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Mr. Michael R. Dorris  
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Dear Mr. Dorris,

I received your letter of October 5, requesting permission for McCall and Wilderness Air to land at Taylor Ranch in lieu of the flood damage at Cabin Creek. I must respectfully decline your request.

On September 19, 1996, in a letter to Krassel District Ranger Fred Dauber, I granted authority to the Forest Service to notify their legally permitted outfitters, dependent on air access at Cabin Creek, that they could land at Taylor Ranch (subject to our Field Station Visitor Policies), pending but not beyond the Forest Service decision and action to repair Cabin Creek. This addressed an emergency situation affecting three outfitters: Steve Zettle of American Adrenaline, Travis Bullock and Con Horihan. The Forest Service informs me that these are the only outfitters operating under special use permit and dependent on Cabin Creek, and thus are the only operations affected by this emergency action. As you have noted, this permission is subject to our Field Station Policies. Other than this temporary, emergency exception, our policies for use of Taylor Ranch airstrip have not changed.

I wish you luck with your clients in landing to hunt from the other airstrips in the Frank Church River of No Return Wilderness.

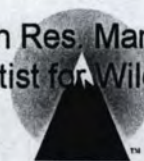
Sincerely,

John C. Hendee, Professor and Director  
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c: Dean Charles Hatch  
Dave Duncan, Taylor Ranch Res. Manager ✓  
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