have to be worked out with the U.S. Forest Service because they are the ones who manage the Monongahela National Forest.

Mr. McClure. I appreciate that statement.

Mr. TAYLOR. Thank you very much.

We have five more witnesses, the House will go in session in a few

minutes, but we will go along as we can.

The next witness will be Mr. Pomeroy, Chief Forester of the American Forestry Association. Mr. Pomeroy, we welcome you again before the committee.

STATEMENT OF KENNETH B. POMEROY, CHIEF FORESTER OF THE AMERICAN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Mr. Pomeroy. Mr. Chairman, and members of the committee, may I submit my statement for the record?

Mr. TAYLOR. In the absence of any objection, your statement will be

made a part of the record at this point.

Mr. Pomerov. The American Forestry Association is heartily in support of the basic philosophy expressed in H.R. 8416 and related proposals. We would like to offer three or four suggestions for your consideration. On page 3, line 1 of H.R. 8416, it is suggested that the phrase "or within de facto wilderness areas" be deleted. This, in effect, would tend to extend the wilderness area and the Wilderness Act which has already been passed by the Congress provides mechanisms for doing that.

On page 6, line 10, we would like to suggest addition of the Wolf River in Wisconsin, as a scenic river. We were attracted to the proposal as outlined in H.R. 6166, and we like what the State of Wisconsin

is doing to try to protect this stream until Congress can act.

Mr. TAYLOR. Were you here the other day when a group from Wisconsin proposed adding the Wolf River?

Mr. Pomeroy. Yes, sir.

Mr. TAYLOR. You agree with that?

Mr. Pomerov. I am personally acquainted with the Wolf having lived in that area several years ago.

Page 9, line 1, we suggest that the Missouri portion of the Eleven

Point River be added for study.

On page 10, after line 25 we also suggest that the Smith River in California be added for study.

These are the main points we would like to suggest.

(Statement of Mr. Pomeroy follows:)

STATEMENT OF KENNETH B. POMEROY, CHIEF FORESTER OF THE AMERICAN FORESTRY ASSOCIATION

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

I am Kenneth B. Pomeroy, Chief Forester of The American Forestry Association.

The American Forestry Association is heartily in support of the basic philosophy expressed in H.R. 8416 and related proposals for the establishment of a system of wild and scenic rivers. This legislation will have lasting benefit and in generations to come will be hailed as one of the milestones erected by the conservation Congresses of the 1960's.

Establishment of this system and administration of the program undoubtedly will encounter some complex problems. Therefore, it is suggested that initial