

To Ken Sowles
From S. R. Peterson
Subject Student Projects



University of Idaho

Inter-Office Memorandum

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I reviewed the five proposals and would rank them accordingly:

1. Rattlesnake paper by Bender best
2. Beaver paper by Haley
3. Watershed paper by Monanan
4. Beaver paper by Utterback
5. Weasel paper by Schrader poorest

I would like to submit the following few comments on each of these papers:

- #1. An excellent proposal for an undergraduate, and he should be able to complete most of what he indicates he would like to do. If he writes it up, the paper will be a very worthwhile contribution.
- #2. His objectives look attainable although his, as well as Utterback's study area, could be expanded to most all of the primitive area with a search from an airplane.
- #3, #4. Both Monanan's and Utterback's projects are about equal. I believe Mr. Utterback has discussed a coyote proposal with you. It may be appropriate to request it as I feel, based on his writing abilities demonstrated in the proposal, he could turn in a good coyote proposal.
- #5. Miss Schrader's objectives are more than likely unattainable. Her equipment costs may be a little high, although we have most of the traps in the department (do not have the 20-4"x4' Sherman's @ \$6.00 each or the Size 0 steel traps @\$2.00 each). She would also need a permit to trap the animals. They can be obtained from Idaho Fish and Game.