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Friday afternoon, August 15, 1969, I had two long conversations with Dr. Linn, Chief Scientist, National Park Service. He agreed to broaden the scope of the subject of the September 6 meeting to - Grizzly Bear Management and Research.

He said that those that would be attending were: Three members of the Natural Sciences Advisory Board - Starker Leopold, Stan Cane, and Charles Olmstead. Another group of special consultants included - Frank C. Craighead, Jr., John J. Craighead, Fred Dean and Al Erickson. In addition to these - George Hartzog or Spud Bill of the National Park Service. Also, Dr. Linn, Jim Read, Lowell Sumner, Doug Huston, MARY Mars, Jack Anderson, Glen Cole, and Clifford Martinka, Research Biologist from Glacier National Park would be in attendance.

Linn also agreed that a recording of the entire meeting would be made so that everything that was discussed would be a part of the official record. He had not originally intended to do this.

Linn's office number in Washington is 202-343-2138. He will be back in his office on August 29. He said he had no objection if I would telephone Leopold and discuss the problems with him prior to the meeting. Starker Leopold is at Berkeley and his number is 415-642-2549. John has also been talking to Linn by phone and John and I have been discussing the subject between ourselves. It is of interest and quite significant that upon questioning, Linn said that Glen Cole had written the comments regarding our Grizzly Bear Management Report and that John's reply was channeled through the Fish and Wildlife Service and was

never received by Dr. Linn. Both of these facts are relevant to the whole troubled situation that presently exists.

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To:

From: Dr. Frank C. Craighead, Jr.

Subject: Meeting with Senator Gale McGee

On Saturday morning, August 16, 1969 I met with Senator McGee and discussed the subject of, Grizzly Bear Management in Yellowstone National Park and the trend of independent research. I gave Senator McGee a copy of the letter I had written to him with copies of my letter to Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park, Jack Anderson, and Mr. Anderson's replies. I gave him a copy of the letter from Linn asking me to attend the Advisory Board Meeting in Yellowstone National Park on September 6, 1969 at Mammouth and my reply to this invitation. In addition to these, I gave him a statement on the grizzly bear situation and asked him to treat it confidentially. He said he would so treat my statement.

Senator McGee indicated that he would discuss the subject with Jack Anderson but not bring my name in the conversation, and that later in Washington, he would take up the problems with Hartzog who is a good friend of his and would tell him that I had talked to him on this subject and was concerned over the bear management as well as the research. I told him that I thought Hartzog had personally been misinformed as to our research activities and so on in the Park and that I had never had a chance to clarify the situation with him. I asked the Senator what he thought about holding a public hearing and he said, "we would first have to set the ground for this, but that he like me hoped that the September meeting might resolve some of these

questions and thus make a public hearing or further meeting unnecessary". We discussed the situation generally in Yellowstone: The problem of garbage disposal, the bears being killed, misinformation going to the press and so on.

I also mentioned to him my anticipation and interest in the Wild Rivers Program. I indicated that I hoped that the Green River would eventually be included, but that I thought it quite feasible to include the Yellowstone River from the Lower Falls to Tower Falls as a wild river and also include the Upper Snake as a scenic river. He said he would like to hear more on this and sounded quite interested. I told the Senator that I had been co-chairman of the Humphry-Muskie Conservation Committee and that if I could be of any help to him in this area, I would be glad to try to do so. He said he would very much like to get my ideas and opinions from time to time and would enjoy having me keep him informed on matters of mutual interest. The Senator said that he would pick up the subject of the satellite tracking. He had not read the enclosures in my earlier letter and I did not take him additional copies.

I also mentioned to him that I thought the whole subject of policy making, determination of park policies and regulations should be looked into and that there was a lot that could be done to improve this. I also indicated to him that this subject of involvement as outlined by the Forest Service seemed like it might be a reasonable solution to some of these problems of policy making by the government bureaus that affected the lives and livelihood of people in various areas, but who themselves were not involved in the procedure.

Meeting with Senator Gale McGee

I told him that I thought the Park Service needed an involvement policy and a series of public meetings far more than even the Forest Service did.

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MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
THE NATIONAL PARK SERVICE
AND
THE BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE
PROVIDING FOR
RESEARCH ON THE GRIZZLY BEAR, URSUS ARCTOS
IN YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL PARK BY THE
MONTANA COOPERATIVE WILDLIFE RESEARCH UNIT

WHEREAS: The National Park Service and the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife recognize the significant scientific and cultural values of a wild, free-ranging population of grizzly bear, Ursus arctos, in Yellowstone National Park, and

WHEREAS: The National Park Service has implemented a program to restore the grizzly bear population within said park to its natural abundance, distribution and ecology, through the removal of garbage and other introduced food items from the diet of the grizzly bear, and

WHEREAS: The Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife, through the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit, has conducted a long-term study of grizzly bear population dynamics and distribution within the national park, and

WHEREAS: A cooperative study of the patterns of grizzly bear distribution, movement and behavior during the transition period from bears feeding on garbage to bears feeding on natural food sources would be a significant contribution to the understanding of this species,

NOW THEREFORE: The Service and the Bureau mutually agree that a grizzly bear study program by the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit should proceed under the following conditions:

1. The objectives of all proposed research activities undertaken as a result of this agreement shall be consistent with the policies and objectives concerning the administration and management of Yellowstone National Park.

2. Original data obtained using research techniques employed by the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit shall be respected as being the property of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife in order that publication of original data may result, and that proper credit can go to the researchers and authors. However, all data and other pertinent observations that may result from research conducted by the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit within Yellowstone National Park or related activities under the agreement shall be made freely available by the Bureau to the National Park Service for the sole purpose of internal use in carrying out management activities for which the Service is responsible.

Any information (such as size and weight statistics and ear tag numbers) obtained by the National Park Service as a result of bear management actions (such as the capture and transplant of problem bears) will be made freely available to the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit, which shall respect the source of such information and the

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proprietary rights of the National Park Service for the original publication of such information.

3. All oral and written statements, including, but not limited to, progress reports, popular and scientific articles and other publications, talks, and press releases prepared by the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit concerning grizzly bear research within Yellowstone National Park shall be submitted to the Director, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife for approval prior to publication or otherwise disseminated to the public.

4. The Bureau recognizes the National Park Service as having the responsibility and authority for all management activities within Yellowstone National Park and the Bureau will obtain the concurrence of the Director, National Park Service, prior to making any expressions relating to the management of grizzly bears within said national park.

5. The capture, marking or collecting of biological specimens and samples, (other than scats + portions of dead animals) shall be undertaken when mutually agreed by the National Park Service and the BSFW

6. Field research activities under this agreement shall be limited to the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit Leader, who shall serve as Principal Investigator, and to qualified, full-time students and faculty members of the University of Montana and other qualified employees or associates of the Montana Cooperative Wildlife Research Unit who have attained their eighteenth birthday, and whose names

appear in an approved study plan as provided for in Item 8 below.

7. The Principal Investigator shall be responsible for insuring that all participants associated with research carried out under this agreement understand and abide by the conditions herein.

8. Research activities carried out in Yellowstone National Park under this agreement shall be contingent upon receipt of a study plan that meets with the concurrence of the Director, National Park Service, and is approved by the Director, Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife. The Study Plan shall be prepared for proposed research to be conducted for each calendar year and shall state specific objectives, methods, and activities involved in the project. This Study Plan shall be submitted annually in time for consideration by the two Directors (or their respresentatives) at the annual review as provided for in Item 12 below.

9. Nothing in this Memorandum of Understanding shall be construed as obligating either party hereto for the expenditure of funds or for the future payment of monies in excess of appropriations authorized by law.

10. Nothing contained herein shall be construed as limiting in any way the responsibility and authority of the Director, National Park Service, to manage Yellowstone National Park, and to engage in or permit others to engage in research required by him to carry out that management.

11. That no member of, or delegate to Congress, or resident Commissioner, shall be admitted to any share or part of this Memorandum of Understanding, or to any benefit that may arise therefrom; that this provision shall not be construed to extend to this agreement if made for a corporation for its general benefit.

12. The terms of this Memorandum of Understanding shall be reviewed annually prior to each February 28th, for its content and compliance, by the Directors of the Bureau of Sport Fisheries and Wildlife and the National Park Service, or their designated representatives. As a part of this review, the two Directors shall also evaluate the progress made in fulfilling the research objectives envisioned in the Study Plan referred to in Item 8 above, and will review the Study Plan proposed for the new (current) calendar year.

13. This Memorandum of Understanding shall become effective when signed by the parties hereto and shall continue in force until terminated by mutual agreement or by either party upon ninety days notice in writing to the other of his intention to do so. Amendments to this Memorandum of Understanding may be proposed by either party and shall become effective upon approval by both parties.

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Date: AUG 4 1971

By: Raymond h. Freeman
Acting Director

BUREAU OF SPORT FISHERIES AND WILDLIFE

Date: AUG 4 1971

By: Spencer M. Smith
Acting Director

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March 1969..... Hickel- " The grizzly is not now threatened with extinction in the United States". Grizzly bear out west is doing OK. Grizzly population in Montana, Idaho, Wyoming and Colorado has remained stable at about 800 animals in recent years.

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August 7, 1968

Dr. Craighead called the superintendent, Jack Anderson, and asked permission to take five people from the Atomic Energy Commission to Trout Creek. He explained that these people were reviewing our work and that they had financed the project for the last three years.

Mr. Anderson said that he would check with higher authorities and call us back. Apparently he could not make contact with the regional director but talked with the assistant regional director. The assistant regional director felt that Mr. Anderson should stick with his present policies on Trout Creek.

Mr. Anderson called us about 9:00 P.M. and informed us permission was denied to take the Atomic Energy Commission personnel to the Trout Creek Dump.