

On several occasions I have visited the region under consideration and feel that the 117,000 acres is all worthy of Wilderness status. It will need help from outside Oregon in order to obtain that status.

I would like for this statement to be made part of the hearing record of the Public Lands Subcommittee, Senate Committee of Interior and Insular Affairs, which met on February 19, 1968 in Washington, D.C.

Sincerely,

WINNINETTE A. NOYES.

EUGENE, OREG., *February 19, 1968.*

Hon. FRANK CHURCH,
*Senate Office Building,
U.S. Congress,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: I would like to express myself in favor of establishing a Wilderness Area around Mount Jefferson in the Oregon Cascades, but I believe the boundaries proposed in S. 2751 should be enlarged, particularly along the west side.

The boundaries as presently proposed create a wilderness that is much too narrow for proper management. Last August, some of us went into Jefferson Park in the middle of the week and found the area so heavily used that it was hard to find a good camping site that was unoccupied. (Don't let anybody tell you that wilderness country is locked up and that nobody goes there!) The excessive pressure on Jefferson Park arises because the recent logging road up Whitewater Creek intrudes much too closely. A much more satisfactory situation could be attained if the present road were closed about at Cheat Creek and the cut areas beyond were allowed to grow back without further lumbering.

I believe that other additions to the proposals of S. 2751 would be desirable at Firecamp Lakes, Marion Lake, Square Lake, and at many places along the west side of the area. The recommendations of the Wilderness Society provide a good basis for setting such boundaries.

I request that this letter be made a part of the record for the hearings that took place in Washington on this measure.

Respectfully yours,

RICHARD M. NOYES.

NORMAN & STANISH ARCHITECTS,
Portland, Oreg., February 27, 1968.

Senator WAYNE L. MORSE,
*U.S. Senate,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR SENATOR MORSE: I would like to express my concern for Senate Bill 2751, and the need, I believe, to add the 29,000 acres to the west and south of the proposed Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area.

I can not equate the temporary "jobs" created by logging this area and its limited effect on our economy, with the loss *forever* of a primitive area. This can never be recreated for the generations of people yet unborn.

This area is a valuable resource for the future, and the land belongs to all of the people, not the lumber interests.

The foresight of our representatives today will determine the "livability" of our state tomorrow.

Sincerely,

RICHARD W. NORMAN, AIA.

PORTLAND, OREG., *February 20, 1968.*

Senator HENRY M. JACKSON,
*Chairman, Senate Interior Committee,
Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.*

DEAR MR. JACKSON: May I urge the inclusion of additional land on the west side of the Jefferson Wilderness Area as recommended by the Sierra Club; particularly Marion Lake. I have hiked a great deal in this area and would be very disappointed if it were destroyed by logging, mining or road building.

Sincerely yours,

WILLIAM A. NORDSTROM.