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From: John C. Hendee

To: Leon Neuenschwander Ed Krumpe

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Both of you need to be involved with this. It is good news. Leon will speak for me if I'm not here.

The situations looks terrific.

c: Art Gittins

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DRAFT PLAN FOR DEVELOPING THE ENVIRONMENTAL MONITORING AND ECOSYSTEM RESEARCH POTENTIAL OF THE TAYLOR RANCH WILDERNESS FIELD STATION - GBW-02-87

Dear John:

I read your draft plan of action for developing joint projects on the Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station. I really like it. I have no substantive comments and would like to proceed with your suggested plan of action.

I am going to try to call you today and by the time you get this letter, you will know whether or not I was successful. However, in case we do not connect, I am taking the liberty of contacting Bill Gregg next week when I am in Washington to discuss the potential of Biosphere Reserve status for the River of No Return Wilderness. Bill Gregg is head of the U.S. Biosphere Reserve Program.

Also within the next couple of weeks, we will have a better feel . for our funding and I believe that once that is properly defined, it would be wise for us to get together, perhaps at the University of Idaho and develop some specific plans.

Best Regards,

G. Bruce Wiersma, Ph.D.

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Dr. G. Bruce Wiersma, Manager Environmental and Earth Sciences Idaho National Engineering Laboratory EG&G Idaho, Inc. P.O. Box 1625 Idaho Falls, ID 83415

Dear Bruce:

Thank you for facilitating the visit by Ed Krumpe and myself to the Idaho National Engineering Lab November 20. It was great to finally visit with you in person. The "vision" for cooperation in environmental monitoring that we discussed will empower and give direction to our expanded work together. I like the proposed goal: A UI-INEL cooperative program of baseline monitoring and research on natural ecosystem functioning, focused on the Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station, appropriately instrumented to facilitate research and monitoring with a constantly expanding data base, toward the ultimate inclusion of the site in the emerging International Geosphere & Biosophere Program (IGBP).

As we discussed, I have enclosed a draft "Plan for Developing the Environmental Monitoring and Ecosystem Research Potential of the Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station." This is a first draft of ideas and proposals. I urge you, Dale Bruns and your other staff to candidly address the ideas and proposed actions. We are eager to proceed and expand our cooperation with you in a planned way toward the above long-range goal. The plan states the goal and objectives, describes the current situation and assumptions about the future and then proposes direction and specific actions within that context.

We also had a good visit with Lamar Johnson and Herb Hatcher. The outcome of these conversations for me is the realization that I must encourage and make possible a visit to INEL by our faculty who are candidates for specific cooperation in the area of bioprocessing. A visit to INEL seems essential to solicit interest by specific faculty in applying for summer internships at INEL through the Association of Western Universities. We have expertise and interests in your program areas of bioprocessing, tissue culture and toxic substances in wildlife reserves, as well as environmental and ecosystem monitoring--hydrology, atmospheric and vegetation.



Dr. G. Bruce Wiersma Page 2 November 26, 1986

John C. Hendel

I will call you in the near future to get your reactions to the draft plan.

Sincerely,

John C. Hendee

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c: Dennis Keiser, INEL Lamar Johnson, INEL Art Gittins, UI Associate Vice President for Research Leon Neuenschwander, FWR Associate Dean for Research Ed Krumpe, Director, UI Wilderness Research Center