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Idaho Chapter
of the
Wildlife Society

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WINTER MEETING

Program Chairman GENE DEREUS has put together a wild and appealing program (see attached). Don't miss it! Many of our Fisheries Society brethren will be attending the opening day session to hear the panel on STREAM PRESERVATION, then they will continue on to their own annual meeting in McCall January 29. The legislature will be in session and (hopefully) considering a stream preservation law at the time of this annual meeting. We will extend personal invitations to attend the panel to all legislators on the committees considering stream protection legislation.

Make your own motel reservations, either at the Rodeway Inn or elsewhere. Rates at the Rodeway for twin accommodations are about the same as other first-class motels in Boise.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON POSITION STATEMENTS - Richard Knight

The Chapter has issued one position statement (on Lenore Dam) since the last Newsletter. Copy of Lenore statement is attached. Responses from legislators and the NEW Governor's office were uniformly in agreement with our stand on Lenore.

CHAPTER BUSINESS MEETING

A short business meeting will be held on January 28 after lunch in the Rodeway Inn. This will be your chance to hear committee reports, put new proposals before the group and examine what we have or have not accomplished during the past year.

SNAKE RIVER BIRDS OF PREY NATURAL AREA

The Bureau of Land Management has filed application for withdrawal of 26,255 acres of public domain in the Snake River canyon between Walter's Ferry and Grandview. The withdrawal application was published in the Federal Register on December 12, Designated the Snake River Birds of Prey Natural Area, the sanctuary will assist the important populations of golden eagle and prairie falcon which nest there.

Our chapter submitted a letter to the BLM applauding the withdrawal. Letters from individuals are welcomed also. You should address: Curtis Taylor, BLM Land Office, USDI, 550 W. Fort Street, Boise, Idaho 83702. Communications for the record will be accepted for a 30-day period following the Federal Register notice of December 12.

SEE YOU IN BOISE ON THE 28th!

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

IDAHO CHAPTER OF THE WILDLIFE SOCIETY ANNUAL MEETING

Rodeway Inn

Boise, Idaho

January 28-29, 1971

January 28 (Thursday)

- 0800-0900 Registration - Coffee - Lobby Visiting
- 0900-0915 Opening of Session
- 0915-1130 Panel Discussion: A STREAM PROTECTION LAW FOR IDAHO?
- Moderator: Dr. Don Chapman, Idaho Cooperative Fisheries Unit, University of Idaho
- "Need for Stream Protection in Idaho" - Stacy Gebhards, Fishery Mgt. Supervisor, Idaho Dept. of Fish and Game
- "Stream Protection Legislation" - Keith Higginson, State Reclamation Engineer, Idaho
- "Stream Protection and Private Enterprise" - John A. Rosholt, Attorney
- "Stream Protection Experience in Montana" - Arthur Whitney, Chief of Fisheries Mgt., Montana Fish and Game Dept.
- Audience Participation
- 1130-1200 "The Idaho Conservation Officer in Wildlife Management Today" - Phillip Swanstrum, Idaho Fish and Game Dept.
- 1200-1330 Lunch and Business Session
- 1330-1400 "Report on Mercury Contamination" - W. W. Benson, Idaho Health Dept.
- 1430-1500 "Blood as an Indicator of Food Values in Bighorn Sheep" - Dr. Albert Franzmann, Idaho Coop. Wildlife Research Unit
- 1500-1530 COFFEE BREAK

PRELIMINARY PROGRAM

January 28 (Thursday) continued

- 1530-1600 "Breeding Behavior in Bighorn Sheep" -
James Morgan, Idaho Fish and Game Dept.
- 1600-1630 "Bedding Behavior - Pronghorn Fawns" -
Dr. Edson Fichter, Idaho State University
- 1630-1700 "Food Habits of Mule Deer" -
Les Trout, Idaho Fish and Game Dept.
- 1830 NO-HOST SOCIAL HOUR - Rodeway Inn
- 1930 BANQUET - Rodeway Inn
Speaker: Dr. Don Chapman

January 29 (Friday)

- 0900-1100 Panel Discussion: ARE WE REALLY COMMUNICATING?
Moderator: Richard Hronek, Managing Editor, Idaho Statesman Newspaper
- "Are Resource Administrators Communicating?" -
William Meiners, Bureau of Land Mgt., USDI, speaking for the administrators
- "How Effective is our Public Relations Effort?" -
Martel Morache, Idaho Fish and Game Dept., speaking for conservation educators
- "Who the Hell is Listening?" -
Herman McDevitt, Attorney, speaking for the Long Suffering Public
- Audience Participation
- 1100-1130 COFFEE BREAK
- 1130-1200 "Politics and Wildlife Management" -
Kent Marler, Professor, Ricks College
- 1200 Meeting Appraisal - Hugh Harper, Regional Representative,
The Wildlife Society

HEAD FOR THE HILLS!