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Thanks for your email, Kristin. We are prioritizing scheduling this meeting with Chairman Simpson and look forward to them meeting and discussing their shared funding and policy priorities for the Department.

Charlie Dankert

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Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL] RE: Meeting with Congressman Simpson

Hi Charlie,

Chairman Simpson has been really looking forward to meeting with Sec. Burgum to discuss the Department's budget and the importance of a developing a strong relationship between the Appropriations Committee and DOI.

Chairman Simpson wants to be an advocate for the agency and the tens of billions of dollars in discretionary funding it receives annually. Having a relationship between the Secretary and the Chairman is critical to the Department and Committee's success.

We first reached out to schedule this meeting **on January 28th**. While I understand the Secretary has had a busy schedule, we are disheartened we must push this meeting once again and DOI has not made this meeting a priority among other Congressional meetings the Secretary has taken.

Thank you,

Kristin

Kristin R. Clarkson

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: Meeting with Congressman Simpson

Hi Lauren-

I hope your week is going well. My apologies but Secretary Burgum is needing to reschedule his meeting with Congressman Simpson. Next week the Secretary will be traveling, and I know the house is out of session the following week. Could we look to schedule this for **Wednesday, March 26th @ 3:00pm**? We are happy to host at interior. Please let me know!

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Great. Thank you!

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Great! What time are you thinking would work best?

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Great we have it blocked.

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Hi James,

Yes, the Chairman would be happy to go to Sec. Burgum's office!

Lauren Radford

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Could the Congressman come to the secretary's office?

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Thanks, James!

Lauren Radford

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Congressman Mike Simpson (ID-02)

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I just asked our schedule team. I'm waiting for a response.

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Hi James,

Unfortunately, Chairman Simpson is in committee all day on the 25, 26th, and partially on the 27th. What does Thursday, March 6th look like for Sec. Burgum?

Lauren Radford

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Congressman Mike Simpson (ID-02)

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Can you guys do 2/25 late morning or early afternoon?

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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] RE: Meeting with Congressman Simpson

Thank you! I will get back to you asap

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Hi James,

I've heard you've been in contact with both Nikki and Lexi regarding our offices' attempt to schedule a meeting with Sec. Burgum.

The US House will be in recess next week so the Chairman will be back in Idaho. Please send over some dates that Secretary Burgum would be available either at the end of February or at the beginning of March.

Your urgency is appreciated!

Lauren Radford

DC Scheduler

Congressman Mike Simpson (ID-02)

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Subject: Meeting with Congressman Simpson

James –

It was great talking to you just now and Lexi told me to tell you hi!

Kristin-

Hi! I'm Congressman Simpson's COS and wanted to reach out to you. My boss would really like to meet Sec. Burgum in person, if that is possible. We understand coming to the Hill is difficult and if we can find a time next

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week that Chairman Simpson can come to meet we'd really appreciate it. We know Sec. Burgum is great friends with our Governor and Gov. Little speaks very highly of Sec Burgum and is anxious for the two to connect.

I've copied Lauren Radford on this email, she is Congressman Simpson's scheduler and can help you find a time if this is possible.

Again, thank you James for taking my call and I really look forward to working with you.

Take care,
Nikki

Nikki Wallace

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