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Dear Jim:

I was happy to get your letter and learn that you and Holly will still be there when we come in to study Big Creek in the latter part of June. That gives us something special to look forward to. Much to my disappointment, I have not been able to work my horses as a team much since your visit. However, always the optimist, I hope I can get a week or so of practice in before we leave for Taylor Ranch. As I may have mentioned before, we plan to come in via Waterfall Creek and to be in the Big Creek area some time within the last two weeks of June. I will provide more details after the semester ends and we have a better idea of our time constraints. Keep us apprised of your plans, including those for haying, and we will try to factor them in. I am enclosing an abstract of our research plan, as you requested. I also will send one directly to Jim Fazio, once I have been able to reach him by telephone.

Best wishes,

G. Wayne Minshall  
Professor of Ecology