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Past and Potential Advisors  
University of Idaho Wilderness Research Center

**Subject: Meeting to discuss the UI-Wilderness Research Center Advisory Committee  
Thursday, November 12, 2-4 p.m.,  
CFWR Room 200**

Dear Colleagues:

I invite you to attend a meeting to discuss the University of Idaho Wilderness Research Center (WRC) and potential changes in its advisory committee. We will review recent events, WRC programs, and discuss reorientation of the WRC Advisory Committee. The meeting will be Thursday, November 12, 2-4 p.m. in Room 200 of the CFWR building. I hope you can be there to hear more about the WRC, make suggestions on how this fantastic UI opportunity can be more fully realized, and consider how you might want to be involved.

Because of my interest and involvement in wilderness research, education, and management on a national scale, and to conserve resources of the WRC for programs, I have assumed directorship of the WRC. Most recently Leon Neuenschwander was acting director of WRC in his capacity as associate dean for research. Prior to that Oz Garton served as WRC director for a few months and before that Ed Krumpke served as director for seven years.

My agenda in assuming these additional responsibilities is to expand the education, research and special events programs of the WRC, including the Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station, and to strengthen the financial resources that are essential to support such programs.

Current staff of the WRC include: Dr. Jeff Yeo, scientist/manager for the Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station (and adjunct assistant professor of wildlife), and Ed Krumpke, who carries the title of principal scientist with the WRC including a month of summer salary for his various efforts.

I'm enclosing my report on the WRC to Provost Bell that I prepared last spring when we analyzed all auxiliary enterprises as to their financial viability, current programs, and future potential. This information summarizes the current status of the WRC. Also enclosed

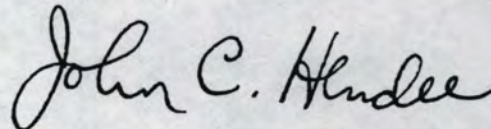


is a draft publication (by Hendee, Yeo, LaSalle, and Akenson) describing the history of Taylor Ranch and research there, a Taylor Ranch brochure, and an announcement of the future vision conference on the management of the Frank Church-River of No Return Wilderness. The university is deeply involved in this conference and I co-chair the steering committee and Ed Krumpe is co-coordinator for the conference.

I'm enclosing a draft agenda for the meeting and would like to hear reactions and additional ideas from you as to other topics we might address. Perhaps we will need a series of meetings.

In conclusion, I want to emphasize my belief that the University of Idaho is the most important land-grant university nationwide that can provide leadership in wilderness research and education. We have the wilderness resources in Idaho; Taylor Ranch is unrivaled as a wilderness field station; and the WRC is a university-wide center. But we need and expanded vision, new advice, and broader university involvement. I look forward to working with you toward reaching these goals.

Sincerely,



John C. Hendee  
Dean

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Enclosures

cc: Dr. Jeff Yeo, Scientist/Manager, Taylor Ranch Wilderness Field Station  
Dr. Ed Krumpe, Principal Scientist, UI Wilderness Research Center  
Dr. Thomas Bell, Provost, Academic Affairs

**P.S. Please RSVP Nancy Matthews, 208-885-6442.**

Please note Thursday, December 3 on your calendar, the date of the WRC Distinguished Wilderness Resource Lecture. Mr. Roger Contor, now retired but formerly supervisor of North Cascade, Rocky Mountain and Olympic National parks, and NPS regional director in Alaska during passage of the ANILCA. Roger is an Idaho native, a graduate of UI (as is his son), and will speak on "A Vision for Wilderness in the National Parks."



**PROPOSED AGENDA - UI WILDERNESS RESEARCH CENTER  
ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND NOMINEES**

**Thursday, November 12, 2-4 p.m., CFWR 200**

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| 2:00-2:15   | Welcome, introductions, purpose of meeting   | Dean Hendee |
| 2:15-2:45   | Briefing on UI-WRC programs  |             |
| (2:15-2:25) | Campus programs - Distinguished Wilderness<br>Lecture Series   | Ed Krumpe   |
| (2:25-2:45) | Taylor Ranch Field Station -<br>Facilities, Research, Internships, Short Course  | Jeff Yeo    |
| 2:45-3:00   | WRC and Taylor Ranch Funding<br>Operations and Maintenance Budget<br>Wilderness Research Institute Budget<br>WRC Income Account<br>Private funding:<br>Bleak Endowment<br>DeVlieg Endowment<br>External Grants:<br>Federal Agencies                        | Dean Hendee |
| 3:00-3:30   | Role of the WRC Advisory Committee<br>Ideas<br>Open discussion of programs, direction, etc.<br>What is the role of the advisory committee?<br>Who should be advisors?<br>Where do we go from here?<br>Ideas for educational programs<br>Ideas for research | Dean Hendee |
| 3:55        | Plan next meeting  |             |



**Past and Potential  
Wilderness Research Center Advisory Committee**

- ✓ Ernie Ables, Associate Dean for Academics and Continuing Education, College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences; Professor of Wildlife Resources
- ✓ Steven Brunsfeld, Assistant Professor of Forest Resources
- ✓ Stephen Bunting, Professor of Range Resources
- ✓ Michael Falter, Professor of Fishery Resources
- ✓ Oz Garton, Professor of Wildlife Resources
- ✓ Marvin Henberg, Chair/Director of Honors Program; Professor of Philosophy
- ✓ John Hunt, Head, Department of Resource Recreation and Tourism; Professor of Resource Recreation and Tourism
- ✓ Harley Johansen, Head, Department of Geography; Professor of Geography
- ✓ Leon Neuenschwander, Associate Dean for Research and International Programs, College of Forestry, Wildlife and Range Sciences; Professor of Forest Resources
- ✓ Harry Peterson, Vice President for Development and University Relations
- ✓ Arthur Rourke, Chair, Department of Biological Science; Professor of Zoology and Biochemistry
- ✓ Carlos Schwantes, Professor of History
- ✓ Michael Scott, Leader, Idaho Fisheries Coop Unit, Professor of Wildlife Resources
- ✓ Art Smith, Associate Dean, College of Law; Professor of Law