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Dear Oz:

I have hand cramps after writing up the INEL summary! I would have typed it if I realized it would take so long. Were you able to order the meteorological station? Have you heard from Dale Bruns, INEL? Did he say when they will send the atmospheric monitoring equipment and the supplies to collect soil, water, and biological samples? We are expecting some water sampling equipment from Wayne Minshall, ISU so we can ship him benthic samples from Cliff Cr for a post fire / pre rain sample. We met people at INEL with a lot of enthusiasm for research at Taylor Ranch. We are hoping other cooperative INEL/UofI projects may be initiated as a result of our trip.

Has there been any interest in fire ecology work back here from FWR faculty? What about comparison ^{studies} with Yellowstone, for those who got in on the Yellowstone research dollars? We have not had an opportunity to map the burn, but may get some pictures of it for mapping.

I just realized the "NSF Research Experience for Undergraduates" program deadline is Dec. 1. Can you send a memo / talk to faculty about getting involved in this program at Taylor Ranch. Geography or Geology or Water Resources may have an interest too - especially since the fires. If you do not have or can not get a copy of the application / instructions, call me & I'll mail you last years information.

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Did you turn in student internship grades?
What was decided about registration for internship credit by Tammi & Sarah?

Next month we will be spending sheep project money on flights with Arnolds. How should I set up billing with them? As a separate WofI account - sent to you? We also plan to receive some of the sheep grant as salary. Should that be set up for a fixed amount each pay period? What about INEL monitoring salary? When will it start, and how much? Were you able to pay us each an additional $\frac{1}{2}$ time for 2 pay periods for the gabion project? I am enclosing 2 receipts for reimbursement for cleaning supplies & plates \$63.94 and horse tack \$139.71.

We wrote Kerry Reese to see if several students are interested in helping net & radio bighorn sheep Dec 16-18. Our FNAWS grant will pay for their flight from Cascade \rightarrow Taylor. We plan to fly out for Christmas on Dec. 21 thru January 4. We decided that we should have Bob & Vi Webb in over Christmas since the airstrip will probably need to be rolled with the mule team. Bob has worked with the team before and we feel comfortable that he won't have any problems with them.

Can't think of any more news from here. Let us know if you want an advisory meeting this month. We will be sending you a FNAWS (Sheep) grant application to send thru the channels later this month.

More later
Holly