

hunting and fishing continue to be permitted and be administered by the State of Washington Department of Game.

Than you very much for this opportunity to appear before the committee today.

Mr. TAYLOR. Your time is up.

Mr. BECK. Thank you very kindly.

Mr. TAYLOR. With respect to all of the statements, I might state that they will be placed in the record to the extent that they conform with our rules.

Now, is it your position that, even if the size of this park is limited, you would be opposed to it if hunting is prohibited?

Mr. BECK. Well, like Mr. Biggs, I think we must face this in reality. The management under which it is now, provides all of the services that would be presented under a park department administration. In order to appease some of these outside of the State interests that are trying to force this large area onto us in the State of Washington, I realize that perhaps some park may be of necessity up there.

Chairman ASPINALL. May I reply to that. Of the correspondence that we get from your own metropolitan areas, your people are also asking for a large park, so do not try to get the State of Washington out from under this responsibility [laughter and applause].

No, no. No applauding. We mean just exactly what we say when this gavel falls. Sometimes we adjourn meetings. We want that understood. We ask these questions in order to understand each other. As I understand it, you take practically the same position that Mr. Biggs takes; is that correct?

Mr. BECK. Mr. Biggs and Mr. Cole; yes, sir.

Chairman ASPINALL. Thank you.

Mr. TAYLOR. Any other questions?

Mr. MEEDS. Mr. Chairman——

Mr. TAYLOR. The gentleman from Washington.

Mr. MEEDS. I would like to ask the witness if it is not true that under both the Senate bill and the House bill that the jurisdiction and responsibility for the North Cross State Highway would remain in the State highway commission?

Mr. BECK. I believe that to be correct; yes, sir.

Mr. MEEDS. Thank you.

Mr. BECK. I might add that I think that the proposal that Governor Evans and his study committee have made is superior to the Senate bill, in my opinion.

Mr. TAYLOR. Thank you very much.

I now recognize the Congressman from Washington to introduce the next witness.

Mr. FOLEY. Mr. Chairman, I am about to enjoy a pleasure that is rarely mine, to present to the committee and to those in attendance here this morning the distinguished Governor of the State of Washington, the Honorable Dan Evans. I know the committee is very pleased that Governor Evans has taken the time to appear personally and state his position and that of the State of Washington with respect to this legislation.

Governor, I said a little earlier that this was, I think, the largest delegation of Members of Congress that has ever appeared in the State of Washington in a public field hearing, and so I take the opportunity