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WASHINGTON, D.C.

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To Arthur Sulzberger
With best wishes, + Werm Regue

WASHINGTON

May 24, 1983

### Dear Louise:

That was NO rumor. I did have designs on Marty Plissner's CBS tennis shirt. He's safe now, since I have my own. Thank you so much. I am thoroughly enjoying it.

Thanks, too, for the invitation to the tournament. I had a great time and am looking forward to the next one.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Ms. Louise M. Hallahan Research Associate CBS 1800 M Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036





Dear Mr. Deaver:

May 23, 1983

There was a rumor going around that you had designs on Marty Plissner's CBS tennis shirt. That being the case, I contacted Donn O'Brien in our CBS Sports Division in New York who just happened to have the same style shirt in your size (I hope).

We appreciated your participation in this year's tournament and hope you will be able to join us again next year.

Sincerely,

Louise M. Hallahan Research Associate

Mr. Michael Deaver Assistant to the President and Deputy Chief of Staff The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Attach.

WASHINGTON

May 25, 1983

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The issue of whether to acquire it as part of the National Park System presents very difficult choices. I agree with you that the property is both scenic and historic, but defer to the National Park Service over whether such values are of outstanding national importance. As you know, the Administration is currently committed to spend our limited funds on fixing up what we already have instead of acquiring new park lands, and we are trying to hold to that commitment.

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Mr. Paul N. McCloskey, Jr. Brobick, Phleger, and Harrison Two Palo Alto Square Palo Alto, California 94304

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## EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT OFFICE OF MANAGEMENT AND BUDGET

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20503

MAY 23 1983

MEMORANDUM TO:

MIKE DEAVER

THRU:

CRAIG FULLER

FROM:

FRED KHEDOURI

SUBJECT:

Draft Reply from Mike Deaver to Paul McCloskey

Concerning Sweeney Ridge

### Discussion

The attached response provides the current Interior and OMB posture on Sweeney Ridge: namely, the 1,063-acre parcel is of relatively low-priority for acquisition because it has no outstanding natural or cultural values and is an enclave separate from the remainder of Golden Gate National Recreation Area that would be difficult and expensive to manage.

Unfunded authorizations to create new national parks or expand old ones at about 70 areas across the country amount to an estimated \$1.5 - 2.0 billion.

As you may know, the Administration's policy is whenever possible to avoid expanding Federal land holdings. Thus, the policy on National Park Service acquisition, established in early 1981, has been to limit national park acquisitions, even though authorized, to final awards from pre-1981 condemnation actions already in court. The savings have been plowed back into facility rehabilitation and restoration in the existing 334 parks. The attached U.S. News and World Report article indicates that the achievements of this policy are becoming visible to the public.

The Administration seeks to pay final court awards from pre-1981 condemnations with specifically appropriated funds and reprogrammings. (A reprogramming is use of funds for purposes specified in the appropriation language, but for different specific tasks or projects than those contemplated at the time of appropriation. Reprogrammings generally involve consultation between Federal agencies and the appropriations subcommittees according to ground rules established by each committee.)

Interior currently has two court awards in hand totalling \$7.5 million for which no appropriations are specifically available: a severance claim at Redwood National Park (Cal.) for \$2.4 million and land acquisition at Gulf Islands National Seashore (Miss.) for \$5.1 million. Interest is running on both awards pending final payment.

To pay these awards, the choice is either to propose a reprogramming or seek a supplemental appropriation (and an increase in the 1983 deficit). Interior and the National Park Service have reviewed reprogramming candidates and have twice decided to propose reprogramming the \$9.6 million appropriated for Sweeney Ridge to pay the pending court awards. OMB has twice concurred in that decision.

The cognizant House and Senate appropriation subcommittees (Cong. Yates and Sen. McClure are the chairmen) have insisted, however, that the National Park Service initiate negotiations to acquire Sweeney Ridge for the most recent appraisal of \$3.29 million, before proceeding with reprogramming.

Since the McCloskey letter, the following events involving Sweeney Ridge have occurred:

On April 26 the National Park Service met with the West Aspen Company, the Oklahoma-based subsidiary of Texas International that owns the parcel. At the meeting, the Park Service offered to buy Sweeney Ridge at the appraisal price of \$3.29 million. West Aspen rejected the offer, countering that changed market conditions (falling interest rates and a partial relaxation of a local growth-control ordinance that could permit more residential development on the tract) indicate that a new appraisal is required. West Aspen's price is \$9.02 million.

Given the results of the April 26 meeting, Secretary Watt has concluded that further negotiations would not be productive and the mandate of the appropriations subcommittees to offer to buy Sweeney Ridge for the appraisal value has been carried out. He therefore is preparing a third reprogramming proposal to use part of the Sweeney Ridge funding to pay the final court award involving the \$2.4 million severance claim at Redwood National Park (on which interest at the Treasury bill rate has been running since December 1982).

OMB's position at this point is that given the relatively low priority assigned to Sweeney Ridge by the National Park Service, it would not be prudent to buy the property for nearly three times the appraisal when we have final court awards in hand for which the affected owners rightfully expect prompt payment.

The appropriations subcommittees may nevertheless call for a new appraisal. (The most recent appraisal was performed in August 1982.) However, we believe that a reprogramming proposal is still appropriate to report to Congress on the updated situation and formally indicate the Administration's position.

A couple of items in the McCloskey letter warrant comments. A small city park already exists commemorating the site on Sweeney Ridge where the Spanish explorer Portola may have first viewed San Francisco Bay in 1769. Father Crespi, the Franciscan missionary and cartographer referred to by McCloskey, may have been in the Portola-expedition or followed shortly afterward. No one knows for sure where precisely either man was standing when the sightings occurred, but a memorial is already in place in the city park.

More importantly, McCloskey implies that the NPS appraisal is artifically low, arriving at the same price for which West Aspen bought Sweeney Ridge in the early 1970s. In 1970 West Aspen acquired Sweeney Ridge in a corporate merger wherein the agreed-to value of the property was negotiated out at \$3 million, though no market test was apparently involved. The reason for the lack of substantial appreciation between the negotiated price and the current appraisal seems to stem from the effect of local zoning decisions preventing or sharply restriciting development of the tract.

West Aspen is obviously trying to get the most possible out of their land, and may be pricing it at highest and best use values rather than at the value under local zoning restrictions. Price differences of that nature often occur in Federal negotiations over land acquisitions.

Finally, on the McCloskey suggestion of calling Sweeney Ridge the "Phil Burton Memorial Recreation Area," the National Park Service has a long-standing policy not to name natural parks after individuals. Congress reaffirmed this policy in the recently signed bill (H.R. 2600) dedicating the Golden Gate NRA to Cong. Burton, but not renaming the park.

### Recommendation

That the reply to McCloskey not indicate a willingness to buy Sweeney Ridge for more than \$3.29 million, or to name it after Cong. Burton. Our draft response has been prepared along these lines.

Attachments

## Kational Parks Get a Major Housecleaning

After years of neglect, the popular attractions are being rejuvenated—just in time for the big summer rush.

FORT RALEIGH PARK, N.C.

Good news for the millions of Americans planning to visit national parks in 1983: Most areas are being spruced up and better equipped to serve tourists than they have been in years.

From the Blue Ridge Parkway's vastly improved roads in North Carolina to a revamped hotel in California's Yosemite, the National Park Service is putting the finishing touches on an urgent campaign to restore the nation's 334 federal recreation areas to the high standards for which they once were renowned. In recent years, budget cuts resulted in a decline that showed up in potholed roads, littered trails and a shortage of rangers.

This year, the Interior Department is pouring 770 million dollars into the repair efforts, compared with 622 million last year and 521 million in 1978. A record 250 million visits to national parks are expected in 1983.

The "Lost Colony." The work is no-

where more apparent than in this historic region where the English first landed in 1584 and a year later established their first settlement in what is now the United States. Amid the thick forests of Roanoke Island, settlers in 1587 built homes, and the first English baby in the New World, Virginia Dare, was born.

But troubles of some sort—possibly warfare with Indians—overtook the community, and mariners returning to the site in 1590 found it abandoned.

To this day, nobody knows for sure what happened to the "Lost Colony," but hopes are growing

that recent work here may eventually provide some clues. Excavations have turned up signs of what may be the remains of a village near the fort, restored in 1950.

"We hope we have found the settlement," says park technician Phillip W, Evans. "If so, we think we will find fragments of things such as pottery and iron that will give us a better idea of what went on here." The findings may figure prominently in celebrations next year of the 400th anniversary of the first landing.

Other work at the park and its affiliated areas, the Wright Brothers National Memorial where the first airplane flew, and Cape Hatteras National Seashore, includes rehabilitating occanside earnps damaged in storms last winter, upgrading the main visitors' center, repaving roads and repairing and installing water systems and toilets. The budget for these parks will total 3.3 million dollars this year and may reach 3.5 million next year.

"Some of this work wouldn't have cost as much if there had been proper maintenance in the past," observes park Superintendent Thomas L. Hartman. "We're now trying to catch up."

In similar fashion, employes of the 264,000-acre Rocky Mountain Park in Colorado are rushing to finish wide-scale repairs before the summer tourist flood begins.

Eleven miles of the Trail Ridge Road, which offers visitors spectacular views of the Rockies, have been rebuilt, and a historic old fire tower—previously in such bad shape that it was considered a hazard to visitors' safety—has been restored. In addition, eight decaying bridges have been repaired.

Notes Superintendent Chester Brooks: "We are also going to have more people in the interpretive programs. There will be more short tours to explain such things as wildflowers and geology, and a walk to show how beavers live along a pond." Also typical of the nationwide efforts is work being completed at Yosemite National Park. The first part of a new bikeway has been built, and the Wawona Hotel has been renovated to provide better fire protection.

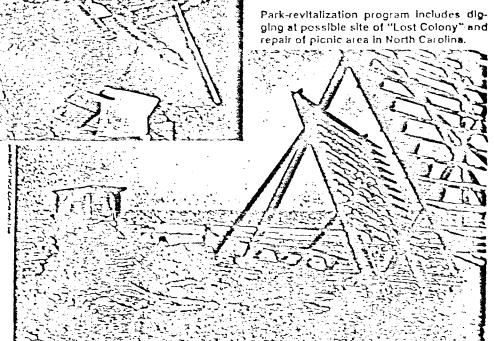
Although current and controversial government policy is to upgrade existing parks and refrain from acquiring more areas, some new properties are being introduced to the federal system. Among the additions: The San Antonio Missions National Historical Park in Texas. The unit consists of four 18th-century churches—still active—built by missionaries accompanying Spanish explorers. The federal government will maintain and manage the land around the missions, but not the churches themselves.

Shortage of campsites. Officials in many parks say that one of the greatest problems facing visitors this year will be a lack of camping space during the peak midsummer months. At Rocky Mountain Park, for example, there will be 572 sites available a day, a fraction of the number sought. Because of pressures from environmentalists and private hotel operators outside the parks, expansion of campgrounds in most federal areas has been halted.

In some parks, spaces can be reserved in advance through the Ticketron company, while other sites are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. The average cost of a space: \$5.50 a night.

All in all, park officials point out, the system is geared for a banner year. "We've got our problems," says one Park Service veteran, "but most visitors will never get any hint of that. They'll only have fun."

By WILLIAM L. MocDOUGALL



THE WHITE HOUSE WASHINGTON

April 21, 1983

### Craig:

Bill asked me to forward this on to you -- Deaver would like you to look into the attached and let him know what you think.

Thanks.

DONNA L. BLUME

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### CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Michael Deaver Deputy Chief of Staff and Assistant to the President The White House Washington, D.C. 2050**0** 

Dear Mike:

The death of Phil Burton gives the President the chance to take a step which might have great political benefits.

Congress both authorized and appropriated \$10 million in 1981 for the acquisition of 1100 acres atop Sweeney Ridge in Northern San Mateo County as part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA).

An option to acquire the property had been acquired by the Trust for Public Lands (TPL) for \$9.6 million, the property having been appraised at over \$18 million by an M.A.I. appraiser, Floyd Clevenger, if allowed by the City of Pacifica to be fully developed.

Sweeney Ridge is the site where Father Crespi allegedly first sited San Francisco Bay in the late 1700's. CONFIDENTIAL

Mr. Michael Deaver April 18, 1983 2.

Jim Watt initially refused to accept the Congressional direction in 1981 and indicated his intention to seek.

a "re-programming" of the funds to apply to acquisition of other park property throughout the United States.

The House Appropriations Subcommittee (Sid Yates, Chairman, Joe McDade, Ranking Republican) refused the re-programming.

Watt then obtained a government appraisal of \$3.2 million, the price at which the developer had acquired the property in 1972.

The developer is understandably holding out for the \$9.6 million agreed price with TPL and which Congress specifically approved in 1981.

TPL and the developer are presently concerned that Watt is unwilling to negotiate in good faith and will stick at the \$3.2 million government appraisal figure.

It seems to me that the President should now direct Secretary Watt to proceed pursuant to the law enacted by Congress and perhaps, as a personal action on the President's part, direct that the Sweeney Ridge addition to the GGNRA be named the "Phil Burton Memorial Recreation Area."

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Mr. Michael Deaver April 18, 1983 3.

This could defuse the current waive of environmental anger against the Administration as a result of Watt's various actions and perhaps even pick up a few Democrats on a few crucial votes which are upcoming. As you may have noted, 110 Members attended Burton's funeral Thursday, the largest number ever to attend such an event.

On a personal note, I can well understand your desire to return to California in the near future. I am thoroughly enjoying the weather, the people, the law practice and the relaxed atmosphere.

All the best,

Paul N. McCloskey, Jr.

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Office of Cabinet Affairs
Attention: Karen Hart (x-2823)
West Wing/Ground Floor

WASHINGTON

May 26, 1983

Dear Clayton:

Thanks for sending the great article from Newsday.

I have taken the liberty of sending it along to the President for his information.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Clayton Fritchey 3327 P Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20007 CLAYTON FRITCHEY 3327 P Street, N. W. Washington, D. C. 20007

May 12, 1983

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The Honorable Michael Deaver The White House Washington, D.C.

Dear Mike:

I am enclosing a column that appeared in Newsday and other papers this weekend. Since it virtually guarantees the President's re-election, I thought you ought to be the first to hear about it.

Meanwhile, best as ever,

Sincerely,

Clayton Fritchey

Enclosure

# DEAN A. WATKINS 3333 HILLVIEW AVENUE PALO ALTO, CALIFORNIA 94304

6 June 1983

Dear Mr. Deaver:

Your letter of May 31, 1983, addressed to Dr. Watkins arrived here today. Dr. Watkins is out of the country at the present time, but I am sure you may expect a reply from him sometime following his return on June 25.

Sincerely,

C. Louise Beer

Secretary to Dr. Watkins

Mr. Michael K. Deaver Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff The White House Washington, D. C. 20500

WASHINGTON

May 31, 1983

Dear Dean:

The University of California at Berkely is embarking on a project to document the President's year as Governor of California.

I have spoken with Gabrielle Morris, who is the Project Director of the Regional Oral History Office and we both agreed that you would be the ideal person to head up this effort. It is my understanding that the campaign is going to try to raise \$150,000 in the next eighteen months.

If your schedule permits, I would be greatly appreciative of your help.

Sincerely,

MICHAEL K. DEAVER Assistant to the President Deputy Chief of Staff

Mr. Dean A. Watkins
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Mr. Michael Deaver Office of the President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Michael Deaver:

It was a pleasure to meet you in Washington and to begin work on your oral history memoir for our project on Mr. Reagan's years as governor. I appreciate your willingness to back up and discuss some of my questions in more detail. It is most important to the value of the data we are collecting to learn how things happened and the interplay of persons and events so as to fully understand Mr. Reagan's role in public life.

All the interviews I did on my recent trip East were remarkably focussed and intense. It was rather like a seminar on state government affairs, touching on the lore of organization, finance, campaigning, and some specifics of human services programs. They really spark our enthusiasm to keep the project moving to document all the significant aspects of the Reagan administration in California.

We are delighted that you will get in touch with Dean Watkins about heading up the campaign to secure support for the next phase of our work. He would be an ideal person to establish interest in the project and to encourage decisions to make contributions to it. We do have a solid initial list of potential donors, put together for us by Ed Meese. Those we have talked to have been friendly, though not all of them have been forthcoming. Others have been inaccessible, but I expect would respond to a colleague like Mr. Watkins.

As I mentioned, we are looking for approximately \$150,000 over the next 18 to 24 months to carry on documentation of Mr. Reagan's governor—ship and early impact on national issues, by means of firsthand accounts by those most closely involved with him. Whenever convenient for Mr.

Watkins, I would be happy to discuss with him the details of the project design, possible alternatives or additions, and the development efforts to date. Forrest Stanley of the University of California, Berkeley, Foundation is our campus advisor on this and is available for consultation too.

Thank you for your interest and participation in the project. I look forward to continuing your own oral history as your time permits.

Sincerely,

Gabrielle Morris Project Director

Regional Oral History Office

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### ATTACHMENT 1

- All writings<sup>1</sup> that reflect, refer or pertain to:
  - a. A meeting between Timothy Burton Anderson ("Anderson") and Michael Deaver ("Deaver") at the White House on April 23, 1983.
  - b. A letter dated April 25, 1983 from Anderson to Deaver.
  - and others in Los Angeles on May 6, 1983, including but not limited to, the scheduling and arrangement of such meeting.
  - d. Conversations between Deaver and Stallone with respect to the motion picture "ROCKY IV" from January 1, 1983 to the present.
  - e. A letter dated May 10, 1983 from Anderson to Stallone, with a handwritten note to Deaver.
  - f. A letter dated May 10, 1983 from Anderson to Deaver.
  - g. A letter dated September 17, 1984 from Anderson to Deaver.
  - h. A letter dated October 17, 1984 from Fred F. Fielding (Counsel to the President) to Anderson.

As used herein, the term "writings" is defined as it is in Federal Rule of Evidence 1001, specifically including, but not limited to, all diaries, calendars, time records, billing sheets, telephone slips, transportation logs, and informal notes and memoranda.

- i. Communications involving Richard Wirthlin regarding Anderson, Stallone, and/or "ROCKY IV," including but not limited to, communications in 1983 between Wirthlin and Deaver with respect to arranging a meeting between Deaver and Anderson.
- j. Letters on which Deaver was copied, including "cc:" and "bcc:," regarding Anderson, Stallone, and/or "ROCKY IV," including but not limited to, correspondence on or about May-June 1983 from Linda Horner to Anderson.
- k. Anderson and "ROCKY IV," Anderson and Stallone, or Stallone and "ROCKY IV."

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