

area, a lake a mere two miles from U.S. Highway 20. This lake, if surrounded by the Wilderness and thus closed to motorized vehicles, would offer excellent opportunities to older folks to enter true wilderness without great exertion; for the trail is fairly short and level.

In total, I favor all the land additions endorsed by the Wilderness Society and by the Federation of Western Outdoor Clubs, for these areas are all wild, many without elaborate trail systems, and would all add necessary protection to the core of the Jefferson Wilderness Area. It would be tragic for such a truly splendid area as that surrounding Mount Jefferson to be ravaged by the terrible destruction unavoidable with modern logging, road building, and non-wilderness type usage.

Thank you for considering this letter in the hearing record.

Sincerely yours,

STEPHEN G. MARTIN.

DON MARSTERS INSURANCE,
Portland, Oreg., February 16, 1968.

THE SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
Public Lands Subcommittee, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

GENTLEMEN: In connection with your hearing on Senate Bill S. 2751, February 19th, I wish to add my voice to others that we should include in the Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area adequate Buffer Strips. In the 1963 Forest Service hearings, only 1,000 acres were added at Pamelia Lake and Firecamp Lakes and this is the situation as it stands today.

During the past 40 years I have seen the encroachment of the public and particularly the logging industry ruin the setting for this most beautiful high country area.

There is absolutely no economic necessity for logging any closer to this country and we should preserve the more fragile upland areas by closing all road access and motor scooter access to this area. Nothing is more damaging to a primitive area than the racket of motors.

Sincerely yours,

DONALD C. MARSTERS.

SEATTLE, WASH., February 19, 1968.

DEAR SIR: I have some recommendations to make concerning the proposed Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area in the National Forest in the Cascade mountains of Oregon. I refer to the Square and Long Lake area the west side wilderness zone and the Marion Lake area. If possible I would like to see them added to the proposed Mt. Jefferson Wilderness area. Since I have been in the Oregon Cascades as well as the Washington cascades I realize that the Oregon cascades are flatter on top than the Washington cascades and it is therefore more difficult but never the less I hope the proposed Mt. Jefferson Wild area can be enlarged to become a Wilderness area.

Yours truly,

JOHN E. MARSHALL.

FEBRUARY 16, 1968.

Senator FRANK CHURCH,
Chairman, the Senate Committee, on Interior and Insular Affairs, Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C.

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: This letter is in support of Senate Bill S. 2531, introduced by Senator Kuchel, in which the San Gabriel Wilderness area is proposed for inclusion under the National Wilderness Preservation System.

I have spent a great deal of time in this area and, particularly in view of the fact that it is so near a major city, I think it would be a most important step in implementing the Wilderness Law of 1964.

The Forest Service is to be commended for the manner in which they have handled the proposal for this area.

I am very hopeful that this designation will be made as soon as possible.

Sincerely,

PETER R. MANN.