Office

9:45-10:15 Interview: Daily Caller

Location: RZ Office

<u>10:45-12:00</u> Outdoor Recreation Event Panel Location: 5160 Conference

12:00-1:00 Tour of RV and Stands Location: Bolivar Park

1:00-1:30 Drive to Roosevelt Island

<u>1:15-2:15</u>	Remarks & Press at Roosevelt Island	Location: Roosevelt Island
2:15-2:45	Drive to DOI	
4:45-5:30	Meeting with Rep. Garret Graves	Location: RZ Office
<u>5:30-6:00</u>	Meeting with Rep. MacArthur	Location: RZ Office
6:00-6:30	Call with Senator Udall (202)-224-9420	
<u>7:00-8:00</u>	Dinner	

Sent from my iPhone

**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** 

Today you have two meetings/briefings:

12:00 - 01:00 pm Outdoor Recreation Event

04:45 - 05:30 pm Meeting with Representative Garret Graves

TIME: 12:00 - 01:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** Outdoor Recreation Event

#### I. PURPOSE

This roundtable event is meant to announce specific public-private partnerships and private sector investments while also highlighting the outdoor recreation industry and their investments in our public lands for Made In America week. Many topics discussed and the power point presentation will be a follow up to a previous meeting with outdoor recreation groups in Shenandoah National Park & subsequent meeting here at Interior back in March.

#### III. AGENDA

10:45AM	Thomas Dammrich (MC) delivers opening remarks and introduces RKZ
10:50AM	RKZ delivers remarks
11:00AM	Thomas Dammrich (MC) facilitates round table participant introductions
11:05AM	Media in the room is asked to leave
11:07AM	Power point presentation begins
11:40AM	Frank Hugelmeyer comments propositions for public/private projects
11:45AM	Q&A Session with RKZ & roundtable participants
12:00PM	Conclusion of meeting

#### IV. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

- Outdoor recreation supports 7.6 million jobs in all 50 states
- 95% of all boats sold in the United States are Made in America
- 142 million boaters took to the water in the U.S in 2016
- 99% of all RV's sold in the United States are made in America, with 80% made in Indiana alone
- RV industry as a whole supports 290,000 jobs and pays \$15.8 billion in wages for an overall economic output of \$50 billion
- In 2017, concessioners will provide \$1.5 billion in services and goods to visitors lodging, food, transportation, souvenirs, and guide services used by ½ of park visitors unders some 600 agreements in more than 100 park units.
- Concessioners not only maintain park buildings they use, they pay franchise and other fees to NPS totaling about \$150 million annually

#### VI. BACKGROUND

The Secretary met with Derrick Crandall President of American Recreation Coalition and many outdoor recreation groups back in April, and this is a follow up to that meeting.

TIME: 04:45 - 05:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with Representative Garret Graves

FROM: James Schindler, Special Assistant, BOEM, 202-208-3126, c: 571-585-3715

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo is to inform the Secretary of GOMESA (Gulf of Mexico Energy Security Act of 2006) and DOI's proposed budget cuts to it.

#### II. BACKGROUND

GOMESA created revenue sharing of 37.5% of qualified revenues for the four Gulf oil and gas producing States (AL, LA, MS, and TX). An additional 12.5% of revenues are allocated to provide financial assistance to states in accordance with section 6 of the L&WCF.

Phase I: Beginning in FY 2007, 37.5% of all qualified OCS revenues (bonus bids, rentals and production royalty) will be shared from those new leases in the 181 areas in the Eastern and Central Planning Areas.

Phase II: Beginning in FY 2017, the Gulf States and CPSs will share 37.5% of all qualified OCS revenues from all GOM leases issued after December 20, 2006.

The President's proposed FY18 budget calls for repealing GOMESA, which would save \$3.56B for the Treasury through FY27.

Louisiana receives 29% of GOMESA funds including: 135.8M in FY17, 126.7M in FY18, 133.4M in FY19 and 141.9M in FY20. Louisiana passed a Constitutional amendment requiring GOMESA funds to be placed in a trust fund only to be used for coastal restoration and hurricane protection projects.

President Obama's budget proposed cutting GOMESA since 2015, but was not adopted by Congress.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The inclusion of new leasing areas in the revised five-year plan will provide an opportunity for greater economic benefit through more offshore activities. Congress may decide to entice affected coastal states into supporting oil and gas offshore activities through expanded revenue sharing, or choosing to keep revenue sharing as-is.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

BOEM, BSEE, and ONRR are available to help at Rep. Graves identify areas for new legislative proposals pertaining to other offshore revenue sharing mechanisms.

## **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 7.17

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cc: ryanzinke <(b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 7.17

Sorry I forgot to send this yesterday!

July 17, 2017

9:00-9:30 Daily Schedule Meeting

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Politicals Meeting

Location: 5160

11:00-11:30 Security Detail Interview

Location: Office

12:45-1:15 Drive to Arlington

1:15-3:00 Senator Burns Interment

Location: Arlington Cemetery

Administrative Building

3:00-5:00 Personal

5:00-6:30 Reception for Senator Burns

Location: Mansfield Room, S-207

Senate Visitors Center (The Capitol)

Sent from my iPhone

## **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 7.14

Attachments:

175. Schedule: 7.14/1.1 0714 EDB.pdf

175. Schedule: 7.14/1.2 Trip 7.14-7.17 Oregon.pdf

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Subject: Schedule: 7.14

Attachments: 0714 EDB.pdf Trip 7.14-7.17 Oregon.pdf

July 14, 2017

9:00-9:30 Daily Schedule Meeting

Location: Office

9:45-10:15 Drive to Arlington Cemetery

Location: Office

10:15-11:15 (b) (6)

Location: Arlington Cemetery

11:15-12:15 (b) (6)

Location: Army Navy Club

12:15-12:45 Drive to DOI

1:00-1:30 Stop by Scott's Meeting with Eric

Zulkowsky

Location: Scott's Office

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:30 OPEN

2:30-3:30 Meeting with ICCF

Location: Office

3:45-4:05 Drive to DCA

4:55-11:50 Flight: DCA to MFR via SLC

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To: (b) (6) Nyan Zinke ios.doi.gov, ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Re: Schedule: 7.14

Adding:

2:00-2:30 Meeting with Jim Cason & Kate MacGregor

On Thu, Jul 13, 2017 at 6:24 PM, Boulton, Caroline <aroline boulton@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

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**DATE:** July 14, 2017

**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one briefings:

02:30 - 03:30 pm Meeting with International Conservation Caucus Foundation

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TIME: 02:30 - 03:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Meeting with International Conservation Caucus Foundation

**FROM:** Craig Hoover, Acting Assistant Director, International Affairs, 202.208.4266

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo is to prepare you for your meeting with the International Conservation Caucus Foundation (ICCF). You will be meeting with David Barron – ICCF Founder and Member of the Advisory Council to the Presidential Task Force on Wildlife Trafficking; Jeff Crane, President, Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation; John Gantt – ICCF President; Chairman Ed Royce;

Representative Jeff Fortenberry (NE-1); and Representative Chris Stewart (UT-2). The attendees wish to discuss the U.S. Congressional International Conservation Caucus (ICC) and ICCF; the importance of international conservation to U.S. interests and the need for a new "Teddy Roosevelt" approach to good natural resource management globally; and, the need for better international conservation coordination across agencies and departments within the Administration.

#### II. BACKGROUND

#### **International Conservation Caucus Foundation**

ICCF is a 501(c)(3) educational foundation promoting U.S. leadership for international conservation worldwide. The organization supports the International Conservation Caucus and hosts briefings and receptions on and off the Hill with Members and staff, takes Members and staff on international trips to visit conservation projects, and has a presence on-the-ground in a number of countries where they are working to build local political support for conservation efforts.

#### International Conservation Caucus Co-Chairs

- Representative Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE)
- Representative Betty McCollum (D-MN)
- Representative Henry Cuellar (D-TX)
- Representative Ed Royce (R-CA)
- Senator Richard Burr (R-NC)
- Senator Rob Portman (R-OH)
- Senator Tom Udall (D-NM)
- Senator Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI)

#### **Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation**

CSF is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization headquartered in Washington, D.C. Established in 1989, CSF's mission is to, "work with Congress, governors, and state legislatures to protect and advance hunting, angling, recreational shooting, and trapping." The Foundation works to establish policies on current sportsmen's-related issues and legislation, and supports three separate "Sportsmen's" caucuses: Congressional, Gubernatorial, and State Legislative.

## Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus Leadership

#### Co-Chairs

- Senator Jim Risch (R-ID)
- Senator Joe Manchin (D-WV)
- Representative Jeff Duncan (R-SC-3)
- Representative Gene Green (D-TX-29)

#### Vice-Chairs

- Senator Deb Fischer (R-NE)
- Senator Heidi Heitkamp (D-ND)
- Representative Austin Scott (R-GA-8)
- Representative Marc Veasey (D-TX-33)

#### Eliminate, Neutralize and Disrupt (END) Wildlife Trafficking Act

In 2016, thanks to Chairman Royce's leadership, Congress passed the Eliminate, Neutralize, and Disrupt (END) Wildlife Trafficking Act with broad bipartisan support. The Act supports a whole-of-government and coordinated interagency approach to combat the trafficking of wildlife and their parts and prevent criminals and syndicates from profiting from these illicit activities. The Act also codifies the Presidential Task Force on Wildlife Trafficking, which is co-chaired by the Departments of the Interior (represented by USFWS), State, and Justice. The Task Force is directed by the Act to identify countries determined to be significant source, transit and/or consumer countries for wildlife trafficking, and to prepare an assessment of the threats to wildlife in these focus countries, as well as strategies to address those threats.

#### Presidential Task Force on Wildlife Trafficking

The Task Force was established by Executive Order 13648 and codified into law by the END Wildlife Trafficking Act in 2016. It is co-chaired by the Departments of the Interior (represented by USFWS), State, and Justice, with a total of 17 participating agencies. The Task Force works to implement the END Wildlife Trafficking Act and coordinates interagency efforts to strengthen global enforcement, reduce the demand for illegal wildlife products, and expand international commitment across a range of multilateral, regional and bilateral forums.

#### III. DISCUSSION

#### The Importance of International Conservation to U.S. Interests

The Department of Interior and USFWS understand the strong U.S. interests associated with international conservation and are working throughout the world to promote conservation efforts through international agreements, bilateral commitments, conservation grants programs, law enforcement and conservation capacity building, and whole-of-government approaches to combating wildlife trafficking. USFWS is responsible for implementing multinational species funds to protect and advance conservation for rhinos, tigers, elephants, great apes, and sea turtles, and is implementing a new fund directed at combating wildlife trafficking. We support legal and sustainable use of wildlife and advancing the North American wildlife conservation model through effective implementation of the Endangered Species Act and the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species. We partner with like-minded organizations, such as ICCF, to deliver these conservation successes.

#### **USG Coordination on International Conservation**

The full Presidential Task Force on Wildlife Trafficking meets approximately quarterly, while staff from each of the co-chair agencies meet weekly to ensure close coordination and collaboration on USG policy and programming for CWT. A separate Subgroup on Programs and Finance meets monthly to discuss, coordinate and deconflict programming and funding for CWT around the world. The monthly Subgroup meetings also provide a forum for participating agencies to engage in current Task Force priorities, such as implementing the END Wildlife Trafficking Act. Staff responsible for programming CWT funds for each co-chair agency (most notably State Department, USAID, USFWS) meet on a regular basis to discuss programmatic priorities and funding opportunities. In addition, USFWS staff have led and participated on teams that developed Strategic Plans for USG Coordination for CWT for US Embassies in Thailand. Lao PDR. Cambodia, Malaysia, Vietnam and Nepal. At Embassies where a USFWS Senior

Special Agent Attache is stationed, they are the point of contact for wildlife law enforcement related activities for their Area of Responsibility.

More broadly, USFWS coordinates its various financial assistance programs with other USG agencies who fund conservation of biodiversity worldwide, most commonly with the USAID Office of Forestry and Biodiversity in Washington, D.C., and with bilateral and regional USAID missions. Coordination occurs through sharing of priorities and funded programs, participating on interagency technical merit review panels and deconflicting funding and programming where possible.

#### **U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Funding to ICCF**

#### **Decision Makers Course**

USFWS awarded four grants from 2009 to 2013 to ICCF to develop and implement a 5-7 day course in tropical conservation for senior professional staff to U.S. Members of Congress. The course was held on three occasions in Costa Rica and once in Argentina and focused on topics that included challenges and solutions related to biodiversity and habitat loss, deforestation, natural resource degradation, sustainable management, and fisheries practices. In total \$131,271 was awarded, which was leveraged with an additional \$159,448 in matching funds. The course has since been cancelled due to other funding priorities.

#### Combating Wildlife Trafficking Grants

ICCF applied for funding to support their work internationally through the Combating Wildlife Trafficking (CWT) grants program in FY16 and FY17. No awards were made to ICCF in FY16. ICCF currently has 3 awards under review by the CWT grants program for FY17 under the priority of Good Governance and Anti-Corruption:

- CWT17135 The ICCF Group Conservation Council of Nations (CCN) Project: "Engaging the Malawi Parliamentary Conservation Caucus to Support Policy, Legislative, and Institutional Actions to Combat Wildlife Crime"
- CWT17137 The ICCF Group CCN project: "Engaging the Parliamentary Conservation Caucus Kenya Chapter to Advance Policy, Legislative, and Institutional Actions to Combat Wildlife Crime"
- CWT17139 The ICCF Group's Conservation Council of Nations (CCN) Project: "Engaging Zambian Policymakers to Support Policy, Legislative, and Criminal Justice Actions to Combat Wildlife Crime"

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Regarding implementation of the END Wildlife Trafficking Act, the Task Force is currently working to develop a list of priority countries and countries of concern for wildlife trafficking. The list of priority countries will be delivered to Congress in a report that is due in October.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

#### **Participant Biographies:**

#### Representative Ed Royce (R-CA-39) Biography

Ed Royce was elected to Congress in 1993 and is Chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, a position he has held since January 2013. Prior to becoming Chairman, Royce served as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Nonproliferation, and Trade. He is also a Co-Chair of the International Conservation Caucus. Royce is a leader in efforts to combat wildlife trafficking. He was a lead sponsor of the END Wildlife Trafficking Act, has held numerous hearings and briefings, and is considered a leading voice on the issue. He travels frequently through his role on the Foreign Affairs Committee, and has extensive, first-hand knowledge of international conservation issues. He is particularly interested in and focused on conservation issues in Africa. Royce is also a senior member of the House Financial Services Committee. He has been named by the Washington Post as one of the Most Effective Lawmakers in the U.S. Congress.



A California native, Royce is a graduate of the California State University, Fullerton, School of Business Administration. Prior to entering public service, his professional background includes experience as a small business owner, a controller, a capital projects manager, and a corporate tax manager for a Southern California company. Royce and his wife Marie have been married for 30 years and are longtime residents of Fullerton.

#### Representative Jeff Fortenberry (R-NE-1) Biography

Jeff Fortenberry was elected to Congress in 2005. He is a member of the House Appropriations Committee, and is a Co-Chair of the International Conservation Caucus.

Prior to serving in Congress, Fortenberry worked as a publishing industry executive in Lincoln, NE, where he also served on the Lincoln City Council from 1997-2001. Fortenberry also has significant personal experience in small business, public policy analysis, and economic development. He earned a bachelor's degree in economics and two master's degrees, one in public policy. He and his wife Celeste live in Lincoln and have five daughters.



#### Representative Chris Stewart (R-UT-2) Biography

Chris Stewart was elected to Utah's second district in 2012. He serves on the House Appropriations Committee and the House Intelligence Committee. In the 114th Congress, Stewart introduced several bills of interest to DOI, including a bill related to state and tribal management of wild free-roaming horses and burros; a bill to require DOI and DOA to provide assistance to western states developing sage-grouse management plans; a bill to provide for transparency of payments made from the Judgment Fund.

Before being elected to Congress, Stewart served as president and CEO of the Shipley Group, a nationally recognized firm for consulting expertise in energy and the environment. Stewart is one of ten children and grew up on a dairy



farm in Cache Valley. He graduated from Utah State University, where he earned his degree in economics. Upon graduation, he joined the Air Force where he was the Distinguished Graduate (top of his class) in both Officer Training School and Undergraduate Pilot Training. He served for fourteen years as a pilot in the Air Force, flying both rescue helicopters and the B-1B bomber. He holds three world speed records, including the world's record for the fastest non-stop flight around the world.

Stewart is a prolific author having written 18 books, several of which have become national best-sellers, and have been published in six different countries. His books, *Seven Miracles That Saved America* and *The Miracle of Freedom* are New York Times bestsellers. He and his wife. Evie, are the parents of six

children.

#### David Barron Biography

David helped form the International Conservation Caucus in 2011. Soon after, he formed the ICCF and remains in a leadership position within the organization. David is the former Chairman of The Jefferson Educational Foundation and the former Chairman of the Young Republican National Federation. During the Reagan Administration, he was a surrogate speaker for the President and a policy aide for Latin America and sub-Saharan Africa issues as a member of the White House Outreach Working Group on Central America and the White House Ad Hoc Working Group on South Africa.



David has been active in organizing U.S. support for emerging democracies and developing nations for 30 years and has established many bipartisan coalitions that have helped project U.S. foreign policy globally. He has served on the National Board of the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) and the boards of the African Safari Club of Washington, the WILD Foundation, and the Cheetah Conservation Fund. David has close personal ties with high level officials in Gabon, including the former President, Omar Bongo, who led the nation for over 40 years before his death in 2009. David worked with President Bongo to establish the national park system in Gabon.

#### John Gantt Biography

John Gantt is the President of the ICCF, and was a central figure in the establishment and development of the organization. He runs the day-to-day operations of ICCF, managing the foundation's programs and Congressional, donor, and partner relations. John has extensive experience on Capitol Hill and working with foreign governments and has supported development programs in both Africa and Latin America. He attended the Landon School in Bethesda, Maryland and Gordonstoun School in Scotland. He has a B.S. from Georgetown University's School of Foreign Service, an MSc from the London School of Economics, and an MBA from the University of Cambridge, where he concentrated in Finance.



#### Jeff Crane Biography

Jeff is the President of CSF, and joined the organization in 2002. He has over 30 years of experience in on-the-ground natural resource management and policy expertise at the federal, state and international levels. A life-long outdoorsman, Jeff spent five years working in the U.S. Congress and was instrumental in establishing the Maryland legislative sportsmen's caucus prior to joining CSF. In addition, he has experience developing wildlife habitat management plans in the United States and South Africa. During his eight years in Africa, Jeff obtained his professional hunter's license and guided hunts for big game animals. Jeff holds a Bachelor of Arts in political science and a Master of Business Administration.



At CSF, Jeff is the primary liaison with the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus (CSC). In this role, he helps develop policy, facilitate meetings and coordinate legislative strategy with legislative staff, members of the CSC and the conservation community. Jeff also oversees CSF's National Assembly of Sportsmen's Caucuses program.

Jeff Crane is the only person to sit both on the Sporting Conservation Council (as Vice-Chairman) and on the Sport Fishing & Boating Partnership Council. He is also a member of the Wildlife and Hunting Heritage Conservation Council (WHHCC). In addition, Jeff is a member of the American Wildlife Conservation Partners (AWCP), and served as its Chairman in 2005. He is a Boone and Crockett member,

and is a member of the Government Affairs Committee for Safari Club International (SCI) and the Hunting and Wildlife Conservation Committee for the National Rifle Association (NRA).

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

# Cascade Siskiyou National Monument (Oregon) July 14-17, 2017

**Draft: 7/12/17** 



## TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Cascade Siskiyou National Monument July 14 - July 17, 2017

Weather:

Ashland, OR (Saturday) High 96°, Low 59°; Plenty of Sunshine Medford, OR (Sunday) High 95°, Low 59°; Plenty of Sunshine

**Time Zone:** 

Oregon Pacific Daylight Time (3 hours behind DC)

Advance: <u>Cell Phone:</u>

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

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge
Deputy Chief of Staff
Communications Director
Videographer

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Maria Thi Mai

**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

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

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

7:30-8:30am 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

Downey Magallanes

Theresa Hanley, BLM Oregon State Director

Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele Laura Rigas WSJ Reporter

Note: BLM staff will have their own vehicles. Drive time: ~1 hour without traffic

**Hike with BLM Staff** 8:30-11:00am PDT:

> Pacific Crest Trail Location:

11:00-3:15pm PDT: **Monument Tour with Rep. Walden** 

Six stops on tour, which will include Baldy Ridge, Keno Access Road, and Yew Spring

Road

Note: Local stakeholders will be waiting at each site

Timber Stop:

Knox Marshall, Vice President of Resources, Murphy

Company

John Murphy, President, Murphy Company

Travis Joseph, President, American Forest Resource Council

Rancher Stop:

Lee Bradshaw

Barry Bushue, President, Oregon Farm Bureau

John O'Keeffe, President, Oregon Cattlemen's Association Pat Fumasi, President, Jackson County Farm Bureau

TBD other Cattlemen

Note: Rep. Walden's office will provide boxed lunches

Vehicle Manifest:

Lead Vehicle:

TBD

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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

Kristi Mastrofini, BLM Field Officer Manager

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele Laura Rigas WSJ Reporter

Maria Thi Mai, Video/Photo

3:15-3:25pm PDT Depart Monument en route Media Availability

Location: Hyatt Lake Resort

7979 Hyatt Prairie Road Ashland, OR 97520

3:25-4:15pm PDT: Media Availability

Location: Wildlife Viewing Area

Down road from Resort

Note: Hold 5 minutes for press to be situated/use restroom.

4:15-4:45pm PDT: Interview: Wall Street Journal

Location: Wildlife Viewing Area

4:45-5:45pm PDT: Depart Media Availability en route Medford, OR

Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott

1389 Center Drive Medford, OR 97501

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle:

Aaron Thiele Laura Rigas WSJ Reporter Maria Thi Mai

Drive time: ~1 hour without traffic

5:45-6:15pm PDT: Downtime at Hotel

6:15-6:30pm PDT: Depart Medford, OR en route Jacksonville, OR

Location: Jackson Inn

175 East California Street Jacksonville, OR 97530

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Drive Time: ~15 minutes without traffic

6:30-8:00pm PDT: Rep. Walden Political Event

Location: Jackson Inn Staff: None

Format:

8:00-8:15pm PDT: Depart Jackson Inn en route RON

Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott

1389 Center Drive

Medford, OR 97501

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

Drive time: ~15 Minutes without traffic

8:15pm PDT: RON

> Location: Springhill Suites Medford Marriott

> > 1389 Center Drive Medford, OR 97501

**Sunday, July 16, 2017** 

Medford, OR

9:45-10:00am PDT: **Depart RON en route TBD Location** 

> Location: **TBD** Vehicle Manifest:

> > RΖ

Downey Magallanes

Staff Vehicle

Aaron Thiele Laura Rigas

10:00-11:00am PDT: **Timber Roundtable with County Commissioners** 

Location:

Medford, OR

Participants: John Murphy, President, Murphy Company

> Travis Joseph, President, American Forest Resource Council 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

Format: Roundtable discussion

11:15-11:30am PDT: **HOLD: Travel Time** 

11:30-12:30pm PDT: Lunch

12:30-1:00pm PDT: **HOLD: Travel Time** 

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

Bryan Hockaday

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Advance: Aaron Thiele

2:00-2:30pm PDT: OPEN

2:30-3:30pm PDT: Meeting with Klamath Tribes

Location: BLM Office Conference Room

3040 Biddle Road Medford, OR 97504

3:30-4:00pm PDT: Meeting with Soda Mountain Wilderness Council

Location: BLM Office Conference Room

3040 Biddle Road Medford, OR 97504

5:30-6:00pm PDT: Depart TBD en route Airport

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

## **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: July 13

## "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Wed Jul 12 2017 16:53:09 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (i) - Fyan Zinke ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: July 13

**July 13** 

8:30-9:00 Drive to White House

9:00-10:00 OMB Reporter Breakfast Briefing

Location: EEOB 238

10:00-10:30 Drive to DOI

10:30-11:00 Meeting with Lori

Location: Office

11:00-11:15 Briefing with BOEM

Location: Office

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 Capitol Concerts Meeting

Location: Office

1:30-2:00 Weekly Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-3:00 Personnel Interview: (b) (6)

Location: Office

Interviewing For: OSM

3:00-3:30 Weekly Meeting with the Deputy Secretary

Location: Office

3:30-4:30 Trip Review

Location: Office

4:30-5:30 Newt Gingrich

Location: Office

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Caroline Boulton

Department of the Interior Scheduling & Advance Caroline Boulton@ios.doi.gov I Scheduling@ios.doi.gov

## **Conversation Contents**

Schedule: 7.12

Attachments:

177. Schedule: 7.12/1.1 0712 EDB.pdf

## "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Tue Jul 11 2017 16:48:04 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: bi(d)-Ryan Zinhe ios.doi.gov

cc: ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

Subject: Schedule: 7.12 Attachments: 0712 EDB.pdf

**July 12** 

8:55-9:10 Drive to the Hill

9:15-9:30 Senate Armed Services AnteChamber

Location: Dirksen Building G32

9:30-10:30 Cully Stimson Confirmation Hearing

Location: Dirksen Building G50

10:30-11:00 Drive to DOI

12:00-12:30 Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

12:30-1:30 Briefing on Reorganization and Deregulation

Location: Office

1:30-2:00 HOLD: Call with Sec. Kelly Location: He will call your work cell

2:00-3:00 Pat Soon Shiong Meeting

Location: Office

3:00-3:30 Call with Rep. Duncan Hunter

Location: (b) (6)

3:30-4:00 National Historic Trust Preservation

Location: Office

4:00-4:30 Call with Senator Merkley

Location: 202-228-0808

## 4:30-4:35 Depart for White House

## **4:45-5:45 NEC Principals Infrastructure Meeting** Location: Roosevelt Room

Caroline Boulton Department of the Interior Scheduling & Advance Caroline Boulton@ios.doi.gov | Scheduling@ios.doi.gov

### Wednesday, July 12, 2017

12:30 - 01:30	pm	Briefing on Reorganization and Deregulation
02:00 - 03:00	pm	Pat Soon Shiong Meeting
03:30 - 04:00	pm	National Historic Trust Preservation
04:45 - 05:45	pm	NEC Infrastructure Principals Meeting

NOTE: The NEC meeting has 3 briefings. One is from DOI internal and 2 from the W.H. (NOTE: The briefing book has an additional power point presentation that is not included in this electronic briefing.)

- 1. DOI Briefing
- 2. ATTACHMENT 1: White House Briefing: The President's Infrastructure Initiative
- 3. ATTACHMENT 3: Infrastructure Principals Meeting Agenda and Worksheet

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TIME: 12:30 - 01:30 pm

**SUBJECT:** Briefing on Reorganization and Deregulation

**FROM:** James E. Cason, Associate Deputy Secretary (202) 513-0561

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memorandum provides an update to the Secretary on the progress of Interior's implementation of regulatory reform under Executive Order (E.O.) 13771 (Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs) and activities of the Regulatory Reform Task Force Committee established under E.O. 13777 (Enforcing the Regulatory Reform Agenda).

#### II. BACKGROUND

President Trump launched a regulatory reform initiative directing each agency to alleviate unnecessary regulatory burdens placed on the American people. *See* E.O. 13771 and E.O. 13777. On March 15, 2017, Interior designated me as the Regulatory Reform Officer and formed a Regulatory Reform Task Force to lead these regulatory reform efforts. On May 25, 2017, the Task Force submitted an initial report to you as required by E.O. 13777.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The Task Force has been meeting on a monthly basis. The Task Force has accomplished the following milestones to date:

- Established a DOI regulatory reform website and published a notice in the Federal Register requesting comments from the public, through <a href="https://www.regulations.gov">www.regulations.gov</a>, on how Interior can alleviate unnecessary regulatory burdens. Twenty-five comments have been received to date.
- Reduced the semi-annual regulatory agenda by over 50 percent to include only those 133 regulatory actions that are legally necessary and/or advance the Administration's priorities (152 regulatory items were withdrawn following intensive review).
- Established a new approval process for suggested new regulatory items that examines how the item will advance the regulatory reform goals before the Department.

On an ongoing basis, the Task Force is monitoring implementation of EO 13777's requirements that each new significant rule be offset by two de-regulatory actions and that costs of regulatory actions net to zero in this fiscal year. Specifically, the Task Force is monitoring bureaus' de-regulatory efforts and costs savings on a spreadsheet provided by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).

To date, 30 potential de-regulatory efforts have been identified, and agencies are working to calculate the estimated cost savings from these de-regulatory efforts. High-level de-regulatory efforts focus on energy production and include:

- Rescission of the final rule "Oil and Gas; Hydraulic Fracturing on Federal and Indian Lands," published in March 2015 (proposed rule currently under review at OMB);
- Revision or rescission of the final rule "Waste Prevention, Production Subject to Royalties, and Resource Conservation" (also known as the "Venting and Flaring Rule") published on January 17, 2017 (proposed rule in development);

• Rescission of the final rule "Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Rule" published on July 1, 2016 (proposed rule published April 4, 2017).

The Task Force will be using public comments received in response to the solicitations in the Federal Register and the website to inform the identification and implementation of additional de-regulatory actions. We also anticipate that additional de-regulatory efforts will be identified through E.O. 13783, "Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth" and S.O. 3349 "American Energy Independence." These documents require Interior to review all agency actions that potentially burden the development or use of domestically produced energy resources. Bureaus will be providing reports on their progress in addressing actions through rescission, revision, suspension, or otherwise by this Friday, July 14. An Interior-wide report of these efforts will then be submitted by July 26, 2017, to the Vice President and others as required E.O. 13783.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

- The Regulatory Reform Task Force will continue to meet regularly to monitor the Department's regulatory agenda, any new regulatory actions, de-regulatory actions, and cost savings, and will review public comments on regulatory reform on an ongoing basis.
- The Regulatory Reform Task Force will provide you with periodic updates regarding the number of de-regulatory actions and cost savings achieved.

#### V. ATTACHMENTS

See attached Federal Register notice providing an overview of Interior's approach for implementing the regulatory reform initiative and requesting public input on how Interior can improve implementation of regulatory reform initiatives and policies and identify regulations for repeal, replacement, or modification.

TIME: 02:00 - 03:00 pm SUBJECT: Pat Soon Shiong Meeting

**FROM:** Scott Cameron – Acting Assistant Secretary for Water and Science, 208-4242

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The President of the Navajo Nation, Russell Begaye, wants to transition the nation from its current emphasis on coal-fired electric generation at Navajo Generating Station (NGS) to renewable energy, particularly solar, to sell into the California market. We anticipate Mr. Soon-Shiong will want to use this meeting to promote solar as an option for the Navajo.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The Navajo Nation and Salt River Project just agreed to extend the life of the Navajo Generating Station two years through 2019. After that, the Navajo President seems to want to transition out of coal and into solar. However, Speaker Bates of the Navajo Council wants to continue coal-fired operations indefinitely.

#### III. DISCUSSION

The Governor of Arizona has been publicly supportive of NGS, but sees significant economic development opportunities in renewables, as particularly environmentally-conscious IT companies have explored moving manufacturing facilities to Arizona if they can be powered by renewable energy.

The Hopi tribe has far fewer economic alternatives than the Navajo, and closure of the Kayenta coal mine, whose sole market is NGS, would be devastating to the Hopi's tribal revenues. Royalties from the Kayenta mine represent about half of the tribal government's revenue.

Salt River Project, Tucson Electric Power, and Arizona Public Service have made it quite clear they want to cease using NGS power after 2019, arguing that natural gas will be far cheaper for the foreseeable future.

DOI (Reclamation and BIA) is working with DOE, EPA, DOT, and Peabody Coal, whose mine provides coal to NGS, to find another operator willing to operate the coal mine and the coal-fired power plant beyond 2019.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Continued operation of NGS and creation of new solar capacity on Navajo are not mutually exclusive, since the coal-fired electricity could not compete in the renewables marketplace. However, expanded solar capacity would likely cut into coal's market share. DOI could be supportive of both solar and NGS, although Peabody would likely be very concerned about any mixed message, given the prior Administration's war on coal.

TIME: 03:30 - 04:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** National Historic Trust Preservation

**FROM:** Joy Beasley

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo is to prepare you for your meeting with the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Attendees are Stephanie Meeks, President and CEO; and Tom Cassidy, Vice President of Government Relations and Policy.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The National Trust is a private, nonprofit organization chartered by Congress by means of the National Trust for Historic Preservation Act of 1949 (16 U.S.C. 468-468c). The National Trust's purpose is to promote the preservation of historic American sites, buildings, objects, and antiquities of historical significance, and to facilitate public participation in the preservation of sites, buildings, and objects of historical significance or interest.

The National Trust operates a for- profit subsidiary, National Trust Community Investment Corporation (NTCIC). NTCIC enables tax credit equity investments that support sustainable communities nationwide. NTCIC provides tax credit financing, primarily to Federal historic tax credit projects.

#### III. DISCUSSION

Describe the issue, topic, or event being briefed and include relevant actions or policy implications.

The National Trust staff will cover four topics:

#### **Federal Historic Tax Credits**

- The Rehabilitation Tax Credit, commonly known as the Historic Tax Credit (HTC), is at risk for elimination as Congress begins to undertake reform of the federal tax code.
- The HTC provides a 20-percent federal tax credit to property owners who undertake a substantial rehabilitation of an income-producing historic building, while maintaining its historic character.
- The HTC is administered by the National Park Service in partnership with states and has been instrumental in promoting private investment (\$120.8 billion) and creating jobs (2.44 million) in communities both large and small.
- Over 40% of projects are reported to be in small towns and rural areas with populations less than 25,000.

#### NPS maintenance backlog and infrastructure

- NTHP recently submitted testimony on the House Interior Appropriations which stated there is a \$12 billion maintenance backlog of which 47% impacts historic assets.
- They are concerned that this continued backlog puts historic and cultural sites at risk of permanent damage or loss.

#### **Historic Preservation Fund**

• The funding for HPF is derived from Outer Continental Shelf oil lease revenues, not tax

- dollars.
- The HPF is authorized at \$150,000,000 a year, though appropriations have never reached that level in FY17 the HPF appropriation to States was \$47.925 million; to Tribes \$10.485 million; \$13.5 million for competitive African American Civil Rights and Underrepresented Communities grants; \$4 million for competitive grants to HBCUs; and \$5 million for Save America's Treasures competitive grants.
- In 2016 the HPF was reauthorized through 2023.

#### **National Monuments**

- The NTHP is concerned about the Executive Order on the Review of Designations Under the Antiquities Act.
- Specifically, they see this review by DOI as leading to potential removal of designations and protections of national monuments.

# IV. NEXT STEPS

#### **Federal Historic Tax Credits**

- The HTC remains one of the most important and effective tools to promote the preservation and reuse of underutilized and difficult-to-redevelop historic buildings.
- Retaining the Rehabilitation Tax Credit as part of tax reform ensures that cities, towns, and rural areas have an important and effective tool to preserve their historic character and special places and to promote economic development and community revitalization.

# NPS maintenance backlog and infrastructure

- NTHP supports the Administration's budget request for a \$7.2 million increase to the Line Item Construction program.
- NTHP opposes the reductions to the funding levels of the Repair and Rehabilitation and Cyclic Maintenance funds as they feel these reductions will further negatively impact cultural resources.
- They are supportive of a dedicated source of federal funding for deferred maintenance as outlined in H.R. 2584/S.751.

#### **Historic Preservation Fund**

- The NTHP requests that at minimum the HPF maintain FY17 funding levels and they likely support full funding of the HPF at the \$150 million authorization levels.
- The NTHP supports continued funding for competitive grant programs such as Save America's Treasures and the African American Civil Rights Grants to reach full funding levels.

## **National Monuments**

- The NTHP has been actively tracking the progress of the DOI review, and has a section on their website where they discuss the Antiquities Act and request that members participate in the public comment period.
- In a statement on their website from Stephanie Meeks she indicated they found the E.O. a "troubling action that could undermine protections for many of our nation's most significant cultural landscapes." The NTHP does not appear to support the E.O.

Please also note that two other issues are likely to be raised during the meeting.

The National Trust will be holding their next board meeting October 12-14, 2017, in Tarrytown,

NY at the Pocantico Center. The Department of the Interior has an ex-officio position on the National Trust board. In the past the NPS Associate Director for Cultural Resources has served in this ex-officio position. Stephanie Toothman retired as the NPS Associate Director, and ex-officio board member, in June. Joy Beasley is currently serving as the Acting Associate Director for Cultural Rresources.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation also submitted a letter to the Department in March 2017 about the proposed transmission line that would cross the James River close to Colonial National Historical Park. The National Trust raised concern that the transmission line would have a negative impact on the viewshed of the Park. It is concerned that the towers would be visible from scenic overlooks and that visitors would have to travel underneath the towers when on the Captain John Smith Trail.

The National Trust hired an engineering firm and believes there is a feasible alternative to the current proposal. It also requested an Environmental Impact Statement under the National Environmental Policy Act be conducted.

Please note that the following information about the transmission line was provided to the Secretary's scheduling office for the July 7, 2017 visit to the Park.

Dominion Virginia Power is proposing an eight-mile transmission line that would connect the Virginia Peninsula in southeast Virginia to higher voltage network. The connection would provide a more reliable energy source since Docarominion Power is preparing to close two coal fired power plants in the region. The proposed transmission line would cross the James River and is close to Colonial National Historical Park (Park), which includes Historic Jamestowne, Yorktown Battlefield, and the Colonial Parkway. The river itself is part of the Captain John Smith Chesapeake National Historic Trail.

Dominion applied for a project permit in 2013 to the Army Corps of Engineers. In June 2017, the Army Corps of Engineers issued a provisional initial proffered permit pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act and Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act for construction of the transmission line.

The Army Corps also conducted a Section 106 consultation process pursuant to the requirements of the National Historic Preservation Act. During the previous Administration, the National Park Service raised strong concerns that the project could have an impact on the view shed of the Park and destroy what they described as the unspoiled view shed that was enjoyed by Captain John Smith since he arrived in the region in the early 1600's. Although the project will be partially visible within a section of the Colonial Parkway, other viewshed impediments already exist at the same site location.

A Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was created and executed by the Commonwealth of Virginia, the Army Corps, the Advisory Council of Historic Preservation, and Virginia Electric and Power (Dominion Energy) to resolve adverse effects on historic properties. Under the MOA, Dominion Power is required to obtain the cooperation from NPS to develop mitigation measures. It is estimated that overall mitigation efforts (including those for the Park) would cost approximately \$90 million. It is our understanding that the cost of the transmission line, without mitigation efforts, would be approximately \$100 million.

Jim Cason, Doug Domenech and Virginia Johnson have been working with Dominion Power and interested stakeholders for several months to facilitate conclusion of the permit process. Dominion Power has initiated discussions with the Park to identify the Park's proposals for NPS's use of its share of the available mitigation dollars. Virginia has directed that the list focus on infrastructure and deferred maintenance backlog projects and that the Department be given an opportunity to have a final review of the list of projects contemplated.

# **Stephanie Meeks Bio**

Stephanie Meeks has been the president and CEO of the National Trust for Historic Preservation since July 2010. Under her leadership, the National Trust has increased its efforts to revitalize communities, save imperiled places, engage new audiences in preservation, and increase the organization's impact.

The Trust is leading an effort to highlight the critical connection between older buildings and vibrant cities, and is spearheading original research, data, tools and on-the-ground solutions to promote the reuse and reinvestment of older and historic buildings as the default option in American cities. Through its <u>ReUrbanism</u> initiative, the organization seeks to transform both the perception and practice of preservation, responding to the issues cities face today.

With co-author Kevin Murphy, she has written <u>The Past and Future City: How Historic</u> <u>Preservation is Reviving America's Communities</u>, published by Island Press in September 2016. Stephanie Meeks, photographed at the National Trust's Watergate offices in Washington, D.C.

Also during her tenure, the National Trust has established a dynamic new program called National Treasures, which identifies significant threatened places across the United States and takes direct action through preservation, advocacy, marketing, and fundraising to save them. The growing collection of National Treasures, which is close to 100, brings resources and attention to historic places that reflect the wide contours of the American past.

In addition, the National Trust is strategically repositioning its <u>portfolio of 27 historic sites</u> to achieve new levels of stewardship, interpretation, and financial sustainability. Through this work, the Trust is inventing new models for these sites, combining commercial and non-profit uses to create enhanced visitor experiences and additional sources of revenue.

The current work of the National Trust brings a diverse and younger group of Americans into the preservation movement, and supports their efforts in their communities and across the nation. Through cutting-edge use of social media and public outreach, the Trust is well on its way toward its goal of enlisting 1.5 million Preservation Allies to its ranks.

Before joining the National Trust, Stephanie served in several senior executive positions, including chief operating officer and acting president and chief executive officer, during her 17-year career with The Nature Conservancy. She holds a B.A. in English from the University of Colorado and an MBA from George Washington University.

TIME: 04:45 - 05:45 pm

**SUBJECT:** DOI Briefing - NEC Infrastructure Principals Meeting

FROM: Olivia B. Ferriter, DAS-Budget, 202-208-4881

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

You are attending the National Economic Council's Infrastructure Principals Meeting. The NEC has the lead role for developing the President's \$1 trillion infrastructure initiative. Interior is participating in the development of this initiative and has provided legislative language to support the Interior role.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The Department of the Interior touches the lives of more Americans than any other Department. In fact, nearly every American lives within an hour's drive of lands or waters that Interior manages. Interior plays an important role in maintaining and improving the Nation's infrastructure. Interior's national role includes managing significant real property assets as well as conducting reviews and processing permits to support national infrastructure development as part of a balanced multiple land use strategy.

Interior manages an infrastructure asset portfolio with a replacement value exceeding \$300 billion, ranging from elementary and secondary schools serving Indian children, to highways and bridges serving the daily commuting needs of the Washington, D.C., metropolitan area. Interior owns approximately 43,000 buildings, 100,000 miles of road, and 80,000 structures – including iconic landmarks, as well as dams, bridges, laboratories, employee housing, and irrigation and power infrastructure. Taking care of this significant asset portfolio is a persistent challenge. Interior's deferred maintenance backlog has grown to over \$15 billion in 2016. One of the Department's top priorities is to address the National Park Service maintenance backlog. Our National Parks have 73 percent of Interior's deferred maintenance backlog (\$11.3 billion), while hosting 324 million visitors last year.

Interior needs to generate new sources of revenue in order to address its deferred maintenance needs at the Nation's most treasured places.

# III. DISCUSSION



#### IV. NEXT STEPS

The White House continues to work on a legislative package to support the President's infrastructure initiative. Interior continues to contribute legislative language and proposals for enhancing Interior's infrastructure responsibilities and to promote the Nation's economy through streamlining permitting.

# 1. Purpose

To follow up on the May 16<sup>th</sup> Principals meeting to continue to discuss significant policy considerations regarding the President's Infrastructure Initiative.

In our last meeting, we discussed the size of the Federal contribution, potential sources of the \$200 billion in funding, and options for dividing the funding. Today, we look to reach consensus on how we appropriately shape Federal involvement and whether we should channel this investment through our existing structure or create a new one. As we further develop the legislative proposal over the summer with a target to send it to Congress in September, we will hold additional meetings with you over the coming weeks to examine other important policy considerations.

#### 2. Infrastructure Overview

The United States no longer has the best infrastructure in the world; in fact, transportation and water infrastructure investment as a percentage of GDP has consistently declined from a high of 3.0 percent in 1959 to 2.4 percent in 2014. According to the World Economic Forum, the United States' overall infrastructure places 12<sup>th</sup>, with countries like Japan, Germany, the Netherlands, and France all ranking above us. If the United States continues the status quo with investments to our national infrastructure, we can expect to fall further and further behind our peers.

# A. Importance of Infrastructure to the Economy

Our infrastructure underperformance is evident in many areas—from our congested highways, which cost the country \$160 billion annually in lost productivity and 3.1 billion gallons in wasted fuel—to our deteriorating water systems, which experience 240,000 water main breaks and lead to 2.1 trillion gallons of water wasted annually—to power outages, which have increased over 400 percent since 2007<sup>[2]</sup>. Infrastructure plays a pivotal role in allowing society to function, and these represent just a few examples of how degraded infrastructure is hampering our economic growth.

#### B. Federal Role in Infrastructure

In part, our lack of sustained progress in infrastructure has been due to confusion about the role of the Federal government. During the construction of the Interstate System, the Federal government played a key role in collecting and distributing Federal taxes to fund a project with a Federal purpose. As we neared completion of the Interstate System, those tax receipts were then used for project dollars with a diminishing nexus to the Federal government. The flexibility to use Federal dollars to pay for essentially local projects has created an unhealthy dynamic in which State and local governments delay projects in the hope of obtaining Federal funding. It is time to reevaluate and redefine the role for the Federal government in infrastructure investment.

Federal government spending in infrastructure represents only 14 percent of all infrastructure spending including State, local, and private investment. Federal ownership of core infrastructure represents only 6 percent when compared to all ownership classes. Yet, despite the Federal government contributing a very small percentage of total infrastructure spending and owning an even smaller percentage of infrastructure assets, we continue to apply Federal rules, regulations, and mandates to virtually all major infrastructure investments. This regulatory regime creates a chilling effect on the private sector's willingness to invest

in public systems. According to Prequin, an industry data service, private equity firms are raising \$30.5 billion in funding targeting North American infrastructure, which is in addition to another \$68 billion already on hand but not yet invested.<sup>[3]</sup>

To tap into this and other non-Federal investment, we need to change the paradigm of the Federal government's involvement in infrastructure by encouraging self-help, leveraging the private sector, making targeted Federal investments, and streamlining project delivery.

# C. Effect of Federal spending on other sources of potential funding

Overreliance on Federal grants and other forms of Federal funding can create a strong disincentive for non-Federal revenue generation. To the extent that there are Federal funds potentially available, State, local, tribal, and private entities that might otherwise invest in infrastructure that they own, instead have a perverse incentive to wait until the Federal government takes action.

Over the last 20 years, every large growth in Federal highway spending has been followed by slowed State spending growth and every slow growth in Federal spending tracked with increased growth in State spending. According to GAO, \$1.00 in Federal grant funding results in a net increase of \$0.50 in highway funding and \$0.50 spent on other public services or State taxpayer relief.

Federal funding scarcity has encouraged States and locals to raise revenue. States and localities are better equipped to understand the right level—and type—of infrastructure investments needed for their communities, and the Federal government should support more communities moving toward a model of independence. Many States and localities have long ago stopped waiting for Washington to provide revenue and have raised their own dedicated revenues for infrastructure. For example, over the last 10 years, 38 States and localities have approved ballot measures that will provide hundreds of billions in new revenue for transportation projects. Transportation funding ballot measures have been generally popular and, on average, are approved 74 percent of the time. While the approval rate has remained relatively constant, recent years have shown an increase in the anticipated value of the initiatives as State and local project sponsors continue to self-fund projects.

In the November 2016 election, property taxes and sales taxes were the most popular funding ballot initiatives, representing almost 75 percent of initiatives. Local gas tax increases represented both a small number of initiatives and a small dollar value when compared to sales/income taxes and property taxes.

#### **Discussion**

#### 3. How do we appropriately shape Federal involvement?

#### A. Incentives program?

An incentives program would offer incentives in the form of grants, loans, and streamlining authorities to project sponsors that commit to behavioral changes that decrease dependency on the Federal government. Incentivized behaviors could include: (1) State and local government initiatives that create sustainable, long-term revenue streams for infrastructure that would be used to leverage the federal contribution; (2) assuring long-term performance of capital improvements through adequate funding of operations and maintenance; (3) modernizing infrastructure delivery practices, including the use of public-private partnerships, to lower project costs and improve quality; (4) utilize technology to improve cost and performance; and (5) develop infrastructure in a manner that optimizes economic and social return on investment. A variety of asset classes would be eligible for this program, including the following governmental infrastructure: surface transportation and airports, water resources, drinking and

wastewater, public buildings, superfund and brownfield sites, energy production and delivery, veterans' hospitals, and rural broadband.

#### Arguments for:

- Incentivizes State and local behavioral changes that will help maximize infrastructure investment.
- Decreases dependency on Federal government for funding infrastructure.

#### Arguments against:

- Creates inherent bias toward urban projects.
- Could be misperceived as not fulfilling federal government's investment responsibilities.

# B. Rural program?

A rural infrastructure program would provide funding to address the need for investment in rural American infrastructure. Funding and loans would be allocated through a fair and defensible distribution formula. The program also would ensure funding for Indian Tribes. Eligible asset classes would be similar to those for the incentive program.

#### Arguments for:

- Equitably addresses significant need for rural infrastructure investment.
- Offsets inherent bias of the Incentives program toward urban areas by providing guaranteed infrastructure funding for rural America.

#### Arguments against:

- Creates expectation for future Federal rural infrastructure dollars.
- More difficult to objectively disburse.

#### C. Transformative projects program?

A transformative projects program would afford us an opportunity to reimagine traditional approaches to infrastructure. This program could provide direct loans, loan guarantees, lines of credit, and possibly convertible debt for projects that have the potential to demonstrate the effectiveness and marketability of bold new projects and/or project delivery techniques. Types of projects that could qualify as a transformative project include: innovative tunneling for high speed rail and other transportation, autonomous vehicle and vehicle networks, small modular nuclear reactors, hydropower, and inland waterway development. The transformative projects program would help the commercial market by providing the necessary capital for innovative projects where lenders may have determined the risk to be too great due, in large part, to the unique and untried nature of the project or technique.

#### Arguments for:

- Brings to market bold projects and project delivery techniques with the potential to radically change the way infrastructure is developed and delivered in America.
- Helps the commercial market by providing necessary capital for bold projects that are unique and untested.

### Arguments against:

Potentially not enough defined projects.

• Creates risk of poor investments in projects that are too speculative.

### D. Increased funding for loan programs?

There are several successful existing loan programs that could be expanded to address a broader range of infrastructure needs. A hallmark example is DOT's Transportation Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act ("TIFIA") program, which between now and 2020, will be able to offer between \$18 and \$25 billion in direct loans to State and local governments, private entities, and quasi-governmental authorities. Similar loan programs exist at EPA and USDA.

# Arguments for:

- Utilizes and expands successful existing loan programs to leverage support for additional large infrastructure projects.
- Gives State and local governments increased opportunity to finance large-scale infrastructure projects under terms that are often more advantageous than in the financial market.

#### Arguments against:

- Creates a balance buildup if too much increased funding.
- Expanding program could create additional risk of non-payment or market distortion.

# E. Current formula funding and earmarks?

Supplementing existing infrastructure spending programs could provide a quick boost to infrastructure in America. However, this approach would continue the status quo rather than drive State and local behavioral changes.

#### Arguments for:

- Provides comfort level to grantees.
- Supplements existing infrastructure spending programs.
- Easy to administer.

#### Arguments against:

- Fails to encourage States and locals to change behavior to fix underlying incentives, procedures.
- Continues unsustainable reliance on potential Federal funding.

# 4. Should we work within existing programs or create a new entity?

#### A. Agency discretion through existing programs?

Each agency under this option would receive a suballocated amount of funding, develop an application process, and solicit applications for the infrastructure within its own jurisdiction. The agency would make loan and grant awards to eligible entities through existing infrastructure programs utilizing selection criteria determined by the agency.

#### Arguments for:

- Gives decision-making authority to the agencies that are best equipped to work with their respective stakeholders.
- Utilizes existing discretionary programs instead of creating new programs.
- Leads to timely infusion of funds into infrastructure.

#### Arguments against:

- Carries forward existing institutional structures and jurisdictional expectations that could limit the desired policy objectives.
- B. Agency discretion through existing programs with new performance criteria?

With this option, each agency would receive a suballocated amount of funding, develop an application process, and solicit applications for the infrastructure within its own jurisdiction. Awards would be made consistent with defined performance criteria established in statute.

#### Arguments for:

- Gives decision-making authority to the agencies that are best equipped to work with their respective stakeholders.
- Creates performance-based parameters to guide agency decision-making and ensure better
   Federal investment.

### Arguments against:

• Takes time to stand up/develop new criteria and issue Notices of Funding Opportunity.

#### C. Centralized infrastructure fund allocated to agencies?

Under this option, funds would be distributed from a central government collection point and would be allocated to agencies on an as-needed basis based on applications. Awards would be made based upon performance criteria established by Executive Order.

#### Arguments for:

• Centralized control allows for flexibility among asset classes, i.e. funds do not need to be suballocated before applications are requested.

#### Arguments against:

- Potential for confusion on return on investment analysis between asset classes.
- Absent individual agency grant award amount, difficult to compare to adequately assess adherence to performance criteria.
- Requires the creation of a new bureaucracy that will be difficult to create.

#### D. National infrastructure bank model?

This option would create an entity similar to a national infrastructure bank, which would be a quasigovernmental entity. The Bank would be authorized to use funds to provide grants, invest equity, and offer a variety of debt instruments. Decisions would be made on commercial terms.

#### Arguments for:

- Centralizes existing grant and lending programs into a single government entity, which could improve grant and lending decisions and harmonize grant/lending procedures.
- Demonstrates leadership in thinking creatively about how to address infrastructure funding gap.
- Provides leadership to State and local governments in how to manage complicated publicprivate partnership transactions.

- Makes decisions in less political environment.
- Creates opportunity to obtain equity return.

### Arguments against:

- Increases Federal bureaucracy through creation of independent new agency or wholly owned new Government-sponsored entity.
- Takes years to stand up and administer.
- Could create competition against private equity and debt.
- Risks political interference in Bank's project selection.
- [1] https://www.cbo.gov/sites/default/files/114th-congress-2015-2016/reports/49910-Infrastructure.pdf.
  [2] Sources: https://static.tti.tamu.edu/tti.tamu.edu/documents/mobility-scorecard-2015.pdf; EPA: OMB.
- [3] <a href="http://www.cnbc.com/2017/03/31/private-investors-have-cash--and-strict-criteria--for-us-infrastructureprojects.html">http://www.cnbc.com/2017/03/31/private-investors-have-cash--and-strict-criteria--for-us-infrastructureprojects.html</a>.

#### ATTACHMENT 3. Infrastructure Principals Meeting Agenda and Worksheet

1. Overview of process, purpose of today's meeting, and update from last Principals Meeting

### 2. Infrastructure Overview

- A. Importance of infrastructure to the economy
- B. Federal role in infrastructure
- C. Effect of Federal spending on other sources of potential funding

#### 3. How do we appropriately shape Federal involvement?

- A. Incentives program (50%)? YES NO
- B. Rural program (25%)? YES NO
- C. Transformative projects program (15%)? YES NO
- D. Increased funding for loan programs (10%)? YES NO
- E. Current formula funding and earmarks? YES NO

# 4. Should we work within existing programs or create a new entity?

- A. Agency discretion through existing programs?
- B. Agency discretion through existing programs with new performance criteria?
- C. Centralized infrastructure fund allocated to agencies?
- D. National infrastructure bank model?

# 5. Next meeting

Incentives & Transformative Projects components of infrastructure package

Schedule: July 11

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July 11, 2017

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling Meeting

Location: Office

10:00-10:30 Drive to Holiday Inn Capitol

Staff: Laura

10:30-11:00 American Farm Bureau Council of

**Presidents** 

Location: Holiday Inn Capitol, 550 C

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Staff: Laura

11:00-11:30 Drive to DOI

Location: Office

11:30-12:00 Update on Klamath

Location: Office

Staff: Alan, Scott Cameron

# 12:00-12:30 Call with Mexican Energy Secretary Joaquin

Location: Office

Staff: Vincent, Karen Senhadji

1:30-2:00 Meeting with Chief of Staff

Location: Office

3:00-4:30 FWS Sportsmen Briefing

Location: Office

Staff: Downey, Greg Sheehan

5:00-6:00 Tour of Lincoln

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

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# **OVERVIEW:**

Today you have two briefings:

10:30 - 11:00 am American Farm Bureau Council of Presidents Remarks

12:00 - 12:30 am Call with Mexican Secretary of Energy Joaquin

**TIME:** 10:30 - 11:00 am

**SUBJECT:** American Farm Bureau Council of Presidents Remarks

**FROM:** Aaron Thiele

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

Provide remarks regarding to state and Puerto Rico American Farm Bureau Federation Presidents during their annual DC conference. Topics they would like to hear about is how the Department of Interior under the Trump Administration is going to work with farmers and ranchers. Antiquities Act / Monument Review, Endangered Species Act, and agricultural opportunities on federal lands and permitting issues are some of their top priorities.

#### II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Business PRESS: Closed

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

51 State/Puerto Rico Farm Bureau presidents, AFBF President Zippy Duvall, EVP Julie Anna Potts and an estimated 55-60 with staff. AFBF photographers will be present.

#### IV. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

10:00	am	Depart DOI en route Holliday Inn
10:20	am	Arrive Holiday Inn, Greeted by Valeria Zavala
10:25	am	Enter hold room adjoining conference room
10:25	am	Introduction of Secretary by AFB President Zippy Duvall
10:30	am	Remarks from Secretary
10:50	am	Q&A session
11:00	am	Secretary exits stage
11:05	pm	Depart en route DOI

# V. DISCUSSION

Describe the issue, topic, or event being briefed and include relevant actions or policy implications. If recommending a particular action for the Secretary, add it in brackets, as in the example below.

# VI. ATTACHMENTS

In Briefing Book:

**TAB 1:** Zippy Duvall Bio

**TIME:** 12:00 - 12:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Call with Mexican Secretary of Energy Joaquin

**FROM:** Karen Senhadji, Director, Office of International Affairs (202-208-5479)

Ethan Taylor, Senior Policy Adviser, OIA (202-513-7748)

#### I. PURPOSE

DOI's cooperation with Mexico began more than a century ago, on shared and migratory species. Energy is also high priority for the U.S.-Mexico bilateral relationship, and Mexico's Energy Ministry (SENER), led by Secretary Pedro Joaquín (hwa-KEEN), is one of DOI's primary counterparts, particularly with regard to management of offshore oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico. The purpose of this courtesy call is to:

- become acquainted and underscore the importance of a strong DOI-SENER relationship;
- reinforce the importance of our technical exchanges on oil and gas resources, especially in implementing the Transboundary Hydrocarbon Reservoirs Agreement (TBA) to manage transboundary oil and gas reserves along the maritime boundary in the Gulf of Mexico.

# **Participants**

DOI

Vincent DeVito, Energy Counselor Karen Senhadji, Director, Office of International Affairs Ethan Taylor, Senior Policy Adviser, Office of International Affairs

# **SENER**

Secretary of Energy Pedro Joaquín Alejandro Amerena, Director General of International Affairs

#### II. TALKING POINTS

- Recognize the long-standing importance of Mexico for DOI.
- Underscore the importance of a strong relationship between DOI and SENER.
- Encourage continued technical exchanges and sharing of best practices between DOI, SENER and its National Commission on Hydrocarbons (CNH), to learn from each other's experiences, and to support Mexico's energy sector reforms.
- Highlight that DOI continues to work with SENER and CNH to implement the Transboundary Hydrocarbons Agreement (TBA), and look forward to holding an annual TBA meeting with Mexico in the coming months to discuss implementation.
- Share that DOI is eager to finalize the Model Transboundary Unitization Agreement this year.
- IF ASKED about the status of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI): As is typical in a transition, the Administration is reviewing many existing initiatives. EITI is one of them, and further activity is on hold until this review is completed.

#### III. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

# **DOI Energy Counterparts in Mexico**

- SENER is responsible for overseeing oil and gas production in the Gulf of Mexico, as well as onshore.
- Within SENER, the National Hydrocarbons Commission (CNH) is a major counterpart for DOI.
- Another key counterpart in Mexico for DOI is the Ministry of Environment and Natural Resources (SEMARNAT).
- SEMARNAT oversees environmental regulation of oil and gas production through its Agency for Safety, Energy, and the Environment (ASEA).

# The Transboundary Hydrocarbon Agreement (TBA)

- The Agreement was negotiated between the Department of State and the Mexican Foreign Ministry (SRE), with support from DOI and Mexico's SENER.
- The Bipartisan Budget Act of 2013 (P. L. 113-67) granted the authority to implement the terms of the Agreement to the Secretary of the Interior.
- The TBA sets out a framework for joint exploration and exploitation of geological hydrocarbon structures and reservoirs across the U.S.-Mexico maritime boundary.
- The State Department, DOI's Bureaus of Ocean Energy Management (BOEM) and Safety and Environmental Enforcement (BSEE) implement the TBA for the U.S.
- SENER/CNH, SEMARNAT/ASEA and DOI exchange best practices in offshore management and regulation to implement the TBA.

# **Additional DOI Cooperation with Mexico on Energy**

- DOI engages extensively with Mexico, both onshore and offshore, particularly in regions with potential transboundary reserves, such as the Gulf of Mexico.
- Mexico's historic energy sector reforms signed into law in August 2014–can strengthen its resource management framework and help stabilize and diversify energy supplies.
- Regulatory exchanges involving BOEM and BSEE encourage a level playing field and a familiar regulatory framework for U.S. companies.
- Joint incident response planning and exchanges on regulatory practices can also help reduce the risk that oil spills in the Gulf of Mexico will threaten U.S. waters.
- DOI's U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) has also engaged periodically with Mexico on energy.
- USGS provides science-based, impartial comprehensive information on global energy resources to help ensure a stable U.S. supply for future economic and societal needs.
- These assessments typically rely on strong cooperation and information sharing with partners in the relevant countries, including Mexico.
- In 2014, USGS released an assessment of unconventional oil and gas resources in Northeast Mexico.
- In 2012, USGS released a report on undiscovered conventional oil and gas accumulations within priority geologic provinces of Mexico, Guatemala, and Belize.
- DOI's International Technical Assistance Program (DOI-ITAP) receives funding from the State Department Energy Bureau for DOI bureaus to engage in technical exchanges.

- With this funding, DOI-ITAP partners with Mexico and other countries to exchange best practices on both unconventional and conventional oil and gas resources.
- Recent DOI-ITAP activities with Mexico include workshops on oil spill preparedness and response, and environmental management of offshore oil and gas development.
- In the past, DOI has shared information with SENER about implementation of the Extractive Industries Transparency Initiative (EITI), which is under review in the U.S.

#### IV. BACKGROUND



Pedro Joaquín, Secretary of Energy (SENER)

**Current Tenure:** Mr. Joaquín has been the Secretary of Energy (SENER) under President Peña Nieto since December 2012.

**Professional Background:** Mr. Joaquín is a member of the Institutional Revolutionary Party (PRI), and has had many different positions within the party and in public service. He has been director general of the Fondo Nacional para el Desarrollo Turístico (FONATUR) and general secretary of his party. He served as Governor of Quintana Roo from 1981 to 1987. He was appointed Secretary of Tourism in 1990 by former president Carlos Salinas de Gortari and has also served in the Chamber of Deputies. Mr. Joaquín succeeded Marco A. Bernal as Peace and Reconciliation Commissioner in Chiapas. In 1998, President Ernesto Zedillo Ponce de León appointed him Ambassador to Cuba. In 2005, Mr. Joaquín joined Alfonso Romo's political group Opción Ciudadana.

Educational Background: Mr. Joaquín studied law at the Universidad Iberoamericana.

**Personal Details:** Mr. Joaquín was born on August 5, 1950 in Cozumel, Quintana Roo. Mr. Joaquín is the son of Nassin Joaquín Ibarra, a businessman from Cozumel, and his sister, Addy Joaquín Coldwell, is also active in political circles.

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**June 10** 

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 Briefing on Minnesota Issues

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Politicals Meeting (optional)

Location: 5160 Conference Room

11:30-12:00 Salt River Project Video

Location: Office

12:00-1:00 Lunch

1:00-1:30 Governor Mapp Meeting

Location: Office

1:30-2:00 Meeting with Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:30-3:00 Governor Mark Dayton Meeting

Location: Office

3:30-4:30 HOLD: Press

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# **OVERVIEW:**

Today you have four briefings:

01:00 - 01:30 pm Meeting with Governor Mapp

**SUBJECT:** Virgin Islands National Park road systems

**SUBJECT:** Marine Research and Education Center (St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands)

**SUBJECT:** Status of the health care system in the Virgin Islands

**SUBJECT:** Federal funding for hospital construction

NOTE: All briefings are from Nikolao Pula, Acting Assistant Secretary, Office of Insular Affairs, 208-4736

**SUBJECT:** Virgin Islands National Park road systems

# I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memorandum is to inform the Secretary of various issues regarding the management of access to road systems within the Virgin Islands National Park on St. John.

#### II. BACKGROUND

- The issue of road access to private property owners through National Park Properties is one that is recurrent. Long time property owners feel they have been disenfranchised by the ever increasing National Park Boundaries on St. John.
- In 1999, NPS Regional Director Jerry Belson wrote to the St. John At Large Senator, Almando Liburd, to describe a course of action regarding property owners who could not access their properties; it was determined that access issues would be negotiated with the owners on a case by case basis.
- With each new NPS Superintendent, the attitude and level of cooperation changes as it relates to road access, road repairs, and road ownership.
- The Governor wishes to revisit these issues, and seeks a standard policy of review whereby residents do not feel threatened or disenfranchised and can negotiate access to their properties amicably.

#### III. DISCUSSION

- Virgin Islands National Park Deputy Superintendent is aware of some cases and has worked with owners so they can traverse roads and paths on NPS property to access their property.
- Some property owners want NPS to maintain roads to allow vehicular access. NPS will permit private land owners to make improvements to NPS trails and roads to access their property.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

• OIA will follow up with NPS.

**SUBJECT:** Marine Research and Education Center (St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands)

#### I STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The memorandum is to inform the Secretary about the Marine Research and Education Center (MERC) located at the Salt River Bay National Historical Park and Ecological Preserve, St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands.

# II BACKGROUND

- The National Park Service (NPS), Office of Insular Affairs (OIA) and a consortium of universities is working to build a world-class marine institute at Salt River Bay National Historical Park and Ecological Preserve (SARI), St. Croix. SARI is co-managed by NPS and the Government of the Virgin Islands (GVI). It is rich in cultural and natural history.
- OIA has contributed more than \$6 million to project development. NPS has contributed several million dollars in land acquisition and project support. DoD spent \$4 million on site improvements. GVI has contributed about \$300,000 in project support.
- Construction of the 59,000 ft² facility is estimated at \$43 million; funds will need to be raised from private and public sources. The 8-acre campus will be situated on land of a removed hotel complex on the east side of SARI. It will house 56 students & researchers.
- OIA provided \$1.6 million to develop the Coastal Studies Outpost (CSO) on the old hotel site to help to "jumpstart" research and education in the park. The CSO was completed in October 2016 and will be integrated into the MREC campus once built.

#### III DISCUSSION

- In March 2015, NPS Director Jarvis signed the Comprehensive Fundraising Agreement (CFA), and the Operations and Maintenance Agreement. The CFA was subsequently modified to address Governor Mapp's concerns. The Governor declined to sign the Agreement in November 2016 due to GVI severe fiscal and economic challenges.
- In November 2016, GVI, OIA and NPS agreed to pursue an avenue to develop the MREC that would not commit GVI to any direct financial support to the project.

# IV NEXT STEPS

• OIA and NPS will determine next steps.

**SUBJECT:** Status of the health care system in the Virgin Islands

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memorandum is to inform the Secretary of the status of the health care system in the Virgin Islands.

#### II. BACKGROUND

- American citizens living in the territories are treated differently from U.S. citizens on the mainland under federal healthcare programs, including the Affordable Care Act (ACA).
- In particular, the Medicaid and Medicare programs in the Virgin Islands and the other small territories receive substantially less federal funding than those in the States and the District of Columbia.
- From the perspective of availability and affordability, there is no viable private health insurance market in the Virgin Islands.

#### III. DISCUSSION

- In the States and DC, the federal government covers between 50%-83% of the cost of a State's Medicaid program, depending upon the State's per capita income. The poorer the State, the higher is the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage (FMAP).
- In contrast, the FMAP for the territories is arbitrarily set by statute at only 55%, even though the Virgin Islands would qualify for an FMAP rate of 83% if territories were treated equally with States.
- For the States and DC, Medicaid operates under an open-ended financing structure with no caps on federal spending.
- Medicaid in the territories by statute operates with an annual ceiling or cap on federal financial participation. In general, once a territory exhausts its annual federal Medicaid ceilings, it must fund its program with local funds.
- The bipartisan Congressional Task Force on Economic Growth in Puerto Rico concluded in its December 20, 2016 Final Report (p. 20):
  - O The Task Force believes the territories should be treated in a more equitable and sustainable manner under the Medicaid program.
  - O The Task Force recommends that, going forward, federal financing of the Medicaid programs in the territories should be more closely tied to the size and needs of the territory's low-income population.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

- Congressional action is required to adjust the FMAP and ceiling for the territories.
- OIA is working with the Department of Health and Human Services on strategies to improve the health care systems in the territories.

**SUBJECT:** Federal funding for hospital construction

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memorandum is to inform the Secretary of Governor Mapp's request for federal funding to build two hospitals in the Virgin Islands – one on St. Thomas and one on St. Croix.

# II. BACKGROUND

- 1982 marked the opening of large hospitals on St. Thomas and St. Croix.
  - o The St. Thomas Roy Lester Regional Hospital was built with 169 beds.
  - o The St. Croix Juan Luis Hospital has a similar capacity.
- The hospitals are in serious need of new construction to replace the existing facilities
- Congress provided the initial construction funding for both hospitals

#### III. DISCUSSION

• Governor Mapp is seeking the Secretary's support in including funding for construction of the hospital in the Administration's infrastructure proposal, and/or in an upcoming appropriations bill or Insular Areas/Puerto Rico bill.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

• OIA will continue to monitor opportunities to include the infrastructure needs of the territories in the Administration's infrastructure initiatives.

Schedule: 7.7

Attachments:

/80. Schedule: 7.7/1.1 0707EDB.pdf

/80. Schedule: 7.7/1.2 History of Yorktown.docx /80. Schedule: 7.7/1.3 Trip7.7YorktownVA (1).pdf

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To: os.doi.gov, ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 7.7

Attachments: 0707EDB.pdf History of Yorktown.docx Trip7.7YorktownVA (1).pdf

Pick up is at 7:30AM to depart for Anacostia USPP helicopter site. Wheels up will be 8:00AM en route Yorktown.

Note: For clothing tomorrow, please ensure you wear non-synthetic clothing (cotton, denim, etc) for the cannon. They will be giving you a jacket and ear protection at the site.

Wheels down back in DC will be 2:30PM. The remainder of the day is as follows:

2:30-2:45 Depart Anacostia en route Residence

2:45-3:00 Change Clothes for Horseback Riding

3:00-3:30 Depart Residence en route H-3 Stables in Rock Creek Park

#### 3:30-4:00 Hold at Stables for VPOTUS

Note: If running behind, you can change clothes at the stables

# 4:00-5:00 Horseback Riding

Note: If you want to do a quick tour of the stables, VPOTUS staff requested it happen on the back-end of the visit

# 5:00-5:30 Depart H-3 Stables en route Residence

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Schedule: 7.6

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CC: ryanzinke  $\langle (b) (6) \rangle$ 

Subject: Schedule: 7.6

July 6

9:00-9:30 Daily Schedule Meeting

Location: Office

9:30-11:00 Bi-Weekly Assistant Secretary Meeting

Location: 5160 Conference Room

11:00-11:30 OPEN

11:30-12:00 On-Shore SO Governor Call

Location: 6151 Conference Room

12:00-12:20 Onshore SO Stakeholder Call

Location: 6151 Conference Room

12:30-1:00 Onshore SO Media Call Location: 6151 Conference Room

1:30-2:00 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff

Location: Office

2:00-2:15 HOLD: Call with Senator McCain

2:15-2:30 Depart for White House

2:30-3:00 Meeting with Reince Preibus

Location: West Wing

3:00-3:15 Drive to DOI

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Schedule: July 4

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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Subject: Schedule: July 4

July 4

4:00-4:45PM White House Military Appreciation Picnic

Location: South Lawn

4:55-6:00 DOI Awards Ceremony

Location: South Penthouse

Format: Scott is Master of Ceremony; he will introduce you, you will give short remarks, and

then Scott will announce award recipients while you present awards

7:00-10:00 DOI July 4th Party

Location: Secretary's Office

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Schedule: 6.30

Attachments:

/83. Schedule: 6.30/1.1 0630EDB.pdf

# "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov, ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 6.30 Attachments: 0630EDB.pdf

Briefing on Lucky Minerals mine attached

<u>June 30</u>

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 HOLD: Senior Staff Updates

Location: Office

10:00-10:15 Drive to Fox Studio

10:15-10:45 Interview: Fox Business | Varney and Co.

Location: 400 North Capitol Street NW

10:45-11:00 Drive to DOI

11:00-12:00 OPEN

12:00-12:15 Call with Senator McCain

Location: 202-224-7137

Ellen Cahill will answer and transfer

12:15-12:30 Open

12:30-1:00 Drive to Medstar Washington Hospital Center

1:00-1:30 Visit with Whip Steve Scalise

1:30-2:00 Drive to DOI

2:00-2:30 Meeting with Jim Cason

Location: Office

2:30-3:00 Call with Barry Klein Location: (b) (6)

3:00-4:00 HOLD: SEALs

Location: Office

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Caroline\_Boulton@ios.doi.gov I <u>Scheduling@ios.doi.gov</u> **FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** Today you have one briefings.

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TIME: 2:30 - 3:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** Call with Barry Klein

#### I. PURPOSE

Barry Klein has asked for a call with you to discuss legislative proposals to permanently withdraw mining claims outside Yellowstone National Park. Specifically, he would like to discuss Senator Tester's bill, S.941, the Yellowstone Gateway Protection Act. He may also discuss the exploratory mining proposal from Lucky Minerals.

#### II. TALKING POINTS

Barry will likely remind you of the position you took as Congressman, which was essentially 'there are appropriate places to mine and inappropriate places to mine - this place is special and not appropriate for mining.' You also said you wanted to see the NEPA and comment period processes play out in order to finalize your position. Please remain as non-committal as possible about any path forward for Senator Tester's bill. Barry will likely want you to throw your support behind the bill, but ultimately the decision will come from the Forest Service, which continues to complete the NEPA process.

Senator Daines is looking at introducing a compromise bill that would allow the withdraw to happen only in exchange for something else. While he continues to work on the text, ideas include reversing WSAs in Montana; validating claims expeditiously in Montana; allowing permitting projects to proceed without obstacle; or a mineral swap.

#### III. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

Senator Tester introduced S.941, the Yellowstone Gateway Protection Act, on April 25, 2017. This legislation, if passed, would permanently withdraw mining claims identified in a Forest Service map entitled 'Emigrant Crevice Proposed Withdrawal Area.' Senator Cantwell has identified this bill as her top priority for a legislative hearing. The date of this potential hearing is pending.

#### IV. BACKGROUND

You know Barry Klein from the campaign. He is actively working with groups like the Greater Yellowstone Coalition and Yellowstone Gateway Business Coalition to permanently withdraw these areas from any future mining.

Schedule: June 29

# Caroline Boulton <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

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Subject: Schedule: June 29

June 29 7:15-7:45 Drive to White House 7:45-8:15 Interview: CNBC | Squawk Box Location: "Pebble Beach" Topic: Energy Week Hit Time: 8:00 8:15-8:45 Interview: Bloomberg | Daybreak in America Location: "Pebble Beach" Topic: Energy Week Hit Time: 8:30 8:45-9:00 Drive to DOI 9:00-9:30 Daily Schedule & Communications Location: Office 9:30-10:00 Meet with Caroline on Schedule Location: Office 10:00-10:30 Daily Meeting with the Chief of Staff Location: Office 10:30-11:00 Society for American Archaeology Meeting Location: Office 11:00-11:30 Meeting with Jim Cason Location: Office 11:30-12:00 Independent Petroleum Association of America Location: Office 12:00-1:00 Lunch 1:00-1:15 Drive to DOE 1:15-4:00 American Dominance Energy Panel Location: DOE Auditorium Note: Participation in panel at 2:00-2:35 POTUS remarks at 3:15 4:00-4:15 Drive to DOI 4:30-5:00 Aramark Meeting Location: Office Sent from my iPhone

Draft Trip Schedule: NV, MT

Attachments:

/85. Draft Trip Schedule: NV, MT/1.1 Trip6.25-6.28NevadaMontana (1).pdf

/85. Draft Trip Schedule: NV, MT/1.2 License-Application - MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks.pdf

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Subject: Draft Trip Schedule: NV, MT

Attachments: Trip6.25-6.28NevadaMontana (1).pdf License-Application - MT

Fish, Wildlife & Parks.pdf

Attached. 6:30 departure from your house Sunday AM. I also attached your fishing license so you can save it to your phone/computer if you want to.

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

Nevada, Montana June 25 - June 26, 2017

**Draft: 6/23/2017** 



### TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Nevada, Montana June 25 - June 28, 2017

Weather:

Tahoe, NV (Sunday) High 81°, Low 52°; Mostly Sunny; 40% Chance of Precipitation Las Vegas, NV (Monday) High 109°, Low 83°; Sunny; 0% Chance of Precipitation High 85°, Low 55°; Partly Cloudy; 10% Chance of Precipitation Whitefish, MT (Tuesday)

**Time Zone:** 

Nevada Pacific Daylight Time (PDT) (3 hours behind DC) Montana Mountain Daylight Time (MDT) (2 hours behind DC)

Aaron Thiele

Rusty Roddy

Advance (Tahoe):

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

Advance (Las Vegas):

Security Advance Advance

**Advance (Whitefish):** 

Security Advance Advance

**Traveling Staff:** 

Chief of Staff Director of Communications

Agent in Charge

Scott Hommel Laura Rigas Photographer (BLM) Sherman Hogue **Cell Phone:** 

**Cell Phone:** 

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Attire:

Tahoe, NV: Las Vegas, NV:

Whitefish, MT: Business casual

# **Sunday, June 25, 2017**

Washington, DC → Tahoe, NV

6:35-7:25am EDT: Depart Private Residence en route

Car: RZ

8:26am EDT-

10:18am MDT: Wheels up Washington, DC (IAD) en route Denver, CO (DEN)

Flight: United 403

Flight time: 3 hours, 52 minutes

RZ Seat: 36D

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE EDT to MDT (-2 hours)

10:18-11:19am MDT: Layover in Denver, CO // 1 hour, 1 minute layover

11:19am MDT-

12:39pm PDT: Wheels up Denver, CO (DEN) en route Reno, NV (RNO)

Flight: United 295

Flight time: 2 hours, 20 minutes

RZ Seat: 24C

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to PDT (-1 hours)

12:39-1:00pm PDT: Wheels down Reno-Tahoe International Airport (~15 minutes to vehicle)

Location: 2001 East Plumb Lane

Reno, NV 89502

1:00-2:00pm PDT: Depart Airport en route Rule of Law Defense Fund Event

Location: The Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe

111 Country Club Drive Incline Village, NV

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

Staff Vehicle: Rusty Roddy

Laura Rigas Scott Hommel

Drive Time: ~1 hour without traffic

2:00-6:00pm PDT: OPEN

6:00-8:00pm PDT: Rule of Law Defense Fund Event

Location: The Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe

Lakeside Ballroom

Staff: Scott Hommel

Laura Rigas

Advance: Rusty Roddy

Set Up: Stage, podium, handheld microphone

Format: 6:00-7:00 pm: Reception

7:00 pm: Dinner begins

7:15 pm: Attorney General Morrisey introduces AG Fox

7:20 pm: AG Fox remarks, introduces RZ

7:25 pm: RZ Remarks

7:55 pm: AG Coffman thanks RZ, provides closing remarks

8:00 pm: Event concludes

Note: Senator Heller is speaking during the reception hour

8:00pm PDT: RON

Location: The Hyatt Regency Lake Tahoe

**Monday, June 26, 2017** 

Tahoe, NV → Las Vegas, NV → Whitefish, MT

8:25-9:25am PDT: Depart RON en route Airport

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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

Staff Vehicle:

Scott Hommel Laura Rigas Rusty Roddy

Drive Time: ~1 hour without traffic

10:25am PDT-

11:40am PDT: Wheels up Reno, NV (RNO) en route Las Vegas, NV (LAS)

Flight: Southwest Airlines 4101
Flight time: 1 hour, 15 minutes
RZ Seat: Assigned at airport
AiC: (b) (6), (b) (7) (C)

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

11:40-12:00pm PDT: Wheels down McCarran International Airport (~15 minutes to vehicle)

Location: 5757 Wayne Newton Boulevard

Las Vegas, NV 89119

12:00-12:45pm PDT: HOLD: Lunch

12:45-1:50pm PDT: Depart Airport en route Pahrump, NV

Location: W Frontage Road

Pahrump, NV 89060 (I-60 and Basin Rd)

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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

Staff Vehicle:

Scott Hommel Laura Rigas Aaron Thiele Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~1 hour, 5 minutes without traffic

2:00-2:45pm PDT: Roundtable with County Commissioners

Location: Bob Ruud Community Center

W Frontage Road

Pahrump, NV 89060

Attendees: Pete Goicoechea, State Senator

Don Gustavson, State Senator

James Oscarson, State Assemblyman Chris Edwards, State Assemblyman

Dan Schinhofen, Chairman, Nye County Commissioner John Koenig, Vice Chairman, Nye County Commissioner

Lorinda Wichman, Nye County Commissioner

Donna Cox, Nye County Commissioner

Andrew "Butch" Borasky, Nye County Commissioner

Kevin Phillips, Vice Chairman, Lincoln County Commissioner

Varlin Higbee, Lincoln County Commissioner Paul Mathews, Lincoln County Commissioner Adam Katschke, Lincoln County Commissioner

Staff: Scott Hommel, Lincoln County Commissioner

Laura Rigas

Sherman Hogue

Advance: Aaron Thiele

Format: Commissioner Dan Schinhofen will introduce and emcee

2:45-3:00pm PDT: Break

3:00-3:20pm PDT: PILT Announcement

Location: Bob Ruud Community Center

Staff: Scott Hommel

Laura Rigas Sherman Hogue

Advance: Aaron Thiele

Format:

3:20-3:40pm PDT: Media Availability

Location: Bob Ruud Community Center

Staff: Scott Hommel

Laura Rigas Sherman Hogue

Advance: Aaron Thiele

3:40-4:45pm PDT: Depart Pahrump, NV en route Las Vegas, NV

Location: Red Rock Hotel and Resort

11011 W Charleston Boulevard

Las Vegas, NV 89135

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

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

Staff Vehicle:

Scott Hommel

Laura Rigas Aaron Thiele Sherman Hogue

Drive Time: ~1 hour without traffic

Note: Drive through Red Rock Canyon National Park

4:45-5:30pm PDT: Downtime / OPEN

5:30-7:30pm PDT: Vegas Golden Knights Development Camp Dinner

Location: Red Rock Hotel and Resort

Staff: Scott Hommel Laura Rigas

Sherman Hogue Aaron Thiele

Note: 20-30 minute remarks at dinner

7:45-8:15pm PDT: Depart en route Henderson Executive Airport (HSH)

Advance:

Location: 3500 Executive Airport Drive

Henderson, NV 89052

FBO: Henderson Executive

702-261-4800

Drive Time: ~30 minutes without traffic

8:30pm PDT-

1:30am MDT: Wheels up Las Vegas, NV (HSH) en route Kalispell, MT (FCA)

Aircraft: Beechcraft King Air 200

(white with blue and gold striping)

Tail Number: N68MU

Pilot: Leland Blatter, cell (b) (6)

Co-Pilot: Henry (Hank) Williams, cell: (b) (6)

Flight time: ~3.5 hours (plus a 30-minute stop for refueling)

Manifest: RZ

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Scott Hommel
Laura Rigas
Sherman Hogue

*NOTE:* TIME ZONE CHANGE PDT to MDT (+1 hour)

1:30-1:40am MDT: Wheels down Kalispell, MT (~10 minutes to vehicle)

Location: Glacier Park International Airport

4170 Highway 2 East Kalispell, MT 59901

FBO: Glacier Jet Center

406-755-5362

1:40-2:00am MDT: Depart Airport en route Residence

Drive Time: ~20 minutes without traffic

**Tuesday, June 27, 2017** 

Whitefish, MT

9:10-9:15am MDT: Drive to TBD Location

Location:

Vehicle Manifest:

Secretary's Vehicle:

RZ

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

Staff Vehicle:

Scott Hommel Laura Rigas Aaron Thiele Sherman Hogue

9:15-9:45am MDT: HOLD: Meeting with Ryan Busse

10:00-10:15am MDT: Hold in Green Room

10:15-11:00am MDT: Remarks at Western Governors' Association Annual Meeting

Location: Whitefish Performing Arts Center

600 East Second Street Whitefish, MT 59937

Note: Secretarial Order Signing

11:00-11:30am MDT: Media Availability

11:30-12:00pm MDT: Interview: ABC FOX Montana

Location:

Interviewer: Angela Marshall Staff: Laura Rigas

12:15-1:15pm MDT: HOLD: Private Lunch with Governors

Location: Outdoor Lawn

Whitefish Performing Arts Center

1:15-2:00pm MDT: Stop at Residence // Change Clothes

2:00-2:30pm MDT: Drive to Glacier National Park

2:30-3:00pm MDT: HOLD: Photoshoot with GQ

3:15-4:15pm MDT: HOLD: Interview with Outdoor Magazine

4:15-5:00pm MDT: Drive to Whitefish

7:30-9:30pm MDT: Personal Dinner

#### Wednesday, June 28, 2017

Whitefish, MT

1:20-1:45pm MDT: Depart Residence en route Airport

2:43pm MDT-

4:52pm MDT: Wheels up Kalispell, MT (FCA) en route Denver, CO (DEN)

Flight: United 489 Flight time: 2 hours, 9 minutes

RZ Seat: 28C

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

4:52-5:40pm MDT: Layover in Denver, CO // 48 minute layover

5:40pm MDT-

11:02pm EDT: Wheels up Denver, CO (DEN) en route Washington, DC (IAD)

Flight: United 344

Flight time: 3 hours, 22 minutes

RZ Seat: 37C

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

Staff: Scott Hommel, Laura Rigas

NOTE: TIME ZONE CHANGE MDT to EDT (+2 hours)

ALS NUMBER: (b) (6)

## Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks **LICENSE**

License Listing #: 34(1 of 1)

License Year: 2017

Usage: 03/01/2017 to 02/28/2018 Provider - Clerk #: 50000 - ES

Session #: I000029 - 06/23/2017 - 11:39:15

RYAN K ZINKE



Phone: (b) (6)

Occupation: NA



**CONSERVATION LICENSE** 

06/23/2017

50000

STATE LANDS H/F/T LICENSE

ALLOWS HUNTING, FISHING, OR TRAPPING ON ACCESSIBLE STATE LANDS WITH THE APPLICABLE VALID LICENSE(S)

**SEASON FISHING** 

06/23/2017 50000

AQUATIC INVASIVE SPECIES PREVENTION PASS

06/23/2017 50000

Name included on lists provided by FWP to requestors?

Residency: Years:





I hereby declare that I have been a LEGAL

resident of the state of Montana, as

defined by MCA 87-2-102, for a period of

at least 180 consecutive days. All

statements on this form are true and

correct. I understand that if I subscribe

to or make any false statement on

this form, I am subject to criminal

prosecution under 87-6-302. Signature of Applicant

MFWP Director: Martha Williams

Schedule: 6.23

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To: os.doi.gov, ryanzinke (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 6.23

June 23

9:00-10:30 Bi-Weekly Assistant Secretaries & Advisors Meeting

Location: 5160 Conference Room

10:30-10:45 Meeting with Jim Cason

Location: Office of the Secretary

11:25-11:40 Drive to FEMA

11:45-1:15 FEMA Hurricane Preparedness Exercise

Location: National Response Coordination Center, FEMA Headquarters, 500 C St SW

Staff: Scott Hommel

1:15-1:30 Drive to DOI

1:30-4:15 Tour of Parks in Eastern DC

Staff: Scott Hommel

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Schedule: 6.22

Attachments:

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From: "Boulton, Caroline" <caroline\_boulton@ios.doi.gov>

**Sent:** Wed Jun 21 2017 13:37:19 GMT-0600 (MDT)

To: (b) (6) - Ryan Zinke ios.doi.gov, ryanzinke < (b) (6)

Subject: Schedule: 6.22 Attachments: 0622EDB.pdf

June 22

9:00-9:30 Depart for Longworth Building

9:30-12:30 House Natural Resources Committee Hearing

Location: Longworth 1324

Staff: Amanda Kaster Averill, Laura Rigas

12:30-1:00 Drive to DOI

1:15-1:30 Pop Into Jim's Ute Tribe Meeting

Location: Deputy Secretary's Conference Room, No. 6120

Staff: Jim Cason

1:30-2:30 Briefing on Energy Week

Location: Office of the Secretary

Staff: Kate MacGregor, Vincent DeVito, Downey Magallanes, Laura Rigas

2:30-3:00 Meeting with Greg Sheehan

Location: Office of the Secreatry

Staff: Greg Sheehan, new political in FWS

3:00-3:30 Briefing on California Water Fix

Location: Office of the Secretary

Staff: Scott Cameron, Alan Mikkelsen (via phone)

3:30-3:45 Call with Senator Flake

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**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** 

Today you have two electronic briefings.

09:30 - 12:30 am Oral Statement - House Natural Resources Committee Hearing

03:00 - 03:30 pm California Water Fix - Decision on ROD

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TIME: 09:30 - 12:30 am

**SUBJECT:** Oral Statement - House Natural Resources Committee Hearing

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TIME: 03:00 - 03:30 pm ET SUBJECT: California Water Fix

The California Water Fix (CWF) consists of two 30 foot diameter tunnels, slightly over 30 miles long, that are designed to move water from the Sacramento River north of the Sacramento/San Joaquin River delta to pumping plants south of the Delta that supply irrigation, municipal and industrial uses and environmental uses in the Central Valley and southern California. The estimated cost of the tunnels is approximately \$15 billion. That cost is not a feasibility level cost analysis and could well be significantly higher. Reclamation is not participating in the project, is not owing any portion of the facilities and is not incurring any capital cost. All legally mandated water deliveries by Reclamation to the South of Delta (SOD) can be met without using the proposed tunnels.

There is significant debate about the value of the tunnels and who will pay for them:

### **Decision Coming On California's Delta Tunnels Water Project.**

The <u>Sacramento (CA) Bee</u> (6/13, Sabalow, Kasler) reports that California's "most powerful water agencies have set a September goal to decide whether they're going pay" for the Delta tunnels project Meanwhile, "in greater Sacramento and throughout the Delta, farmers, environmental groups and elected officials remain deeply mistrustful of the proposal." Delta-area lawyers have "promised a nasty court fight if the tunnels, known officially as California WaterFix, get the go-ahead."

### **Biological Opinions:**

FWS and NMFS are completing biological opinions on the CWF. FWS is analyzing the effects of CWF on Delta smelt and NMFS is analyzing the effects of CWF on anadromous fish. The last of these Biological Opinions (BiOps) is not due until June 19 or 20 and Reclamation or Interior is currently scheduled to sign a ROD on June 23.

#### Signing of the ROD on June 23 will achieve the following goals:

- Legally solidifies Reclamation's operational and financial commitments for future agreements
- Confirm Reclamations support for the CWF
- Add impetus to Governor Brown's legacy project

### This approach has the following risks:

- Because Reclamation is not owning any portion of the facilities and is not incurring any costs, there is not a clear Federal action or legal interest to make a decision on the ROD.
- Recent substantive changes by the State have caused the proposed action to be inconsistent with the preferred alternative. There are many inconsistencies that need to be addressed by State regulating agencies and assumptions are being made that are inconsistent with the preferred alternative.
- Litigation may begin as soon as the ROD is signed, regardless of the caveats and commitments made in the ROD. This will require a commitment of DOI and Reclamation resources.

### **Delay signing the ROD:**

Delay signing of the ROD until all environmental and water rights permitting have been completed (at least one year from now). Instead, a letter of support for the process could be provided to the State from DOI or Reclamation. With this delay, financial participants could be identified, many required agreements could be put in place, and a financing agreement for repayment of capital costs would be underway.

Today, it would be safe to say that no Reclamation contractors have actually made any repayment commitment. Additionally, there are operational details that will not be finalized until the CWF is actually operating. Therefore, any ROD should still have the following caveats:

- Any agreement on coordinating operations must ensure that operating the CWF will result in no harm to the CVP water supply, including reductions to upstream storage.
- Any reimbursable cost incurred by Reclamation will be subject to an agreement through an open and transparent process that includes all CVP contractors who would ultimately repay those costs.
- Any operating agreements must be consistent with all environmental documents and permits. Many of these documents and permits will not be available for 6-12 months.

Delaying the current schedule of signing the ROD could achieve the following goals:

- Reclamation/DOI could possibly indicate support in writing for the process without signing the ROD.
- Delay potential litigation until all environmental permitting is complete and the project description is consistent throughout all environmental documents.
- Provide additional information (through future agreements and permits) to clearly define the Federal Action and allow for sound decision making, requiring fewer caveats in the ROD.
- Roles and responsibilities related to implementation of the BiOps and terms and conditions from the State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB) decision should be defined in an agreement between Reclamation and the Department of Water Resources, allowing a clear understanding of Reclamation's commitments in the ROD.

#### **Conclusion:**

There is less downside to delay than there is to signing the ROD on an unnecessarily accelerated schedule. I spent 6 days last week in the CVP, including four days of multiple meetings each day with various stakeholders. In none of those meetings did the subject of the CWF dominate in any way. In the majority of the meetings, it was not even brought up stakeholders. Stakeholders voiced concerns about multiple BiOp requirements, contract issues, court decisions, settlements, regulation and legislation all surrounding a gradual diminishment of their water supply over the last two decades. No party claimed or seemed to believe that CWF would be a remedy to those constraints, without further information on what the State Water Resources Control Board would require in operational parameters. In fact there is a great deal of apprehension in regard to that issue and many contractors urge delay in signing of the ROD.

There are a plethora of yard signs North of Delta (NOD) against the CWF, and a few billboards SOD against the CWF. There is no similar signage in favor of the CWF in the 1200 miles that I covered back and forth across the CVP.

There is also no strong congressional support for the CWF at this time. This is a legacy project for Governor Brown and it is foundering from lack of significant support. Signing of the ROD on an accelerated schedule would put a bit of wind in the sails of Governor Brown, but frankly, I am not sure that the position of the Administration should be to help Governor Brown cement his legacy with a project that could well turn into another Big Dig cost overrun fiasco.

There are alternative water supply projects that would likely have a much higher return on investment. These include water reclamation projects, groundwater banking programs and new surface storage projects that would have significant positive benefits to the CVP water supply.

The lowest cost alternative to increasing water supply would be to examine and eliminate regulations, rules and restrictions that are contradictory or providing questionable results and benefits

This issue is not ripe for decision at this time.

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**June 21** 

9:00-9:30 Drive to Senate Interior Appropriations

9:30-12:30 Senate Interior Appropriations Hearing

Location: Dirksen 124

12:30-1:30 Lunch

Location: Longworth Cafeteria

1:30-2:00 Rep. Gianforte Swearing In

Location: House Floor

2:00-2:15 Drive to Anacostia

2:15-2:30 Safety Briefing on Helicopter Ride

2:30-3:05 Helicopter Ride to WV

3:05-3:15 Arrive to NCTC

3:15-3:20 Greeting by Lisa Branum at Main Building

3:20-3:30 Situational Update/Overview of Ops

3:30-4:35 Tour of Building + Discussion of Operations

4:35-4:45 Travel to Auditorium

4:45-5:00 Remarks to DOI Staff at NCTC

5:00-5:40 Helicopter to Anacostia

5:40-6:00 Drive to Residence

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**OVERVIEW:** You have two briefings for the Senate Approps Hearing.

• T.P. - Senate Interior Appropriation Hearing

• Preparation for FY2018 Budget Hearings June 20-22

TIME: 09:30 - 12:00 am

### **SUBJECT:** FY 2018 Budget Talking Points - Senate Interior Appropriation Hearing

(Full Committee) Chairman Cochran (Full Committee) Ranking Member Leahy (Subcommittee) Chairman Murkowski (Subcommittee) Ranking Member Udall

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### **SUBJECT:** Preparation for FY2018 Budget Hearings June 20-22

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This memo outlines preparations for a series of three hearings on the FY2018 budget June 20, 21, and 22, before Senate Energy and Natural Resources, Senate Interior Appropriations and House Natural Resources, respectively. Together with Micah, Amanda, and the attorney leadership for Congressional Affairs, we are scheduled to meet with you on Monday, June 19, to discuss likely issues for all three hearings.

#### II. BACKGROUND

I will accompany you at the witness table along with Denise Flanagan, the Department's Budget Director. Micah Chambers and Amanda Kaster will attend and sit behind you at the hearings. All three budget hearings are open to the media and the public. Micah and Amanda have the lead for the June 20<sup>th</sup> and June 22<sup>nd</sup> Authorizing Committee (Senate Energy and Natural Resources/House Natural Resources) hearings. I have the lead for the June 21<sup>st</sup> Appropriations Committee hearing.

We have updated and refreshed your set of Qs and As and will review these and likely Member issues identified for each hearing. We are contacting Member offices to learn of specific questions that may be asked. We will be prepared at the table to help you answer questions with any additional information gained from these calls.

#### III. DISCUSSION

Senate Majority Leader McConnell announced he had instructed appropriators to temporarily rely on the 2017 spending limits so they can move forward with their bills. Both the House and Senate appropriators are moving quickly to put their bills together although they anticipate adjustments later once 2018 government-wide budget levels are addressed. We understand the Senate Full Appropriations Committee is currently working with the Subcommittees to set initial allocations.

Press reports point to a prolonged discussion on overall funding levels for 2018. An indication of this is the current mark for the House Military Construction, Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies appropriations, which will be the first bill to be considered in the House. The House mark is \$6 billion above the 2017 enacted level largely for Veteran's Affairs, which would be difficult to sustain under the current budget caps.

For the Senate and House authorizing hearings, energy development will likely be the predominant issue for the majority and minority. In general, you can also expect follow up from your House Interior Appropriations hearing with questions on your plans for reorganizing the Department and internal policies on hiring, grant review, and advisory committees; monuments, sage grouse, and delay in implementing certain energy policies from the past Administration, such as the ONRR royalty/valuation rule and the BLM methane rule.

The hearing before the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, June 20, 2017, from 10am to 1pm. This is an opportunity to discuss provisions in the budget relating to Alaska that are a priority to Chairman Murkowski, such as the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge. You can expect the following issues to come up: climate change; National Park Service infrastructure; hiring freeze; reorganization; sage grouse SO; policies that promote energy development on federal lands; responses to requests from the minority; budgetary impacts on Indian country; monument review; coal moratorium; and grants and committee reviews.

The June 21, 2017, hearing before the Senate Interior Appropriations Subcommittee is scheduled for 9:30am to 12:00pm, and is another opportunity to appear before Chairman Murkowski. Senators Daines, Alexander and Hoeven also serve on both Senate Energy and Senate Interior Appropriations and there may be follow on discussion from the previous day's hearing. Senator Udall is the Ranking Member on the Subcommittee, so you can anticipate specific questions relating to the Indian Affairs budget. We expect questions focused on energy, climate change, funding for Indian programs and the National Park Service, and plans for reorganization.

The hearing before the House Natural Resources Committee is scheduled for Thursday, June 22, 2017, from 9:30am to 12:30pm. This is an opportunity to discuss how the budget captures priorities for the West and strives to balance the budget by 2027. We expect questions on the following issues: gag order on responding to minority requests; methane rule and ONRR royalty/valuation rule delays in implementation; sage grouse SO; monuments; grants, hiring, and committee reviews; cuts to programs dealing with climate change; reorganization; and the coal moratorium.

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June 20

9:30-9:55 Drive to Senate

10:00-1:00 Senate Energy & Natural Resources Committee Hearing

Location: Dirksen Senate Office Building 366

1:00-1:30 Drive to DOI

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1:50-2:00 Drive to U.S. Chamber of Commerce

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**TIME:** 02:00 - 03:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** U.S. Chamber of Commerce's 10th Anniversary Energy Summit

#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The Secretary will be giving the Keynote address for the Chamber of Commerce's 10th annual Energy Summit. Thirty minutes for speech and Q & A.

#### II. PROGRAM DETAILS

ATTIRE: Business PRESS: Open

#### III. PARTICIPANTS

**Messages from:** Sen. Lisa Murkowski (R-AK)

Thomas J. Donohue, President and CEO, U.S. Chamber of Commerce

Secretary Rick Perry, Department of Energy

Representative Joe Barton, (R-TX)

**Remarks from:** Karen Harbert, President & CEO, Institute for 21st Century Energy

Secretary Scott Pruitt, Administrator, E.P.A.

Sen. Dan Sullivan (R-AK)

#### IV. AGENDA HIGHLIGHTS

01:30	pm	Depart Capitol Hill en route Chamber of Commerce
01:50	pm	Arrive back alley on I street greeted by Chris Guith (pronounced Gooth)
01:50	pm	Secretary escorted to hold room
01:55	pm	Secretary exits hold room, introduced by Karen Harbert
02:00	pm	Secretary remarks with Q & A (questions asked by Karen)
02:30	pm	Secretary departs en route DOI

TIME: 04:00 - 05:00 pm

**SUBJECT:** The Nature Conservancy, Montana Chapter

#### I. PURPOSE

The Nature Conservancy (TNC) is involved in environmental efforts in 69 different countries and was a big critic of President Trump withdrawing from the Paris Climate Accord. The Secretary has met before with the national chapter of TNC here in DC. The Montana Chapter of TNC has been active for 40+ years and has collaborated in conserving over 1 million acres of land in Big Sky Country.

Their Montana projects include: Clearwater-Blackfoot Project. The Rocky Mountain Front, The North Folk, High Divide Headwaters (Sagebrush & Sage-Grouse habitat), The Montana Legacy Project, The Matador Ranch, Centennial Sandhills Preserve, Crown Butte Preserve, The Blackfeet Indian Reservation, and about 10 more preserves/projects across Montana.

The purpose for their meeting is to discuss opportunities for collaboration with DOI, partnership opportunities with F&W programs, private/public land partnerships, opportunities for more recreational land, and more timber lands in Western MT.

#### II. PARTICIPANTS

Amy and John Cholnoky (Big Sky, Montana) Wym and Jan Portman (Cincinnati, Ohio) Richard Jeo, State Director Montana TNC Mark Aagenes Director of External Affairs Montana TNC John Morrison, Former State Auditor, & daughter, Allison

#### III. AGENDA

Round table Discussion

#### IV. KEY FACTS/HOT TOPICS

- TNC has purchased 310,000 acres of private forest land from Plum Creek timber company, 510,000 acres along the Crown, and TNC was also involved in raising \$10 million to cover the costs of withdrawing mineral rights in the North Folk area.
- In June of 2016, TNC secured a conservation easement of nearly 16k acres of land on the Carroll Ranch north of Glasgow. The easement encompasses all of the private land along the northern border of the Bitter Creek Wilderness study area. A total of about 37k acres of land around Bitter Creek to ensure that ranch owners can continue to be profitable through on-going livestock grazing and ranch operations while prohibiting plowing of native grassland.
- TNC and their partnerships are working across the upper Missouri River Basin to restore and maintain natural flows of waterways

- Has worked to protect 117,152 acres of the Lower Blackfoot River watershed which is part of their larger project in the Clearwater-Blackfoot Watershed Project, which since 1997 now totals 528,000 acres acquired and protected
- An emphasis on Sage Grouse habitat protection and collaboration with local ranchers in proper grazing practices with consideration of the local Sage Grouse, and especially their nesting periods
- Working with scientists and landowners to modify or remove fences that threaten pronghorn and Sage Grouse movement

#### VI. BACKGROUND

- North Fork Watershed Protection Act passed in 2014 by Congress to prohibit mining or drilling on 430,000 acres adjacent to Glacier National Park
- TNC has strong efforts in protecting watersheds and managing water in the area
- Working with Yellowstone River Conservation District Council as well as other organizations, to continue to open and improve this river system
- Supports collaborative efforts in protecting Sage-Grouse habitats

Schedule: 6.19

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Light day tomorrow considering the hearing schedule for this coming week!

#### **June 19**

9:00-9:30 Daily Scheduling & Communications Overview

Location: Office

9:30-10:00 Open Senior Staff Time

Location: Office

10:00-11:00 Weekly Politicals Meeting

Location: Room 5160

12:00-1:00 Lunch

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Location: Office

2:00-4:00 Appropriations Hearing Preparation

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DailySummaryElectronic.pdf

June 12

9:00-10:00 Senior Staff Meeting

Location: Office

10:40-10:50 Drive to White House

11:00-12:30 Cabinet Meeting

Location: White House

12:30-1:30 Lunch with Secretary Ross

Location: White House Mess

Topic: Reorganization

1:30-1:40 Drive to DOI

2:30-3:15 Media Call on Bears Ears

Location: Conference Room 6151

Participants: Heather Swift, Comms Team

3:30-4:00 Colorado River Basin Briefing

Location: Office

Participants: Alan Mikkelsen

4:00-4:30 Call on Colorado River Basin

Location: Conference Room 6151

Participants: Representatives from Colorado River Basin Staff: Alan Mikkelsen, Scott Cameron, Tim Williams

4:30-5:00 Update from Deputy Secretary

Location: Office

Participants: Jim Cason, Downey Magallanes

7:00-7:15 Drive to Shakespeare Theater Company

7:30-7:40 Introduction to Will on the Hill

7:40-7:45 Will on the Hill Performance

7:45-8:05 Drive to DOI

8:05 Dinner with Members of Congress

Location: Office

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## MET BY MOONLIGHT

by

# Peter Byrne

With assistance from West Wing Writers Katie Atkinson, Kathryn Burns-Yocum, Emma Wesslund and Noreen Major

#### CAST IN ORDER OF APPEARANCE:

Ryan Zinke Prologue Chorus One Prologue Chorus Two Prologue Chorus Three Prologue Chorus Four Prologue Chorus Five Prologue Chorus Six Forest Spirit One Forest Spirit Two Forest Spirit Three Oberon (Ian Kahn) Puck (Maulik Pancholy) Park Ranger One (Emily Swallow) Park Ranger Two (Santino Fontana) Ranger Trainee One Ranger Trainee Two Ranger Trainee Three Barista One Barista Two Barista Three Barista Four Congressional Aide One Congressional Aide Two Congressional Aide Three Representative One Representative Two Representative Three

Reporter One

Reporter Two

Reporter Three

Reporter Four

**Bureaucrat One** 

Bureaucrat Two

**Bureaucrat Three** 

**Bureaucrat Four** 

Tourist Husband One

Tourist Wife One

Tourist Husband Two

Tourist Wife Two

Teen One

Teen Two

Titania

Ariel

Epilogue Chorus One

Epilogue Chorus Two

Epilogue Chorus Three

**Epilogue Chorus Four** 

Epilogue Chorus Five

Epilogue Chorus Six

Epilogue Chorus Seven

## RYAN ZINKE

Two rangers, both alike in dignity, In fair Patuxent, where we lay our scene, From road closures break to new mutiny, Where civil service makes civil hands clean. From forth the lovely grounds of this fair park A pair of forest rangers meet with Puck; Their misadventured enthusiastic overthrows Do with their dedication bury Oberon's strife. The fearful passage of DC residents, And the continuance of the fairies' rage, Which, but the rangers' intervention, nought could remove, *Is now the one hours' traffic of our stage;* Give or take fifteen minutes The which if you with patient ears attend, What here shall miss, our toil shall strive to mend. (exiting) A horse, a horse, my kingdom for a horse!

## (PROLOGUE CHORUS enters.)

## PROLOGUE CHORUS ONE

Of all the woes we face in Washington
There's one that plagues us worst—and that's the sun.
We breeze through spring and autumn in "this town"
And snowless winters don't bring us down.
But when the blaze of summertime arrives
The city's denizens run for their lives.

## PROLOGUE CHORUS TWO

And oh, that steamy harsh humidity
Like Inauguration, when it comes, we flee.
In cooler seasons, cooler heads prevail
But when the summer hits this town, we bail.
For nothing's getting done when it's so hot
So those who can, seek out some cooler spot

### PROLOGUE CHORUS THREE

But what if all the roads by which we fly
Were closed to us—oh, what then would we try?
What if the paths that lead us out of town
Were, on a summer's day, closed off, shut down?
This awful scene our pageant now portrays
When DC suffers in the doggish days

## PROLOGUE CHORUS FOUR

And no one can escape by road or street
And so our city's folk take to their feet.
And finding that the Metro is on fire
Our dear subway is a flaming pyre!
They travel through the forests, and lo' they find
The mighty king of all of fairie kind.

## PROLOGUE CHORUS FIVE

This mighty king's not in a kindly mood--He doesn't favor those who dare intrude. He and his puckish servant show their wrath To those who tread upon the woody path.

## PROLOGUE CHORUS SIX

So sit and watch as these two trickster sprites Give wayward mortals startles, fits, and frights And as we see their fates both foul and fair Let's all give thanks this place has central air.

(PROLOGUE CHORUS MEMBERS exit. FOREST SPIRIT ONE, TWO, and THREE enter.)

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Good evening, and welcome to—(reacts to the heat)—Good *Lord* it is hot. This isn't funny—I've forgotten my opening line—that's how hot it is.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Where are we, exactly?

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

I'm not sure—you spend your entire life wandering through trees and arbors and whatnot, they all start to look the same after a while.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

It's true—it seems as if all we ever do is travel through forests.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

We've run into Hillary Clinton twice already.

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Forests and meadows.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

And glades.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Over hill, over dale--

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Through bush, and through brier,

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Over park, over pale--

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Through flood and through fire,

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

We do wander everywhere,

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Swifter than the moon's sphere.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

And in case you couldn't tell from the outfits and the rhyming couplets, we are Shakespearean fairies!

# FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Indeed. We are magical spirits of the forest, tricksters and merry-makers—you might know us as nymphs!

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Are we nymphs? Are you sure? I always thought we were sprites!

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Sprites? No, no, I think you have to be European to be a sprite. I'm pretty sure it has something to do with Brexit.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

What about pixies? Could we be pixies?

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

I don't want to get into labels. The pundits like to slice and dice us into red sprites and blue sprites... but I just see us as one United Sprites.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Whatever. Besides, it's too hot to argue.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Unless you're Elizabeth Warren at a confirmation hearing.

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Nevertheless she perspired.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Hotter than Melissa McCarthy on a portable podium.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

That's not just hot; it's spicy!

#### FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Our King and his servant Puck will not be pleased when they arrive.

#### FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Oh, right! (to audience) We come before you to announce the arrival of the King of our kind to these woods.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

And his servant Puck.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Yes, yes, and his servant Puck. We come to clear the way, set the scene, and make sure they have refreshments waiting for them, because between you and me, they can be total divas.

### FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Shakespearean demigods are like Mariah Carey or Axl Rose—if everything isn't perfect, total meltdown.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

We should also mention that, wherever our master Oberon travels, his magical aura travels with him. Think of it as an Elizabethan advance team.

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Which means that people who enter into these woods will probably be dressed in, let's say, "period outfits." (motions to own outfits)

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Here they come! Attend them, fellow nymph.

#### FOREST SPIRIT ONE

I keep telling you, I don't think that's what we are!

(OBERON and PUCK enter. If possible, with fanfare. OBERON is very impressive. PUCK is, well, puckish.)

#### **OBERON**

(to the audience) Greetings, mortals. Give heed, for you are in the presence of royalty.

## **PUCK**

Sire, are we really breaking the fourth wall this early in the evening?

## **OBERON**

We are—and we're going to make the audience pay for it! I am the King of the Fairies--immortal, and nigh-omnipotent—I shall not be confined by artificial notions of suspended disbelief and theatrical decorum.

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#### **PUCK**

(holding up binder) Plus it makes it easier for us to just read from these scripts.

## **OBERON**

Indeed.

#### **PUCK**

(to audience) And so, to introductions--

#### **OBERON**

I am Oberon, King of the Fairies--

#### **PUCK**

And I am Puck, his chief of staff (Oberon gives him a look) I thought we agreed to this! (Another look) Ok. Fine. I am Puck, his servant and jester. Through the world of nature, we roam—*Over hill, over dale, Through bush and through briar*—

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Uh, we already did that speech.

## **PUCK**

You stole my speech? Michelle, I feel your pain! Oh, I am so going to transform you into something unspeakable...like a white pantsuit after Labor Day!

OBERON

(to audience) To this forest we have come to—(starts to feel the heat)--we come to—Good *Lord* it is hot. Why would anyone make a place this hot?

## **PUCK**

(needling) Thanks global warming!

## **OBERON**

Oh, don't you start.

## **PUCK**

(to audience) My lord is proud, and he's never going to admit it, but here's the thing: we're a little lost. Because it doesn't matter if a guy is "immortal and nighomnipotent"—he will not consult Google Maps.

### **OBERON**

I don't trust her!

## **PUCK**

Look, we're supposed to be headed for the woods outside of D.C.--just get out your phone and call someone who knows. Call Nick Bottom.

## **OBERON**

Siri keeps sending me to "Foggy Bottom" instead. All I found there were college students and trashy bars...

#### **PUCK**

Well then, call Peter Quince.

## **OBERON**

Tried that, too—Siri only heard "Quince" and sent me to the Dupont farmers market. You've never seen so much Lululemon in one place.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Um. Sire?

#### **OBERON**

(noticing them for the first time) Oh. You three. Did you announce our arrival to the audience?

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

We did, sire.

## **OBERON**

Then why are you still here? And where is my glacier water and avocado toast?

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

Sire—

## **OBERON**

What? What??

# FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Well, sire, we were having a bit of an argument, and what with you being immortal and nigh-omnipotent, we thought you might be able to settle it.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

But if we don't like your decision, we're going to appeal it to the Supreme Court.

## **OBERON**

Ugh. Go on.

## FOREST SPIRIT ONE

Sire—what are we? I say we're sprites--

## FOREST SPIRIT TWO

And I say we're pixies!

## FOREST SPIRIT THREE

Or maybe nymphs.

#### **OBERON**

Oh, I see. Well, yes, I can resolve this pressing matter. Come closer, and I'll tell you what you are: (They lean in—he bellows) You're ensemble. Now get offstage and find us refreshments.

(FOREST SPIRITS ONE, TWO, and THREE exit.)

## **PUCK**

(calling after them) *Iced* drinks. And maybe a little something from Pineapple and Pearls. And a reservation for tomorrow night at Minibar. Okaythanksbye!!!

### **OBERON**

We don't have time for your whining, if you have a problem with me, just deal with it the polite way--by dropping an anonymous quote in *The Washington Post*. We have to figure out where we are.

### **PUCK**

Never fear. If I know anything about the theater, it's that when one character expresses a lack of information, the next character onstage will deliver that information while entering.

(FOREST RANGER ONE and FOREST RANGER TWO enter. She is earnest, polite, and unflappable. He is jaded and snarky. With them are TRAINEES ONE, TWO, and THREE—overeager, wanna-be Alphas.)

## FOREST RANGER ONE

(Speaking while entering) OK, so welcome to the Patuxent Research Reserve, located just northeast of Washington D.C.

#### **PUCK**

Am I right, or am I right? (Puck shimmies)

#### **OBERON**

Stop preening. I can't believe you just... shimmied.

Since you three are going to be interning here for the summer, we'll start with a tour around the grounds while my partner goes over the orientation. Now I don't want to see you texting through it or I'll feed you to the ducks—they're more vicious than they look.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Ahem. (Clears her throat, and begins to give a 'tour guide' performance, complete with heavy emphasis and broad gestures.) Covering nearly 13,000 acres of pristine wilderness, the Patuxent Research Reserve is the only National Nature reserve in the United States to support wildlife research. The Reserve was founded in 1936 by Franklin Delano Roosevelt--

#### TRAINEE ONE

We already know all that! We've been prepping for this job ever since our parents put us on the waitlist for Beauvoir.

#### TRAINEE TWO

(to audience) There's no better internship than this. We get to be outside. We get to volunteer.

## TRAINEE THREE

It is the plum of all extracurricular activities—we nail this gig, and it's a straight shot to Yale.

### TRAINEE ONE

Environmentalism AND D.C. volunteerism AND my dad only needed to donate \$10 grand for me to get it!

## TRAINEE TWO

We have read up, prepped, studied, and typed so much into our tablets that our thumbs are numb.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Well—great! Great! Most people aren't as enthusiastic about ecological work—(shoots FOREST RANGER TWO a look)

Hey, once you've been working here as long as I have, there's only so much excitement you can muster.

## TRAINEE THREE

Plus our work here today gets us out of D.C.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Why, what's wrong with D.C.?

## FOREST RANGER TWO

What isn't wrong with DC? The traffic, the tourists, the fact that it's Hollywood for ugly people. I could keep going.

## TRAINEE ONE

You haven't heard? It's totally shut down!

## FOREST RANGER TWO

That partisan gridlock is just the worst, isn't it?

## TRAINEE TWO

No, no—literally. The city is literally shut down!

## **OBERON**

Uh oh. I do not like the sound of this.

## **PUCK**

(excited) I smell a comedic premise coming up!

## FOREST RANGER TWO

What are you saying?

## TRAINEE THREE

You haven't been to the city lately, have you?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

I have not. Most nights I camp out in the Reserve.

Yeah, why would we want to leave the thriving metropolis of Laurel, Maryland?

#### TRAINEE ONE

You know where New York Avenue turns into 395 which turns into 95?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

...sure.

#### TRAINEE TWO

Well, not any more they don't. Apparently the money finally came in for infrastructure repair—but it came in for every single highway, road, and rail-line, all at the same time. There was some confusion --

## TRAINEE THREE

And somehow every single one is now shut down for construction!

## TRAINEE ONE

Every major highway out of D.C. is shut down for the foreseeable future!

## TRAINEE TWO

Reagan is so jammed up that the TSA pre-check line is out the door.

## TRAINEE THREE

And there's no way to make it all the way out to Dulles.

## TRAINEE ONE

Don't you need a passport to get there?

## TRAINEE TWO

Plus, Biden took the last Amtrak out of town.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Well, I'm sure that the Safetrack project is complete, and the Metro is still open and running as efficiently as ever.

(Pause, then all the human characters—and possibly the seated volunteers—break out into raucous laughter.)

## **PUCK**

(to audience) Ladies and gentlemen, you have the premise of tonight's show.

## TRAINEE THREE

OK, so, now that the exposition's out of the way, let's talk about renovating this place.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

I'm sorry, what?

## TRAINEE ONE

We want to make some changes to the Reserve. We have some ideas.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Oh, this should be good. Continue.

## TRAINEE TWO

For example, have you thought about changing the motto?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

It's a nature reserve —it doesn't have a motto!

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Although I did used to think "Patuxent is An Open Door" had a nice ring to it...

## TRAINEE THREE

Don't you think it should? You're never going to turn this place profitable unless you focus on branding!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

What?!

## TRAINEE ONE

Check this out—new motto for Patunxet:

This other Eden, demi-paradise, This fortress built by Nature for herself

## TRAINEE TWO

Against infection and the hand of war--This earth of majesty, this little world,

## TRAINEE THREE

This precious stone set in the silver sea, This blessed plot, this earth, this realm, this Patuxent Research Reserve.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

(after a horrified pause) O...K. But...

### FOREST RANGER TWO

Hey, if they want to waste a whole summer trying to get people excited about this place, let them try.

## TRAINEE ONE

But we need to be able to drive new users, generate new content, leverage capacities, and improve 10 times.

## TRAINEE TWO

If we can't tell a metrics-based success story in our cover letter, and then it's "goodbye, Harvard."

## TRAINEE THREE

And we're stuck with our safety school, Cornell.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Yeah, that sounds like a real tragedy.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Look, can I get on with this orientation?

## TRAINEE ONE

And that's another thing—this place isn't very user-friendly.

## TRAINEE TWO

For example, what about installing a moving sidewalk so visitors don't have to use their legs so much?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Well, that would defeat the purpose of hiking—

## FOREST RANGER TWO

I think they could be on to something there...

## TRAINEE THREE

Ooo and what about installing soda fountains— that would cool down guests and boost revenue—

## FOREST RANGER ONE

The effect on the ecosystem would be devastating—

## FOREST RANGER TWO

And I'm trying to cut out sugar—I've almost completely switched to La Croix.

## TRAINEE ONE

How about we hand out those hats with the electric fans to every visitor--

## FOREST RANGER ONE

We're not really budgeted for that—

## TRAINEE TWO

(tapping on phone) On it--I'm logging onto Kickstarter right now!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Please don't do any of these things!

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Except the moving sidewalk, let's keep that.

TRAINEE THREE

Too late! We're already raised eighty-thousand dollars from our parents colleagues!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Look, nature doesn't need to be improved! It's called the 'great' outdoors, not the 'could do with an upgrade' outdoors! Look at all we provide and protect! Wetlands and woods! Wild animals and native flora! Trees and rivers and the smell of fresh soil underfoot!

## TRAINEE ONE

(beat) I'm not seeing how any of those things will strengthen my college application.

## TRAINEE TWO

Dreams indeed are ambition, for the very substance of the ambitious is merely the shadow of a dream.

## TRAINEE ONE

A dream itself is but a shadow.

## TRAINEE THREE

Truly, and I hold ambition of so airy and light a quality that it is but a shadow's shadow.

### **OBERON**

(coming forward) Enough, it's too early in the evening for Hamlet!

## TRAINEE ONE

(terrified) Who are you?

## TRAINEE TWO

What are you?

## **OBERON**

Silence! (to FOREST RANGERS) Your reverence for nature pleases us. Please step aside.

**PUCK** 

(excitedly to the audience) When Oberon is wrathful, you want to watch out. (to the front rows) The first three rows are the 'splash zone.'

## **OBERON**

(to the TRAINEES) For your disrespect for the forest and your appalling self-starterism, you shall be cursed most terribly.

### TRAINEE THREE

What are you going to do?

## TRAINEE ONE

Oh, God, he's going to give us donkey's ears—or antlers!

# TRAINEE TWO

Please don't give us antlers! I've seen that Snapchat filter, and it's not pretty.

## **OBERON**

(laughs derisively) Antlers? Please. Nothing so mild. No, the curse I pronounce on you is this:

#### **PUCK**

Here it comes!

#### **OBERON**

For the rest of your lives, your Ubers will always be surge-priced, and your Tinder profiles swiped left.

(TRAINEES wail at this terrible fate, and exit.)

## **PUCK**

You know, I'm the incarnation of mischief, but even I gotta say: that was cruel.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Um, what about us?

#### **OBERON**

Ah, yes, the tolerable ones. Step forward, mortals. (The FOREST RANGERS do) Now. Tell us once again the name of this forest.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

You are in the Patuxent Research Reserve.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

And after all that time we spent putting up signs...See? No one reads anything.

## **PUCK**

"The Patuxent Research Reserve." Doesn't exactly trip off the tongue, does it?

## **OBERON**

It is most...prosaic.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

You've got that right—

## FOREST RANGER ONE

(goes into her spiel again, complete with the same voice and gestures as before) — Covering nearly 13,000 acres of pristine wilderness, the Patuxent Research Reserve is the only National Nature reserve in the United States to support--

## **PUCK**

Shhhhhh....(she tries to speak)....nope....bip....bippit....zipp...(he gives up)

#### **OBERON**

If this place truly is, as you say, pristine wilderness, then perhaps it will do for our purposes.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

And what are those purposes, exactly?

## **PUCK**

My master is scoping out real estate in the area to see if he wants to relocate here.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Oh, You want to move to the DMV?

#### **OBERON**

Well, we like to take in the theater, and we hear there's a place around here that does really good Shakespeare.

## **PUCK**

Plus Doug Jemal said this is the new 14<sup>th</sup> Street. I hear they're opening a new Game of Thrones speakeasy here and everything.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

And so you guys will...live in the forest?

## **OBERON**

Kalorama's just too crowded these days.

## **PUCK**

So we will live here, is there a problem?

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Well, apart from the heat—

(OBERON and PUCK groan.)

#### **PUCK**

Yeah, what's up with that?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Well, I don't suppose you'd like to hear the National Park Service's prepared statement on the perils of climate change—

#### **PUCK**

Are you still allowed to even say those words?

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Old habits. But why do you want to live in a forest? OBERON

Because we're fairies.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Are you still allowed to say *that* word?

#### **OBERON**

*Fairies*. Magical beings. Immortal and nigh-omnipotent. I am Oberon—King of the Fairies, Prince of the Forests, Firstborn of the Fey Folk, and Rightful Lord of Mount Vernon.

## **PUCK**

(to audience, pointing at OBERON) Two points to House Lannister (they high five) (to FOREST RANGERS) Look, didn't you ever read *A Midsummer Night's Dream* in high school?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

The only Shakespeare we learn in forestry school is "exit pursued by bear."

#### **OBERON**

How sad.

## **PUCK**

Look, we (gestures wildly to himself and Oberon) are walking deus-ex-machinas. We can control the tide, the sun, the sky

## FOREST RANGER TWO

(singing "You're Welcome" from Moana) Hey, it's okay, it's okay, you're welcome I'm just an ordinary demi-guy....(realizes they are all staring at him) what? No Moana fans? Tough crowd. Can you do something about the heat?

#### **OBERON**

No—some things are so awful, not even the gods can prevent them.

## **PUCK**

Like Saturday nights in Adams Morgan.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Well, I suppose we in the National Park Service wouldn't have a problem with you living here. Patuxent is a nature preserve, and you guys are, well, nature personified—

### **OBERON**

Excellent. But we do like our privacy.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Then you're in luck, it's the height of summer—nobody in D.C. will be bothering you.

## **PUCK**

(violently shudders—at the reactions of the other two) Sorry, I just felt a sudden chill of dramatic foreboding.

(BARISTAS ONE, TWO, THREE, and FOUR enter—as they make their ways to the podiums, the FOREST RANGERS spot them.)

## **BARISTA ONE**

Oh, good. More forest—guys, I'm starting to question our decision to do this on foot!

## **BARISTA TWO**

Please—would you rather be back slinging coffee?

## **BARISTA THREE**

I know I'm not going back—yesterday the Hill staffers in line were so busy with their phones; no one looked up to appreciate my latte art. I even got their names right on the cups....

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Stop! Pause! Two questions: Who are you? What are you doing here?

## **BARISTA FOUR**

(loud and proud) We...are the Baristas of D.C., and it's morning again in America.

(All three BARISTAS strike heroic poses.)

## **ALL BARISTAS**

Coffeemakers of the Capital, unite!

### PARK RANGER TWO

O....K....Is that like a vigilante group, or a union--

## **BARISTA ONE**

A union? You clearly are from some magical realm.

## **BARISTA TWO**

The city would collapse without us.

## **BARISTA THREE**

Up before dawn, we grind the beans--

## BARISTA FOUR

We filter the water--

#### **BARISTA ONE**

--we stack the cup sleeves so you don't burn your fingers carrying your large, triple shot, extra foam over to the sugar-and-cream counter—

## **BARISTA TWO**

When morning comes, we are the ones who open your eyes to it. With shots of espresso—

## **BARISTA THREE**

Ah, espresso—Put it in any liquid thing you will, And drink it off; and, you will have the strength Of twenty men.

## **BARISTA FOUR**

I'm pretty sure Shakespeare was writing about poison.

(They Shrug)
OBERON

So, these guys make coffee?

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

They do. Don't you have baristas in your kingdom?

## **PUCK**

No, we're mostly into cold-pressed juice these days.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Well, we have people who became masters of espresso because they majored in sociology

#### **BARISTA ONE**

Actually, some of us majored in philosophy but the espresso mastery part is true.

## **BARISTA TWO**

Just remember the rules: no camping, the sugar and milk bar are just props, no I won't watch your stuff, and ordering a decaf mocha is just dumb.

## **BARISTA THREE**

Our skill is great, and our numbers are legion.

## **BARISTA FOUR**

In D.C. alone, there are thousands and thousands of us!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Then why am I seeing only four of you?

## **BARISTA FOUR**

(dropping character for a second– looks awkwardly at the audience and then back at the Ranger gesturing to the audience)) Well, for one thing, this is a volunteer performance.

## **BARISTA THREE**

Plus—we don't have the room to show us all onstage!

## **BARISTA ONE**

Can this cockpit hold
The vast coffeeshops of Columbia?

## **BARISTA TWO**

or may we cram
Within this wooden O the very steamers
That doth affright the air at Starbucks?

## **BARISTA THREE**

(aside)Suspension of disbelief, folks.

Since a crooked figure may

Attest in little place a million;

And let us, ciphers to this great account,

On your imaginary forces work.

## **BARISTA FOUR**

Piece out our imperfections with your thoughts; Into a thousand parts divide on man, And make imaginary might—

## **BARISTA ONE**

In other words, cut us some slack—enjoy the magic of theater, people!

## FOREST RANGER TWO

But its Frappuchino Happy Hour, shouldn't you be blending Unicorn Fraps?

## **BARISTA TWO**

Are you kidding? It's summer in D.C. We just stock up the self-service fridge with cold brew and hit the road!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Fair enough. But why are you here—in this forest?

#### BARISTA THREE

Because my girlfriend is creating a blend for competition and we heard there's some killer fiddleheads out here.

You're looking on foot? In the forest?

#### BARISTA FOUR

Yes and yes.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

You guys can't come through here and harvest things.

## **BARISTA ONE**

Why not?

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Um...well....

## **PUCK**

(to OBERON) Sire, we may not have the cleverest mortals working for us.

## **OBERON**

Then let's help. (makes himself visible, speaks to the BARISTAS) Now harken to me, you three purveyors of mildly addictive legal stimulants! This forest is closed to mortals! You shall all return from whence you came forthwith!

## **PUCK**

He likes to bust out the thesaurus when he's making his pronouncements.

## **OBERON**

(as Donald Trump) I have the best words.

### **PUCK**

And he'll keep going longer than a Democrat in a filibuster.

## **BARISTA THREE**

Woah! Were you hiding in the bushes this whole time?!

## **BARISTA TWO**

And who are you to say the forest is closed? The government didn't shut down, you can't stop us!

## **PUCK**

Ah, but—has it occurred to you--if the whole city is going to be stuck you know what they'll all need? Gallons of cold brew and those tips will be yours!

## BARISTA FOUR

Tips...

# **BARISTAONE**

Gotta respect the tips.

## **BARISTA TWO**

Fine, fine—you win—

My poverty, but not my will, consents.

## **PUCK**

I pay thy poverty, and not thy will.

## **BARISTA THREE**

--but mark my words—we're only the first of many visitors you're about to have—

## **BARISTA FOUR**

D.C. is emptying out, and they're all headed this way.

## **ALL BARISTAS**

To the French presses!

(The BARISTAS exit.)

#### **OBERON**

Well, that was easy enough.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Didn't you hear what that one said? There are others coming this way. OBERON

Then this will be a long day of shapeshifting and slant rhyming...

#### **PUCK**

Ooo! Ooo! Let's put donkey heads on all the Democrats and elephant heads on all the Republicans!

## **OBERON**

Little 'on the nose,' I think.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

OK, transforming any visitors to the Patuxent Reserve into half-human monstrosities would be a violation of National Parks Service Policy, as introducing a non-native species into this environment would have devastating consequences—

### FOREST RANGER TWO

And as much as I'd like to, and I would really like to, you can't go around transforming people just because they're annoying. MSNBC would have to cancel Morning Joe *and* The Rachel Maddow Show. Every season of *The Bachelor* would be, like, 20 seconds long.

#### **PUCK**

That which we call a rose

By any other name would never smell as sweet-

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Might I suggest a compromise? Could we just please try *talking* to these people?

#### **OBERON**

That seems awfully time-consuming.

## **PUCK**

Shapeshifting them into something hilarious is so much quicker. (getting carried away) What if we, like, turned them all into the Walkers from Walking Dead or send them to the upside down like Stranger Things, and then we made them all fight each other? It'd be like the ultimate fan fiction come to life!

#### **OBERON**

You need to spend less time on Reddit.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Please, just let's try it her way. Look, here comes a group of visitors—let's see what they have to say.

#### **OBERON**

(In a huff) Very well. Will no one rid me of these meddlesome mortals?

(CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE, CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO, and CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE enter. They are all harried and miserable.)

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE**

O Jupiter, how weary are my spirits!

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

I care not for my spirits, if my legs were not weary.

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE

I pray you, bear with me; I cannot go no further.

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

For my part, I had rather bear with you than bear you.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Well, this is the forest of Patuxent.

#### CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE

Ay, now am I in Patuxent; the more fool I; when I was at home, I was in a better place: but travellers must be content.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

Well, they all look harried and miserable and bleary-eyed from lack of sleep—I'm guessing they must be Congressional Aides.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

You're darned right we are—I've got the student loan debt and the iPhone hunch to prove it.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE**

I am a-weary, give me leave awhile:

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Fie, how my bones ache! what a jaunt have I had! Do you not see that I am out of breath?

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

How art thou out of breath when thou hast breath To say to me that thou art out of breath?

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

We're what happens when you let your idealism battle to override long days standing in hallways answering a million questions while being asked if there is someone more important constituents can talk to.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Now, get out of our way—we need to put as much distance between us and D.C. as we can before they realize we've gone!

## FOREST RANGER ONE

So you guys are fleeing the D.C. heatwave, too?

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

Partly. But mostly, we're getting away from our bosses!

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Your bosses? Wait, you're bailing on the Members you work for?

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

Well, not so much them--

# **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Yeah, the Members are actually pretty cool.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

And we're not just saying that because we're standing onstage with a bunch of them.

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

That is a factor, though.

### **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Oh, totally. It's just that during the summer, our jobs...change.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

With the adjournment, our work is less about "helping to craft and pass legislation," and more about showing people from the home district around. I don't know how many times I've been asked if I could point out the Liberty Bell.

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

Members of Congress are wonderful—(again to the volunteers)—truly, totally—but when summer comes, they try to catch up on all the new technology, and it never goes well. Nothing is scarier than when your boss asks for their own Twitter password.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE TWO**

Have you ever seen a documentary called "Weiner"?

### **OBERON**

(to PUCK) I don't think I want to.

## **PUCK**

This Twitter seems dangerous—but you staffers are the best and brightest! Surely, you can handle it.

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

We just want a break, that's all—and this forest is the only place we'll find it. Weary with toil, I haste me to the woods,

the dear repose for limbs with travel tired. Seriously, outta the way!

## **PUCK**

(with feeling) We have heard your cries, and we feel your pain.

#### **OBERON**

Your plight is clearly desperate. Nay, woeful. Nay, pathetic. Enough! You're bumming me out! This is supposed to be a comedy, not *Manchester by the Sea*! (Everyone stares at him.) Seriously, people. Anyway--your suffering has moved me—I hereby grant you my leave to pass through this forest unscathed.

## CONGRESSIONAL AIDE ONE

But our bosses will chase after us wherever we go!

## **PUCK**

Fear not! I shall disguise you in the one form that they will never want to see—a town hall attendee. (Everybody shudders.)

## **CONGRESSIONAL AIDE THREE**

Thank you! Thank you so much!

(The CONGRESSIONAL AIDES depart.)

## FOREST RANGER ONE

OK, so, see—two groups of Washingtonians dispatched, and no need to go all presto-chango on them! Being nice to people is fun!

## **PUCK**

Being nice only if they deserve it.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

And they so rarely deserve it.

### **PUCK**

Exactly. Most people who cross our path are in need of a little correction. OBERON

# Enlightenment.

## **PUCK**

But not that liberal coastal elite kind.

#### **OBERON**

The kind that only a fairy with magical powers can provide.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Someone's getting turned into something horrible before this is all over, aren't they?

#### **PUCK**

...yyyyeah.

## FOREST RANGER TWO

(Sarcastically) In that case, I hope that whoever shows up next will be polite and respectful and not at all antagonistic.

## **PUCK**

Wow, that setup was as subtle as a sledgehammer, wasn't it?

(REPRESENTATIVE ONE, REPRESENTATIVE TWO, and REPRESENTATIVE THREE enter. They are very, very cranky.)

## REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Where are they?

## REPRESENTATIVE TWO

I know they came this way—I can smell the Redbull and tears! Oh, when these our staffers have all gone, Our lives, which lean on them and all they do, sink down to death, oppress'd with melancholy.

## REPRESENTATIVE THREE

I do not joy, am no longer glad,
I call them back again and straight grow sad.

Those aides can't abandon us and get away with it!

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

I recognize these three—they're Members of Congress! They must be looking for the Aides that just ran past.

## **PUCK**

I believe in Washington you call that leading from behind.

## **OBERON**

Stop that. (PUCK gestures, about to transform them) I want to terrify these intruders! (to the REPRESENTATIVES) Halt, you three! You tread in the forest kingdom of Oberon, King of the Fairies, Prince of the Forests, Firstborn of the Fey Folk, and Rightful Lord

## **PUCK**

Seriously, boss—this evening is already long enough. (to REPRESENTATIVES) And I am his deadly-albeit-adorable servant Puck! Bet you're all terrified, huh?

#### REPRESENTATIVE ONE

(no, they aren't) We are not. Those names mean nothing to us!

## **OBERON**

Seriously? Does no one read Shakespeare anymore?

## REPRESENTATIVE TWO

Of course we read Shakespeare. He just means that those names mean nothing to us ---unless you live in my district.

## **OBERON**

Excuse me?

## REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Fella, when you're responsible for the legislative agenda of a country of over 300 million people, you're not gonna get all fluttery over some fictional woodsy creatures! We save that for CBO scores.

#### REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Now, step aside. We've been abandoned by our aides, and we know they came this way—we need them back!

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Because you need their help in carrying out your legislative agendas?

## REPRESENTATIVE TWO

What? No. It's the summer—nobody's doing any legislating until the leaves change.

## FOREST RANGER ONE

Then why do you need them back?

## REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Because those little rapscallions locked our Twitter accounts.

## REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Now, how are we supposed to know the latest White House position on U.S. foreign policy?

## **OBERON**

Alas I must tell you that your former lackeys are beyond your reach!

## REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Listen, they keep track of ALL our passwords. I can't even log into my Gmail account. Not that I would ever use an unclassified system to communicate classified information.

## REPRESENTATIVE TWO

Exactly, and I need my Instagram login-- my constituents depend on me to explain policy with videos.

## REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Now—out of our way—we're not stopping until we catch them and bring them back!

#### **OBERON**

I'm sorry—you three mortals are challenging me, the King of these woods?

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Technically, these are more 'wetlands' than 'woods'—

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Seriously people, we put out brochures all over the park!

# REPRESENTATIVE ONE

I'm pretty sure the Parks and Rec subcommittee of the Energy and Natural Resources Committee has jurisdiction over the parks service budget... so I think *I'm* actually the king of these woods.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Actually, I'm pretty sure Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke is the king of these woods, but he had to go earlier, so, sure, Congressman, we'll go with that.

# REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Do ye yield, sir? or shall I sweat for you? if I do sweat, they are the drops of thy lovers, and they weep for thy death: therefore rouse up fear and trembling, and do observance to my mercy.

# REPRESENTATIVE TWO

I have a whole school of tongues in this belly of mine, and not a tongue of them all speaks any other word but my name.

#### REPRESENTATIVE THREE

I have speeded hither with the very extremest inch of possibility; I have foundered nine score and odd posts: and here, travel-tainted as I am, I shall throw you o'er.

#### **OBERON**

Well, on the one hand, I'm impressed by your ability to quote *Henry IV Part* **Two**—that's a Shakespearean deep cut.

#### **PUCK**

(offering a fist bump to the closest REPRESENTATIVE) Respect.

#### **OBERON**

But on the other hand, you just insulted a King in the heart of his kingdom! You leave me no choice. Actually, you leave me with a lot of choices, and I'm going to go with the meanest one I can think of.

# **PUCK**

Get ready! The mischief train is pulling into the station! (Train noise)

# **OBERON**

You—you're a Republican, aren't you?

# REPRESENTATIVE ONE

A proud member of the Party of Lincoln.

#### **PUCK**

Lincoln was a Republican? Wow!

# **OBERON**

Well, Mr. Republican, you will now only be able to say the opposite of what you believe! (Makes a magic gesture—sound effect, if possible.)

# REPRESENTATIVE ONE

Oh please—that's ridiculous—almost as ridiculous as regulatory reform. After all, what's a regulation but a protection. Come to think of it, we should have MORE regulations. (Gasps, claps his hand over his mouth.)

# REPRESENTATIVE TWO

Dude, the Koch Brothers are going to disown you.

# **PUCK**

Oh, this is fun—let me try. You—you're a Democrat, right?

#### REPRESENTATIVE TWO

I am, and proud to say so!

# **PUCK**

Not for long! (Magical gesture.)

# REPRESENTATIVE TWO

Speaking as a Democrat, I have to say: Charter Schools should be seen as a leg up for kids and a chance for students in the public-school system to expand their horizons. —we should really increase their funding! Or just go straight to vouchers. (Claps hand over mouth.)

#### REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Oh, man—George Soros just deleted your number from his phone.

# **OBERON**

(to REPRESENTATIVE THREE) And then there was one...

# REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Please! I'm a registered Independent. There's nothing you can do that'll cause me to lose my constituents.

# **OBERON**

Oh, an Independent, are we? So, your supporters won't riot when they hear you say—(Magical gesture.)

# REPRESENTATIVE THREE

Bernie Sanders is overrated! (Claps hand over mouth.)

# REPRESENTATIVE TWO

This isn't fair! Almost as unfair as environmental regulations on corporations. They're people, too! Oh, no! (Claps hands over mouth again.)

# REPRESENTATIVE ONE

This should be illegal! Unlike marijuana, which should be legalized for medicinal and recreational use! (Claps hands over mouth again.)

# REPRESENTATIVE THREE

(as everyone looks his way) Oh, no, I'm gonna stay silent on this one. Just like I'm gonna stay silent on how I've never liked *Hamilton*! (Claps hands over mouth.)

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Wow, Twitter is just gonna eat you alive. You sure you want those passwords? You're gonna want to start running right now, and don't stop until you hit the Eastern Shore.

(Taking her advice, the REPRESENTATIVES depart, keeping their hands over their mouths.)

# REPRESENTATIVE THREE

I don't understand what Axios is! Mike Allen, where did you go? Dammit! (Exits.)

# FOREST RANGER ONE

You two—that was just mean.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

I don't know. I kind of like their style.

# **OBERON**

(grinning) I know, right?! Look, we are the demi-gods of these woods. When mortals come here, they tread on hallowed ground!

(REPORTERS ONE, TWO, THREE and FOUR start to enter.)

#### **PUCK**

My lord's hyperbole aside, all we ask is that those who come here treat the place with the respect and appreciation that it deserves.

# REPORTER ONE

This place stinks!

#### **PUCK**

To be fair, I totally set myself up for that one.

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

No! Wait! Please! Remember what we just learned about listening? Just...hold off and hear what they have to say.

#### **OBERON**

Very well. Who are they?

# FOREST RANGER TWO

I don't know—thanks to your little Shakespearean Costume whammy, everybody looks like they just stumbled in from the Renaissance fair!

# REPORTER TWO

(consulting smart phone) Can you get a signal? I can't get a signal!

# REPORTER THREE

(same) No I can't get a signal! If I could get a signal, I'd be typing—does it look like I'm typing?! Why can't we get a signal?

# REPORTER FOUR

If the heat is any indication, I'm thinking sun-spot activity.

#### REPORTER ONE

Either that or all the cell towers melted. Stupid lying cell phone carrier!

# REPORTER TWO

(dropping character for a second) You're not going to start insulting Verizon, are you? Because I'm pretty sure they can hear everything from across the street.

#### REPORTER ONE

No, of course not, I'm not crazy.

#### REPORTER TWO

Good. Smart. (Back into character) But this is serious! If we can't get a signal, we can't post!

#### REPORTER THREE

If my clicks go down, so does my career! My screen has gone blank, and, as we all know, Democracy Dies in Darkness!

#### REPORTER FOUR

You think that's bad? If I don't tweet, I don't eat. I've got half-a-million Twitter followers who are depending on me to distract them from their day jobs! If they have to go without my dazzling insight—(REPORTER ONE snorts at this)--shut up—for too long, they start to realize that I'm neither dazzling nor insightful! (REPORTER ONE snorts again.) All right, that's it—(Starts to go for REPORTER ONE.)

# REPORTER TWO

(interposing) Stop it, you two—we can't turn on each other like this! Remember, we're the ones on the front lines of the day's events—the infantry of the war on ignorance—

From this day to the ending of the world, We all in it shall be remember'd:

#### REPORTER ONE

We few, we happy few, we band of brothers—

#### REPORTER TWO

For he today that tweets his thoughts with me Shall be my brother (referring to REPORTER ONE), be he ne'er so vile.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

I'm thinking they're journalists.

#### **PUCK**

Wow. Way to read minds, Professor X.

#### REPORTER THREE

We are but warriors for the working-day;

#### REPORTER FOUR

Our suits and notepads are all besmirch'd From marching in the painful field; FOREST RANGER ONE (greeting the REPORTERS) Are you guys lost?

# REPORTER ONE

Thank God! Human beings!

# **OBERON**

Like hell we are--Bite your tongue!

# REPORTER TWO

We're looking for some way out of this wood.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Yeah, there seems to be a lot of that going around today.

# REPORTER THREE

We're headed away from D.C. Far, far away.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Ah, so you're fleeing the heat?

# REPORTER FOUR

No, the cold.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

I'm sorry--the cold?

# REPORTER FOUR

The cold.

# **PUCK**

(referring to REPORTERS; loud whisper to OBERON) I think this is the fake news everyone is talking about.

# REPORTER ONE

No. Look, we're journalists—

# **OBERON**

That's been established. No more self-referencing!

#### REPORTER TWO

Anyway—we work the D.C. beat—which means that nine months out of the year, we've got the biggest and most important stories in the country—but when summer hits D.C., the place empties out, the boldface names stop showing up at Café Milano, and everything grinds to a halt. We call it 'the big chill.'

# REPORTER THREE

The point is, there's nothing for us to cover—all the movers-and-shakers head off to wherever the Obamas are vacationing. So unless you can get me a first look at how Jeff Bezos is renovating his house—

#### **OBERON**

Please. I'm a demigod, and even I can't get an audience with Bezos.

#### REPORTER FOUR

Then there's nothing for us to report on in D.C. for the next three months.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

So, then, where are you three headed?

# REPORTER TWO

The only place there's any news to be had that anyone wants to hear about. We go...(dramatic pause)...to Hollywood!

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

That is a disappointing answer on so many levels.

# REPORTER THREE

Tell us about it! You try spending three months writing nothing but "who wore it best, flip flop edition." The only flip flops I'm interested in covering are John Kerry's.

# REPORTER FOUR

But we have to go there. Hollywood is the only place where anything's happening during the summer. It's blockbuster season, and we can find work doing press junkets. We can only hope to run into Amal Clooney and get some real news.

#### REPORTER ONE

We're off to sit in dressing rooms and lap up whatever lunacy the celebs are babbling about. For three months. (pause) Three. Months. It'll be like having to sit through *The Revenant* all over again.

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Why not do something else—how about covering local politics?

# REPORTER TWO

The only local politics in D.C. are stories about mass transit failures and bribery scandals and after a while, that just gets too dry.

#### REPORTER FOUR

Look, our employers need national content to drive readership! HuffPo would collapse in mid-August if it wasn't for celebrity news! That and whatever Michael Moore is yelling about—seriously, doesn't that guy have an indoor voice?

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Misery acquaints a man with strange bedfellows. So, you're all, like, dying inside, huh?

# **ALL REPORTERS**

So, SO MUCH.

# REPORTER THREE

You think we don't want to write about real stuff? Of course we do—

#### REPORTER ONE

We didn't get into journalism because we wanted to chase after puff—

# REPORTER TWO

We wanted to make a difference! Reveal the hidden truth! Be there when Chuck Schumer's glasses finally fall off!

# REPORTER THREE

When we were young, we told ourselves: Let fame, that all hunt after in their lives, Live register'd upon our brazen tombs And then grace us in the disgrace of death;

# REPORTER FOUR

When, spite of cormorant devouring Time, The endeavor of this present breath may buy That honour which shall bate his scythe's keen edge And make us heirs of all eternity.

#### REPORTER ONE

The grosser manner of these world's delights We throw upon the gross world's baser slaves:

# **REPORTERTWO**

To love, to wealth, to pomp, we pine and die; With all these living in pursuit of truth.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Wow. Noble sentiment.

#### **PUCK**

(to OBERON) You catch the reference?

#### **OBERON**

Love's Labour's Lost. Opening lines.

# **PUCK**

Wow. Another deep cut—D.C. really loves its Shakespeare.

# **OBERON**

Your plight is sad, but your resolve to flee to this place called Hollywood is misguided.

# **PUCK**

Weird, but every time somebody mentions that place I taste kale smoothies.

# **OBERON**

You must return to the District of Columbia—

# REPORTER ONE

But there's no news!

# REPORTER THREE

And the heat! Dear Lord, the heat!

#### **OBERON**

Yes, yes, the heat. Your minds are like Metro – on a single track. You will return to the District of Columbia, but I will grant you this boon—we have been sending back the legislators of Washington, so they too will be there with you—

# REPORTER FOUR

A politician in D.C. over the summer! Impossible!

#### **OBERON**

Yet it will be so—and more! I solemnly pledge that—through my magic—I shall create a news story that shall set this city abuzz.

# REPORTER TWO

Oh, boy! Is the Purple line actually happening?

#### REPORTER THREE

Did Dan Snyder finally change the name of the Washington Redski...

#### REPORTER FOUR

Don't say it.

#### **OBERON**

Return to D.C. and you'll find Dusty Baker saying Bryce Harper is overrated and should be traded to the Orioles!

# REPORTER ONE

(ducking out of this uncomfortably moment) Uh—quick! We've got to get back and get the Internet Outrage Machine primed and ready to go!

# REPORTER FOUR

Back to the city!

# REPORTER TWO

Indeed. (slight pause) But dear Lord, the heat...

(The REPORTERS exit.)

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Another crisis averted without transmogrification! Go team!

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Aw, you've been using that Word-Of-The-Day calendar I re-gifted to you.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Affirmative, that gift engendered great felicity in me.

# **OBERON**

Indeed. You mortals are proving of use. I may want to keep you on as part of my kingly court. Of course, we'll have to wait for my wife—the fairy Queen, Telania, I mean, Titania--to approve any new hires. Come to think of it, where *is* Titania?

# **PUCK**

I don't know. (heavily insinuating) It's strange that such a noted and important figure from *Midsummer* wouldn't make an appearance. (Leaning towards the audience) Foreshadowing!

# **OBERON**

(joining PUCK) Magic of theater!

(BUREAUCRATS ONE, TWO THREE and FOUR enter. They're slow, but cheerful—like human sloths.)

# FOREST RANGER ONE

If you two are done destroying the last shards of the fourth wall—we have some new visitors approaching.

# FOREST RANGER

And approaching...and approaching...very slowly.

# **OBERON**

Curse these constant intrusions! Who are these strange creatures?

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

(examining them) Hmm. I'm calling them as bureaucrats.

#### **PUCK**

But they're dressed the same as everyone else—how can you tell?

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(as close to an impersonation of Benedict Cumberbatch as possible.) Something flat behind the eyes. Scarred fingers suggesting multiple paper cuts. Pasty skin suggests lack of sunlight.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

The smell of recycled air suggesting years spent inside government buildings. Heavy breathing indicates that they've sighed impatiently far more than normal.

# **PUCK**

You've memorized, like, every single episode of Sherlock, haven't you?

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Hey, what else are we supposed to do when the park is slow?

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Also, they have a lanyard and a badge. Why doesn't anyone take those off?

# **OBERON**

Speak—who are you?

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

We're bureaucrats.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

I knew it! (Rangers high-five) Nobody? Really? not cool, fairies.

#### **OBERON**

We have seen many strange things since coming to these woods, yet you three surpass all we have met so far. Tell me, why do you look so sad?

# FOREST RANGER TWO

They're always gloomy—they're bureaucrats.

# **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

That's actually a common misconception! We love our work! The quiet, the filing, the stapling—ahhh, the stapling.

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

We're the unsung heroes of the D.C. ecosystem. If we do our jobs well, no one notices, but if we didn't- complete chaos would ensue!

#### **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

Paper comes to the inbox. We read, we review, we stamp. Paper goes to the outbox. It's the circle of life. Like the Bard wrote:

All the world's an office,

And all the men and women merely workers:

#### BUREAUCRAT ONE

They have their exits and their entrances; And one drone in his time plays many parts, His acts being seven ages—

# **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

Well, except in the civil service, it's really just three ages— First comes the Junior Filer, next the Senior Filer, then the Managing Filer.

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

Then comes the last scene of all, the pension!!

# ALL BUREAUCRATS

# Yay, PENSION!

# FOREST RANGER ONE

And are you, too, fleeing the heat?

# FOREST RANGER TWO

(snarkily) Oh, is it hot in D.C.? Someone should really say something about that.

# **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

Oh, no—the seasons mean nothing to us. We work in a government building. The temperature is always the same.

Our sun is a fluorescent light bulb.

#### **OBERON**

So then I take it you are simply fleeing your work?

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

No, no, we told you--we love our jobs.

# **OBERON**

Yes, but I assumed you were being sarcastic.

# **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

(Deadpan) I don't follow.

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

We're the eyes on the permits, the signature on the licenses.

# **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

We keep the records. Bureaucrats write the first draft of history.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

I thought that was journalists.

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

(scornful) Please. Where would they be without our documents? BUREAUCRAT TWO

Civil service is the noblest calling--and we get to do it every day! *Tomorrow and tomorrow*! Then the pension!

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

Plus, we get to fill out forms! Every day! Ah, the forms. (All three bureaucrats sigh happily: "Ahhh, the forms...)

#### **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

The only thing that's better than the forms—are the forms in triplicate! (They sigh even MORE happily: "Ahhhh, triplicate...")

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

You know, one time, I saw a form that had eight forms underneath!

#### **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

I thought that was just a myth! Like Bernie actually being a Democrat.

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

But it doesn't matter. Summer is here, and we can't enjoy anything anymore.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Why?

# **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

I will tell you why; so shall my anticipation prevent your discovery. I have of late--but wherefore I know not--lost all my mirth, forgone all custom of exercises.

#### **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

This goodly frame, the earth, seems to me a sterile promontory, this most excellent canopy, the air, look you, this brave o'erhanging firmament, this majestical roof fretted with golden fire, why, it appears no other thing to me than a foul and pestilent congregation of vapours.

# BUREAUCRAT THREE

Man delights not me: no, nor woman neither, though by your smiling you seem to say so.

# **OBERON**

Wow. A bureaucrat reciting *Hamlet*. That might be the definition of sad.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

But if you're not running from the heat, then what's got you out here?

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

The summer brings with it a plague on D.C. far worse than any heat.

#### **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

They stand on both sides of the escalator.

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

They block the entrance to our building taking selfies because they think it's the Air and Space Museum.

# BUREAUCRATFOUR

They attract ice cream trucks which block our parking.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

(getting it) Ahhhhh.

# **OBERON**

What? What??

# FOREST RANGER TWO

The worst thing to hit D.C. every year isn't the heat—it's the tourists!

(The BUREAUCRATS recoil at the word "tourists.")

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

Ugh! Do not speak of them! Every summer, they come. In groups and busloads and families that have screaming fights right in front of you!

# **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

So many of them—so loud—so pushy—so many socks in so many sandals.

#### **OBERON**

Enough—I shall pronounce my sentence—Bureaucrats, I sentence you three to—

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

Hold that thought. (Sniffs the air) Do you smell that?

# **BUREAUCRAT FOUR**

(Sniffs) Oh, God. Sunscreen. I smell sunscreen!

# **BUREAUCRAT ONE**

(cocks an ear) And I just heard the zipper on a fanny pack!

#### **BUREAUCRAT TWO**

Dear Lord, they've followed us! Run! For the love, run!

# **OBERON**

But I have yet to pronounce sentence!

# **BUREAUCRAT THREE**

Buddy, nothing you could threaten us with is worse than what's about to come through these woods—we are gone!

(And the FOUR BUREAUCRATS exit.)

# **PUCK**

Wow, they disappeared faster than the Capitals in a game seven. Are these tourists really that bad?

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Unless you like having people quack at you from a duckboat, then yeah, kinda.

#### **OBERON**

They sound most rude, these tourists.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Well, to be fair, the economy of D.C. does sorta depend on the revenue they bring in, but man, that doesn't help when a bunch of middle schoolers stop in you in the street to ask if the Washington Monument really retracts into the ground at night.

#### **OBERON**

Fascinating. I confess, I long to see such creatures.

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Well, it's summer and it's D.C.—you will get your wish. *Cry "havoc!" and let slip the dogs of war* 

(TOURIST HUSBAND ONE, TOURIST WIFE ONE, TOURIST HUSBAND TWO, and TOURIST WIFE TWO enter. They are frighteningly wholesome. Trailing behind them are TEEN ONE and TEEN TWO, bored and unhappy.)

#### **PUCK**

Wow—it seems like this whole night, whenever we talk about someone, they appear right away. (Beat, then looks up and says loudly) Jumbo Slice! (OBERON and FOREST RANGERS give him a look) What? I'm hungry!

#### TOURIST WIFE ONE

Honey! Do we know where we are?

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

For the last time, yes! This is the Jefferson Memorial...kind of underwhelming if you ask me.

#### **TEEN ONE**

(mumbling, sullen) Ugh Dad, you're such a dork.

#### TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

If I'm such a dork then why am I wearing this cool Hawaiian shirt?

#### TOURIST WIFE TWO

Oh, let's all take a selfie.

#### TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

We can post it to instant gram!

#### TEEN TWO

Nobody wants to see that.

# **TOURIST HUSBAND TWO**

Oh really? My last photo got two whole likes. Your mother, and Uncle Jim.

# TOURIST WIFE TWO

Your father is breaking the internet!

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

Did anybody remember to bring the map?

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

We don't need a map. I have an excellent sense of direction. See over there, that's the Washington Monument. Lucky it hasn't retracted into the ground yet!

# **TEEN ONE**

I want to hit every one of you with a tree branch.

# **TOURIST WIFE TWO**

What was that?

# **TEEN ONE**

Nothing.

(The TOURISTS suddenly notice OBERON, PUCK, and the FOREST RANGER.)

# TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

Hey, guys, check this out—it's a two Forest Rangers and—I'm just guessing here—some kind of Shakespeare in the park, are you actors? Is this performance free?

#### **OBERON**

#### ACTORS?!!?!

# **TOURIST WIFE TWO**

Oh, they're in character.

# **OBERON**

I am Oberon, King of the Fairies, Prince of the Forest—

# **PUCK**

Boss, no! By the time we get out of here, nobody'll be able to catch a cab!

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(to OBERON) Just play along.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Yeah, the last thing you want to do is try to convince a tourist that they're wrong. OBERON

Fine, fine, so long as they don't—(All FOUR TOURISTS take out their phones and start taking photos)—And there we go. OK, I'm gonna thunderbolt them.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(trying to distract the TOURISTS away from OBERON) So, you folks just visiting the District?

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Yep, sure are! All the way from Minnesota!

# FOREST RANGER TWO

And are these your kids?

# TEEN ONE/TWO

Unfortunately.

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Maybe you can talk some sense into them—here we go and bring them all the way to our nation's capital, and they can't seem to get excited about anything around here!

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Well, I could try...Um, hey, there, kids! (trying to bond, not succeeding) Pretty lame having to hang with the 'rents, huh, kids? (The TEENS stare at her, blankly.) Um, so...nature is pretty *on fleek*, though, huh? (More blank stares.) You baes like...Snapchat? Ever seen the filter with the um...puppy ears?

# **PUCK**

Oh, the humanity...

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

So, how about the Patuxent Reserve? Pristine nature—I'd say that's...trending.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

This is the Beyonce-themed orientation video all over again...I can never listen to Lemonade without hearing "Okay trainees now let's get park information." (to the tune of Formation)

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(to the tune of Hold Up) Hold up, don't you litter in my park, please.

#### TEEN ONE

Truly, ranger, in respect of itself, it is a good reserve, but in respect that it hath no wi-fi, it is naught.

#### **TEEN TWO**

In respect that it is solitary, I like it very well; but in respect that my parents are here, it is a very vile reserve.

#### TEEN ONE

Now, in respect it is in the fields, it pleaseth me well; but in respect that vaping's not allowed, it is tedious.

# **TEEN TWO**

As is it a shaded spot, look you, it fits my humour well; but as there is no cell coverage in it, it goes much against my stomach.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Wow, so, like, literally everybody in the world knows more Shakespeare than us.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

To be or not to be embarrassed...

# TEEN ONE

Mom, Dad, I'm gonna go wander off, throw some rocks at stuff, see what happens. TEEN TWO

I'm gonna follow him around and post what he does on Facebook Live.

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

I don't know what that means. Have fun you two!

(The TEENS exit.)

# FOREST RANGER ONE

So since you all are here, I'll be happy to take any questions about the Reserve.

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Are we on the National Mall right now? FOREST RANGER TWO Well, actually...

# TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

I don't think so. I don't see a Macy's here!

(The TOURISTS laugh uproariously.)

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Hilarious. Don't hear that one often.

#### TOURIST WIFE TWO

I always said you should do standup!

# TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

And I say I can't...because I love my recliner too much!

(The TOURISTS laugh uproariously. Again.)

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

So—what's the story behind this place?

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Oh, well—(to OBERON and PUCK)—sorry, you guys, but it's kinda my job. (Deep breath, and) Covering nearly 13,000 acres of pristine wilderness, the Patuxent Research Reserve is the only National Nature reserve in the United States to support--

# **OBERON**

No, no, no! Enough! No more banal questions and selfies! I think I know how to handle this one. I'm gonna *Midsummer* these dweebs.

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Dweebs? Does the Hawaiian shirt not look good?

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

That's just how people talk in the big city. Fuggedaboudit!

# **PUCK**

Oh my God, end this!

# **OBERON**

Indeed. (Magic gesture—the FOUR TOURISTS freeze.) Now, I shall do as we did in the incomparable play by Shakespeare. I shall make both men fall in love with

this woman (referring to TOURIST WIFE ONE), and thus drive them all to madness! (Another magic gesture, steps back.) And away we go!

# **TOURIST HUSBAND TWO**

(looking at TOURIST WIFE ONE) Hey, there, I gotta say, you are rocking that outfit!

#### TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

What are you doing? That's my wife!

# TOURIST WIFE TWO

Yes, dear, what ARE you doing? I'm standing right here!

# **TOURIST HUSBAND TWO**

Please—like that's any reason not to tell her—I'm in love with you!

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

What?

#### TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

WHAT?!

#### TOURIST WIFE TWO

Again: Standing right here!

# TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

(to TOURIST WIFE TWO, contemptuously)

Ay, by my life;

I never did desire to see thee more. Be certain, nothing truer; 'tis no jest That I do hate thee and love her.

# TOURIST WIFE TWO

(furiously at TOURIST WIFE ONE) *O me!* You thief of love! what, have you come by night And stolen my love's heart from him?

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

Let her not strike me. You perhaps may think, Because she is something lower than myself, That I can match her.

# TOURIST WIFE TWO

Now I perceive that she hath made compare Between our statures; And are you grown so high in his esteem; Because I am so dwarfish and so low?

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Be not afraid; she shall not harm thee.

#### TOURIST HUBAND TWO

No, sir, she shall not, though you take her part.

# TOURIST WIFE ONE

O, when she's angry, she is keen and shrewd! And though she be but little, she is fierce.

# TOURIST HUSBAND TWO

Now follow, if thou darest, to try whose right, Of thine or mine, is most in her

# TOURIST HUSBAND ONE

Follow! nay, I'll go with thee, cheek by jowl.

(TOURIST HUSBAND ONE and TOURIST HUSBAND TWO go off, clearly about to fight.

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Wait, so are you gonna let those four just run off and whale on each other?

# **OBERON**

(considers for a second) Yes.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

This is the best day since a Ben's Chili Bowl opened up right across the street from me.

# (TITANIA and ARIEL enter.)

# **OBERON**

And here she is—my partner—my love—let all give welcome to Titania, Queen of the Fairies, First Lady of the Forest.. (Fanfare, if possible.)

#### TITANIA

(cheerful, casual, to OBERON, with a peck on the cheek) Hi, honey. Tough day at the office?

#### **OBERON**

Eh, same old, same old. Mortals, you know?

# TITANIA

Oh, I know—don't get me started!

# **OBERON**

What about you? Good day?

#### **TITANIA**

Not bad—little shopping in City Center—mani/pedi in Georgetown—lunch at Le Dip...

# FOREST RANGER TWO

(to PUCK) They seem awfully casual for a couple of demigods!

# **TITANIA**

Then I ran into this one just outside the forest—she says her name is Ariel.

# **ARIEL**

Indeed it is, and indeed I am. Airy servant to my master, the sorcerer Prospero, I come to tell you all--

# **TITANIA**

(butting in) But before we get to that—I passed a little theatre in Penn Quarter, they are doing a play called "The School for Lies". It looks most delightful and funny.

# **ARIEL**

Delightful as these frolics are, sire, I come to share important news—and hopefully an ending to the play.

# **PUCK**

About time—(Refers to onstage cast members)--everyone back there is getting fidgety.

#### **OBERON**

Tell us, then, this news—whence comes it? Where have you been?

# **TITANIA**

(before ARIEL can speak) Up and down, up and down,

I have wandered up and down:

Through the field and through the town:

I have wandered up and down.

# **PUCK**

Everybody keeps stealing my lines!

# **OBERON**

(to Titania:) And? Why so?

# **TITANIA**

Because I knew that you would want to spend the summer here in these woods, and I just couldn't face that prospect. The heat—dear Lord, the heat!

#### ARIEL

Indeed. I am pure spirit, and I'm sweating—I don't have glands or pores—this shouldn't be!

# **TITANIA**

Exactly, so, I was looking for someplace—anyplace—else to hang out for the season, and then I met this spirit.

#### **ARIEL**

I was coming in search of you both.

# **OBERON**

And what does Ariel want with us?

#### **ARIEL**

(grandly) I come here from a magical isle, where my master Prospero invites you to spend the season with him.

#### **OBERON**

Oh—and what is this isle? Atlantis? Avalon?

# **ARIEL**

No. Martha's Vineyard—you've never been?

#### **OBERON**

No, but I hear good things! Tell me more.

# **PUCK**

Ooo! I hear Chelsea Handler has a place! Why she hasn't interviewed me yet, I do not know.

#### **ARIEL:**

Be not afeard; the isle is full of noises,

Sounds and sweet airs, that give delight and hurt not.

Sometimes a thousand twangling instruments

Will hum about mine ears, and sometime voices

That, if I then had waked after long sleep,

Will make me sleep again: and then, in dreaming,

The clouds methought would open and show riches

Ready to drop upon me that, when I waked,

I cried to dream again.

#### **OBERON**

In that case, let us leave this fiery, dreadful swamp behind—

# FOREST RANGER ONE

Hey!—

#### **OBERON**

Stop fooling yourself,—between the heat and the tourists, the last time I was in a place like this, Dante was writing an epic about it.

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

No! No! I am not taking this anymore! (defiantly) You come here, and you make a mess, and you complain, and—you know what? I just realized something! You—you're the tourists! (OBERON and TITANIA are shocked.) Well, this is my home. (Big, defiantly, she does her spiel--) Covering nearly 13,000 acres of pristine wilderness, the Patuxent Research Reserve is the only National Nature reserve in the United States to support wildlife research. The Reserve was founded in 1936 by Franklin Delano Roosevelt, it has since become a leading international research institute for wildlife and applied environmental research, and for providing technical assistance in implementing research findings so as to improve natural resource management.

(Pause. She's a little out of breath. Everyone is impressed.)

#### **PUCK**

(finally) Well, damn.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Wow...hearing you talk about the park like that...Okay, can I just, say something crazy?

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

I love crazy!

#### FOREST RANGER TWO

Even though we've worked together a long time, *The course of true love never did run smooth* 

(singing 'Ten Minutes Ago' from Cinderella) Ten minutes ago, I saw you. I looked up when you came through the door. My head started reeling you gave me the feeling the room had no ceiling or floor. Ten minutes ago, I met you, and we murmured our how do you dos I wanted to ring out the bells and fling out my arms and sing out the news. (singing 'Love Is An Open Door') I've been searching my whole life to find my own place and maybe it's the forest talking or these quirky two. But with you. I found my place...And it's nothing like I've ever known before! Love is an open door!

# EVERYONE: LOVE IS AN OPEN DOOOOOOOR!

# **OBERON**

(gathers his composure -- to FOREST RANGER ONE) You have spoken fair and true. We long not to be tourists...and you all clearly need some alone time. Besides, we lack sun-visors and neon tee shirts. Therefore, my queen and I shall depart for the fair Vineyard of Martha.

#### **TITANIA**

Red pants and pink wine, here we come! Rose ALL DAY!

#### **OBERON**

But before we leave, we give to you our blessing, and our thanks—may you stand as guardian of this place for many years to come.

Now, until the break of day,
Through this house each fairy stray.
To the best bride-bed will we,
Which by us shall blessed be;
And the issue there create
Ever shall be fortunate.
With this field-dew consecrate,
Every fairy take his gait;
And each several chamber bless,
Through this palace, with sweet peace;
And the owner of it blest
Ever shall in safety rest.

#### FOREST RANGER ONE

Thank you.

# FOREST RANGER TWO

Seems a little anti-climactic, given what we just went through.

# **OBERON**

If we shadows have offended, Think but this, and all is mended—

# **PUCK**

STOP STEALING MY LINES!

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(yawning, as if waking up) Oh. Hey. Sorry, must have nodded off.

O wonder!

How many goodly creatures are there here!

How beauteous mankind is! O brave new world

That has such people in't!

# FOREST RANGER TWO

The heat, you know?

# FOREST RANGER ONE

(back into tour guide mode, leading OBERON and TITANIA off) Well, since you're here, let me tell you guys about the Patuxent Research Reserve —

# **OBERON**

We can't wait to hear it.

(FOREST RANGERS, OBERON and TITANIA exit. PUCK and ARIEL linger for a second.)

# **PUCK**

Well, that was complicated and silly. (Grins) Which means it was my kind of evening. (Puts arms around ARIEL)

# **ARIEL**

Oh wow, then I have some stories for you! Let's ditch this place.

# **PUCK**

(looks around) Just think of it. Three months of this heat, and some people live here voluntarily.

#### **ARIEL**

Voluntarily?

#### **PUCK**

Lord, what fools these mortals be! OK, cue the closing chorus!

(PUCK and ARIEL exit. EPILOGUE CHORUS enters)

# EPILOGUE CHORUS ONE

"Sometimes too hot the eye of heaven shines"
That much the Bard of Avon's pen makes clear-But think of all the gripes and groans and whines He'd have to write about if he were here.

# **EPILOGUE CHORUS TWO**

For summer in this town is mighty cruel So bad it makes you miss the winter snows--And since our kids have been let out of school We're doubly pained, as every parent knows.

# EPILOGUE CHORUS THREE

Small wonder, then the Fairy Queen and King Depart Patuxent for a gentler clime-On Vineyard Isle they'll have a summer fling And then move on before the autumn-time.

# EPILOGUE CHORUS FOUR

In flight, they leave the Ranger, safe and free To carry on her work through summer's heat

So too do we depart your company And send you off into the swelt'ring street.

# EPILOGUE CHORUS FIVE

But first, before we go, we'll take a bow And give our thanks to those who risked their necks Performing in this show--we thank them now And also thanks to those who wrote us checks.

# **EPILOGUE CHORUS SIX**

The cause of Shakespeare brings us here tonight The faith that folks are bettered by the Bard--So let us know, by clapping, that we're right Or please, at least don't boo us all too hard!

# EPILOGUE CHORUS SEVEN

Outside this hall, the summer months await
And with their heat our miseries are fed
Yet what sustains us through this fiery fate?
The faith and hope for cooler months ahead.
So good night all, and thank you once, and twice-For giving to our cause to show you care-And as you leave, one last word of advice-Drink lots of water, 'cause it's hot out there!

(PUCK returns – mischievously)

# **PUCK**

(to audience.)

If we shadows have offended,

Think but this, and all is mended—
That you have but slumbered here
While these visions did appear.
And this weak and idle theme,
No more yielding but a dream,
Gentles, do not reprehend.
If you pardon, we will mend.

And, as I am an honest Puck,
If we have unearned luck
Now to 'scape the serpent's tongue,
We will make amends ere long.
Else the Puck a liar call.
So good night unto you all.
Give me your hands if we be friends,
And Robin shall restore amends.

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

# Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston June 13 - June 16, 2017

**Draft: 6/7/2017** 



### TRIP SUMMARY THE TRIP OF THE SECRETARY TO

Connecticut, New Hampshire, Maine, Boston June 13 - June 16, 2017

Weather:

Uncasville, CT High 87°, Low 69°, Sunny Hooksett, NH High 91°, Low 67°, Mostly Sunny

Katahdin National Monument

Boston, MA

**Time Zone:** 

New England Eastern Daylight Time

**Advance (Connecticut):** 

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

**Advance (New Hampshire):** 

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

**Advance (Katahdin National Monument):** 

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

Advance (Freeport, ME)

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

Advance (Boston, MA):

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

**Traveling Staff:** 

Agent in Charge (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Acting Deputy Secretary Jim Cason

Deputy Chief of Staff
Communications Director
Press Secretary
Deputy Director of External
Downey Magallanes
Laura Rigas
Heather Swift
Tim Williams

Affairs

Photographer Tami Heilemann Personal Aide Aaron Thiele

Attire:

**Cell Phone:** 

b) (6)

**Cell Phone:** 

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

<u>Cell Phone:</u>
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(b) (6)

#### **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:
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: 9D

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

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 Aaron Thiele Rusty Roddy

Advance: Rusty Roddy
Format: 20 minute remarks. 1

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:

Secretary's Vehicle: RZ

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

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

Location: Bass Pro Shop

2 Commerce Drive Hooksett, NH 03106

Participants: Sarah Holmes, State Director, Senator Shaheen

Press: Closed

Staff: Downey Magallanes

Tim Williams
Laura Rigas
Aaron Thiele
Tami Heilemann
Rusty Roddy

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

Advance:

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, Senator Shaheen

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

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

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:

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: 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: 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:

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9:00-9:30pm EDT: Depart Revere, MA en route RON

Location: Hilton Boston Downtown/Fanueil Hall

89 Broad Street Boston, MA 02110

9:30pm EDT: RON

#### Friday, June 16, 2017

Boston, MA → Washington, DC

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

Location: Legal Seafood Harborside

270 Northern Avenue Boston, MA 02210

Participants: 20 people from fishing groups

Press: Open

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:

**FROM:** Christine Bauserman, 202-706-9330

**OVERVIEW:** 

Today you have one briefing and talking points:

03:30 - 04:00 pm Colorado River Basin Brief

( Talking Points are at the end. )

04:00 - 04:30 pm Colorado River Basin Call

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#### I. STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

This is an initial meeting with the Governors' Representatives of the seven Colorado River Basin States. It is an opportunity to hear Basin States' priorities for ongoing cooperation with DOI and priorities to address the ongoing historic drought on the Colorado River.

#### II. BACKGROUND

The Secretary of the Interior, either directly, or through the Bureau of Reclamation plays the crucial role in terms of the management of the Colorado River - particularly in the lower basin states of Arizona, California and Nevada (Hoover Dam operations), where the Secretary serves as the Water Master for lower Colorado River decisions and operations. There is a unique working relationship between Interior/Reclamation and the seven Colorado River Basin States – a partnership different from other western interstate river systems.

- o All seven states will be looking for the Secretary to acknowledge the importance of close federal/state coordination on Colorado River operations, particularly given the ongoing period of historic drought that dates to 1999.
- While this winter has been a good one with snowpack currently at approximately 115% of normal, this one good winter does not mean the drought is over and the states are hoping and expecting Interior to press the states to finalize their drought contingency plans over the next 9-12 months.

#### III. DISCUSSION

(Bolded bullets are key messages also reflected in the talking points)

The States are likely to prioritize finalizing a water shortage sharing agreement with Mexico – referred to as "Minute 32x" to the 1944 Treaty, and are hoping that this critical agreement can be signed as early as September of 2017. This agreement will ensure that Mexico will take reductions of Colorado River deliveries at the same time as users in the U.S., along with other water sharing and environmental cooperation.

o The states will be looking for the Secretary to indicate his support for their efforts to finalize agreements with Mexico, and are hoping that these agreements can be finalized well before the end of 2017, when the current water sharing agreement

("Minute 319") expires.

The States are also likely to press for continued Interior and Reclamation support to facilitate ongoing drought response discussions among the seven Basin States, recognizing that a number of issues – particularly internal discussions in Arizona and California – will likely mean that negotiations and finalization of drought response agreements in the U.S. will extend into early 2018.

 The states will be looking for the Secretary to press, then to complete these efforts as soon as possible, and for Interior to identify these efforts as a top water management priority for the Department.

#### IV. NEXT STEPS

Interior respects the role of each of the States and commits to continue the close and unique working relationship between DOI and the seven States in the Colorado River Basin.

#### V. PARTICIPANTS

Secretary of the Interior Ryan Zinke

Scott Cameron, Acting Assistant Secretary for Water and Science

Kerry Rae, Chief of Staff for Water and Science

Alan Mikkelsen, Acting Commissioner of Reclamation

David Palumbo, Deputy Commissioner of Reclamation

Solicitor's Office – K. Jack Haugrud, Acting Solicitor; Keith Saxe, Associate Solicitor; Bob

Snow, Attorney-Advisor

Brent Rhees, Reclamation's Upper Colorado Regional Director

Terry Fulp, Reclamation's Lower Colorado Regional Director

#### **Basin States Principals**

Thomas Buschatzke, Director, Arizona Department of Water Resources

Bart Fisher, Jr., Chairman, Colorado River Board of California

James Eklund, (former) Director, Colorado Water Conservation Board

John Entsminger, General Manager, Southern Nevada Water Authority

Jayne Harkins, Executive Director, Colorado River Commission of Nevada

Tom Blaine, State Engineer, State of New Mexico

Eric Millis, Director, Utah Division of Water Resources, Utah Interstate Stream Commissioner

Patrick Tyrell, State Engineer, State of Wyoming

Don Ostler, Executive Director, Upper Colorado River Commission

#### VI. ATTACHMENTS

#### T.P. provided on this electronic copy. The rest of the attachments are in the Briefing Book.

- 1) Call agenda
- 2) Agenda annotated with talking points
- 3) Participant bios
- 4) Incoming March 8, 2017 letter from Basin States Representatives

#### **ATTACHMENT 2: ANNOTATED AGENDA:**

- I. Introductions (3 mins)
  - Department of the Interior Participants
  - Basin States Representatives
- II. Welcoming Remarks by Secretary Zinke (5 mins)
  - Appreciate the opportunity to meet the Governors' representatives Aware that there is a unique history of DOI/Basin States collaboration on the Colorado River and I'm committed to preserve the excellent partnership that Interior and Reclamation have developed with the Basin States.
  - Understand the critical role of Interior throughout the Basin 3 points:
- o Recognize the primacy of the States in the Upper Basin Throughout the Reclamation states, we recognize the primary role state water law plays in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah and Wyoming. Nevertheless, given the massive federal water storage projects in each of the Upper Basin States, Interior and the States have to work together to identify and implement coordinated operations, particularly in times of drought.
- o Recognize the unique role of the Secretary in the Lower Basin I've been fully briefed on my responsibility as "Water Master" in the Lower Basin and we intend to work closely with the Lower Basin states to finalize and implement strategies on drought response actions.
- o Also recognize the importance of ensuring that water deliveries to Mexico remain in proportion with U.S. deliveries We hear your concerns that if the U.S. is taking reductions on the Colorado River, Mexico must share the burden of shortages as well. We'll continue to work with and support all of you, the International Boundary and Water Commission, and Mexico on this important set of operations and decisions, including Minute 32x.
  - In summary, we respect the role of each of the States and commit to continue the close and unique working relationship between DOI and the seven States in the Colorado River Basin.
- III. Each Basin State Representative Summarizes key issues and priorities (14 mins)
- IV. Interior Department response, feedback, and next steps (8 mins)
- V. Adjourn