

areas maintained for their unique values. The San Gabriel Wilderness is an excellent choice.

Sincerely,

PAUL C. JOHNSON.
JOAN L. JOHNSON.

P.S.—This letter may sound a little odd coming from Illinois, but we lived in Glendale and Pasadena, California, for years and we know the area quite well.

LAKE FOREST, ILL., *February 22, 1968.*

SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
New Senate Office Building,
Washington, D.C.

GENTLEMEN: We are pleased to submit the following for inclusion into the hearing record in support of the Washakie Wilderness Proposal.

We strongly urge the inclusion within the Washakie Wilderness the total Stratified Primitive Area and the following additions as recommended by the Forest Service and included in S. 2630: Area A—South Fork of Wood River, Area B—East Fork and West Fork of Six Mile Creek, Area F—Horse Creek, AND Area J—Upper DuNoir Basin, Area D—Bear Basin, Area F-1—Horse Creek-Lincoln Point area and 8600 of Area I—Middle Fork of Wood River, as proposed by the Wyoming Game and Fish Department, the Wyoming Wildlife Federation and the Wyoming Isaac Walton League.

For ecological balance to wilderness it is highly important to include forested areas and creek bottom lands and it is essential elk range. Since the area supports a 3,000 head elk herd as well as other wilderness wildlife, maintaining an ecologically balanced wilderness area would appear to be essential.

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SENATE COMMITTEE ON INTERIOR AND INSULAR AFFAIRS,
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GENTLEMEN: Please submit the following for inclusion into the hearing record in support of the Mt. Jefferson Proposal.

The Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area in the Cascade Range of Oregon has been proposed to Congress for addition to the National Wilderness Preservation System. In this we heartily concur.

However, in addition to the 96,462 acres of S. 2751 we urgently request that there be added by Congress. 1. the Square and Long Lakes southeastern corner of 1600 acres, 2. The Marion Lake section on the west side of 1596 acres, and 3. the entire west side buffer zone from the North Fork of Breitenbush River south to the southwest corner near the junction of Route 22 and U.S. 20., some 25,000 acres. This west side buffer zone should include all the as-yet untouched contiguous lands but exclude any permanent roads and clearcuts and other human activities. This buffer zone is sorely needed to protect the alpine zones from man's encroaching commercial activities.

We still hope that the committee members will lend their influence toward the passage of possible compromise version of S. 889, which provides for inclusion of 2000 additional acres of potreros and ridge line to the San Rafael Wilderness.

Sincerely,

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JOAN L. JOHNSON.

THE VANCOUVER CLINIC,
Vancouver, Wash., February 16, 1968.

DEAR SENATOR CHURCH: I certainly favor inclusion of proposed additions to the Mt. Jefferson Wilderness Area and for the maximum extent of the San Rafael Wilderness proposal. Man must have wilderness and *someplace* to go to get away from asphalt and motor fumes! I know you're busy—so you need not reply to this letter; just help us keep wilderness for our kids!!

Sincerely,

DR. E. C. HEYDE.