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Jess,

April 5 would work as long as I can be back to Main Interior by 1 pm. Want to meet at the Exchange between 17th and 18th on G at noon?

Thanks,
Scott
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On Fri, Mar 31, 2017 at 4:25 PM, Jess Peterson <jess@wssdc.com> wrote:

Scott- thanks for getting back to me and taking a look at Jordan's resume. How about lunch or coffee next Wednesday, April 5? Also – would be great to get your take on Secretary Zinke's announcement here. Thanks! Jess

The Interior Department is preparing to soon release a new plan for managing sage grouse in Western states, Secretary Ryan Zinke told ranchers today, adding that the measure will be state-focused and friendly to farmers.

"You'll be happy with the decision that comes with sage grouse," Zinke told the Public Lands Council's Legislative Conference in Washington, D.C., this afternoon.

"I think if you are a rancher, a traditional Western guy, you are going to see a lot more power with the states. ... We are going to manage on number, not on habitat," Zinke said.

In September 2015, the Obama administration released a sage grouse management plan to protect the species across its 11-state range. The plan came as part of a deal with ranchers, energy developers and other land owners to avoid the strict land-use restrictions that would have resulted from putting the bird on the Endangered Species List.

However, the plan is unpopular among ranchers and other Western interests because it gives a lot of power to the federal government to tell states how to manage the bird's habitat and measures success on the maintenance of designated habitat zones as opposed to the size of the sage grouse population.

Zinke's plan will tell states how large the sage grouse population in their jurisdictions should be. He added that those numbers would take into account weather conditions, predators and other natural factors.

"I think the state is very capable of coming up with a plan that can meet those numbers," the secretary said.

From: Cameron, Scott [mailto:scott_cameron@ios.doi.gov]
Sent: Friday, March 31, 2017 12:55 PM
To: Jess Peterson <jess@wssdc.com>
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Hi Jess,

I'd be delighted to get together. Suggest some days and times that work for you.

I'll look at Jordan's resume.

Thanks,

Scott

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On Thu, Mar 30, 2017 at 5:36 PM, Jess Peterson <jess@wssdc.com> wrote:

Hey Scott,

Hope you are doing well my friend!

I heard from everyone that get to have the pleasure of catching up with you- but it's been too long since you and I chatted.

I know you are busy- but we should grab coffee or lunch when you get an opening one of these days.

Also- if you are looking to bring on any junior staff---we have an excellent candidate in our office...he is doing top notch work as a fellow...if you had any openings that would be great.

Good luck with the busy schedule, and good luck in the days ahead!

Jess



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