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Dear Lew:

This letter is a request for financial support for the Western Raptor Management Symposium and Workshop which the the Idaho Chapter is cosponsoring with the National Wildlife Federation. This symposium and workshop is the second in a series of 5 regional symposia and workshops coorganized by the Federation. The first was held in Tucson, Arizona in May 1986. The purpose of the symposium and workshop series is to assimilate technical information on the status and management of raptor populations and their habitats on a regional basis.

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The Western Raptor Management Symposium and Workshop will be held at the Red Lion Riverside convention center in Boise from 26 to 28 October 1987; it will immediately precede the Raptor Research Foundation's annual meeting. The region for the symposium and workshop includes Alaska, California, Colorado, Hawaii, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, and Wyoming. The target group for the symposium and workshop will be primarily agency biologists responsible for managing raptor populations and their habitat. The symposium will feature sessions on the status of western raptors, status of raptor habitats, and impacts and mitigation of land use issues. Papers in these sessions will be presented from invited experts on the topics. The symposium will also include a poster session and a keynote address by Dr. Bruce Wilcox on the recurring environmental consequences of the land use issues. The workshop sessions will address management recommendations for 1) silviculture and management, 2) buffer zones and preserves, 3) land use planning and raptor management, 4) management of prey habitats and populations, and 5) management of endangered species. Proceedings of the symposium and workshop will be published as part of the National Wildlife Federation's Scientific and Technical Series.



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This symposium and workshop gives the Idaho Chapter an excellent opportunity to make a substantial contribution to wildlife conservation. We anticipate about 300 attendees. The Chapter will be responsible for logistics including arrangements, facilities, registration, and social functions. We will also be sharing the expenses with the Federation. Our projected costs for the symposium and workshop exceed our estimated income from registrations. Therefore, the Idaho Chapter is requesting support of \$1,000 to help defray the costs of the symposium and workshop. Specifically we wish to use the funds to cover travel expenses of those invited speakers who need assistance. We feel that invited speakers will greatly enhance the quality of the symposium and workshop, and that by covering some of their travel expenses we can ensure that high quality people will be able to present papers.

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I have enclosed some materials to furnish you with additional background on the symposium and workshop. As you can see, we are moving right along with the planning process. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you need any additional information. I look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

*Mike*

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Chairperson,

Western Raptor Symposium and Workshop