

To Dean Ernest E. Wohletz, College of Forestry

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

From Kenneth A. Dick, Financial Vice President

Inter-Office Memorandum

Subject Taylor Ranch on Big Creek in Primitive Area

Date 14 February 1967

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This is to notify you that the two year option to purchase the Taylor Ranch was completed under date of 9 February 1967 and the \$5,000 option payment has been made to the Taylors. The option agreement had prior review and approval by you. I wish to note that in conversation with the Taylors in the office of Randall Wallis, Attorney, I did agree with the Taylors that, insofar as the University is not ready to contract for actual purchase and the Taylors were faced with making arrangements and contracts for the hunting season for the year 1967, they should proceed in their normal fashion, including making arrangements with the packers, which involves the cutting of the hay during the summer of 1967 and the feeding of hay and the keeping of horses on the premises through the 1967 hunting season, which, according to their statement, involves feeding the hay on site until 1 April 1968.

These arrangements are in accordance with the provisions of the contract and in full accordance with our understanding with the Taylors that they would be privileged to proceed with the hunting arrangements until actual purchase by the University.

Further, it is understood, that minor activities on the ranch by University staff members during the year of 1967 is subject to written consent by the Taylors. If any activity is contemplated, it is suggested that it be set forth in writing and processed through this office for prior approval by the Taylors.

Based upon the above, it would appear that the initial plan of major research work on the site could not be scheduled at the earliest until the spring months of 1968 -- and, of course, this date is dependent upon acquisition of funds. Unless the University gives the Taylors notice of actual purchase prior to 1 January 1968, they will proceed with hunting contracts for the fall of 1968, which then would take the hunting operation into the winter of 1968-69.

KAD:jgw

cc: President Hartung