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Thanks, Gareth.

Markee, this one is time-sensitive. Thanks, Ed

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From: **Rees, Gareth** <gareth_rees@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Mon, Oct 30, 2017 at 5:17 PM
Subject: Fwd: Visit to Washington DC
To: Edward McDonnell <edward.mcdonnell@sol.doi.gov>

Ed,

This looks ok and I know David would like to meet so of course want to make sure.

Thanks

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From: **JR Verkamp** <jrverkamp@koochiching.org>
Date: Mon, Oct 30, 2017 at 4:59 PM
Subject: Re: Visit to Washington DC
To: "Rees, Gareth" <gareth_rees@ios.doi.gov>

Hi Gareth,
Please see attached. I hope this is suffice.

JR Verkamp
513-403-8134
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From: "Rees, Gareth" <gareth_rees@ios.doi.gov>
Date: Monday, October 30, 2017 at 3:55 PM
To: JR Verkamp <jrverkamp@koochiching.org>
Subject: Re: Visit to Washington DC

Good Afternoon

I would be happy to assist in scheduling a meeting with Mr. Bernhardt. Please complete the attached meeting request for and I will get back to you with possible times as soon as possible.

Regards,

Gareth Rees

On Mon, Oct 30, 2017 at 3:52 PM, David Bernhardt <[REDACTED]> wrote:

JR: I would be happy to meet with you and your group. Gareth who is on this email will coordinate.

David Bernhardt
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On Oct 30, 2017, at 3:37 PM, JR Verkamp <jrverkamp@koochiching.org> wrote:

Hi David,

I hope that you are well. I was invited to join in on an upcoming "fly-in" for National Forest Advocacy Week in DC this week. The primary purpose of the group's effort is to ensure public participation and environmental review surrounding federal forestry management projects. There currently is proposed legislation that, while making an effort restore certain types of forest and protect communities from fire, that will not achieve those goals. The hope is that the proposed legislation will not be included in the 2018 Farm Bill.

Our primary goal is to meet with members of congress – specifically, we my group is focused on Ohio and Indiana. However, after speaking with Kent Knutson, I thought I might reach out to you to see if you may have a few minutes to meet. To be clear, I look at a meeting with you as an educational opportunity for me and our small team as opposed to a lobbying effort. I personally have zero lobbying experience or background in forestry management but there is no doubt I care about our national forests and what it provides for young people.

[REDACTED]

I land on Wednesday morning and I am trying to schedule meetings Thursday and Friday. I realize this is last minute so I understand if it doesn't work out.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best,

JR Verkamp
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