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MEMORANDUM

TO: David L. Mc Kinney

RE: U. S. Forest Service Forest Land Exchange

We have received various material from the U. S. Forest Service regarding what needs to be done to start and to complete the proposed exchange of land and rights to land with the U. S. Forest Service. The following is provided to brief you on the proposal:

1. What is to be Exchanged:

a. University of Idaho to the U.S. Forest Service:

- (1) Grant a Scenic Easement Deed on the Taylor Ranch site to the U. S. Forest Service. A copy of the U. S. Forest Service's proposed easement is attached. Basically, this easement puts restrictions upon the university regarding the use and manner of operating the Taylor Ranch area. In general, the College of Forestry indicates they can live with these restrictions—see attached memo from Acting Dean Ables—however, they wish to negotiate some of the stipulations.
- (2) Exchange forty acres of timberland, located in Bonner County--see attached map. This land was gifted to the university by James M. Spence in October 1979. The land is remote from any other university land holdings, and is not presently being used by the university. The College of Forestry cannot foresee any future need for this land.

b. Forest Service to the University of Idaho:

- (1) Title conveyed to the university by patent to the Clark Fork Station. This station is now being leased by the university from the U. S. Forest Service. Please notice that title will be conveyed by patent which is not a clear, unrestricted warrenty deed, but may include certain restrictions, i.e. usage allowed and disposal of the property.
- (2) Title to 867.21 acres of forest land located adjacent to the university's Experimental Forest. The attached map indicates university-owned land by solid shaded areas, and federal land proposed to be exchanged with hash marks.

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2. What Needs to be Done at This Time:

a. The university needs to sign-off on a Statement of Interest to exchange property and land rights. The statement is not a firm commitment that the university will exchange the property, and includes the statement that either party may withdraw from the exchange "at any time prior to the agreement or conveyance of the Federal land from the United States."

3. What is the Exchange Process

- a. Attached is a paper listing the federal process to be followed.
- b. Please notice No. 10 and No. 11 on the attached "Exchange Process" paper. If the university does not agree with the forest service's appraisal, the university can then have an appraisal made. It should be noted (No. 11) that this exchange could cost the university some money.

If I can provide any further information, please advise.

Thank you.

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Attachments
cc: Robert N. Steele w/attachments
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