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David,

You are always welcome. I'll look forward to learning more.

I am including Gareth Rees who drew the short straw to help with my calendar. He'll reach out to pick a mutually acceptable time.

Jim

On Fri, Feb 17, 2017 at 11:14 AM, david anderson <danderson@naturalresourceresults.com> wrote:

Jim,

Welcome back, since I didn't delete your old email address it popped right up. Congrats on being right back in the thick of things. I was hoping to set up a meeting with you (brief). But first, I wanted to say that when I saw Sue Ellen, I reminded her that your genius on the Cobell settlement was proven out. I had a nice exchange with Rob Fairweather after it was done; we both appreciated your work on it.

I would appreciate your consideration of a meeting with Sue Doroff, President of the Western Rivers Conservancy and myself and Mitch Butler on March 7th or 8th (wide open both days). WRC has been working on a large project called Blue Creek in California that ultimately gets transferred to the Yurok Tribe as part of helping to create a homeland so to speak on the tributary to the Klamath River. It is in the FY17 Budget at \$10M. With the CR, it needs further tracking.

Why is it important enough to merit time with the Acting Deputy Secretary? First, it falls under an older statute that authorized DOI to settle with Yurok and Hoopa, which is explained in the DOI FY17 budget green book. Second, the total project costs \$60M, but WRC has come up with the other \$50M, so it is truly great leveraging of federal dollars – and all told leads to a transfer of 47,000 acres to the Yurok Tribe, creating a community forest for the tribe to have an economic base, and protects Blue Creek permanently as salmon rest there and cool down on the migration route. Third, once conveyed, it creates a long-anticipated tribal homeland.

The other reason to meet WRC is that it has been the lead on the top three “sportsmen’s access” projects under LWCF in the last 5 years for DOI. With the Secretary-Nominee supportive of LWCF, and especially the ability to increase public recreational access, it is very valuable to hear how they do it. They have two more access projects in the works.

I hope we can arrange a time with you. Brian Malat, cc'd, will help settle on a time if possible.

Best,

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