

Taylor Ranch

From: "David Delehanty" <deledavi@isu.edu>
To: "Taylor Ranch" <tayranch@direcpc.com>
Sent: Tuesday, June 29, 2004 8:55 AM
Subject: Re: ISU-UI collaboration

Hi Jim and Holly,

My apologies for my long silence. Please don't take it as a sign of any diminishment in my interest in Taylor Ranch research or grant writing. When the wilderness class was cancelled, I reorganized my summer and I have been intensely working on other projects. Basically, I needed to hole-up for several weeks and work without new distractions. Besides needing and wanting to wrap up several projects, one goal was to clear the way for new research push at Taylor Ranch. I have submitted several manuscripts this summer and finally wrapped up my contribution to a big Desert Tortoise project that I was involved in. I think I have finally shovelled out a path to Taylor Ranch.

I am leaving for a 2-week vacation in about an hour. When I return on July 12 I will begin work on a Taylor Ranch - based proposal and I will do a better job of communicating. It's too bad the August 11-15 dates fell through. I am trapping in the Mojave during the August 8-10. I am also trapping down there from Sept. 2-7. I guess my preference is for Sept 10-11 or so, or even later.

I need to run, but I will be in touch again on July 12.

Dave

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From: "Reed Lewis" <reedl@uidaho.edu>
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Sent: Friday, May 14, 2004 11:44 AM
Subject: Re: UI-ISU at Taylor Ranch

Hi Holly and Jim,

I'm glad you had a good meeting in Pocatello. I gathered from the Moscow meeting that there was a lot of enthusiasm from the ISU side and I think it is good to build on that. Although there are excellent long-term research opportunities at Taylor Ranch, I think your real selling point is the teaching side of things. The field experience for students in such a remote setting is difficult to duplicate elsewhere. Once your new bunkhouse is up and going, you should be able to handle small classes. It sounds like that is where you are headed with recent discussions with ISU. I might be able to help a little with classes, but I also know other geologists who might be able to spend more time at it than I am. Keep me posted.

On a related note, Jim Peek and I are moving ahead with establishing a general endowment fund for Taylor Ranch. We are meeting next week with UI Foundation folks to feel things out. Jim is the main guy on this but I will help if I can. You had said in an earlier e-mail that you would rather wait on this sort of fundraising, but Jim and I feel that we should get at least get some of the groundwork done this spring. Given the tight financial times at the UI, I don't think it hurts to have people out there showing an interest in Taylor Ranch. We might see even tougher times in the upcoming year.

Dave Stewart and I should be headed into upper Big Creek around the fourth of July. We will be working near the mouth of Monumental Creek. I assume the snow is coming off fast, no?

Cheers!

Reed

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Sent: Friday, May 14, 2004 12:12 PM
Subject: UI-ISU at Taylor Ranch

Hi,

Jim and I had a valuable trip to Pocatello last week to visit with faculty from the Biological Sciences Department who are interested in developing cooperative research and educational relationships with CNR faculty and Taylor Ranch scientists. We were greeted with a lot of enthusiasm and interest. The outcome of these meetings was the development of an idea for a jointly taught summer long course at Taylor Ranch Field Station, funded through an NSF grant or other grant sources. See the attached document for the summary of the meetings. If you are interested in being involved with the development of this course or other cooperative ventures at Taylor Ranch Field Station, please contact us.

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Sent: Tuesday, June 01, 2004 8:09 AM
Subject: RE: ISU-UI collaboration

Holly:

I can make August 8-10th but the other dates would be difficult.

Chuck

P.S. David Pilliod would like to be part of this.

-----Original Message-----

From: Taylor Ranch [mailto:tayranch@direcpc.com]
Sent: Friday, May 28, 2004 4:45 PM
To: Ernest Keeley; Marjorie Matocq; Chuck Peterson; David Delehanty; Wayne Minshall
Subject: Re: ISU-UI collaboration

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