

Jeff,

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Sorry it took so long in letting you know about working at Taylor. I've struggled with it for quite some time because I've always wanted to spend more time there and get to know the country better. Can't do it all.

The main reason I don't think I'll take you up on your offer is simply that it's too long alone. If I had a girlfriend or something, it might be different. By the way, the woman we talked about with the two year old boy, well I guess you could say I got cold feet.

So I guess that's where it stands. I'm still interested in something in the future if and when the opportunity presents itself. If not a caretaking position, then perhaps some research work that needs a good field person? Anyway, just so you know in case something comes up.

I'll be back at Monumental again this fall and I'll make a point of making a trip over in September like I did last year. I'll touch base over the radio before I leave to make sure you're in.

Spent a week in Hells Canyon on the Oregon side with Jim and Holly. They're doing a Peregrine survey over there and I'm doing one on the Idaho side. We decided to join forces and make a pack trip out of it. It was a great time in spite of cold and miserable weather. Whenever I'm around them, memories of Taylor ranch are almost synonymous with their company.

A very close and dear friend of mine who has spent many, many days and miles with me hiking Utah's canyons and plateaus (over a thousand miles actually) expressed an interest in caretaking Taylor if you need someone. He has been involved with a outdoor leadership school designed for troubled kids where he manages the company. Their forte is taking the kids out on extended backpack trips, teach them survival skills and natural history related subjects. He and his wife would be an asset to the ranch. Their names and address are: Brad and Jan Stein, 3002 S. 1200 E., Hagerman, ID. 83332. Ph: 837-6299.

If you haven't already got someone, hope you'll consider them, they're wonderful people.

Well, good luck this summer, don't have too much fun on lower Big Cr., that wouldn't be fair. Say hello to Jet for me, maybe I'll get a chance to see you both this fall.

Take care,

