

### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2015-00402

August 3, 2015

Via email: Christopher.massie@buzzfeed.com

Christopher Massie BuzzFeed 19 W. 22 St. New York, NY 10010

Dear Mr. Massie:

On July 13, 2015, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words "Trump Organization" ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on July 13, 2015, and assigned control number **OS-2015-00402**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request. We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the office of the Secretary. On July 31, 2015, you agreed that an index of correspondence would be sufficient. As such, please find enclosed 1 page, which is being released to you in its entirety. This completes our response to your request.

We have classified your request as a "media use request." As a "media use requester" you will not be charged for our search or review costs and are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1).

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E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: https://ogis.archives.gov Telephone: 202-741-5770 Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka

Office of the Secretary

**FOIA Officer** 

Enclosure



U.S. SENATOR PAUL STRAUSS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

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## United States Senator

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

IOHN A. WILSON BUILDING 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW SUITE C-09 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004 (202) 727-7890 (202) 727-0278

July 9th, 2015

Ms. Sally Jewell Secretary Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Jewell:

I understand it is the policy of the Department of the Interior to not permit the use or display of racist or insensitive logos on Federal land. In accordance with this policy and in recognition of your efforts to prevent the Redskins logo from being used or displayed at RFK Stadium, I ask for an immediate removal of the Trump logo from the scaffolding located just outside the Old Post Office building.

After Mr. Trump's hateful and insensitive remarks about the Latino communities that are integral to the District's success and diversity, the Trump logo perpetuates support for a man who proves he is undeserving. The logo is a painful reminder to all citizens of the District of Mr. Trump's comments and should not be on Federal land.

While the nation continues to struggle with the elimination of long-standing symbols of injustice, including the Confederate Flag, we, as the District of Columbia, must utilize our power to free ourselves of anything that doesn't belong here including Mr. Trump's ignorance and ultimately, his business.

Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 49 07 707 5107 District of Columbia (Shadow)

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### **BuzzFeed News--Department of Interior FOIA Request**

1 message

**Christopher Massie** <a href="massie">christopher.massie</a>@buzzfeed.com>To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Mon, Jul 13, 2015 at 12:48 PM

Dear FOIA Public Liaison:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I request that a copy of the following documents (or documents containing the following information) be provided to me (identify the documents or information as specifically as possible):

All Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words "Trump Organization" ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am a representative of the news media/press and this request is made as part of news gathering and not for commercial use.

The maximum dollar amount I am willing to pay for this request is \$(insert maximum dollar amount). Please notify me if the fees will exceed \$25.00 or the maximum dollar amount I entered.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Christopher Massie

914-310-1077

19 W. 22 St.

New York, NY

10010

Christopher.massie@buzzfeed.com



OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2016-00139

May 19, 2016

Via email: FOIA@AmericanBridge.org

Abraham Payton American Bridge 21<sup>st</sup> Century 455 Massachusetts Ave, Ste 280 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Payton:

On January 12, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Correspondence with various Trump-Businesses and their Representatives: I am requesting copies of all incoming and outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trump-businesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the present:

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  - o Ivanka Marie Trump
  - o Eric Frederic Trump
- Trump Enterprises LLC (and its employees and representatives)
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- Elizabeth Trump & Son Co. (and its employees and representatives)
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- Trump Atlantic City Associates (and its employees and representatives)
- Greenberg Traurig, LLP (and its employees and representatives)
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  - o Roger J. Stone
- Renberg Strategies LLC (and its employees and representatives)
  - o Dan H. Renberg

On January 28, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

### **Appeals**

Under law, we are required to advise you of your appeal rights when informing you that we believe that we have no records responsive to your FOIA request. Therefore, if you have additional information (not provided in your request letter) that would lead you to believe that there are records in files maintained by the Office of the Secretary that were not located in our search for records responsive to your request, you may file a FOIA appeal by writing to the Department's FOIA Appeals Officer. The FOIA Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 30 workdays from the date of this final letter responding to your FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 PM Eastern time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday. Your appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

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E-mail: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

You must include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including a copy of your original FOIA request and the denial letter. Failure to include this documentation with your appeal will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal. All communications concerning your appeal, including envelopes, should be clearly marked with the words "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." Your letter should include in as much detail as possible any reason(s) why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response is in error. For more information on FOIA administrative Appeals, you may review Subpart H of the Department's FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart H.

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



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### **FOIA Request**

2 messages

**Abraham Payton** <abraham@americanbridge.org> To: os foia@ios.doi.gov

Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 8:46 PM

Tuesday, January 12, 2016

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Department of Interior

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Washington, DC 20240

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Fax: (202) 219-2374

Email: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

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I realize that certain costs may be applicable to this request. Please contact me when you can provide a payment amount for my requests. In the meantime, I authorize an initial expense cap of \$500 to be accrued. To help assess my status for copying and mailing fees, please note that I am gathering information for research purposes and not for commercial activities.

I also request that you state the specific legal and factual grounds for withholding any documents or portions of documents, should you withhold any. Please identify each document that falls within the scope of this request but is withheld from release.

If requested documents are located in, or originated in, another installation or bureau, I would request that you please refer this request, or any relevant portion of this request, to the appropriated installation or bureau.

To the extent that the information is available in electronic format, I would prefer to receive that information via email or CD, particularly if providing the information reduces the time or expense involved. Otherwise, I request to receive the information in paper form.

You may fax your response to 202-315-0384 or email it to FOIA@AmericanBridge.org. If you wish to call 202-684-7154, please do so between 9AM and 6PM (EST).

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

Abraham Payton & John Cotter

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Suite 280

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Tuesday, January 12, 2016

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January 28, 2016

Via email: FOIA@AmericanBridge.org

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Dear Mr. Payton:

On January 12, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

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Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on January 13, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2016-00140**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We have classified your request as "commercial use request." As a "commercial use requester," you are required to pay our search, review and duplication costs. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1).

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2016-00152

April 15, 2016

Via email: ResearchInfo@dnc.org

Lauren Dillon 430 S Capitol Street SE Washington, DC 20003

Dear Ms. Dillon:

On January 25, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) held by your department (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction) in which any of the following individuals or entities are named as a recipient, sender or otherwise referenced in the body, title or subject line of the document:

- 1) Donald J. Trump
- 2) Trump Organization
- 3) Executives and officers of the Trump Organization, including but not limited to:
  - -Donald Trump Jr.
  - -Allen Weisselberg
  - -Jim Petrus
  - -Cathy Glosser
  - -Ivanka Trump
  - -Eric Trump
  - -George Ross
  - -Carolyn Kepcher
  - -Eric Danziger
  - -Matthew Calamari
  - -Michael Cohen
  - -Andy Weiss
  - -David Orowitz
  - -Lawrence Glick

#### Ms. Lauren Dillon

- -Alan Garten
- -George Sorial

### 4) Any of the following entities:

- -Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts ( and any of its subsidiaries)
- -The Trump Corporation
- -Trump Plaza LLC
- -Trump Management Corporation
- -Trump Management Inc.
- -Trump Enterprises
- -Elizabeth Trump & Son
- -Trump 29
- -Riviera Holdings Corp.
- -Ace Entertainment Holdings Inc.
- -Trump Taj Mahal
- -Trump Casinos Inc.
- -Trump Castle
- -Trump Regency (a/k/a Trump-World's Fair; Atlantic Hotel and Casino)
- -Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches
- -Trump Wilshire Associates
- -Trump Village
- -Trump Ocean Casino Club
- -HWA 555 Owners, LLC
- -Fifty Seventh Street Associates LLC
- -Trump World Tower
- -Trump Tower
- -Trump Tower Commercial LLC
- -Trump Tower Managing Member Inc.
- -Trump Place
- -40 Wall Street LLC
- -1290 Avenue of the Americas, A TenancyinCommon
- -Trump Marks Panama LLC
- -Trump National Doral
- -401 North Wabash Venture LLC
- -Trump Ruffin Tower I LLC
- -Trump Turnberry
- -Trump National Golf ClubBedminster
- -Mar A Lago Club, L.L.C.
- -Trump National Golf Club Washington DC
- -Trump International Golf Club LC (Trump International Golf Club Florida)
- -Trump National Golf ClubJupiter
- -Trump Park Avenue LLC
- -TIGL Ireland Enterprises Limited (Trump International Golf Links Doonbeg)
- -Trump National Golf Club Charlotte
- -Trump National Golf Club Westchester

- -Wollman Rink Operations LLC
- -VH Property Corp (Trump National Golf Club Los

#### Angeles)

- -Trump National Golf Club Colts Neck
- -DJT Operations I LLC
- -TIHT Commercial LLC
- -845 UN Limited Partnership
- -Starret City Associates, L.P.
- -Trump Marks Istanbul II LLC
- -Trump Marks Menswear LLC
- -Trump Marks Mattress LLC
- -Trump National Golf Club Philadelphia
- -Trump International Golf Links Scotland
- -Trump National Golf Club Hudson

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- -Trump Productions LLC (f/k/a Rancho Lien LLC)
- -THC Miami Restaurant Hospitality LLC
- -Miss Universe L.P.
- -Trump Restaurants LLC
- -Trump International Hotel and Tower
- -Trump International Hotels Management LLC
- -Trump CPS LLC
- -THC Baku Hotel Manager Services LLC
- -Trump Model Management LLC
- -T International Realty LLC (d/b/a Trump International Realty)
- -White Course LLC
- -Trump Ferry Point LLC
- -Trump Chicago Hotel Manager LLC
- -Trump International Hotel Hawaii LLC
- -4 Shadow Tree Lane LLC
- -Trump Chicago Commercial Manager LLC
- -Excel Venture I LLC
- -Trump Vineyard Estates LLC
- -Trump Winery
- -Albermarle Estate
- -DJT Aerospace LLC
- -TIHT Holding Company LLC
- -Spring Creek Plaza LLC
- -Trump Palace/Pare LLC
- -DT Home Marks International LLC
- -Trump Home Marks LLC
- -Trump Marks Waikiki LLC
- -Trump Marks New Rochelle LLC
- -The Trump Equitable Fifth A venue Company
- -DT Marks Pune LLC
- -TIHT Holding Company LLC

#### Ms. Lauren Dillon

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- -The Trump Equitable Fifth A venue Company
- -DT Marks Pune LLC
- -The East 61 Street Company, LP
- -D B Pace Acquisition, LLC
- -Trump Marks Asia LLC
- -Trump Scotsborough Square LLC
- -THC Sales & Marketing LLC
- -THC Central Reservations LLC
- -THC China Development LLC (f/k/a Trump China Development LLC)
- -Lamington Family Holdings LLC
- -Hudson Waterfront Associates II, L.P.
- -Pine Hill Development LLC
- -Trump Pageants, Inc.
- -Country Properties, LLC
- -Trump 106 CPS LLC
- -DT Dubai Golf Manager LLC
- -Trump Marks Canouan LLC
- -Trump Marks Sunny Isles II LLC
- -Trump Marks White Plains LLC
- -Trump Marks Westchester LLC
- -Trump Classic Cars LLC
- -Trump Marks Real Estate LLC
- -Trump AC Casino Marks LLC
- -Trump AC Casino Marks Member Corp
- -West Palm Operations LLC
- -Trump Sales & Leasing Chicago LLC
- -Unit 2502 Enterprises LLC
- -401 Mezz Venture LLC
- -TW Venture II LLC
- -Trump Las Vegas Member LLC
- -Trump Las Vegas Development LLC
- -Fifty Seven Management Corp
- -Trump Delmonico LLC
- -Trump Lauderdale Development 2 LLC
- -DJT Holdings Managing Member LLC
- -Chicago Unit Acquisition, LLC
- -Trump Golf Acquisitions LLC
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- -Trump 845 LP LLC
- -Trump 845 UN GP LLC

- -Trump 845 UN MGR Corp
- -LFB Acquisition LLC
- -809 North Canon Member Corporation
- -Trump Toronto Development Inc.
- -Pare Consulting, Inc.
- -Trump Miami Resort Management LLC
- -Trump Marks SOHO LLC
- -Flights, Inc. (f/k/a Trump Flights. Inc.)
- -Country Apartments, LLC
- -Trump Realty Services, LLC (f/k/a Trump Mortgage Services LLC (03) & Tower

Mortgage Services LLC)

- -Trump SoHo
- -Hotel St. Moritz
- -Alexander's, Inc.
- 5) Any representatives or organizations acting on behalf of any of the aforementioned individuals or entities, including but not limited to lobbyists, legal counsel and advisors, such as:
  - a. Dyer, Ellis & Joseph
    - i. James S. Drewry
    - ii. Thomas M. Dyer
    - iii. Jeanne M. Grasso
    - iv. John Graykowski
    - v. Duncan C. Smith, III
    - vi. Jennifer M. Southwick
    - vii. Jonathan K. Waldron
  - b. Greenberg Traurig, LLP
    - i. Diane J. Blagman
    - ii. Howard Cohen
    - iii. Ronald L. Platt
  - c. IKON Public Affairs
    - i. Roger J. Stone, Jr.
  - d. Renberg Strategies
  - 6) Any contact with your agency from the following email domains:
    - a. @trumporg.com
    - b. @donaldtrump.com

-Any and all freedom of information requests filed with your department I agency (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction) mentioning Donald Trump, The Trump Organization, or any of the aforementioned individuals or businesses.

On January 27, 2016, we called your office asking for clarification about your request. On February 2, 2016 we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA as well asking that you further clarify your request. On February 26, you responded to us with an updated request. Accordingly, we are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary and releasing 1 file consisting of 5 pages which are being released in their entirety. Please note that our search was limited to the executive correspondence of the Office of the Secretary and Deputy Secretaries. We attempted unsuccessfully to contact you regarding the details of our search. Should you wish us to expand our search, please re-submit your request with those details. This completes our response to your request.

Because your entitlements as an "other-use requester" (<u>See</u> 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request. This completes our response to your request.

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Ms. Lauren Dillon

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

Electronic Enclosure

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## Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—0307

DISTRICT OFFICE:
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PHOENIX, AZ 85004
(602) 256–0551

August 13, 2015

The Honorable Sally Jewell Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St. NW Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Denise Roth Acting Administrator General Services Administration 1800 F St. NW Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Jewell and Acting Administrator Roth:

Like you, we strongly believe the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that public lands are welcoming places—especially in our nation's capital. In light of the deeply insulting comments that Donald Trump continues to direct at the Latino Community and at women, we write to request that you take action to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the hotel he is currently constructing at the center of Washington, DC.

Trump's recent and repeated remarks disparaging women, Mexican-Americans, and other Latinos are hateful, divisive and completely inaccurate. We firmly believe this kind of repulsive speech has no place in our public discourse. As a result of these comments, the Trump name is now inextricably linked to the anti-immigrant, anti-Latino and anti-women sentiments that he continues to loudly and publically espouse.

As you know, Trump is currently constructing a hotel at the site of the Old Post Office building, located just steps from the National Mall and less than a mile from the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol and the White House. Once completed, the complex will sit on land leased from GSA while the historic building's clock tower will continue to be managed by the National Park Service.

We understand that the Department of the Interior rightly prohibits the display of racist or insensitive emblems on lands it controls. In accordance with this policy and in keeping with the Department's recent efforts to bar the Washington Redskins' logo on public lands, we urge you to use all available authorities under current law to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the new hotel.

## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thank you for your attention to this request. The Trump name and logo have come to serve as a divisive reminder of Donald Trump's reprehensible words. To allow his name to be conspicuously displayed at the heart of our nation's capital would send a message of exclusion and intolerance to millions of Latinos in the District and across the country, including workers at the site itself.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Member of Congress

Member of Congress



NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

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The Honorable Ruben Gallego House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gallego:

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As you know, the property was leased to the developer by the General Services Administration (GSA) in 2013. The terms and provisions of the lease governing its redevelopment are administered by the GSA.

The Department of the Interior has some limited review of the project related to the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program, which is administered by the National Park Service (NPS), and to which the developer has applied. Pursuant to the program, the NPS has no review over temporary construction signage, and review of any permanent signage is limited to its design, size, number, location, and appearance solely as it relates to any impacts of the signage on the historic character and features of the property.

Thank you for your letter and sharing your concerns about the project. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian Goeken at 202-354-2033 or Brian\_Goeken@nps.gov. An identical letter has been sent to Representative Tony Cárdenas.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Partnerships

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DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

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FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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July 9th, 2015

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Sincerely,

Paul Straus

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### **Freedom of Information Act Request**

1 message

**ResearchInfo** <ResearchInfo@dnc.org>
To: "os\_foia@ios.doi.gov" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>

Mon, Jan 25, 2016 at 12:17 PM

Dear Freedom of Information / Open Records Officer:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and all other applicable state and federal statutes, I request from your department / agency (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction), all publicly available documents including, but not limited to:

- Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) held by your department (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction) in which any of the following individuals or entities are named as a recipient, sender or otherwise referenced in the body, title or subject line of the document:
  - 1) Donald J. Trump
  - 2) Trump Organization
  - 3) Executives and officers of the Trump Organization, including but not limited to:
    - Donald Trump Jr.
    - Allen Weisselberg
    - Jim Petrus
    - Cathy Glosser
    - Ivanka Trump
    - Eric Trump
    - George Ross
    - Carolyn Kepcher
    - Eric Danziger
    - Matthew Calamari
    - Michael Cohen

- Andy Weiss
- David Orowitz
- Lawrence Glick
- Alan Garten
- George Sorial
- 4) Any of the following entities:
  - Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts (and any of its subsidiaries)
  - The Trump Corporation
  - Trump Plaza LLC
  - Trump Management Corporation
  - Trump Management Inc.
  - Trump Enterprises
  - Elizabeth Trump & Son
  - Trump 29
  - Riviera Holdings Corp.
  - Ace Entertainment Holdings Inc.
  - Trump Taj Mahal
  - Trump Casinos Inc.
  - Trump Castle
  - Trump Regency (a/k/a Trump World's Fair; Atlantic Hotel and Casino)
  - Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches
  - Trump Wilshire Associates
  - Trump Village
  - Trump Shuttle
  - Trump Ocean Casino Club
  - HWA 555 Owners, LLC
  - Fifty Seventh Street Associates LLC
  - Trump World Tower
  - Trump Tower

- Trump Tower Commercial LLC
- Trump Tower Managing Member Inc.
- Trump Place
- 40 Wall Street LLC
- 1290 Avenue of the Americas, A Tenancy-in-Common
- Trump Marks Panama LLC
- Trump National Doral
- 401 North Wabash Venture LLC
- Trump Ruffin Tower I LLC
- Trump Turnberry
- Trump National Golf Club- Bedminster
- Mar A Lago Club, L.L.C.
- Trump National Golf Club Washington DC
- Trump International Golf Club LC (Trump International Golf Club Florida)
- Trump National Golf Club- Jupiter
- Trump Park Avenue LLC
- TIGL Ireland Enterprises Limited (Trump International Golf Links Doonbeg)
- Trump National Golf Club Charlotte
- Trump National Golf Club Westchester
- Wollman Rink Operations LLC
- VH Property Corp (Trump National Golf Club Los Angeles)
- Trump National Golf Club Colts Neck
- DJT Operations I LLC
- TIHT Commercial LLC
- 845 UN Limited Partnership
- Starret City Associates, L.P.
- Trump Marks Istanbul II LLC
- Trump Marks Menswear LLC
- Trump Marks Mattress LLC

- Trump National Golf Club Philadelphia
- Trump International Golf Links Scotland
- Trump National Golf Club Hudson Valley
- Trump Productions LLC (f/k/a Rancho Lien LLC)
- THC Miami Restaurant Hospitality LLC
- Miss Universe L.P.
- Trump Restaurants LLC
- Trump International Hotel and Tower
- Trump International Hotels Management LLC
- Trump CPS LLC
- THC Baku Hotel Manager Services LLC
- Trump Model Management LLC
- T International Realty LLC (d/b/a Trump International Realty)
- White Course LLC
- Trump Ferry Point LLC
- Trump Chicago Hotel Manager LLC
- Trump International Hotel Hawaii LLC
- 4 Shadow Tree Lane LLC
- Trump Chicago Commercial Manager LLC
- Excel Venture I LLC
- Trump Vineyard Estates LLC
- Trump Winery
- Albermarle Estate
- DJT Aerospace LLC
- TIHT Holding Company LLC
- Spring Creek Plaza LLC
- Trump Palace/Parc LLC
- DT Home Marks International LLC
- Trump Home Marks LLC

- Trump Marks Waikiki LLC
- Trump Marks New Rochelle LLC
- The Trump Equitable Fifth Avenue Company
- DT Marks Pune LLC
- Trump Marks LLC
- DT Marks Worli LLC
- Trump Marks Sunny Isles I LLC
- Trump Marks Puerto Rico I LLC
- Trump Marks Philippines LLC
- Trump Marks Stamford LLC
- Trump Panama Hotel Management LLC
- Trump Carousel LLC
- Trump Toronto Hotel Management Corp
- Trump Chicago Residential Manager LLC
- Trump Ice LLC
- Ritz Carlton Hotel at 112 Central Park South
- DJT Holdings LLC
- Trump Vineyard Estates Lot 3 Owner LLC (f/k/a Eric Trump Land Holdings LLC)
- DT Marks Products International LLC
- Trump Drinks Israel LLC
- TNGC Jupiter Management LLC
- THC Rio Manager LLC
- Trump Old Post Office LLC
- Trump Virginia Lot 5 LLC
- Trump Books LLC The Midas Touch
- Travel Enterprises Management Inc.
- TW Venture I LLC
- THC Vancouver Management Corp
- Trump Marks Fine Foods LLC

- 208 Productions LLC
- The Trump Entrepreneur Initiative LLC
- Trump Tower Triplex
- Seven Springs LLC
- Trump Virginia Acquisitions LLC (f/k/a Virginia Acquisitions LLC)
- DJT Operations CX LLC
- 809 North Canon LLC
- Caribusiness Investments, S.R.L.
- Trump Canouan Estate LLC
- DT Connect II LLC
- The East 61 Street Company, LP
- D B Pace Acquisition, LLC
- Trump Marks Asia LLC
- Trump Scotsborough Square LLC
- THC Sales & Marketing LLC
- THC Central Reservations LLC
- THC China Development LLC (f/k/a Trump China Development LLC)
- Lamington Family Holdings LLC
- Hudson Waterfront Associates II, L.P.
- Pine Hill Development LLC
- Trump Pageants, Inc.
- Country Properties, LLC
- Trump 106 CPS LLC
- DT Dubai Golf Manager LLC
- Trump Marks Canouan LLC
- Trump Marks Sunny Isles II LLC
- Trump Marks White Plains LLC
- Trump Marks Westchester LLC
- Trump Classic Cars LLC

- Trump Marks Real Estate LLC
- Trump AC Casino Marks LLC
- Trump AC Casino Marks Member Corp
- West Palm Operations LLC
- Trump Sales & Leasing Chicago LLC
- Unit 2502 Enterprises LLC
- 401 Mezz Venture LLC
- TW Venture II LLC
- Trump Las Vegas Member LLC
- Trump Las Vegas Development LLC
- Fifty Seven Management Corp
- Trump Delmonico LLC
- Trump Lauderdale Development 2 LLC
- DJT Holdings Managing Member LLC
- Chicago Unit Acquisition, LLC
- Trump Golf Acquisitions LLC
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- Trump 845 LP LLC
- Trump 845 UN GP LLC
- Trump 845 UN MGR Corp
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- Parc Consulting, Inc.
- Trump Miami Resort Management LLC
- Trump Marks SOHO LLC
- Flights, Inc. (f/k/a Trump Flights. Inc.)
- Country Apartments, LLC
- Trump Realty Services, LLC (f/k/a Trump Mortgage Services LLC (03) & Tower Mortgage Services LLC)

- Trump SoHo
- Hotel St. Moritz
- Alexander's, Inc.
- 5) Any representatives or organizations acting on behalf of any of the aforementioned individuals or entities, including but not limited to lobbyists, legal counsel and advisors, such as:
  - a. Dyer, Ellis & Joseph
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    - ii. Thomas M. Dyer
    - iii. Jeanne M. Grasso
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If this request would generate a substantial number of documents, I would prefer to have an index of the documents. Of course, this request for an index does not preclude us from later requesting any or all of the documents included in the index. Additionally, I request that the information I seek be provided, if possible, in an electronic format via a personal computer disk or CD-ROM.

I understand that there might be costs associated with this request. I would request a waiver of fees and ask for you to contact either of us by telephone before making copies if this request will be in excess of \$50.

I would appreciate your communicating with us by email at ResearchInfo@dnc.org or by telephone at (202) 863-8049, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request. If all or any part of this request is denied, please cite the specific exemption which you believe justifies your refusal to release the information and inform us of your agency's administrative appeal procedures available to me under the law. I look forward to your reply within 20 business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays), as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Please send all copies to:
Lauren Dillon
430 S Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003
Sincerely,
Lauren Dillon



## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

March 4, 2016

Via email: FOIA@AmericanBridge.org

Abraham Payton American Bridge 21<sup>st</sup> Century 455 Massachusetts Avenue, Suite 280 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Payton:

On March 2, 2016, you filed Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests with various bureaus of the Department of the Interior seeking the following:

Part A – FOIA Requests That Mention "Trump". I am requesting copies of all record requests, submitted [under the Freedom of Information Act] to your agency between June 1, 2015, and March 2, 2016, that contained the phrase "Trump" in it.

Part B – Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention "Trump". In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on March 2, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2016-00200**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We are writing today to respond on the behalf of the entire Department. Please find enclosed two files consisting of 7 pages which are being released to you in their entirety.

We believe this enclosed index of Freedom of Information Act requests recorded in the Department of Interior's Electronic FOIA Tracking System completes our response to Part A of your request. Should you be interested in receiving a copy of any of the specific FOIAs listed in the index, please contact us again and reference individual requests by their FOIA numbers.

The second file consists of all responsive documents released for FOIA number OS-2015-00402, which completes our response to Part B of your request.

We have classified your request as an "other-use request." As an "other-use requester" you are entitled to up to 2 hours of search time and 100 pages of photocopies before being charged for the processing of FOIA requests. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed

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Sincerely,

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Office of the Secretary

FOIA Officer

Enclosures



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United States Senator 49 07 707 5107 District of Columbia (Shadow)

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BIA- 2016- 00603	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren		Bureau Wide - communications and documents to and from Donald J. trump, the Trump Organization and Executives and officers of the Trump Organization listed but not limited to): (see request for list of affiliated individuals
BLM- 2016- 00397	Open	March 02, 2016		Cotter	John	American Bridge 21st Century	named. From 6/1/15 to date search begins: FOIA requests with the name Trump. I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted under the
BOEM- 2016- 00061	Open	March 02, 2016		Cotter	John	American Bridge	FOIA between 6/1/15 and 3/2/16 that contained the phrase ¿Trump¿ in it. Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention ¿Trump¿. In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the
BOR- 2016- 00133	Closed	March 02, 2016	Other	Abraham	Payton	American Bridge	requests identified in Part A as available. Requesting all record requests submitted [under the Freedom of Information Act] between June 1, 2015, and March 2, 2016, that contained the phrase Trump in it. In addition requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available. Any & all records incoming or outgoing communication such as

3/4/2016				Print	Search Report		
BOR- 2016- 00093	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillion	Lauren	Democratic National Committee (DNC)	letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints; investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars held by your department and all division and agencies from various Trump business, organizations,, entities, and their representatives.
BSEE- 2016- 00073	Open	March 02, 2016		Payton	Abraham	American Bridge	FOIA Requests That Mention Trump. Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention Trump. In addition,
BSEE- 2016- 00061	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	DNC	Records regarding Trump, Trump Organization and Trump Entities.
FWS- 2016- 00395	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	Democratic National Committee	Correspondence related to Donald Trump.
NPS- 2016- 00382	Completed	March 02, 2016	Total Grant	PAYTON	ABRAHAM	AMERICAN BRIDGE	ADIR: COPIES OF ALL FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED SINCE JUNE 2015 THAT CONTAINED THE WORD TRUMP AND COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELEASED IN RESPONSE TO THOSE REQUESTS. NPSWIDE: ANY AND ALL RECORDS RECEIVED FROM, SENT TO, OR
NPS- 2016- 00286	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	DILLON	LAUREN	DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE	MENTIONING DONALD J. TRUMP AND MORE THAN 40 VARIOUS TRUMP

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otherwise referenced in
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Trump 2) Trump
Organization 3)
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but not limited to:
Donald Trump Jr. ·
Allen Weisselberg ·
Jim Petrus · Cathy
Glosser · Ivanka Trump
· Eric Trump
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OS- 2016- 00140	Completed	January 12, Other 2016	Payton	Abraham	American Bridge 21st Century	or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) regarding Donald Trump and business associates. Constituent-Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present. Correspondence With Various Trump-Businesses and their Representatives: I am requesting copies of all
OS- 2016- 00139	Open	January 12, 2016	Payton	Abraham	American Bridge 21st Century	incoming and outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trumpbusinesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the present:  I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted to your agency between 6/1/2015 and 3/2/2016 that contained the phrase "Trump" in it. In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records
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OS- 2015- 00402	Completed	July 13, 2015	Total Grant	Massie	Christopher	BuzzFeed	Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words Trump Organization ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

Wednesday, March 02, 2016

Departmental FOIA Officer Cindy Cafaro MS-7328, MIB 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240 Phone: (202) 208-5342

Fax: (202) 219-2100

To Whom It May Concern,

The following request is being made in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). I am requesting copies of the following records:

Part A -- FOIA Requests That Mention "Trump". I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted [under the Freedom of Information Act] to your agency between June 1, 2015, and March 2, 2016, that contained the phrase "Trump" in it.

Part B -- Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention "Trump". In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available.

I realize that certain costs may be applicable to this request. Please contact me when you can provide a payment amount for my requests. In the meantime, I authorize an initial expense cap of \$500 to be accrued. To help assess my status for copying and mailing fees, please note that I am gathering information for research purposes and not for commercial activities.

I also request that you state the specific legal and factual grounds for withholding any documents or portions of documents, should you withhold any. Please identify each document that falls within the scope of this request but is withheld from release.

If requested documents are located in, or originated in, another installation or bureau, I would request that you please refer this request, or any relevant portion of this request, to the appropriated installation or bureau.

To the extent that the information is available in electronic format, I would prefer to receive that information via email or CD, particularly if providing the information reduces the time or expense involved. Otherwise, I request to receive the information in paper form.

You may fax your response to 202-315-0384 or email it to <u>FOIA@AmericanBridge.org</u>. If you wish to call 202-684-7154, please do so between 9AM and 6PM (EST).

Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

455 Massachusetts Ave NW, Sixth Floor | Washington, DC 20001 | 202-747-2060 | www.americanbridgepac.org



Sincerely,

Abraham Payton & John Cotter

American Bridge 21st Century 455 Massachusetts Avenue Suite 280 Washington, DC 20001 Phone: 202-684-7154

Fax: 202-315-0384

Email: FOIA@AmericanBridge.org



### United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

June 8, 2016

Via email: <a href="mailto:mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com">mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com</a>

Michael Doyle McClatchy 2534 N. Upland St. Arlington, VA 22207

Dear Mr. Doyle:

On June 7, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Correspondence, memos, e-mails, grant applications and other documents to, from or involving the Trump Organization or other Trump-named entities between Jan.1, 2010 and June 1, 2016.

On June 7, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

Because your entitlements as a "media-use requester" (<u>See</u> 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request. This completes our response to your request.

#### **Appeals**

Under law, we are required to advise you of your appeal rights when informing you that we believe that we have no records responsive to your FOIA request. Therefore, if you have additional information (not provided in your request letter) that would lead you to believe that there are records in files maintained by the Office of the Secretary that were not located in our search for records responsive to your request, you may file a FOIA appeal by writing to the Department's FOIA Appeals Officer. The FOIA Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 30 workdays from the date of this final letter responding to your FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 PM Eastern time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday. Your appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

FOIA Appeals Officer U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street, N.W., MS 6556 Washington, D.C. 20240 Fax: 202-208-6677

E-mail: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

You must include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including a copy of your original FOIA request and the denial letter. Failure to include this documentation with your appeal will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal. All communications concerning your appeal, including envelopes, should be clearly marked with the words "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." Your letter should include in as much detail as possible any reason(s) why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response is in error. For more information on FOIA administrative Appeals, you may review Subpart H of the Department's FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. Part 2, Subpart H.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Facsimile: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Mr. Michael Doyle

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

#### **FOIA Request Form from IBM address**

1 message

FOIA Request Form <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com>

Tue, Jun 7, 2016 at 9:01

Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 - 9:01am

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Michael Doyle

Street Address: 2534 N. Upland St.

City: Arlington

State or Country: Virginia

Zip or Postal Code: 22207

Address Type: Home

Daytime Phone Number: 202-383-0006

Fax Number: 202-38-30006

E-mail Address: mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com

Confirm E-mail Address: mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com

Your Organization: McClatchy

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description: Correspondence, memos, e-mails, grant applications and other documents to, from or involving the Trump Organization or other Trump-named entities between Jan. 1, 2010 and June 1,

2016.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing: There is an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal government activity and the request is made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Justification for Expedited Processing: I am a reporter, covering a time sensitive presidential election campaign that concludes in November.

Expedited Processing Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$25.

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization: McClatchy

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria: Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: I am a reporter, covering topics of public significance.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/12127



## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2016-00377

July 21, 2016

Via email: Researchinfo@dnc.org

Lauren Dillon 430 S. Capitol Street, SE Washington, DC 20003

Dear Ms. Dillon:

On July 20, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Internal and external correspondence and internal documents regarding Donald Trump's lawsuit against Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and the National Indian Gaming Commission.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on July 20, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2016-00377**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We have determined that the information you are seeking is likely maintained by the National Indian Gaming Commission. As such, we recommend that you submit your request to that agency at the following address:

FOIA Officer National Indian Gaming Commission 1849 C Street, NW Mailstop #1621 Washington, DC 20240

Phone: (202) 632-7003 Fax: (202) 632-7066

Additionally, we have determined that if the records you are seeking still exist, they are no longer in the possession and control of the Department of the Interior, but may be maintained by the Director, National Archives and Records Administration II (NARA), Special Access and FOIA Staff, located at 8601 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740. We recommend that you write directly to NARA for these records.

In light of the above, we are closing our file on your request.

If you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Jul 20, 2016 at 1:24 PM

#### **FOIA Request Form from IBM address**

1 message

**FOIA Request Form** <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com> Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com

To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 - 1:24pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Lauren Dillon

Street Address: 430 S. Capitol Street, SE

City: Washington

State or Country: DC

Zip or Postal Code: 20003

Address Type: Business

Daytime Phone Number: 2027983889

Fax Number: 2027983889

E-mail Address: Researchinfo@dnc.org

Confirm E-mail Address: Researchinfo@dnc.org

Your Organization:

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification:

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description:

Dear Freedom of Information Act Officer:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and all other applicable state and federal statutes, I request from your department all publicly available documents including, but not limited to:

· Internal and external correspondence and internal documents regarding Donald Trump's lawsuit against Interior

Secretary Bruce Babbitt and the National Indian Gaming Commission.

If this request would generate a substantial number of documents, I would prefer to have an index of the documents. Of course, this request for an index does not preclude us from later requesting any or all of the documents included in the index. Additionally, I request that the information I seek be provided, if possible, in an electronic format via a personal computer disk or CD-ROM.

I understand that there might be costs associated with this request. I would request a waiver of fees and ask for you to contact either of us by telephone before making copies if this request will be in excess of \$50.

I would appreciate your communicating with us by email at ResearchInfo@dnc.org or by telephone at (202) 798-3889, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request. If all or any part of this request is denied, please cite y's

the specific exemption which you believe justifies your refusal to release the information and inform us of your agency administrative appeal procedures available to me under the law. I look forward to your reply within 20 business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays), as the statute requires.
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Please send all copies to:
Lauren Dillon
430 S Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003
Sincerely,
Lauren Dillon
Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email
Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:
Justification for Expedited Processing:
Expedited Processing Certification:
Please select the appropriate statement: I agree to pay fees up to a particular amount (see my response below).
I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$50.00

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: affiliated with a private corporation and am seeking information for use in the company's business

Affiliated Organization:

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.:

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/117228



### United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

July 29, 2016

Via email: jason.cherkis@huffingtonpost.com

Jason Cherkis Huffington Post 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Suite 600 Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Cherkis:

On June 22, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Any email or written correspondence between the U.S. Department of Interior and any companies owned by Donald Trump concerning any land use (i.e. golf course construction, hotel and property concerns) from 2006 to the present.

Because your request was submitted to an office that is not designated to receive FOIA requests, your request was received in our office on July 28, 2016 and assigned control number **OS-2016-00390**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

On July 29, 2016, we contacted you by telephone to clarify the scope of your FOIA request, in light of similar requests previously processed in this office. You advised that you were interested in receiving the records previously released under control number **OS-2016-00152**.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary and releasing one file consisting of 5 pages which is being released in its entirety. This completes our response to your request.

Because your entitlements as a "media-use requester" (See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request. This completes our response to your request.

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E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: https://ogis.archives.gov Telephone: 202-741-5770 Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Joshua Portner by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

Electronic Enclosure

COMMITTEES:
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# Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—0307

DISTRICT OFFICE:
411 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
SUITE 150
PHOENIX, AZ 85004
(602) 256–0551

August 13, 2015

The Honorable Sally Jewell Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St. NW Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Denise Roth Acting Administrator General Services Administration 1800 F St. NW Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Jewell and Acting Administrator Roth:

Like you, we strongly believe the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that public lands are welcoming places—especially in our nation's capital. In light of the deeply insulting comments that Donald Trump continues to direct at the Latino Community and at women, we write to request that you take action to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the hotel he is currently constructing at the center of Washington, DC.

Trump's recent and repeated remarks disparaging women, Mexican-Americans, and other Latinos are hateful, divisive and completely inaccurate. We firmly believe this kind of repulsive speech has no place in our public discourse. As a result of these comments, the Trump name is now inextricably linked to the anti-immigrant, anti-Latino and anti-women sentiments that he continues to loudly and publically espouse.

As you know, Trump is currently constructing a hotel at the site of the Old Post Office building, located just steps from the National Mall and less than a mile from the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol and the White House. Once completed, the complex will sit on land leased from GSA while the historic building's clock tower will continue to be managed by the National Park Service.

We understand that the Department of the Interior rightly prohibits the display of racist or insensitive emblems on lands it controls. In accordance with this policy and in keeping with the Department's recent efforts to bar the Washington Redskins' logo on public lands, we urge you to use all available authorities under current law to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the new hotel.

## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thank you for your attention to this request. The Trump name and logo have come to serve as a divisive reminder of Donald Trump's reprehensible words. To allow his name to be conspicuously displayed at the heart of our nation's capital would send a message of exclusion and intolerance to millions of Latinos in the District and across the country, including workers at the site itself.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Member of Congress

Member of Congress



## United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

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H32(2255)

The Honorable Ruben Gallego House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gallego:

Thank you for your letter of August 13, 2015, to Secretary Sally Jewell and General Services Administration Administrator Denise Roth concerning the redevelopment of the Old Post Office building as a hotel by developer Trump Old Post Office, LLC, and, specifically, the developer's construction signage. Secretary Jewell has asked me to respond on her behalf.

As you know, the property was leased to the developer by the General Services Administration (GSA) in 2013. The terms and provisions of the lease governing its redevelopment are administered by the GSA.

The Department of the Interior has some limited review of the project related to the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program, which is administered by the National Park Service (NPS), and to which the developer has applied. Pursuant to the program, the NPS has no review over temporary construction signage, and review of any permanent signage is limited to its design, size, number, location, and appearance solely as it relates to any impacts of the signage on the historic character and features of the property.

Thank you for your letter and sharing your concerns about the project. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian Goeken at 202-354-2033 or Brian\_Goeken@nps.gov. An identical letter has been sent to Representative Tony Cárdenas.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Partnerships

and Science



# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

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Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Partnerships

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U.S. SENATOR PAUL STRAUSS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

#### OFFICE OF THE

# United States Senator

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW SUITE G-09 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004 (202) 727-7890 (202) 727-0278

July 9th, 2015

Ms. Sally Jewell Secretary Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Jewell:

I understand it is the policy of the Department of the Interior to not permit the use or display of racist or insensitive logos on Federal land. In accordance with this policy and in recognition of your efforts to prevent the Redskins logo from being used or displayed at RFK Stadium, I ask for an immediate removal of the Trump logo from the scaffolding located just outside the Old Post Office building.

After Mr. Trump's hateful and insensitive remarks about the Latino communities that are integral to the District's success and diversity, the Trump logo perpetuates support for a man who proves he is undeserving. The logo is a painful reminder to all citizens of the District of Mr. Trump's comments and should not be on Federal land.

While the nation continues to struggle with the elimination of long-standing symbols of injustice, including the Confederate Flag, we, as the District of Columbia, must utilize our power to free ourselves of anything that doesn't belong here – including Mr. Trump's ignorance and ultimately, his business.

Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 102 700 5102

District of Columbia (Shadow)

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OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

#### Fwd: Form submission from: Contact Us

1 message

Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov>
To: OS FOIA OS <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 1:35 PM

please log in.

Clarice Julka
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary, FOIA Office
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Washington, D.C. 20240
Clarice\_Julka@ios.doi.gov
(202) 513-0765 - phone
(202) 208-6045 - direct line
(202) 219-2374 - fax

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From: **OS, DOIFOIA** <doifoia@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 1:31 PM

Subject: Re: Form submission from: Contact Us To: "Julka, Clarice" <clarice julka@ios.doi.gov>

Yes, please.

On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:37 PM, Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov> wrote: should we log this in?

Clarice Julka
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary, FOIA Office
1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328
Washington, D.C. 20240
Clarice\_Julka@ios.doi.gov
(202) 513-0765 - phone
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On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:25 PM, OS, DOIFOIA <doifoia@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Sorry for the delay.

This address gets messages extremely rarely.

On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:02 PM, Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov> wrote: no, we did not receive this.

Clarice

Clarice Julka
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary, FOIA Office
1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328
Washington, D.C. 20240
Clarice Julka@ios.doi.gov

(202) 513-0765 - phone (202) 208-6045 - direct line (202) 219-2374 - fax

On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 11:55 AM, OS, DOIFOIA <doifoia@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Clarice, I (Cindy) was just checking this box and found this.

Have you already received it from him? Please respond to my usual email address.

Thanks.

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From: U.S. Department of the Interior <webmaster@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Wed, Jun 22, 2016 at 4:46 PM

Subject: Form submission from: Contact Us

To: DOIFOIA@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 - 4:46pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Name: Jason Cherkis

E-mail Address: jason.cherkis@huffingtonpost.com

Send To: OS FOIA Office and Office of Natural Resource Revenue (ONRR) FOIA

Subject: FOIA Request

Your Message:

Pursuant to FOIA, I am writing to request the following:

1) Any email or written correspondence between the U.S. Department of Interior and any companies owned by Donald Trump concerning any land use (i.e. golf course construction, hotel and property concerns) from 2006 to the present.

This information is being sought on behalf of the Huffington Post for dissemination to the general public. By making this request, I am gathering information concerning Donald Trump.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to a public understanding of Mr. Trump and his businesses.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the Act. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any

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	information or to deny a waiver of fees.
	I would appreciate the materials be sent via email (PDF) as to save
	time and copy costs.
	My email address is jason.cherkis@huffingtonpost.com or jacherkis@gmail.com. My mailing address is Jason
	Cherkis, Huffington Post, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20006. I can be reached at 202-285-5869.
	Sincerely,
	Jason Cherkis
	The results of this submission may be viewed at:
	https://www.doi.gov/node/20523/submission/12497



7202.4-OS-2016-00392

## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

August 2, 2016

Via email: ablutstein@americarisingllc.com

Allan Blutstein America Rising 1555 Wilson Blvd., Ste. 307 Arlington, VA 22209

Dear Mr. Blutstein:

On July 29, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016 that mention Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any "mass" emails received directly from a listserv (for example, news clippings).

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on July 29, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2016-00392**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We have classified you as an "other-use" requester. As such, we may charge you for some of our search and duplication costs, but we will not charge you for our review costs; you are also entitled to up to 2 hours of search time and 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. If, after taking into consideration your fee category entitlements, our processing costs are less than \$50.00, we will not bill you because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.37(g)

We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

Because your entitlements as an "other-use requester" (see 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request. This completes our response to your request.

#### **Appeals**

Under law, we are required to advise you of your appeal rights when informing you that we believe that we have no records responsive to your FOIA request. Therefore, if you have additional information (not provided in your request letter) that would lead you to believe that there are records in files maintained by the Office of the Secretary that were not located in our search for records responsive to your request, you may file a FOIA appeal by writing to the Department's FOIA Appeals Officer. The FOIA Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal no later than 90 workdays from the date of this final letter responding to your FOIA request. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 PM Eastern time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday. Your appeal must be in writing and addressed to:

Attn: FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer U.S. Department of the Interior Office of the Solicitor 1849 C Street, N.W.

MS6556 MIB
Washington, D.C. 20240

Fax: 202-208-6677

E-mail: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

You must include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and the Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including a copy of your original FOIA request and the response letter. You must also include, in as much detail as possible, an explanation of why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response was in error. Failure to include this documentation with your appeal will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Officer determines (in her sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal. All communications concerning your appeal, including envelopes, should be clearly marked with the words "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." The appeal should include your name, mailing address, daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address, and fax number (if available) in case the Department needs additional information or clarification. For more information on FOIA administrative appeals, including how the Department will respond to your appeal, please refer to Subpart H of the Department's FOIA regulations, 43 C.F.R. § 2.57-§ 2.64.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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#### Mr. Allan Blutstein

non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

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Web: https://ogis.archives.gov Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Cindy Sweeny by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

# AMERICA REBENGA

1555 Wilson Blvd., Ste. 307, Arlington, VA 22209

July 29, 2016

VIA FAX: (202) 219-2374

Ms. Clarice Julka FOIA Officer U.S. Department of the Interior MS-7328, MIB 1849 C Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Julka:

This is a request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act for access to all emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016, that mention Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any "mass" emails received directly from a listsery (for example, news clippings).

For fee purposes, America Rising should be considered an "all other" requester pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(III). America Rising is not making this request on behalf of any client, nor does it intend to use the records for financial gain. Rather, America Rising intends to inform the public about the existence and content of any disclosed records. See, e.g., ARCHIVE, www.americarisingarchive.com (America Rising's document repository).

America Rising agrees to pay up to \$25.00 in applicable fees. If fees will exceed \$25.00, please contact me before processing the request further. To reduce the burden of production, America Rising is willing to accept documents in electronic format and/or doubled-sided copies.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

/s/ Allan Blutstein Vice President, FOIA Operations

Tel.: (703) 672-3776

Email: ablutstein@americarisingllc.com

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2016-00468 & 7202.4-OS-2017-00001

October 21, 2016

Via email: kbogardus@eenews.net

Kevin Bogardus, Reporter Greenwire 122 C. Street NW, Ste. 722 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

On September 29, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[C]opies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for Donald Trump, the 2016 Republican presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

On September 29, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[C]opies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for Hillary Clinton, the 2016 Democratic presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

On September 30, 2016, and October 4, 2016, respectively, we acknowledged your requests and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

Clarice Julka, Office of the Secretary, FOIA Officer, is responsible for this denial.

You may appeal this response to the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal **no** 

<u>later than 90 workdays</u>. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

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Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

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Attn: FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office

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Email: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

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### Mr. Kevin Bogardus

Fax: 202-741-5769

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Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you have any questions regarding any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



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### **FOIA Request**

2 messages

Kevin Bogardus <a href="mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net">kbogardus@eenews.net</a>

Thu, Sep 29, 2016 at 9:34 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

Copied and pasted below is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from *Greenwire*. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request copies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for Donald Trump, the 2016 Republican presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

I prefer to receive the response to this request in electronic form. If the response to this request exceeds more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the largest number of records or documents in electronic form.

I am filing this FOIA request as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for *Greenwire* – one of Environment & Energy Publishing's five daily online publications. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of this request, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

This request is made as part of news-gathering activity and is not for commercial use.

The information responsive to this FOIA request will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to this FOIA request, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through this and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about *Greenwire* and Environment & Energy Publishing, please refer to www.eenews.net.

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If my request is denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. In addition, please give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of the documents withheld. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination.

As required by FOIA, I look forward to hearing from your office within 20 days in response to this request.

If you have any questions about the nature or scope of this request, please call me at 202-446-0401 or email me at kbogardus@eenews.net.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bogardus
Reporter
Greenwire
122 C Street NW, Suite 722
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Office: 202-446-0401

Cell: 202-247-7844 Fax: 202-737-5299 kbogardus@eenews.net

### Kevin Bogardus <a href="mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net">kbogardus@eenews.net</a>

Thu, Sep 29, 2016 at 9:43 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

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## United States Department of the Interior

### OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2016-00067

November 15, 2016

Via email: sbraun@ap.org

Mr. Stephen S. Braun Associated Press Washington Bureau 1100 13<sup>th</sup> Street, NW Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Braun:

On November 10, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll correspondence (a) to and from Rudy Giuliani, the former New York City Mayor, presidential candidate and supporter of President-elect Donald Trump; and (b) The time frame for this request is Jan. 1, 2010, through the present, Nov. 11, 2016.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on November 14, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00067**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

### **Fees**

We have classified your request as a "media use request." As a "media use requester" you will not be charged for our search or review costs and are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1).

### **Appeals**

You may appeal this response to the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal <u>no</u> <u>later than 90 workdays</u> from the date of this letter. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

Your appeal must be made in writing. You may submit your appeal and accompanying materials to the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer by mail, courier service, fax, or email. All communications concerning your appeal should be clearly marked with the words: "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." You must include an explanation of why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response is in error. You must also include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including your original FOIA request and Office of the Secretary 's response. Failure to include with your appeal all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer determines (in the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer's sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal.

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If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Karmen Young by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



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### **Associated Press FOIA request**

1 message

**Braun, Stephen S.** <SBraun@ap.org>
To: "Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov" <Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>

Fri, Nov 11, 2016 at 3:38 PM

Clarice Julka

**FOIA Officer** 

Department of the Interior - Office of the Secretary

MS-7328, MIB

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202-219-2374 (Fax)

Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

(Request via Email)

RE: Freedom of Information Act request

Expedited processing requested

Nov. 11, 2015

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of the following records maintained by your agency:

• All correspondence to or from Rudy Giuliani, the former New York City mayor, presidential candidate and supporter of President-elect Donald Trump.

The time frame for this request is Jan. 1, 2010, through the present, Nov. 11, 2016.

This request covers paper and electronic records, including but not limited to emails, email attachments, Portable Document Files and Microsoft Excel spreadsheets.

If possible, I request that these files be provided to me in electronic format.

I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief that I am a credentialed reporter employed by The Associated Press. Because this is a request by a member of the news media for records made in the public interest, I ask that you waive any search fees in accordance with § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).

If the fee for retrieving or reproducing these records will exceed \$50, please notify me before filling this request. I can be reached at **(202) 641-9405** or by electronic mail at sbraun@ap.org

I also request expedited processing for this request under 32 CFR 299.5 (f)(2).

My request for expedited processing meets criteria for demonstrating a "compelling need" for the following reasons that I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

One, I am a credentialed member of the news media employed by The Associated Press who is primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Two, the records I am seeking are "urgently needed" to inform the public about an actual government activity in that the value of the information I am seeking will be lost if it is not released before the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump in January 2017. Federal FOIA law and regulations afford expedited processing to those who demonstrate "an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity." My request should also generally be read in light of the holdings in *Al-Fayed*.

This request qualifies for expedited processing because it goes beyond "the public's right to know about government activity generally" and instead seeks to provide urgent information of "actual government activity" to the American people about Rudy Giuliani, who is being considered for important roles in the executive branch.

The Associated Press, as the largest news wire service in the world with more than 1 billion readers, takes its duty to inform American citizens very seriously. The hard deadline of the

inauguration elevates the importance of these records as does the type of government activity they involve. These records concern the important interaction between an influential U.S. politician and a key executive branch agency. The public has a need to know about those interactions in order to judge the qualifications of Mr. Giuliani as he is possibly put forward for important cabinet-level positions.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that these records be released on an expedited schedule. As you know, you must make a determination about my request for expedited processing within 10 calendars days of receipt of this request.

As you know, agencies must redact only what is necessary to protect exempt information and must explain the basis for any redactions. See Georgacarakos v. FBI, 908 F.Supp.2d 176, 186 (D.D.C. 2012). As well, please provide documents to me on a rolling basis, rather than waiting for my entire request to be processed before releasing documents.

As a reminder, the president has directed that the FOIA "be administered with a clear presumption: In the face of doubt, openness prevails." Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Dep'ts and Agencies, 74 Fed. Reg. 15, 4683 (Jan. 26, 2009), emphasis added. This instruction is unambiguous: "All agencies should adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in the FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open government. The presumption of disclosure should be applied to all decisions involving the FOIA." Id.

The Act, in § 552(a)(6), grants your office no more than twenty working days in which to respond to this request. See also Oglesby v. U.S. Dep't of Army, 920 F.2d 57, 65 (D.C. Cir. 1990) ("Congress adopted the time limit provision in the FOIA in order to 'contribute to the fuller and faster release of information, which is the basic objective of the Act.'" (quoting H.R. Rep. No. 93-876, March 5, 1974, reprinted (1974) U.S. Code Cong. & Ad. News 6267 at 6271)).

I certify that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your prompt reply. My contact information is below.

Sincerely,

Stephen Braun

Associated Press Washington Bureau

1100 13<sup>th</sup> Street NW

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Washington, DC 20005

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

IN REPLY REFER TO: 7202.4-OS-2017-00068

May 15, 2017

Via email: russkick@gmail.com

Russ Kick PO Box 36914 Tucson, AZ 85740-6914

Dear Mr. Kick:

On November 13, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll "briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition" prepared by the Department of Interior for the Trump administration's Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees.

On November 14, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website:

### https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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### Mr. Russ Kick

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

### **FOIA**

1 message

**Russ Kick** <russkick@gmail.com>
To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Sun, Nov 13, 2016 at 5:25 PM

Russ Kick PO Box 36914 Tucson AZ 85740-6914

Dear FOIA Officer:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I hereby request all "briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition" prepared by the Department of Interior for the Trump administration's Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees.

The Executive Order "Facilitation of a Presidential Transition" (May 6, 2016) established the Agency Transition Directors Council (ATDC). The Presidential Transition website says:

"In line with guidance from the ATDC, agencies prepare briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition for Agency Review Teams (also known as Agency Landing Teams), who will review briefing materials and meet with internal agency transition teams to better understand each agency and its current state of affairs. Briefing materials are prepared for two audiences: Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees following the Inauguration." https://presidentialtransition.usa.gov/2016transitionactivities/

According to this same website, these materials should have been finalized by your agency no later than November 1, 2016.

Further, I request that these files be sent to me in any digital formats in which they exist (PDF, Word, PowerPoint, etc.). Under the terms of the E-FOIA Amendments of 1996, Section 5, if a document exists in electronic format, it must be released in that format upon request.

This information will be made freely available online, and will not be used in a commercial manner. I agree to pay up to \$10 for this request. If it will be more than this, please notify me.

Thank you for your help.

--Russ



7202.4-OS-2017-00096

## United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

November 28, 2016

Via email: ESullivan@ap.org

Eileen Sullivan Reporter Associated Press 1100 13th St. NW, 5th Floor Washington, DC 20005

Dear Ms. Sullivan:

On November 22, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

### **OS-2016-00140**, January 12, 2016

Constituent-Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present.

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### **OS-2016-00152**, January 25, 2016

Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) regarding Donald Trump and business associates.

### **OS-2016-00325**, June 07, 2016

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### **OS-2016-00392**, July 29, 2016

All emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016, that mention Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any 'mass' emails received directly from a listsery (for example, news clippings)

### OS-2015-00402

All Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words Trump Organization ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on November 22, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00096**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We have classified your request as a "media use request." As a "media use requester" you will not be charged for our search or review costs and are entitled to up to 100 pages of photocopies (or an equivalent volume) for free. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.39. As a matter of policy, however, the Department of the Interior does not bill requesters for FOIA fees incurred in processing requests when their fees do not exceed \$50.00 because the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.49(a)(1).

We are granting your request for expedited processing.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. Please find attached the one file consisting of 5 pages being released in full. The enclosed attachment is responsive to your request: OS-2016-00152, OS-2016-00390, and OS-2015-00402. No records were released on OS-2016-00140, OS-2016-00139, OS-2016-00325, and OS-2016-00392.

You have asked for a waiver of all FOIA processing fees. Because your entitlements as a "media-use requester" (see 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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# Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—0307

DISTRICT OFFICE:
411 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
SUITE 150
PHOENIX, AZ 85004
(602) 256–0551

August 13, 2015

The Honorable Sally Jewell Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St. NW Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Denise Roth Acting Administrator General Services Administration 1800 F St. NW Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Jewell and Acting Administrator Roth:

Like you, we strongly believe the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that public lands are welcoming places—especially in our nation's capital. In light of the deeply insulting comments that Donald Trump continues to direct at the Latino Community and at women, we write to request that you take action to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the hotel he is currently constructing at the center of Washington, DC.

Trump's recent and repeated remarks disparaging women, Mexican-Americans, and other Latinos are hateful, divisive and completely inaccurate. We firmly believe this kind of repulsive speech has no place in our public discourse. As a result of these comments, the Trump name is now inextricably linked to the anti-immigrant, anti-Latino and anti-women sentiments that he continues to loudly and publically espouse.

As you know, Trump is currently constructing a hotel at the site of the Old Post Office building, located just steps from the National Mall and less than a mile from the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol and the White House. Once completed, the complex will sit on land leased from GSA while the historic building's clock tower will continue to be managed by the National Park Service.

We understand that the Department of the Interior rightly prohibits the display of racist or insensitive emblems on lands it controls. In accordance with this policy and in keeping with the Department's recent efforts to bar the Washington Redskins' logo on public lands, we urge you to use all available authorities under current law to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the new hotel.

# Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thank you for your attention to this request. The Trump name and logo have come to serve as a divisive reminder of Donald Trump's reprehensible words. To allow his name to be conspicuously displayed at the heart of our nation's capital would send a message of exclusion and intolerance to millions of Latinos in the District and across the country, including workers at the site itself.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Member of Congress

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# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

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The Honorable Ruben Gallego House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gallego:

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As you know, the property was leased to the developer by the General Services Administration (GSA) in 2013. The terms and provisions of the lease governing its redevelopment are administered by the GSA.

The Department of the Interior has some limited review of the project related to the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program, which is administered by the National Park Service (NPS), and to which the developer has applied. Pursuant to the program, the NPS has no review over temporary construction signage, and review of any permanent signage is limited to its design, size, number, location, and appearance solely as it relates to any impacts of the signage on the historic character and features of the property.

Thank you for your letter and sharing your concerns about the project. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian Goeken at 202-354-2033 or Brian\_Goeken@nps.gov. An identical letter has been sent to Representative Tony Cárdenas.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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U.S. SENATOR PAUL STRAUSS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

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# United States Senator

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

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July 9th, 2015

Ms. Sally Jewell Secretary Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

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Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 102 700 5102

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### AP 11/22/16 FOIA request

**Sullivan, Eileen** <ESullivan@ap.org>
To: "OS\_FOIA@ios.doi.gov" <OS\_FOIA@ios.doi.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:43 PM

Dear FOIA Officer:

I am requesting copies of all documents produced in the following FOIA requests. I would like to receive them electronically.

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I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief that I am a credentialed reporter employed by The Associated Press. Because this is a request by a member of the news media for records made in the public interest, I ask that you waive any search fees in accordance with § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).

If the fee for retrieving or reproducing these records will exceed \$50, please notify me before filling this request. I can be reached at **(202) 641-9595** or by electronic mail at **esullivan@ap.org**.

I also request expedited processing for this request under 32 CFR 299.5 (f)(2).

My request for expedited processing meets criteria for demonstrating a "compelling need" for the following reasons that I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

One, I am a credentialed member of the news media employed by The Associated Press who is primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Two, the records I am seeking are "urgently needed" to inform the public about an actual government activity in that the value of the information I am seeking will be lost if it is not released before the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump in January 2017. Federal FOIA law and regulations afford expedited processing to those who demonstrate "an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity." My request should also generally be read in light of the holdings in *Al-Fayed*.

This request qualifies for expedited processing because it goes beyond "the public's right to know about government activity generally" and instead seeks to provide urgent information of "actual government activity" to the American people about Trump.

The Associated Press, as the largest news wire service in the world with more than 1 billion readers, takes its duty to inform American citizens very seriously. The hard deadline of the inauguration elevates the importance of these records as does the type of government activity they involve. These records concern the important interaction between the president-elect and a key executive branch agency. The public has a need to know.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that these records be released on an expedited schedule. As you know, you must make a determination about my request for expedited processing within 10 calendars days of receipt of this request.

As you know, agencies must redact only what is necessary to protect exempt information and must explain the basis for any redactions. See Georgacarakos v. FBI, 908 F.Supp.2d 176, 186 (D.D.C. 2012). As well, please provide documents to me on a rolling basis, rather than waiting for my entire request to be processed before releasing documents.

As a reminder, the president has directed that the FOIA "be administered with a clear presumption: In the face of doubt, openness prevails." Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Dep'ts and Agencies, 74 Fed. Reg. 15, 4683 (Jan. 26, 2009), emphasis added. This instruction is unambiguous: "All agencies should adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in the FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open government. The presumption of disclosure should be applied to all decisions involving the FOIA." Id.

The Act, in § 552(a)(6), grants your office no more than twenty working days in which to respond to this request. See also Oglesby v. U.S. Dep't of Army, 920 F.2d 57, 65 (D.C. Cir. 1990) ("Congress adopted the time limit provision in the FOIA in order to 'contribute to the fuller and faster release of information, which is the basic objective of the Act.'" (quoting H.R. Rep. No. 93-876, March 5, 1974, reprinted (1974) U.S. Code Cong. & Ad. News 6267 at 6271)).

I certify that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your prompt reply. My contact information is below.

Sincerely,

Eileen Sullivan

Reporter

Associated Press

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

May 15, 2017

Via email: kbogardus@eenews.net

Kevin Bogardus Greenwire 122 C Street NW, Suite 722 Washington, DC 2000

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

On November 23, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for President-elect Donald Trump from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

On December 16, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website:

### https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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### **FOIA Request**

1 message

**Kevin Bogardus** <a href="kbogardus@eenews.net"> Wed, Nov 23, 2016 at 4:22 PM To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

Copied and pasted below is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from *Greenwire*. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request copies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for President-elect Donald Trump from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

I prefer to receive the response to this request in electronic form. If the response to this request exceeds more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the largest number of records or documents in electronic form.

I am filing this FOIA request as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for *Greenwire* – one of Environment & Energy Publishing's five daily online publications. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of this request, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

This request is made as part of news-gathering activity and is not for commercial use.

The information responsive to this FOIA request will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to this FOIA request, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through this and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about *Greenwire* and Environment & Energy Publishing, please refer to www.eenews.net.

FOIA requires that if part of a record is exempt from disclosure, you must redact and release all segregated parts. Please describe the deleted material in detail and specify the reasons for believing that the alleged statutory justification applies in this instance.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. In addition, please give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of the documents withheld. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination.

As required by FOIA, I look forward to hearing from your office within 20 days in response to this request.

If you have any questions about the nature or scope of this request, please call me at 202-446-0401 or email me at kbogardus@eenews.net.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

**Kevin Bogardus** 

Reporter

Greenwire

122 C Street NW, Suite 722

Washington, DC 20001

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

December 1, 2016

Via email: jason.lange@thomsonreuters.com

Jason Lange Thomson Reuters 1333 H St. NW Suite 500 Washington, DC 20005

Dear Mr. Lange:

7202.4-OS-2017-00109

On December 1, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Copies of the Freedom of Information Act Requests made to the Department of the Interior between Jan. 1, 2015 and Dec. 1, 2016 and which mention "Trump" or "Donald Trump," as well as responsive records provided. Please also provide metadata for the records sought, including the file layout, data dictionary, code descriptions and associated look-up tables.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on October 28, 2016, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00109**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. Please find attached one file consisting of 58 pages which is being released in its entirety.

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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## **BuzzFeed News--Department of Interior FOIA Request**

1 message

**Christopher Massie** <a href="massie">christopher.massie</a>@buzzfeed.com>To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Mon, Jul 13, 2015 at 12:48 PM

Dear FOIA Public Liaison:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I request that a copy of the following documents (or documents containing the following information) be provided to me (identify the documents or information as specifically as possible):

All Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words "Trump Organization" ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

In order to help to determine my status to assess fees, you should know that I am a representative of the news media/press and this request is made as part of news gathering and not for commercial use.

The maximum dollar amount I am willing to pay for this request is \$(insert maximum dollar amount). Please notify me if the fees will exceed \$25.00 or the maximum dollar amount I entered.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Christopher Massie

914-310-1077

19 W. 22 St.

New York, NY

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U.S. SENATOR PAUL STRAUSS DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

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Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 49 07 707 5107 District of Columbia (Shadow)

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## **FOIA Request**

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Tue, Jan 12, 2016 at 8:46 PM

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Department of Interior

MS-7328, MIB

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To Whom It May Concern,

The following request is being made in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). I am requesting copies of the following records:

Correspondence With Various Trump-Businesses And Their Representatives: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trump-businesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the present:

- The Trump Organization LLC (and its employees and representatives)
  - Ø Donald John Trump, Sr. (aka Donald Trump)
  - Ø Donald John Trump, Sr. (aka Don Trump)
  - Ø Ivanka Marie Trump
  - Ø Eric Frederic Trump
- Trump Enterprises LLC (and its employees and representatives)

- · Trump Entertainment Resorts, Inc. (and its employees and representatives)
- Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts, Inc. (and its employees and representatives)
- · Elizabeth Trump & Son Co. (and its employees and representatives)
- Trump Plaza Associates, LLC (and its employees and representatives)
- Trump Atlantic City Associates (and its employees and representatives)
- · Greenberg Traurig, LLP (and its employees and representatives)
  - Ø Ronald L. Platt (may have email domain name that ends with "@gtlaw.com")
  - Ø Diane J. Blagman (may have email domain name that ends with "@gtlaw.com")
- · Dyer Ellis & Joseph, P.C. (and its employees and representatives)
  - Ø Thomas M. Dyer (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
  - Ø Jennifer M. Southwick (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
  - Ø James S. Drewry (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
  - Ø Jeanne M. Grasso (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
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  - Ø Jonathan K. Waldron (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
  - Ø John Grawkowski (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
  - Ø Lara Bernstein Matthews (may have email domain name that ends with "@dejlaw.com")
- · IKON Public Affairs (and its employees and representatives)
  - Ø Roger J. Stone
- · Renberg Strategies LLC (and its employees and representatives)
  - Ø Dan H. Renberg

Please Note: The term "correspondence" includes mail, email, facsimile, and memorandum.

I realize that certain costs may be applicable to this request. Please contact me when you can provide a payment amount for my requests. In the meantime, I authorize an initial expense cap of \$500 to be accrued. To help assess my status for copying and mailing fees, please note that I am gathering information for research purposes and not for commercial activities.

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Thank you for your time and attention to this matter.

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### **Freedom of Information Act Request**

1 message

**ResearchInfo** <ResearchInfo@dnc.org>
To: "os\_foia@ios.doi.gov" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>

Mon, Jan 25, 2016 at 12:17 PM

Dear Freedom of Information / Open Records Officer:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and all other applicable state and federal statutes, I request from your department / agency (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction), all publicly available documents including, but not limited to:

- Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) held by your department (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction) in which any of the following individuals or entities are named as a recipient, sender or otherwise referenced in the body, title or subject line of the document:
  - 1) Donald J. Trump
  - 2) Trump Organization
  - 3) Executives and officers of the Trump Organization, including but not limited to:
    - Donald Trump Jr.
    - Allen Weisselberg
    - Jim Petrus
    - Cathy Glosser
    - Ivanka Trump
    - Eric Trump
    - George Ross
    - Carolyn Kepcher
    - Eric Danziger
    - Matthew Calamari
    - Michael Cohen

- Andy Weiss
- David Orowitz
- Lawrence Glick
- Alan Garten
- George Sorial
- 4) Any of the following entities:
  - Trump Hotels & Casino Resorts (and any of its subsidiaries)
  - The Trump Corporation
  - Trump Plaza LLC
  - Trump Management Corporation
  - Trump Management Inc.
  - Trump Enterprises
  - Elizabeth Trump & Son
  - Trump 29
  - Riviera Holdings Corp.
  - Ace Entertainment Holdings Inc.
  - Trump Taj Mahal
  - Trump Casinos Inc.
  - Trump Castle
  - Trump Regency (a/k/a Trump World's Fair; Atlantic Hotel and Casino)
  - Trump Plaza of the Palm Beaches
  - Trump Wilshire Associates
  - Trump Village
  - Trump Shuttle
  - Trump Ocean Casino Club
  - HWA 555 Owners, LLC
  - Fifty Seventh Street Associates LLC
  - Trump World Tower
  - Trump Tower

- Trump Tower Commercial LLC
- Trump Tower Managing Member Inc.
- Trump Place
- 40 Wall Street LLC
- 1290 Avenue of the Americas, A Tenancy-in-Common
- Trump Marks Panama LLC
- Trump National Doral
- 401 North Wabash Venture LLC
- Trump Ruffin Tower I LLC
- Trump Turnberry
- Trump National Golf Club- Bedminster
- Mar A Lago Club, L.L.C.
- Trump National Golf Club Washington DC
- Trump International Golf Club LC (Trump International Golf Club Florida)
- Trump National Golf Club- Jupiter
- Trump Park Avenue LLC
- TIGL Ireland Enterprises Limited (Trump International Golf Links Doonbeg)
- Trump National Golf Club Charlotte
- Trump National Golf Club Westchester
- Wollman Rink Operations LLC
- VH Property Corp (Trump National Golf Club Los Angeles)
- Trump National Golf Club Colts Neck
- DJT Operations I LLC
- TIHT Commercial LLC
- 845 UN Limited Partnership
- Starret City Associates, L.P.
- Trump Marks Istanbul II LLC
- Trump Marks Menswear LLC
- Trump Marks Mattress LLC

- Trump National Golf Club Philadelphia
- Trump International Golf Links Scotland
- Trump National Golf Club Hudson Valley
- Trump Productions LLC (f/k/a Rancho Lien LLC)
- THC Miami Restaurant Hospitality LLC
- Miss Universe L.P.
- Trump Restaurants LLC
- Trump International Hotel and Tower
- Trump International Hotels Management LLC
- Trump CPS LLC
- THC Baku Hotel Manager Services LLC
- Trump Model Management LLC
- T International Realty LLC (d/b/a Trump International Realty)
- White Course LLC
- Trump Ferry Point LLC
- Trump Chicago Hotel Manager LLC
- Trump International Hotel Hawaii LLC
- 4 Shadow Tree Lane LLC
- Trump Chicago Commercial Manager LLC
- Excel Venture I LLC
- Trump Vineyard Estates LLC
- Trump Winery
- Albermarle Estate
- DJT Aerospace LLC
- TIHT Holding Company LLC
- Spring Creek Plaza LLC
- Trump Palace/Parc LLC
- DT Home Marks International LLC
- Trump Home Marks LLC

- Trump Marks Waikiki LLC
- Trump Marks New Rochelle LLC
- The Trump Equitable Fifth Avenue Company
- DT Marks Pune LLC
- Trump Marks LLC
- DT Marks Worli LLC
- Trump Marks Sunny Isles I LLC
- Trump Marks Puerto Rico I LLC
- Trump Marks Philippines LLC
- Trump Marks Stamford LLC
- Trump Panama Hotel Management LLC
- Trump Carousel LLC
- Trump Toronto Hotel Management Corp
- Trump Chicago Residential Manager LLC
- Trump Ice LLC
- Ritz Carlton Hotel at 112 Central Park South
- DJT Holdings LLC
- Trump Vineyard Estates Lot 3 Owner LLC (f/k/a Eric Trump Land Holdings LLC)
- DT Marks Products International LLC
- Trump Drinks Israel LLC
- TNGC Jupiter Management LLC
- THC Rio Manager LLC
- Trump Old Post Office LLC
- Trump Virginia Lot 5 LLC
- Trump Books LLC The Midas Touch
- Travel Enterprises Management Inc.
- TW Venture I LLC
- THC Vancouver Management Corp
- Trump Marks Fine Foods LLC

- 208 Productions LLC
- The Trump Entrepreneur Initiative LLC
- Trump Tower Triplex
- Seven Springs LLC
- Trump Virginia Acquisitions LLC (f/k/a Virginia Acquisitions LLC)
- DJT Operations CX LLC
- 809 North Canon LLC
- Caribusiness Investments, S.R.L.
- Trump Canouan Estate LLC
- DT Connect II LLC
- The East 61 Street Company, LP
- D B Pace Acquisition, LLC
- Trump Marks Asia LLC
- Trump Scotsborough Square LLC
- THC Sales & Marketing LLC
- THC Central Reservations LLC
- THC China Development LLC (f/k/a Trump China Development LLC)
- Lamington Family Holdings LLC
- Hudson Waterfront Associates II, L.P.
- Pine Hill Development LLC
- Trump Pageants, Inc.
- Country Properties, LLC
- Trump 106 CPS LLC
- DT Dubai Golf Manager LLC
- Trump Marks Canouan LLC
- Trump Marks Sunny Isles II LLC
- Trump Marks White Plains LLC
- Trump Marks Westchester LLC
- Trump Classic Cars LLC

- Trump Marks Real Estate LLC
- Trump AC Casino Marks LLC
- Trump AC Casino Marks Member Corp
- West Palm Operations LLC
- Trump Sales & Leasing Chicago LLC
- Unit 2502 Enterprises LLC
- 401 Mezz Venture LLC
- TW Venture II LLC
- Trump Las Vegas Member LLC
- Trump Las Vegas Development LLC
- Fifty Seven Management Corp
- Trump Delmonico LLC
- Trump Lauderdale Development 2 LLC
- DJT Holdings Managing Member LLC
- Chicago Unit Acquisition, LLC
- Trump Golf Acquisitions LLC
- Golf Productions LLC
- Trump 845 LP LLC
- Trump 845 UN GP LLC
- Trump 845 UN MGR Corp
- LFB Acquisition LLC
- 809 North Canon Member Corporation
- Trump Toronto Development Inc.
- Parc Consulting, Inc.
- Trump Miami Resort Management LLC
- Trump Marks SOHO LLC
- Flights, Inc. (f/k/a Trump Flights. Inc.)
- Country Apartments, LLC
- Trump Realty Services, LLC (f/k/a Trump Mortgage Services LLC (03) & Tower Mortgage Services LLC)

- Trump SoHo
- Hotel St. Moritz
- Alexander's, Inc.
- 5) Any representatives or organizations acting on behalf of any of the aforementioned individuals or entities, including but not limited to lobbyists, legal counsel and advisors, such as:
  - a. Dyer, Ellis & Joseph
    - i. James S. Drewry
    - ii. Thomas M. Dyer
    - iii. Jeanne M. Grasso
    - iv. John Graykowski
    - v. Duncan C. Smith, III
    - vi. Jennifer M. Southwick
    - vii. Jonathan K. Waldron
  - b. Greenberg Traurig, LLP
    - i. Diane J. Blagman
    - ii. Howard Cohen
    - iii. Ronald L. Platt
  - c. IKON Public Affairs
    - i. Roger J. Stone, Jr.
  - d. Renberg Strategies
- 6) Any contact with your agency from the following e-mail domains:
  - a. @trumporg.com
  - b. @donaldtrump.com
- Any and all freedom of information requests filed with your department / agency (and all divisions and agencies under your jurisdiction) mentioning Donald Trump, The Trump Organization, or any of the aforementioned individuals or businesses.

If this request would generate a substantial number of documents, I would prefer to have an index of the documents. Of course, this request for an index does not preclude us from later requesting any or all of the documents included in the index. Additionally, I request that the information I seek be provided, if possible, in an electronic format via a personal computer disk or CD-ROM.

I understand that there might be costs associated with this request. I would request a waiver of fees and ask for you to contact either of us by telephone before making copies if this request will be in excess of \$50.

I would appreciate your communicating with us by email at ResearchInfo@dnc.org or by telephone at (202) 863-8049, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request. If all or any part of this request is denied, please cite the specific exemption which you believe justifies your refusal to release the information and inform us of your agency's administrative appeal procedures available to me under the law. I look forward to your reply within 20 business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays), as the statute requires.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Please send all copies to:
Lauren Dillon
430 S Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003
Sincerely,
Lauren Dillon

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# Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—0307

DISTRICT OFFICE:
411 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
SUITE 150
PHOENIX, AZ 85004
(602) 256–0551

August 13, 2015

The Honorable Sally Jewell Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St. NW Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Denise Roth Acting Administrator General Services Administration 1800 F St. NW Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Jewell and Acting Administrator Roth:

Like you, we strongly believe the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that public lands are welcoming places—especially in our nation's capital. In light of the deeply insulting comments that Donald Trump continues to direct at the Latino Community and at women, we write to request that you take action to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the hotel he is currently constructing at the center of Washington, DC.

Trump's recent and repeated remarks disparaging women, Mexican-Americans, and other Latinos are hateful, divisive and completely inaccurate. We firmly believe this kind of repulsive speech has no place in our public discourse. As a result of these comments, the Trump name is now inextricably linked to the anti-immigrant, anti-Latino and anti-women sentiments that he continues to loudly and publically espouse.

As you know, Trump is currently constructing a hotel at the site of the Old Post Office building, located just steps from the National Mall and less than a mile from the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol and the White House. Once completed, the complex will sit on land leased from GSA while the historic building's clock tower will continue to be managed by the National Park Service.

We understand that the Department of the Interior rightly prohibits the display of racist or insensitive emblems on lands it controls. In accordance with this policy and in keeping with the Department's recent efforts to bar the Washington Redskins' logo on public lands, we urge you to use all available authorities under current law to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the new hotel.

### Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thank you for your attention to this request. The Trump name and logo have come to serve as a divisive reminder of Donald Trump's reprehensible words. To allow his name to be conspicuously displayed at the heart of our nation's capital would send a message of exclusion and intolerance to millions of Latinos in the District and across the country, including workers at the site itself.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Member of Congress

Member of Congress



### United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

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H32(2255)

The Honorable Ruben Gallego House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gallego:

Thank you for your letter of August 13, 2015, to Secretary Sally Jewell and General Services Administration Administrator Denise Roth concerning the redevelopment of the Old Post Office building as a hotel by developer Trump Old Post Office, LLC, and, specifically, the developer's construction signage. Secretary Jewell has asked me to respond on her behalf.

As you know, the property was leased to the developer by the General Services Administration (GSA) in 2013. The terms and provisions of the lease governing its redevelopment are administered by the GSA.

The Department of the Interior has some limited review of the project related to the Federal Historic Preservation Tax Incentives Program, which is administered by the National Park Service (NPS), and to which the developer has applied. Pursuant to the program, the NPS has no review over temporary construction signage, and review of any permanent signage is limited to its design, size, number, location, and appearance solely as it relates to any impacts of the signage on the historic character and features of the property.

Thank you for your letter and sharing your concerns about the project. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian Goeken at 202-354-2033 or Brian\_Goeken@nps.gov. An identical letter has been sent to Representative Tony Cárdenas.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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# United States Senator

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW SUITE G-09 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004 (202) 727-7890 (202) 727-0278

July 9th, 2015

Ms. Sally Jewell Secretary Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Jewell:

I understand it is the policy of the Department of the Interior to not permit the use or display of racist or insensitive logos on Federal land. In accordance with this policy and in recognition of your efforts to prevent the Redskins logo from being used or displayed at RFK Stadium, I ask for an immediate removal of the Trump logo from the scaffolding located just outside the Old Post Office building.

After Mr. Trump's hateful and insensitive remarks about the Latino communities that are integral to the District's success and diversity, the Trump logo perpetuates support for a man who proves he is undeserving. The logo is a painful reminder to all citizens of the District of Mr. Trump's comments and should not be on Federal land.

While the nation continues to struggle with the elimination of long-standing symbols of injustice, including the Confederate Flag, we, as the District of Columbia, must utilize our power to free ourselves of anything that doesn't belong here – including Mr. Trump's ignorance and ultimately, his business.

Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 102 700 5102

District of Columbia (Shadow)

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Wednesday, March 02, 2016

Departmental FOIA Officer Cindy Cafaro MS-7328, MIB 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240 Phone: (202) 208-5342

Fax: (202) 219-2100

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The following request is being made in accordance with the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. § 552). I am requesting copies of the following records:

Part A -- FOIA Requests That Mention "Trump". I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted [under the Freedom of Information Act] to your agency between June 1, 2015, and March 2, 2016, that contained the phrase "Trump" in it.

Part B -- Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention "Trump". In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available.

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FOIA Number	Request Status	Request Date	Disposition	Requester Last Name	Requester First Name	Requester Organization	Subject
BIA- 2016- 00603	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren		Bureau Wide - communications and documents to and from Donald J. trump, the Trump Organization and Executives and officers of the Trump Organization listed but not limited to): (see request for list of affiliated individuals
BLM- 2016- 00397	Open	March 02, 2016		Cotter	John	American Bridge 21st Century	named. From 6/1/15 to date search begins: FOIA requests with the name Trump. I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted under the
BOEM- 2016- 00061	Open	March 02, 2016		Cotter	John	American Bridge	FOIA between 6/1/15 and 3/2/16 that contained the phrase ¿Trump¿ in it. Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention ¿Trump¿. In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the
BOR- 2016- 00133	Closed	March 02, 2016	Other	Abraham	Payton	American Bridge	requests identified in Part A as available. Requesting all record requests submitted [under the Freedom of Information Act] between June 1, 2015, and March 2, 2016, that contained the phrase Trump in it. In addition requesting copies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available. Any & all records incoming or outgoing communication such as

3/4/2016				Print	Search Report		
BOR- 2016- 00093	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillion	Lauren	Democratic National Committee (DNC)	letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints; investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars held by your department and all division and agencies from various Trump business, organizations,, entities, and their representatives.
BSEE- 2016- 00073	Open	March 02, 2016		Payton	Abraham	American Bridge	FOIA Requests That Mention Trump. Responsive Records Provided For All FOIAs That Mention Trump. In addition,
BSEE- 2016- 00061	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	DNC	Records regarding Trump, Trump Organization and Trump Entities.
FWS- 2016- 00395	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	Democratic National Committee	Correspondence related to Donald Trump.
NPS- 2016- 00382	Completed	March 02, 2016	Total Grant	PAYTON	ABRAHAM	AMERICAN BRIDGE	ADIR: COPIES OF ALL FOIA REQUESTS RECEIVED SINCE JUNE 2015 THAT CONTAINED THE WORD TRUMP AND COPIES OF ALL DOCUMENTS RELEASED IN RESPONSE TO THOSE REQUESTS. NPSWIDE: ANY AND ALL RECORDS RECEIVED FROM, SENT TO, OR
NPS- 2016- 00286	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	DILLON	LAUREN	DEMOCRATIC NATIONAL COMMITTEE	MENTIONING DONALD J. TRUMP AND MORE THAN 40 VARIOUS TRUMP

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COMPANIES
AND/OR
REPRESENTATIVES.
Any and all records
held by your
department in which
any of the following
individuals or entities
are named as a
recipient, sender or
otherwise referenced in
the body, title or
subject line of the
document: 1) Donald J.
Trump 2) Trump
Organization 3)
Executives and officers
of the Trump
Organization, including
but not limited to:
Donald Trump Jr. ·
Allen Weisselberg ·
Jim Petrus · Cathy
Glosser · Ivanka Trump
· Eric Trump
A) [C]opies of all
record requests
submitted [under the
Freedom of Information
Act] to your agency
between June 1, 2015
and March 2, 2016 that
contained the phrase
"Trump" in it. B)
[C]opies of all
responsive records
provided for the
requests identified in
Part A as available.
Any and all records
(including but not
limited to: incoming or
outgoing
communications such
as letters, written
*
requests, memos,
telephone records, and
electronic
correspondence;
reports; complaints,
investigations, or
violations; applications

OS- 2016- 00200	Open	March 02, 2016	Payton	Abraham	American Bridge 21st Century
OS- 2016- 00152	Open	January 25, 2016	Dillon	Lauren	DNC

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OS- 2016- 00140	Completed	January 12, Other 2016	Payton	Abraham	American Bridge 21st Century	or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) regarding Donald Trump and business associates. Constituent-Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present. Correspondence With Various Trump-Businesses and their Representatives: I am requesting copies of all
OS- 2016- 00139	Open	January 12, 2016	Payton	Abraham	American Bridge 21st Century	incoming and outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trumpbusinesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the present:  I am requesting copies of all record requests submitted to your agency between 6/1/2015 and 3/2/2016 that contained the phrase "Trump" in it. In addition, I am also requesting copies of all responsive records
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2016- Open 00046	25, 2016	Dillon	Lauren	DNC	subject of the document: Donald J. trump, Trump
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USGS- 2016- 00052	Closed	January 25, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	Democratic National Committee	(Director) Communications with Donald Trump or any of the Trump business entities. All Department of
OS- 2015- 00402	Completed	July 13, 2015	Total Grant	Massie	Christopher	BuzzFeed	Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words Trump Organization ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

#### **FOIA Request Form from IBM address**

1 message

FOIA Request Form <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com>

Tue, Jun 7, 2016 at 9:01

Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 - 9:01am

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Michael Doyle

Street Address: 2534 N. Upland St.

City: Arlington

State or Country: Virginia

Zip or Postal Code: 22207

Address Type: Home

Daytime Phone Number: 202-383-0006

Fax Number: 202-38-30006

E-mail Address: mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com

Confirm E-mail Address: mdoyle@mcclatchydc.com

Your Organization: McClatchy

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description: Correspondence, memos, e-mails, grant applications and other documents to, from or involving the Trump Organization or other Trump-named entities between Jan. 1, 2010 and June 1,

2016.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing: There is an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal government activity and the request is made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Justification for Expedited Processing: I am a reporter, covering a time sensitive presidential election campaign that concludes in November.

Expedited Processing Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$25.

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization: McClatchy

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria: Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: I am a reporter, covering topics of public significance.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/12127



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Jul 20, 2016 at 1:24 PM

#### **FOIA Request Form from IBM address**

1 message

**FOIA Request Form** <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com> Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com

To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, July 20, 2016 - 1:24pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Lauren Dillon

Street Address: 430 S. Capitol Street, SE

City: Washington

State or Country: DC

Zip or Postal Code: 20003

Address Type: Business

Daytime Phone Number: 2027983889

Fax Number: 2027983889

E-mail Address: Researchinfo@dnc.org

Confirm E-mail Address: Researchinfo@dnc.org

Your Organization:

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification:

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description:

Dear Freedom of Information Act Officer:

Pursuant to the Federal Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and all other applicable state and federal statutes, I request from your department all publicly available documents including, but not limited to:

· Internal and external correspondence and internal documents regarding Donald Trump's lawsuit against Interior

Secretary Bruce Babbitt and the National Indian Gaming Commission.

If this request would generate a substantial number of documents, I would prefer to have an index of the documents. Of course, this request for an index does not preclude us from later requesting any or all of the documents included in the index. Additionally, I request that the information I seek be provided, if possible, in an electronic format via a personal computer disk or CD-ROM.

I understand that there might be costs associated with this request. I would request a waiver of fees and ask for you to contact either of us by telephone before making copies if this request will be in excess of \$50.

I would appreciate your communicating with us by email at ResearchInfo@dnc.org or by telephone at (202) 798-3889, rather than by mail, if you have questions regarding this request. If all or any part of this request is denied, please cite y's

the specific exemption which you believe justifies your refusal to release the information and inform us of your agency administrative appeal procedures available to me under the law. I look forward to your reply within 20 business days (excluding Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays), as the statute requires.
Thank you for your assistance in this matter.
Please send all copies to:
Lauren Dillon
430 S Capitol Street SE
Washington, DC 20003
Sincerely,
Lauren Dillon
Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email
Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:
Justification for Expedited Processing:
Expedited Processing Certification:
Please select the appropriate statement: I agree to pay fees up to a particular amount (see my response below).
I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$50.00

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: affiliated with a private corporation and am seeking information for use in the company's business

Affiliated Organization:

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.:

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/117228



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

#### Fwd: Form submission from: Contact Us

1 message

Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov>
To: OS FOIA OS <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 1:35 PM

please log in.

Clarice Julka
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary, FOIA Office
1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328
Washington, D.C. 20240
Clarice\_Julka@ios.doi.gov
(202) 513-0765 - phone
(202) 208-6045 - direct line
(202) 219-2374 - fax

------ Forwarded message ------

From: **OS**, **DOIFOIA** <doifoia@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 1:31 PM

Subject: Re: Form submission from: Contact Us To: "Julka, Clarice" <clarice julka@ios.doi.gov>

Yes, please.

On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:37 PM, Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov> wrote: should we log this in?

Clarice Julka
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On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:25 PM, OS, DOIFOIA <doifoia@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Sorry for the delay.

This address gets messages extremely rarely.

On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 12:02 PM, Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov> wrote: no, we did not receive this.

Clarice

Clarice Julka
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On Thu, Jul 28, 2016 at 11:55 AM, OS, DOIFOIA <doifoia@ios.doi.gov> wrote:

Clarice, I (Cindy) was just checking this box and found this.

Have you already received it from him? Please respond to my usual email address.

Thanks.

----- Forwarded message -----

From: U.S. Department of the Interior <webmaster@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Wed, Jun 22, 2016 at 4:46 PM

Subject: Form submission from: Contact Us

To: DOIFOIA@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, June 22, 2016 - 4:46pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Name: Jason Cherkis

E-mail Address: jason.cherkis@huffingtonpost.com

Send To: OS FOIA Office and Office of Natural Resource Revenue (ONRR) FOIA

Subject: FOIA Request

Your Message:

Pursuant to FOIA, I am writing to request the following:

1) Any email or written correspondence between the U.S. Department of Interior and any companies owned by Donald Trump concerning any land use (i.e. golf course construction, hotel and property concerns) from 2006 to the present.

This information is being sought on behalf of the Huffington Post for dissemination to the general public. By making this request, I am gathering information concerning Donald Trump.

Please waive any applicable fees. Release of the information is in the public interest because it will contribute significantly to a public understanding of Mr. Trump and his businesses.

If my request is denied in whole or part, I ask that you justify all deletions by reference to specific exemptions of the Act. I, of course, reserve the right to appeal your decision to withhold any

i	DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Mail - Fwd: Form submission from: Contact Us
	information or to deny a waiver of fees.
	I would appreciate the materials be sent via email (PDF) as to save
	time and copy costs.
	My email address is jason.cherkis@huffingtonpost.com or jacherkis@gmail.com. My mailing address is Jason
	Cherkis, Huffington Post, 1750 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Suite 600, Washington, D.C. 20006. I can be reached at 202-285-5869.
	Sincerely,
	Jason Cherkis
	The results of this submission may be viewed at:
	https://www.doi.gov/node/20523/submission/12497

## AMERICA REBENGA

1555 Wilson Blvd., Ste. 307, Arlington, VA 22209

July 29, 2016

VIA FAX: (202) 219-2374

Ms. Clarice Julka FOIA Officer U.S. Department of the Interior MS-7328, MIB 1849 C Street, NW Washington, D.C. 20240

Dear Ms. Julka:

This is a request pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act for access to all emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016, that mention Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any "mass" emails received directly from a listsery (for example, news clippings).

For fee purposes, America Rising should be considered an "all other" requester pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(III). America Rising is not making this request on behalf of any client, nor does it intend to use the records for financial gain. Rather, America Rising intends to inform the public about the existence and content of any disclosed records. See, e.g., ARCHIVE, www.americarisingarchive.com (America Rising's document repository).

America Rising agrees to pay up to \$25.00 in applicable fees. If fees will exceed \$25.00, please contact me before processing the request further. To reduce the burden of production, America Rising is willing to accept documents in electronic format and/or doubled-sided copies.

Thank you in advance for your time and assistance.

Sincerely,

/s/ Allan Blutstein Vice President, FOIA Operations

Tel.: (703) 672-3776

Email: ablutstein@americarisingllc.com

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Date: 07/29/2016

Pages including cover sheet: 2

То:	+12022192374
Phone	
Fax Number	+12022192374

From:	America Rising  America Rising  1555 Wilson Blvd  Arlington				
			VA	22209	
			Phone	17036723776	
			Fax Number	(703) 348-4642	

### NOTE:

FOIA request/Interior



## **FOIA Request**

2 messages

Kevin Bogardus <a href="mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net">kbogardus@eenews.net</a>

Thu, Sep 29, 2016 at 9:34 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

Copied and pasted below is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from *Greenwire*. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request copies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for Donald Trump, the 2016 Republican presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

I prefer to receive the response to this request in electronic form. If the response to this request exceeds more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the largest number of records or documents in electronic form.

I am filing this FOIA request as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for *Greenwire* – one of Environment & Energy Publishing's five daily online publications. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of this request, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

This request is made as part of news-gathering activity and is not for commercial use.

The information responsive to this FOIA request will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to this FOIA request, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through this and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about *Greenwire* and Environment & Energy Publishing, please refer to www.eenews.net.

FOIA requires that if part of a record is exempt from disclosure, you must redact and release all segregated parts. Please describe the deleted material in detail and specify the reasons for believing that the alleged statutory justification applies in this instance.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. In addition, please give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of the documents withheld. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination.

As required by FOIA, I look forward to hearing from your office within 20 days in response to this request.

If you have any questions about the nature or scope of this request, please call me at 202-446-0401 or email me at kbogardus@eenews.net.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

Kevin Bogardus
Reporter
Greenwire
122 C Street NW, Suite 722
Washington, DC 20001
Office: 202-446-0401

Cell: 202-247-7844 Fax: 202-737-5299 kbogardus@eenews.net

#### Kevin Bogardus <a href="mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net">kbogardus@eenews.net</a>

Thu, Sep 29, 2016 at 9:43 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

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To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request copies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for Hillary Clinton, the 2016 Democratic presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

I prefer to receive the response to this request in electronic form. If the response to this request exceeds more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the largest number of records or documents in electronic form.

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The information responsive to this FOIA request will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to this FOIA request, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through this and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about *Greenwire* and Environment & Energy Publishing, please refer to www.eenews.net.

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#### **FOIA**

1 message

**Russ Kick** <russkick@gmail.com>
To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Sun, Nov 13, 2016 at 5:25 PM

Russ Kick PO Box 36914 Tucson AZ 85740-6914

Dear FOIA Officer:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I hereby request all "briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition" prepared by the Department of Interior for the Trump administration's Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees.

The Executive Order "Facilitation of a Presidential Transition" (May 6, 2016) established the Agency Transition Directors Council (ATDC). The Presidential Transition website says:

"In line with guidance from the ATDC, agencies prepare briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition for Agency Review Teams (also known as Agency Landing Teams), who will review briefing materials and meet with internal agency transition teams to better understand each agency and its current state of affairs. Briefing materials are prepared for two audiences: Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees following the Inauguration." https://presidentialtransition.usa.gov/2016transitionactivities/

According to this same website, these materials should have been finalized by your agency no later than November 1, 2016.

Further, I request that these files be sent to me in any digital formats in which they exist (PDF, Word, PowerPoint, etc.). Under the terms of the E-FOIA Amendments of 1996, Section 5, if a document exists in electronic format, it must be released in that format upon request.

This information will be made freely available online, and will not be used in a commercial manner. I agree to pay up to \$10 for this request. If it will be more than this, please notify me.

Thank you for your help.

--Russ



# AP 11/22/16 FOIA request

**Sullivan, Eileen** <ESullivan@ap.org>
To: "OS\_FOIA@ios.doi.gov" <OS\_FOIA@ios.doi.gov>

Tue, Nov 22, 2016 at 1:43 PM

Dear FOIA Officer:

I am requesting copies of all documents produced in the following FOIA requests. I would like to receive them electronically.

#### OS-2016-00140

January 12, 2016

Constituent-Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present.

#### OS-2016-00139

January 12, 2016

Completed Correspondence With Various Trump-Businesses and their Representatives: I am requesting copies of all incoming and outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trump-businesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the present

#### OS-2016-00152

January 25, 2016

Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) regarding Donald Trump and business associates.

#### OS-2016-00325

June 07, 2016

Correspondence, memos, e-mails, grant applications and other documents to, from or involving the Trump Organization or other Trump-named entities between Jan. 1, 2010 and June 1, 2016.

#### OS-2016-00390

June 22, 2016

Any email or written correspondence between the U.S. Department of Interior and any companies owned by Donald Trump concerning any land use (i.e. golf course construction, hotel and property concerns) from 2006 to the present.

#### OS-2016-00392

July 29, 2016

All emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016, that mention Donald Trump or Hillary Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any 'mass' emails received directly from a listsery (for example, news clippings)

#### OS-2015-00402

All Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words Trump Organization ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief that I am a credentialed reporter employed by The Associated Press. Because this is a request by a member of the news media for records made in the public interest, I ask that you waive any search fees in accordance with § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).

If the fee for retrieving or reproducing these records will exceed \$50, please notify me before filling this request. I can be reached at **(202) 641-9595** or by electronic mail at **esullivan@ap.org**.

I also request expedited processing for this request under 32 CFR 299.5 (f)(2).

My request for expedited processing meets criteria for demonstrating a "compelling need" for the following reasons that I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

One, I am a credentialed member of the news media employed by The Associated Press who is primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Two, the records I am seeking are "urgently needed" to inform the public about an actual government activity in that the value of the information I am seeking will be lost if it is not released before the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump in January 2017. Federal FOIA law and regulations afford expedited processing to those who demonstrate "an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity." My request should also generally be read in light of the holdings in *Al-Fayed*.

This request qualifies for expedited processing because it goes beyond "the public's right to know about government activity generally" and instead seeks to provide urgent information of "actual government activity" to the American people about Trump.

The Associated Press, as the largest news wire service in the world with more than 1 billion readers, takes its duty to inform American citizens very seriously. The hard deadline of the inauguration elevates the importance of these records as does the type of government activity they involve. These records concern the important interaction between the president-elect and a key executive branch agency. The public has a need to know.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that these records be released on an expedited schedule. As you know, you must make a determination about my request for expedited processing within 10 calendars days of receipt of this request.

As you know, agencies must redact only what is necessary to protect exempt information and must explain the basis for any redactions. See Georgacarakos v. FBI, 908 F.Supp.2d 176, 186 (D.D.C. 2012). As well, please provide documents to me on a rolling basis, rather than waiting for my entire request to be processed before releasing documents.

As a reminder, the president has directed that the FOIA "be administered with a clear presumption: In the face of doubt, openness prevails." Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Dep'ts and Agencies, 74 Fed. Reg. 15, 4683 (Jan. 26, 2009), emphasis added. This instruction is unambiguous: "All agencies should adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in the FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open government. The presumption of disclosure should be applied to all decisions involving the FOIA." Id.

The Act, in § 552(a)(6), grants your office no more than twenty working days in which to respond to this request. See also Oglesby v. U.S. Dep't of Army, 920 F.2d 57, 65 (D.C. Cir. 1990) ("Congress adopted the time limit provision in the FOIA in order to 'contribute to the fuller and faster release of information, which is the basic objective of the Act.'" (quoting H.R. Rep. No. 93-876, March 5, 1974, reprinted (1974) U.S. Code Cong. & Ad. News 6267 at 6271)).

I certify that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your prompt reply. My contact information is below.

Sincerely,

Eileen Sullivan

Reporter

Associated Press

1100 13th St. NW

5th Floor

Washington, DC 20005

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# Congress of the United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515—0307

DISTRICT OFFICE:
411 NORTH CENTRAL AVENUE
SUITE 150
PHOENIX, AZ 85004
(602) 256-0551

August 13, 2015

The Honorable Sally Jewell Secretary U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C St. NW Washington, DC 20240

The Honorable Denise Roth Acting Administrator General Services Administration 1800 F St. NW Washington, DC 20405

Dear Secretary Jewell and Acting Administrator Roth:

Like you, we strongly believe the federal government has a responsibility to ensure that public lands are welcoming places—especially in our nation's capital. In light of the deeply insulting comments that Donald Trump continues to direct at the Latino Community and at women, we write to request that you take action to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the hotel he is currently constructing at the center of Washington, DC.

Trump's recent and repeated remarks disparaging women, Mexican-Americans, and other Latinos are hateful, divisive and completely inaccurate. We firmly believe this kind of repulsive speech has no place in our public discourse. As a result of these comments, the Trump name is now inextricably linked to the anti-immigrant, anti-Latino and anti-women sentiments that he continues to loudly and publically espouse.

As you know, Trump is currently constructing a hotel at the site of the Old Post Office building, located just steps from the National Mall and less than a mile from the Washington Monument, the United States Capitol and the White House. Once completed, the complex will sit on land leased from GSA while the historic building's clock tower will continue to be managed by the National Park Service.

We understand that the Department of the Interior rightly prohibits the display of racist or insensitive emblems on lands it controls. In accordance with this policy and in keeping with the Department's recent efforts to bar the Washington Redskins' logo on public lands, we urge you to use all available authorities under current law to prevent the Trump name from being prominently displayed at the new hotel.

# Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

Thank you for your attention to this request. The Trump name and logo have come to serve as a divisive reminder of Donald Trump's reprehensible words. To allow his name to be conspicuously displayed at the heart of our nation's capital would send a message of exclusion and intolerance to millions of Latinos in the District and across the country, including workers at the site itself.

Sincerely,

Ruben Gallego

Member of Congress

Member of Congress



# United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE 1849 C Street, N.W. Washington, DC 20240

NOV 0 9 2015

H32(2255)

The Honorable Ruben Gallego House of Representatives Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Mr. Gallego:

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As you know, the property was leased to the developer by the General Services Administration (GSA) in 2013. The terms and provisions of the lease governing its redevelopment are administered by the GSA.

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Thank you for your letter and sharing your concerns about the project. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Brian Goeken at 202-354-2033 or Brian\_Goeken@nps.gov. An identical letter has been sent to Representative Tony Cárdenas.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Toothman, Ph.D.

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Associate Director, Cultural Resources, Partnerships

and Science



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U.S. SENATOR PAUL STRAUSS
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA (SHADOW)

#### OFFICE OF THE

# United States Senator

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

JOHN A. WILSON BUILDING 1350 PENNSYLVANIA AVE, NW SUITE G-09 WASHINGTON, D.C. 20004 (202) 727-7890 (202) 727-0278

July 9th, 2015

Ms. Sally Jewell Secretary Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

Dear Ms. Jewell:

I understand it is the policy of the Department of the Interior to not permit the use or display of racist or insensitive logos on Federal land. In accordance with this policy and in recognition of your efforts to prevent the Redskins logo from being used or displayed at RFK Stadium, I ask for an immediate removal of the Trump logo from the scaffolding located just outside the Old Post Office building.

After Mr. Trump's hateful and insensitive remarks about the Latino communities that are integral to the District's success and diversity, the Trump logo perpetuates support for a man who proves he is undeserving. The logo is a painful reminder to all citizens of the District of Mr. Trump's comments and should not be on Federal land.

While the nation continues to struggle with the elimination of long-standing symbols of injustice, including the Confederate Flag, we, as the District of Columbia, must utilize our power to free ourselves of anything that doesn't belong here – including Mr. Trump's ignorance and ultimately, his business.

Sincerely,

Paul Straus

United States Senator 102 700 5102

District of Columbia (Shadow)

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## **FOIA Request**

1 message

**Kevin Bogardus** <a href="kbogardus@eenews.net"> Wed, Nov 23, 2016 at 4:22 PM To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

Copied and pasted below is a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request from *Greenwire*. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request copies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for President-elect Donald Trump from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.

I prefer to receive the response to this request in electronic form. If the response to this request exceeds more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

If possible, I would prefer to receive the largest number of records or documents in electronic form.

I am filing this FOIA request as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for *Greenwire* – one of Environment & Energy Publishing's five daily online publications. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of this request, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

This request is made as part of news-gathering activity and is not for commercial use.

The information responsive to this FOIA request will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to this FOIA request, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through this and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about *Greenwire* and Environment & Energy Publishing, please refer to www.eenews.net.

FOIA requires that if part of a record is exempt from disclosure, you must redact and release all segregated parts. Please describe the deleted material in detail and specify the reasons for believing that the alleged statutory justification applies in this instance.

If my request is denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. In addition, please give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of the documents withheld. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination.

As required by FOIA, I look forward to hearing from your office within 20 days in response to this request.

If you have any questions about the nature or scope of this request, please call me at 202-446-0401 or email me at kbogardus@eenews.net.

Thank you for your consideration of this request.

Sincerely,

**Kevin Bogardus** 

Reporter

Greenwire

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# **Associated Press FOIA request**

1 message

**Braun, Stephen S.** <SBraun@ap.org>
To: "Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov" <Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>

Fri, Nov 11, 2016 at 3:38 PM

Clarice Julka

**FOIA Officer** 

Department of the Interior - Office of the Secretary

MS-7328, MIB

1849 C Street NW

Washington, DC 20240

202-513-0765 (Telephone)

202-219-2374 (Fax)

Os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

(Request via Email)

RE: Freedom of Information Act request

Expedited processing requested

Nov. 11, 2015

Dear FOIA Officer:

Pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552, I request access to and copies of the following records maintained by your agency:

• All correspondence to or from Rudy Giuliani, the former New York City mayor, presidential candidate and supporter of President-elect Donald Trump.

The time frame for this request is Jan. 1, 2010, through the present, Nov. 11, 2016.

This request covers paper and electronic records, including but not limited to emails, email attachments, Portable Document Files and Microsoft Excel spreadsheets.

If possible, I request that these files be provided to me in electronic format.

I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief that I am a credentialed reporter employed by The Associated Press. Because this is a request by a member of the news media for records made in the public interest, I ask that you waive any search fees in accordance with § 552(a)(4)(A)(ii)(II).

If the fee for retrieving or reproducing these records will exceed \$50, please notify me before filling this request. I can be reached at **(202) 641-9405** or by electronic mail at sbraun@ap.org

I also request expedited processing for this request under 32 CFR 299.5 (f)(2).

My request for expedited processing meets criteria for demonstrating a "compelling need" for the following reasons that I certify to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge:

One, I am a credentialed member of the news media employed by The Associated Press who is primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Two, the records I am seeking are "urgently needed" to inform the public about an actual government activity in that the value of the information I am seeking will be lost if it is not released before the inauguration of President-elect Donald Trump in January 2017. Federal FOIA law and regulations afford expedited processing to those who demonstrate "an urgency to inform the public about an actual or alleged federal government activity." My request should also generally be read in light of the holdings in *Al-Fayed*.

This request qualifies for expedited processing because it goes beyond "the public's right to know about government activity generally" and instead seeks to provide urgent information of "actual government activity" to the American people about Rudy Giuliani, who is being considered for important roles in the executive branch.

The Associated Press, as the largest news wire service in the world with more than 1 billion readers, takes its duty to inform American citizens very seriously. The hard deadline of the

inauguration elevates the importance of these records as does the type of government activity they involve. These records concern the important interaction between an influential U.S. politician and a key executive branch agency. The public has a need to know about those interactions in order to judge the qualifications of Mr. Giuliani as he is possibly put forward for important cabinet-level positions.

For these reasons, I respectfully request that these records be released on an expedited schedule. As you know, you must make a determination about my request for expedited processing within 10 calendars days of receipt of this request.

As you know, agencies must redact only what is necessary to protect exempt information and must explain the basis for any redactions. See Georgacarakos v. FBI, 908 F.Supp.2d 176, 186 (D.D.C. 2012). As well, please provide documents to me on a rolling basis, rather than waiting for my entire request to be processed before releasing documents.

As a reminder, the president has directed that the FOIA "be administered with a clear presumption: In the face of doubt, openness prevails." Memorandum for the Heads of Executive Dep'ts and Agencies, 74 Fed. Reg. 15, 4683 (Jan. 26, 2009), emphasis added. This instruction is unambiguous: "All agencies should adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in the FOIA, and to usher in a new era of open government. The presumption of disclosure should be applied to all decisions involving the FOIA." Id.

The Act, in § 552(a)(6), grants your office no more than twenty working days in which to respond to this request. See also Oglesby v. U.S. Dep't of Army, 920 F.2d 57, 65 (D.C. Cir. 1990) ("Congress adopted the time limit provision in the FOIA in order to 'contribute to the fuller and faster release of information, which is the basic objective of the Act.'" (quoting H.R. Rep. No. 93-876, March 5, 1974, reprinted (1974) U.S. Code Cong. & Ad. News 6267 at 6271)).

I certify that the information provided above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Thank you for your assistance. I look forward to your prompt reply. My contact information is below.

Sincerely,

Stephen Braun

Associated Press Washington Bureau

1100 13<sup>th</sup> Street NW

Suite 700

Washington, DC 20005

O-202-641-9405

C-202-365-2667

sbraun@ap.org



Thu, Dec 1, 2016 at 11:12 AM

## **FOIA from: Jason Lange**

1 message

**FOIA Request Form** <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com> Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com

To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Thursday, December 1, 2016 - 11:12am

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Jason Lange

Street Address: 1333 H St. NW Suite 500

City: Washington

State or Country: District Of Columbia

Zip or Postal Code: 20005

Address Type: Business

Daytime Phone Number: 2023105487

Fax Number:

E-mail Address: jason.lange@thomsonreuters.com

Confirm E-mail Address: jason.lange@thomsonreuters.com

Your Organization: Reuters News

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description:

Dear FOIA Staff:

I am a journalist for Reuters News. I hereby request the following records pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. §552 et seq.: Copies of the Freedom of Information Act Requests made to the Department of the Interior between Jan. 1, 2015 and Dec. 1, 2016 and which mention "Trump" or "Donald Trump," as well as responsive records provided. Please also provide metadata for the records sought, including the file layout, data dictionary, code descriptions and associated look-up tables. I request the foregoing records in electronic format. See 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(3)(B); 5 U.S.C.

§552(a)(3)(C).

To the extent the agency withholds all or portions of responsive documents, as required by FOIA, please provide portions of documents that are not exempt from disclosure. As to redacted documents, please justify what exemptions the agency relies on as a basis for nondisclosure in each instance. See 5 U.S.C. §552(b).

Because this request is time-sensitive, please contact me by telephone at (202) 310-5487or email jason.lange@thomsonreuters.com, rather than by post, if you have questions or wish to discuss this request. I will also follow this letter with a telephone call to you to ensure that you do not have any questions regarding this request or the nature of the records I seek.

Sincerely,

Jason Lange

Correspondent, Reuters

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:

Justification for Expedited Processing:

**Expedited Processing Certification:** 

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$50

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization: Reuters News

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

- Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.
- Disclosure of the information is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: As a Reuters journalist, I do not seek these records for commercial use. Rather, I gather and disseminate information of current interest to the public. I should not, therefore, be charged for search fees or for the first 100 pages of duplication costs associated with this request. 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(A)(ii); 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(A)(iv). Pursuant to 5 U.S.C. §552(a)(4)(A)(iii), I request a fee waiver of all duplication fees incurred after the first 100 pages. I am requesting information regarding Donald Trump, the president-elect of the United States of America. The disclosure of the information requested is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to the public understanding of the past interactions between Trump and the U.S. government.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/125151



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

May 15, 2017

Via email: 30617-15792868@requests.muckrock.com

Michael Morisy MuckRock DEPT MR 30617 411A Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2516

Dear Mr. Morisy:

On December 6, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

A copy of the primary briefing materials created by XXXX for purposes of the Presidential Transition Process, specifically any presentations created for or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration during November/December 2016.

On December 7, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website:

## https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. *See* 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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### Mr. Michael Morisy

Office of Government Information Services 8601 Adelphi Road- OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a> Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Nicholas Banco by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by email at os foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



# Freedom of Information Request: Trump Transition Briefing Materials (Department of the Interior)

**30617-15792868@requests.muckrock.com** <30617-15792868@requests.muckrock.com> To: osfoia@ios.doi.gov

Tue, Dec 6, 2016 at 3:16 PM

December 6, 2016
Department of the Interior
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary
Ray McInerney
MS-116, SIB
1951 Constitution Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20240

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

A copy of the primary briefing materials created by XXXX for purposes of the Presidential Transition Process, specifically any presentations created for or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration during November/December 2016.

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Michael Morisy

Filed via MuckRock.com

E-mail (Preferred): 30617-15792868@requests.muckrock.com

For mailed responses, please address (see note): MuckRock
DEPT MR 30617
411A Highland Ave
Somerville, MA 02144-2516

PLEASE NOTE: This request was filed by a MuckRock staff reporter. Also note that improperly addressed (i.e., with the requester's name rather than "MuckRock News" and the department number) requests might be returned as undeliverable.

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

May 15, 2017

Via email: TheMikeBest@fastmail.com

Michael Best 186 Kunkle Road Fawn Grove, PA 17321

Dear Mr. Best:

On December 12, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ny and all materials produced for, received by or relating to President-Elect Donald Trump's Transition Team, including any questionnaires relating to the transition, the incoming administration or produced by any the Transition Team for your agency. Please also include any presentations created for, received by or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration since November 1, 2016 through the date of the processing of this FOIA request. Please also include any emails produced or received by your agency to or from any member or part of the transition team, as well as any emails which include any or all of the following terms or phrases:

- Trump
- Transition
- President-Elect
- New Administration
- New boss

On December 19, 2016, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

On December 21, 2016, we requested clarification, to be received within 20 working days, regarding the individuals whose emails were to be searched, or that portion of your request could not be fulfilled.

On December 28, 2016, the United States Geological Survey (USGS) informed you that it had transferred responsive materials for your FOIA request numbered USGS-2017-00038 to the Office of the Secretary (OS) for response.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of OS.

Because you did not provide sufficient clarification within 20 working days, the correspondence portion of your request directed at OS cannot be fulfilled. However, the information you are seeking concerning Transition Team materials and the USGS referred materials are publicly available at the following website:

#### https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



## Freedom of Information Act request: Presidential transition materials

2 messages

Michael Best < The Mike Best @fastmail.com >

Mon, Dec 12, 2016 at 10:53 AM

To whom it may concern,

[This email address was listed on FOIA.gov as the contact address for FOIA requests. If this is no longer correct, please forward this email to the appropriate office or individual. Thank you!]

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request any and all materials produced for, received by or relating to President-Elect Donald Trump's Transition Team, including any questionnaires relating to the transition, the incoming administration or produced by any the Transition Team for your agency. Please also include any presentations created for, received by or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration since November 1, 2016 through the date of the processing of this FOIA request. Please also include any emails produced or received by your agency to or from any member or part of the transition team, as well as any emails which include any or all of the following terms or phrases:

- Trump
- Transition
- President-Elect
- · New administration
- New boss

I am a member of the news media and request classification as such. I have previously written about the government for AND Magazine, MuckRock and Glomar Disclosure. My articles have been widely read, with some reaching over 100,000 readers. As such, as I have a reasonable expectation of publication and my editorial and writing skills are well established. The requested documents will be made freely available to the general public through the non-profit Internet Archive, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

Michael Best 186 Kunkle Road Fawn Grove, PA 17321

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Veritas aequitas liberabit vos Veri universum vici

Glomar Disclosure That 1 Archive @NatSecGeek

Please encrypt all emails for PGP Fingerprint D5DB E061 B7BB 1225 0648 EC91 4165 71C0 306E 5A01. This is a low security key for everyday use. Medium, high and one-time security keys available upon request.

**Kemp**, **Patricia** <patricia\_kemp@ost.doi.gov>
To: OS FOIA OS <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Mon, Dec 12, 2016 at 11:01 AM

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Patricia J. Kemp
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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

May 15, 2017

Via email: tcama@thehill.com

Timothy Cama The Hill 1625 K Street NW, Suite 900 Washington, DC 20002

Dear Mr. Cama:

On December 30, 2016, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Any and all transition briefing documents or materials given by the Department of the Interior to the transition/landing team for President-elect Donald Trump. This includes copies of materials loaded onto technology (e.g., but not limited to, tablets or cloud technology) for ease of use by the transition and/or landing teams.

On January 4, 2017 we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website:

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### Mr. Timothy Cama

Office of Government Information Services 8601 Adelphi Road- OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a> Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Nicholas Banco by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by email at os foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



Fri, Dec 30, 2016 at 3:32 PM

# **FOIA from: Timothy Cama**

**FOIA Request Form** <FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com> Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com
To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Friday, December 30, 2016 - 3:32pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Timothy Cama

Street Address: 1625 K St NW Ste 900

City: Washington

State or Country: DC

Zip or Postal Code: 20002

Address Type: Business

Daytime Phone Number: 2026956245

Fax Number: 2026956245

E-mail Address: tcama@thehill.com

Confirm E-mail Address: tcama@thehill.com

Your Organization: The Hill

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

**Contact Information Certification:** 

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description: Any and all transition briefing documents or materials given by the Department of the Interior to the transition/landing team for President-elect Donald Trump. This includes copies of materials loaded onto technology (e.g., but not limited to, tablets or cloud technology) for ease of use by the transition and/or landing teams.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:

Justification for Expedited Processing:

**Expedited Processing Certification:** 

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$25

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization: The Hill

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

- Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.
- Disclosure of the information is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: The records I am requesting certainly concern the operations of the federal government. They are very likely to contribute significantly to public understanding, since: they are likely to be meaningfully informative; directly connect to operations and activities of the federal government; the audience of The Hill is very broad, with millions of readers around the country; I am a journalist working for The Hill; I have extensive experience and expertise in disseminating this kind of information to a broad audience.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/134107



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

March 22, 2017

Via email: 3219229792452@requests.muckrock.com

Ted Timmons
MuckRock
DEPT MR 32192
411A Highland Ave
Somerville, MA 02144

Dear Mr. Timmons:

On January 21, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the seeking the following:

Internal memos and cross-department communication related to the Department of Interior's twitter account. On the day of Donald Trump's inauguration (Jan 20, 2017), the Department of Interior tweeted or retweeted items related to the inauguration which led to internal memos and discussion about their neutrality. Memos may have been sent from/to the White House.

On February 2, 2017, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. Accordingly, we are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary.

The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website: <a href="https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records">https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records</a>

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

# Mr. Ted Timmons

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Leah Fairman by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



# Freedom of Information Request: Internal memos related to Donald Trump inauguration tweets

32192-29792452@requests.muckrock.com <32192-29792452@requests.muckrock.com> Sat, Jan 21, 2017 at 10:58 AM To: osfoia@ios.doi.gov

January 21, 2017
Department of the Interior
Department of the Interior
Office of the Secretary
Ray McInerney
MS-116, SIB
1951 Constitution Ave, NW
Washington, DC 20240

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act. I hereby request the following records:

To Whom It May Concern:

Under the Freedom of Information Act, I hereby request the following records:

- Internal memos and cross-department communication related to the Department of Interior's twitter account.

On the day of Donald Trump's inauguration (Jan 20, 2017), the Department of Interior tweeted or retweeted items related to the inauguration which led to internal memos and discussion about their neutrality. Memos may have been sent from/to the White House.

I also request that, if appropriate, fees be waived as I believe this request is in the public interest. The requested documents will be made available to the general public free of charge as part of the public information service at MuckRock.com, processed by a representative of the news media/press and is made in the process of news gathering and not for commercial usage.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

**Ted Timmons** 

The requested documents will be made available to the general public, and this request is not being made for commercial purposes.

In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,

**Ted Timmons** 

Filed via MuckRock.com

E-mail (Preferred): 32192-29792452@requests.muckrock.com

For mailed responses, please address (see note): MuckRock DEPT MR 32192

1/23/2017

411A Highland Ave Somerville, MA 02144-2516

PLEASE NOTE: This request is not filed by a MuckRock staff member, but is being sent through MuckRock by the above in order to better track, share, and manage public records requests. Also note that improperly addressed (i.e., with the requester's name rather than "MuckRock News" and the department number) requests might be returned as undeliverable.



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

January 24, 2017

Via email: brendan.oconnor@gizmodomedia.com

Brendan O'Connor Staff Reporter – Special Projects Desk Gizmodo Media Group 114 Fifth Avenue New York, NY 10011

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

On January 24, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ny guidance to FOIA processors from the Trump transition team or the Trump administration.

[A]ll records generated between November 9, 2016 and the date this request is processed responsive.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on January 24, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00219**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

Clarice Julka, Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer, is responsible for making this determination.

### **Appeals**

You may appeal this response to the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal **no later than 90 workdays** from the date of this letter. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

Your appeal must be made in writing. You may submit your appeal and accompanying materials to the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer by mail, courier service, fax, or email. All communications concerning your appeal should be clearly marked with the words: "FREEDOM OF INFORMATION APPEAL." You must include an explanation of why you believe the Office of the Secretary's response is in error. You must also include with your appeal copies of all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary concerning your FOIA request, including your original FOIA request and Office of the Secretary's response. Failure to include with your appeal all correspondence between you and Office of the Secretary will result in the Department's rejection of your appeal, unless the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer determines (in the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer's sole discretion) that good cause exists to accept the defective appeal.

Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

DOI FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office Contact Information
Department of the Interior
Office of the Solicitor 1849 C Street, N.W.
MS-6556 MIB
Washington, DC 20240

Attn: FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Office

Telephone: (202) 208-5339

Fax: (202) 208-6677

Email: FOIA.Appeals@sol.doi.gov

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

The 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

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E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a> Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

### Mr. Brendan O'Connor

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Karmen Young by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at osfoia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

# GIZMODO MEDIA GROUP

# 114 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK, NY 10011

Date: January 24, 2017

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act for any guidance to FOIA processors from the Trump transition team or the Trump administration.

Please consider all records generated between November 9, 2016 and the date this request is processed responsive.

In order to expedite the processing of this request, I also request that you release any portions of the requested records that have been previously processed and released under the Freedom of Information Act, in anticipation of fulfilling the request in full.

I am a member of the news media and request classification as such. If you need to discuss this request, I can be reached at 732-804-2425. In the event that there are fees, I would be grateful if you would inform me of the total charges in advance of fulfilling my request. I would prefer the request be filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or CD-ROM if not.

Thank you in advance for your anticipated cooperation in this matter. I look forward to receiving your response to this request within 20 business days, as the statute requires.

Sincerely,
Brendan O'Connor
Staff reporter, Special Projects Desk
646-214-7894
brendan.oconnor@gizmodomedia.com

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- 2. Enter Access Code:

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

March 22, 2017

Via email: (b) (6)	
Roger Strother (b) (6)	

Dear Mr. Strother:

On January 25, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the seeking the following:

All records of meetings or conversations between DOI public affairs staff and representatives of the incoming Trump administration from January 20, 2017 through present concerning the agency's use of social media and other web-based public communication guidance. These records include, but are not limited to, emails, memoranda, minutes, attendee lists, agendas, and directives issued

On February 2, 2017, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. Accordingly, we are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary.

The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website: https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Leah Fairman by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Jan 25, 2017 at 11:12 AM

### **FOIA from: Roger Strother**

1 message

U.S. Department of the Interior <webmaster@ios.doi.gov>

Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com

To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, January 25, 2017 - 11:12am

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Roger Strother

Street Address: (b) (6)

City: (b) (6)

State or Country: (6) (6)

Zip or Postal Code: (b) (6)

Address Type: Home

Daytime Phone Number: (b) (6)

Fax Number: (b) (6)

E-mail Address: (b) (6)

Confirm E-mail Address : (b) (6)

Your Organization:

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification:

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description: All records of meetings or conversations between DOI public affairs staff and representatives of the incoming Trump administration from January 20, 2017 through present concerning the agency's use of social media and other web-based public communication guidance. These records include, but are not limited to, e-mails, memoranda, minutes, attendee lists, agendas, and directives issued.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:

Justification for Expedited Processing:

**Expedited Processing Certification:** 

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount: \$100

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: an individual seeking information for personal use and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization:

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: Due to the public interest nature of these records, I request to not be charged search and review fees. This request is made as part of a scholarly and news research project that is intended for publication and is not for commercial use.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/139124



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

January 27, 2017

Via email: <u>brendan.oconnor@gizmodomedia.com</u>

Brendan O'Connor 114 Fifth Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor New York, NY 10011

Dear Mr. O'Connor:

On January 27, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

Photographs of the National Mall on Inauguration Day 2017.

Records summarizing a call between acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds and President Donald Trump on January 21, 2017.

Correspondence between the office of acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds and President Donald Trump between January 20, 2017 and the date this request is processed.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on January 27, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00234**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We have determined that the information you are seeking is likely maintained by the National Park Service (NPS). As such, we recommend that you submit your request to NPS at the following address:

Charis Wilson NPS FOIA Officer 12795 W. Alameda Parkway P.O. Box 25287 Denver, CO 80225

Phone: (303) 969-2959 Fax: (303) 969-2557

This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

As part of the 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. If you are requesting access to your own records (which is considered a Privacy Act request), you should know that OGIS does not have the authority to handle requests made under the Privacy Act of 1974. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: https://ogis.archives.gov Telephone: 202-741-5770 Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Fri, Jan 27, 2017 at 11:15 AM

### **FOIA from: Brendan O'Connor**

U.S. Department of the Interior < webmaster@ios.doi.gov>

Reply-To: FOIAForm@opengov.ibmcloud.com

To: os\_foia@ios.doi.gov

Submitted on Friday, January 27, 2017 - 11:15am

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Brendan O'Connor

Street Address: 114 Fifth Avenue, 2nd Floor

City: New York

State or Country: NY

Zip or Postal Code: 10011

Address Type: Business

Daytime Phone Number: 646-214-7894

Fax Number:

E-mail Address: brendan.oconnor@gizmodomedia.com

Confirm E-mail Address: brendan.oconnor@gizmodomedia.com

Your Organization: Gizmodo Media

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description:

- Photographs of the National Mall on Inauguration Day 2017.
- Records summarizing a call between acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds and President Donald Trump on January 21, 2017.

- Correspondence between the office of acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds and President Donald Trump between January 20, 2017 and the date this request is processed.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing: There is an urgency to inform the public concerning actual or alleged Federal government activity and the request is made by a person primarily engaged in disseminating information.

Justification for Expedited Processing: The existence of these photographs have been reported in the Washington Post (https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-pressured-park-service-to-back-up-his-claims-about-inauguration-crowd/2017/01/26/12a38cb8-e3fc-11e6-ba11-63c4b4fb5a63\_story.html?utm\_term=.d87a1c468574) and pertain to an ongoing issue of immense public interest, whereby President Trump repeatedly and consistently inflates the size of the crowd at his inauguration—lying, in short, to the American people about very basic facts. The requested records would assuage public anxiety over being lied to about the nature of material reality.

Expedited Processing Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

I agree to pay fees up to this particular amount:

To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use

Affiliated Organization: Special Projects Desk at Univision's Gizmodo Media Group

Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

- Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.
- Disclosure of the information is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: I am a journalist requesting these records in the course of news gathering.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/139333



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

February 23, 2017

Via email: josh.voorhees@slate.com

Josh Voorhees Slate magazine 318 E. Jefferson St., Apt 1 Iowa City, IA 52245

Dear Mr. Voorhees:

On February 3, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[C]opy of any records of communications, including but not limited to emails, between the Department of Interior and the Trump Organization, including but not limited to those involving the following company representatives: Donald J. Trump, Jr.; Eric Trump; Ivanka Trump, Allen Weisselberg, George Sorial, Jim Petrus, Matthew Calamari, Alan Garten, Michael Cohen, Jason Greenblatt, Rhona Graff, Larry Glick, Ronald Lieberman, Jeff Wagoner, Andrew Weiss, and Jill Martin.

Please limit this request to records generated or received between Nov. 7, 2016 and the date this request is processed.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on February 3, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00251**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request. On February 15, 2017, we attempted to contact you via phone call but were unsuccessful. We are asking for a clarification regarding which specific employees' emails you would like to be searched. Please contact me using any of the contacts methods listed below as quickly as possible.

According to our regulations, if we do not receive your written response clarifying these points **within 20 workdays** from the date of this letter, we will presume that you are no longer interested in pursuing your request, we will not be able to comply with your request, and we will close our file on it. See 43 C.F.R. § 2.51(c).

The 2007 FOIA amendments created the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services National Archives and Records Administration 8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a> Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you have any questions regarding any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

In the interim, if you have any questions regarding the status of your request, or any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, N.W., MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka
Office of the Secretary
FOIA Officer



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

# Freedom of Information request

1 message

**Voorhees**, **Josh** <Josh.Voorhees@slate.com>
To: "os\_foia@ios.doi.gov" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>

Fri, Feb 3, 2017 at 4:43 PM

To Whom It May Concern:

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act.

I hereby request a copy of any records of communications, including but not limited to emails, between the Department of Interior and the Trump Organization, including but not limited to those involving the following company representatives: Donald J. Trump, Jr.; Eric Trump; Ivanka Trump, Allen Weisselberg, George Sorial, Jim Petrus, Matthew Calamari, Alan Garten, Michael Cohen, Jason Greenblatt, Rhona Graff, Larry Glick, Ronald Lieberman, Jeff Wagoner, Andrew Weiss, and Jill Martin.

Please limit this request to records generated or received between Nov. 7, 2016 and the date this request is processed.

As the FOIA requires, please release all reasonably segregable nonexempt portions of the requested documents. This request is being made for news-reporting purposes and is not for commercial use. I am a full-time journalist employed by *Slate* magazine, and as such I have a reasonable expectation of publication.

I would prefer the request filled electronically, by e-mail attachment if available or by flash drive, CD-ROM, or other data storage device if not. I agree to pay up to \$25 for applicable fees associated with this request if necessary. If you estimate that the fees will exceed this limit, please inform me before processing my request.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact me by email at <u>josh.voorhees@slate.com</u>, or by phone at 202.200.8218. I look forward to receiving your response within the 20-day statutory time period.

Sincerely, Josh Voorhees Senior writer | Slate.com 318 E. Jefferson St. Apartment 1 Iowa City, IA 52245



OS, OS FOIA <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

# **Trump Organization communications FOIA**

1 message

Kevin Bogardus < kbogardus@eenews.net>

Fri, Feb 3, 2017 at 8:42 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os\_foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os\_foia@ios.doi.gov>, BIA FOIA <foia@bia.gov>, BLM FOIA <BLM\_WO\_FOIA@blm.gov>, BOEM FOIA <BOEMFOIA@boem.gov>, BOR FOIA <br/>
<BSEEFOIA@bsee.gov>, FWS FOIA <fwhq\_foia@fws.gov>, OST FOIA <ost\_foia@ost.doi.gov>, USGS FOIA <foia@usgs.gov>, "SOL FOIA (sol.foia@sol.doi.gov)" <sol.foia@sol.doi.gov>, "npsfoia@nps.gov" <npsfoia@nps.gov>, "foia@doioig.gov>, OSM FOIA <osm-foia@osmre.gov>

Hey everyone,

Hi, it's Kevin Bogardus with E&E News.

I wanted to give you a heads up that as part of my monthly round of FOIA requests, I will be requesting all records of communications between your agency leaders' offices and the Trump Organization and other various Trump-related businesses. I have included this request in my monthly round of requests that were filed today.

Let's talk next week about this request to figure out how to process it. Please give me a call at my office line at 202-446-0401. Thanks for your help and have a great weekend.

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# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY WASHINGTON, DC 20240

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March 22, 2017

Via email: jeffrey@lawofficeofjeffreylight.com

Ryan Noah Shapiro and Jason Leopold c/o Law Office of Jeffrey L. Light 1712 Eye St NW Washington, DC 20006

Dear Mr. Shapiro and Leopold:

On January 3, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

- 1. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to a directive to any and all DOI employees and/or contractors to shutdown, restrict utilization of, and/or reactivate any and all Twitter accounts.
- 2. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI employees and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all Twitter accounts.
- 3. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all unofficial, satire, and/or protest DOI Twitter accounts.
- 4. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/BCAppelbaum (aka Binyamin Appelbaum, aka @BCAppelbaum).
- 5. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/annetrumble (aka Anne Trumble, aka @annetrumble).
- 6. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all DOI social media guidance, instructional records, and/or manuals.
- 7. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all photographs and/or videos of the inauguration of Donald J. Trump.
- 8. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI employees and and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all photographs and/or videos of the inauguration of Donald J. Trump.
- 9. Any and all records mentioning, referring to, or depicting the size of the crowd at the 20 January 2017 Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 10. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications sent or received by NPS Director Michael T. Reynolds

- mentioning or referring to the size of the crowd at the 20 January 2017 Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 11. Any and all records mentioning or referring to the retweet from the NPS Twitter account (@NatlParkService) depicting a side-by-side comparison of the crowd at President Trump's 2017 Inauguration and President Obama's 2009 Inauguration.
- 12. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all NPS estimates of crowd size (i.e. the number of individuals in attendance) at the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 13. Any and all records mentioning President Trump's comment that there were a million or a million and a half people at his 2017 Inauguration.
- 14. Any and all records mentioning White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer's comments regarding the size of the crowd at President Trump's Inauguration.
- 15. Any and all records mentioning or referring to DOI agency spokesman Thomas Crosson's tweet apologizing for "mistaken RTs from our account."
- 16. Any and all records directing or requesting DOI to apologize for and/or otherwise publically comment regarding the mistaken retweets.
- 17. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all NPS estimates of crowd size (i.e. the number of individuals in attendance) at any and all protests of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 18. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all NPS employees and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all protest of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 19. Any and all other records constituting. mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI employees and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all protests of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 20. Any and all records mentioning or referring to the retweet from the NPS Twitter account (@NatlParkService) of a tweet from Twitter user Anne Trumble (@annetrumble) which noted that the Trump administration had removed climate change, civil rights, and health-care issues from the White House website.
- 21. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all of the four tweets from the NPS Badlands National Park Twitter account (@BadlandsNPS) about rising atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations and the threats posed by climate change.
- 22. Any and all communications between any and all DOI employees and/or contractors and Donald Trump.
- 23. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/BadlandsNPS (aka Badlands Nat'l Park, aka @BadlandsNPS).

24. Any and all records reflecting the date of termination of the allegedly former employee who compromised the @BadlandsNPS Twitter account.
25. For each record in which a subject or subjects of our request appear in any capacity, regardless of the type of search that located that record, we request disclosure of the entire file (or files) in which that record is contained, regardless of whether all records in that file (or files) constitute or refer or relate to a subject or subjects of our request.

26. We request disclosure of any and all records mentioning or referring to the destruction of any records responsive or potentially responsive to any of the subjects and search criteria provided in records sought of the instant request.

On February 24, 2017, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA. Accordingly, we are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary.

The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website: <a href="https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records">https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records</a>

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Leah Fairman by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240.

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer 3 Jan. 2017

# Freedom of Information and Privacy Acts request:

To: Clarice Julka, FOIA Officer, Office of the Secretary
Department of the Interior (DOI)
MS-7328, MIB
1849 C Street, NW
Washington, DC 20240

Submitted via facsimile to DOI at 202-219-2374

This is a request under the Freedom of Information Act ("FOIA"), 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the Privacy Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552a. This request should be considered under both statutes to maximize the release of records. The instant request is a request for any and all responsive records maintained by the DOI, including but not limited to any and all responsive records maintained by any and all components of the DOI.

### REQUESTER INFORMATION

### Requestor 1

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**Purpose of Request:** Journalistic and scholarly research/Public dissemination of analysis of requested disclosure.

# RECORDS SOUGHT

We request disclosure of:

- 1. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to a directive to any and all DOI¹ employees² and/or contractors to shutdown, restrict utilization of, and/or reactivate any and all Twitter accounts.
- 2. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI<sup>3</sup> employees<sup>4</sup> and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all Twitter accounts.
- -This includes but is not limited to any and all National Park Service (NPS) Twitter accounts.

This includes but is not limited to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/NatlParkService (aka NationalParkService, aka @NatlParkService).

This also includes but is not limited to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/NationalMallNPS (aka National Mall NPS, aka @NationalMallNPS).

-This also includes but is not limited to any and all Badlands National Park Twitter accounts.

This includes but is not limited the Twitter account https://twitter.com/BadlandsNPS (aka Badlands Nat'l Park, aka @BadlandsNPS).

-This also includes but is not limited to any and all unofficial, satire, and/or protest Department of the Interior (DOI) Twitter accounts.

<sup>1</sup> Including but not limited to DOI HQ and NPS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This includes any and all executives, staff, employees, and/or other personnel.

<sup>3</sup> Including but not limited to DOI HQ and NPS.

<sup>4</sup> This This includes any and all executives, staff, employees, and/or other personnel.

This includes but is not limited the Twitter account https://twitter.com/BadlandsNPSFans (aka BadlandsNPSFans, aka @BadlandsNPSFans).

This includes but is not limited the Twitter account https://twitter.com/badhombrenps (aka BadHombreLands NPS, aka @BadHombreNPS).

-This also includes but is not limited the Twitter account

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AltUSNatParkService, aka @altnatparkser).

https://twitter.com/BCAppelbaum (aka Binyamin Appelbaum, aka @BCAppelbaum).

-This also includes but is not limited the Twitter account https://twitter.com/annetrumble (aka Anne Trumble, aka @annetrumble).

# 3. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all unofficial, satire, and/or protest DOI<sup>5</sup> Twitter accounts.

-This includes but is not limited to any and all unofficial, satire, and/or protest NPS Twitter accounts.

This includes but is not limited the Twitter account https://twitter.com/altnatparkser (aka AltUSNatParkService, aka @altnatparkser).

-This also includes but is not limited to a ny and all unofficial, satire, and/or protest Badlands National Park Twitter accounts.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Including but not limited to DOI HQ and N PS.

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6. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all DOI6 social media<sup>7</sup> guidance, instructional records, and/or manuals.

This includes but is not limited to any and all guides, guidelines, policy guides, handbooks, curricula, instructional records, user manuals, system manuals, other manuals, video recordings, take-away assignments, spreadsheets, and/or PowerPoint slides.

- 7. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all photographs and/or videos of the inauguration of Donald J. Trump.
- 8. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI<sup>8</sup> employees<sup>9</sup> and and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all photographs and/or videos of the inauguration of Donald J. Trump.
- 9. Any and all records mentioning, referring to, or depicting the size of the crowd at the 20 January 2017 Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 10. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications sent or received by MPS Director Michael T. Reynolds mentioning or referring to the size of the crowd at the 20 January 2017 Inauguration of President Donald Trump.
- 11. Any and all records mentioning or referring to the retweet from the NPS Twitter account (@NatlParkService) depicting a side-by-side comparison of the crowd at President Trump's 2017 Inauguration and President Obama's 2009 Inauguration.
- 12. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all NPS estimates of crowd size (i.e. the number of individuals in attendance) at the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.

<sup>6</sup> This includes but is not limited to DOI HQ and NPS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This includes but is not limited to Twiter, Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Snapchat.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Including DOI HQ and NPS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> This includes any and all executives, stiff, employees, and/or other personnel.

- 14. Any and all records mentioning White House Press Secretary Sean Spicer's comments regarding the size of the crowd at President Trump's Inauguration.
- 15. Any and all records mentioning or referring to DOI agency spokesman Thomas Crosson's tweet apologizing for "mistaken RTs from our account."
- 16. Any and all records directing or requesting DOI¹0 to apologize for and/or otherwise publically comment regarding the "mistaken" retweets.
- 17. Any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all NPS estimates of crowd size (i.e. the number of individuals in attendance) at any and all protests<sup>11</sup> of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.

This includes but is not limited to the Disrupt J20 protest.

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This also includes but is not limited to the Women's March protest.

18. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all NPS employees<sup>12</sup> and/or contractors and Donald Trump or semior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all protests<sup>13</sup> of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.

This includes but is not limited to the Disrupt J20 protest.

This also includes but is not limited to the Women's March protest.

19. Any and all other records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) b etween any and all DOI employees<sup>14</sup> and/or

<sup>10</sup> Including any and all components thereof.

<sup>11</sup> Occurring anytime between 19 January and 22 January 2017.

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contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all protests<sup>15</sup> of the Inauguration of President Donald Trump.

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- 20. Any and all records mentioning or referring to the retweet from the NPS Twitter account (@NatlParkService) of a tweet from Twitter user Anne Trumble (@annetrumble) which noted that the Trump administration had removed climate change, civil rights, and health-care issues from the White House website.
- 21. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all of the four tweets from the NPS Badlands National Park Twitter account (@BadlandsNPS) about rising atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations and the threats posed by climate change.<sup>16</sup>
- 22. Any and all communications between any and all DOI<sup>17</sup> employees<sup>18</sup> and/or contractors and Donald Trump.
- 23. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to the Twitter account https://twitter.com/BadlandsNPS (aka Badlands Nat'l Park, aka @BadlandsNPS).

This includes but is not limited to any and all tweets from @BadlandsNPS.

This also includes but is not limited to any and all records mentioning or referring to any and all decisions to delete any and all tweets from @BadlandsNPS.

This also includes but is not limited to any and all records mentioning, referring, or reflecting any and all investigations of the alleged compromise of the @BadlandsNPS Twitter account.

The chronological scope of this section is 19 Jan. 2017 on.

<sup>15</sup> Occurring anytime between 19 January and 22 January 2017.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> These are the four @BadlandsNPS tweets that an NPS official later explained were posted by a former employee who still had access to the account, and that NPS later deleted.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>17</sup> Including but not limited to DOI HQ and NPS.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> This includes any and all executives, staff, employees, and/or other personnel.

24. Any and all records reflecting the date of termination of the allegedly former employee who compromised the @BadlandsNPS Twitter account.

25. For each record in which a subject or subjects of our request appear in any capacity, regardless of the type of search that located that record, we request disclosure of the entire file (or files) in which that record is contained, regardless of whether all records in that file (or files) constitute or refer or relate to a subject or subjects of our request. Further, our request is for entire files, including but not limited to all sub-files of any sort, including but not limited to all serials.

26. We request disclosure of any and all records mentioning or referring to the destruction of any records responsive or potentially responsive to any of the subjects and search criteria provided in "Records Sought" of the instant request. This includes but is not limited to any and all records mentioning or referring to the events, procedures, and/or decisions leading to the destruction of said records, as well as any and all documentation mentioning or referring to said destruction. This also includes but is not limited to any and all logs and/or lists of filed destroyed.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION19

The following information is provided in order to assist the NPS in locating the requested records. It is not intended to limit the scope of our request.

It was widely reported that on 20 Jan. 2017 the DOI was ordered by the White House to suspend operations of its Twitter accounts after one DOI Twitter account shared two tweets that were perceived as unflattering towards President Donald Trump's inaugural turnout and administration more broadly.

In one of the problematic tweets, the NPS Twitter account @NatlParkService shared a tweet from *New York Times* reporter Binyamin Appelbaum (@BCAppelbaum) which pictured the large crowd at Obama's inauguration next to the far more meager crowd at Trump's inauguration. It was widely reported Donald Trump was angered by (and refused to believe the accuracy of) the smaller crowd size at his inauguration. It was also widely reported that Donald Trump was angered by NPS' tweeting of a tweet that depicted his lesser crowd size.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> The full contents of the article and/or other materials linked at all web URLs provided in the footnotes of the instant FOIA request are incorporated by reference in their entirety. Incorporate these materials in their entirety when crafting searches for records responsive to the instant FOIA request.

In the second of the problematic tweets, the same NPS account retweeted a tweet from Twitter user Anne Trumble (@annetrumble) which noted that the Trump administration had removed climate change, civil rights, and health-care issues from the White House website.

On 21 Jan. 2017, the Washington Post reported it had obtained an internal DOI email sent to thousands of DOI employees informing that, "All bureaus and the department have been directed by incoming administration to shut down Twitter platforms immediately until further notice." The email also informed that the Twitter stand-down was an "urgent directive" and that DOI social media managers must shut down the accounts "until further directed."<sup>20</sup>

Also on 21 Jan. 2017, the DOI reactivated its Twitter accounts. Relatedly, also on 21 Jan. 2017, the DOI Twitter account @NatlParkService Tweeted, "We regret the mistaken RTs from our account yesterday and look forward to continuing to share the beauty and history of our parks with you". The Washington Post reported that National Park Service spokesman Thomas Crosson authored this "regret" tweet.<sup>21</sup>

The Washington Post also reported Cosson emailed that the problematic tweets were "inconsistent with the agency's approach to engaging the public through social media", and that, "The Department of Interior's communications team determined that it was important to stand down Twitter activity across the Department temporarily, except in the case of public safety," and that, "Now that social imedia guidance has been clarified, the Department and its bureaus should resume Twitter engagement as normal this weekend."<sup>22</sup>

The Washington Post also reported Crossion emailed that until further notice no social media posts may go up on the policy priorities of the new DOI secretary, because Trump nominee Rep. Ryan Zinke (R-Mont.) had not yet been confirmed.<sup>23</sup>

According to the Washington Post, on or around 24 Jan. 2017, the NPS Twitter account for the Badlands National Park Twitter "pecame a social-media sensation when it posted four tweets in a row about rising atmospheric: carbon dioxide concentrations and the threats posed by climate change. Those tweets were then deleted. An NPS official later explained

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/'powerpost/wp/2017/01/20/interior-department-banned-from-twitter-after-retweet-of-snaller-than-usual-trump-inauguration-crowd/?utm\_term=.c86b4e2e8e83

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/'powerpost/wp/2017/01/20/interior-department-banned-from-twitter-after-retweet-of-snaller-than-usual-trump-inauguration-crowd/?utm\_term=.c86b4e2e8e83

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/niws/'powerpost/wp/2017/01/20/interior-department-banned-from-twitter-after-retweet-of-snallier-than-usual-trump-inauguration-crowd/?utm\_term=.c86b4e2e8e83

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that Badlands NPS officials learned they were posted by a former employee who still had access to the account, and decided to remove them."<sup>24</sup>

Numerous NPS (and other agency) protest Twitter accounts emerged in the wake of the controversies surrounding the Trump administration's above-noted responses to DOI/NPS Twitter issues. These accounts, variously referred to as rogue, alternative, and alt Twitter accounts, purport to be run, or to be receiving information from, dissenting agency personnel and/or former personnel.<sup>25</sup>

Also on 21 Jan 2017, President Trump is widely reported to have called acting NPS director, Michael T. Reynolds, to express anger over NPS's retweet comparing the two inaugural crowd sizes, as well as to request NPS provide Trump with proof that Trump's inaugural crowd was indeed larger than Obama's (which it was not). White House deputy press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders confirmed the call took place.<sup>26</sup>

Reynolds did forward additional photographs of the inauguration to President Trump, but these photographs did not support Trump's (erroneous) contention.

As reported the Washington Post,

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[On the 21 Jan. 2017 phone call to the NPS' Reynolds,] Trump personally ordered Reynolds to produce additional photographs of the previous day's crowds on the Mall, according to three individuals who have knowledge of the conversation. The president believed that the photos might prove that the media had lied in reporting that attendance had been no better than average.

Trump also expressed anger over a retweet sent from the agency's account, in which side-by-side photographs showed far fewer people at his swearing-in than had shown up to see Barack Obama's inauguration in 2009. [....]

For Trump, who sees himself and his achievements in superlative terms, the inauguration's crowd size has been a source of grievance that he appears unable to put behind him. It is a measure of his fixation on the issue that he would devote part of his first morning in office to it — and that he would take out his frustrations on an acting Park Service director. [....]

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-pressured-park-service-to-back-up-his-claims-about-inauguration-crowd/2017/01/26/12a38cb8-e3fc-11e6-ba11-

<sup>63</sup>c4b4fb5a63\_story.html?hpid=hp\_no-name\_no-name%3Apage%2Fbreaking-news-bar&tid=a\_breakingnews&utm\_term=.8bc539ffac7e

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> http://www.npr.org/sections/alltechconsidered/2017/01/25/511664825/rogue-national-park-accounts-emerge-on-twitter-amid-social-media-gag-orders

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>26</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-pressured-park-service-to-back-up-his-claims-about-inauguration-crowd/2017/01/26/12a38cb8-e3fc-11e6-ba11-

<sup>63</sup>c4b4fb5a63\_story.html?hpid=hp\_no-name\_no-name%3Apage%2Fbreaking-news-bar&tid=a\_breakingnews&utm\_term=.8bc539ffac7e

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On Saturday, the same day Trump spoke with Reynolds, the new president used an appearance at CIA headquarters to deliver a blistering attack on the media for reporting that large swaths of the Mall were nearly empty during the event. "It's a lie," Trump said. "We caught [the media]. We caught them in a beauty." "It looked like a million, a million and a half people," Trump said, vastly inflating what the available evidence suggested.

Later that day, White House press secretary Sean Spicer reiterated Trump's complaints about media coverage of the crowd in a tongue-lashing from the lectern of the briefing room. "These attempts to lessen the enthusiasm of the inauguration are shameful and wrong," Spicer said.

The Park Service does not release crowd estimates. Experts, however, have estimated that the 2017 turnout was no more than a third the size of Obama's eight years earlier.

Reynolds was taken aback by Trump's request, but he did secure some additional aerial photographs and forwarded them to the White House through normal channels in the Interior Department, the people who notified The Post said. The photos, however, did not prove Trump's contention that the crowd size was upward of 1 million. [....]

Spicer told reporters this week that White House officials had not dictated any agency to impose new restrictions on public communications and that some federal officials, such as those at the Park Service, were not in compliance with their own department's policies.

Trump, meanwhile, has continued to press the argument that the media has given a misleading account of the crowds that attended his inauguration.

"I had a massive amount of people here," the president told ABC News anchor David Muir in an interview Wednesday. "They were showing pictures that were very unflattering, as unflattering — from certain angles — that were taken early and lots of other things."

As he guided Muir through the West Wing, Trump paused at a photo on the wall, taken from behind him as he delivered his inaugural address: "Here's a picture of the event. Here's a picture of the crowd. Now, the audience was the biggest ever, but this crowd was massive. Look how far back it goes. This crowd was massive." 27

<sup>27</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-pressured-park-service-to-back-up-his-claims-about-inauguration-crowd/2017/01/26/12a38cb8-e3fc-11e6-ba11-63c4b4fb5a63\_story.html?hpid=hp\_no-name\_no-name%3Apage%2Fbreaking-news-bar&tid=a\_breakingnews&utm\_term=.8bc539ffac7e

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Disrupt [20 (aka Disrupt[20) is a Washington, D.C.-based political organization aimed at protesting and disrupting the presidential inauguration of the 45th President of The United States, Donald Trump, 120 stands for January 20, 2017, the day of President Trump's inauguration. The Disrupt J20 protest occurred primarily in Washington, D.C. on January 20, 2017.28

The Women's March (aka the 2017 Women's March) was a worldwide protest occurring primarily on January 21, 2017. The Women's March was intended to protect legislation and policies regarding human rights and other issues, including women's rights, immigration reform, healthcare reform, the natural environment, LGBTQ rights, racial equality, freedom of religion and workers' rights. The rallies were also aimed at Donald Trump, immediately following his inauguration as President of the United States, largely due to statements and positions attributed to Trump regarded by many as misogynistic or otherwise reprehensible. The Women's March is reported to be the largest single-day demonstration in U.S. history. The march drew at least 500,000 people in Washington, and some estimates put worldwide participation at 4.8 million.<sup>29</sup>

Attached as "Addendum A" is a 21 Jan. 2017 Washington Post article titled "Interior Department reactivates Twitter accounts after shutdown."30 Incorporate this attachment in its entirety when crafting searches for records responsive to the instant FOIA request.

Attached as "Addendum B" is a 26 Jan. 2017 Washington Post article titled "Trump pressured Park Service to find proof for his claims about inauguration crowd."31 Incorporate this attachment in its entirety when crafting searches for records responsive to the instant FOIA request.

Attached as "Addendum C" is a 25 Jan. 2017 NPR article titled "Rogue National Park Accounts Emerge On Twitter Amid Social Media Gag Orders."32 Incorporate this attachment in its entirety when crafting searches for records responsive to the instant FOIA request.

<sup>28</sup> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Disrupt\_[20women

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2017\_Women's\_March

<sup>30</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/powerpost/wp/2017/01/20/interior-departmentbanned-from-twitter-after-retweet-of-smaller-than-usual-trump-inaugurationcrowd/?utm\_term=.089b1fbef983

<sup>31</sup> https://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/trump-pressured-park-service-to-back-up-hisclaims-about-inauguration-crowd/2017/01/26/12a38cb8-e3fc-11e6-ba11-63c4b4fb5a63\_story.html?hpid=hp\_no-name\_no-name%3Apage%2Fbreaking-news-

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<sup>32</sup> http://www.npr.org/sections/alltechconsidered/2017/01/25/511664825/rogue-nationalpark-accounts-emerge-on-twitter-amid-social-media-gag-orders

### INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SEARCH

# Instructions Regarding "Leads":

As required by the relevant case law, the agency should follow any leads it discovers during the conduct of its searches and perform additional searches when said leads indicate that records may be located in another system. Failure to follow clear leads is a violation of FOIA.

# 2. Request for Public Records:

Please search for any records even if they are already publicly available.

# 3. Request for Electronic and Paper/Manual Searches:

We request that searches of all electronic and paper/manual indices, filing systems, and locations for any and all records relating or referring to the subject of my request be conducted. We further request that the agency conduct a search of its "soft files."

# 4. Request for Search of Filing Systems, Indices, and Locations:

Please search all of your indices, filing systems, and locations, including those we have not specified by name and those of which we may not be aware.

# 5. Request regarding Photographs and other Visual Materials:

We request that any photographs or other visual materials responsive to my request be released to me in their original or comparable forms, quality, and resolution. For example, if a photograph was taken digitally, or if the agency maintains a photograph digitally, we request disclosure of the original digital image file, not a reduced resolution version of that image file nor a printout and scan of that image file. Likewise, if a photograph was originally taken as a color photograph, we request disclosure of that photograph as a color image, not a black and white image. Please contact me for any clarification on this point.

# 6. Request for Duplicate Pages:

We request disclosure of any and all supposedly "duplicate" pages. Scholars analyze records not only for the information available on any given page, but also for the relationships between that information and information on pages surrounding it. As such, though certain pages may have been previously released to us, the existence of those pages within new context renders them functionally new pages. As such, the only way to properly

analyze released information is to analyze that information within its proper context. Therefore, we request disclosure of all "duplicate" pages.

# 7. Request to Search Emails:

Please search for emails relating to the subject matter of our request.

### 8. Request for Search of Records Transferred to Other Agencies:

We request that in conducting its search, the agency disclose releasable records even if they are available publicly through other sources outside the agency, such as NARA.

### 9. Regarding Destroyed Records

If any records responsive or potentially responsive to our request have been destroyed, our request includes, but is not limited to any and all records relating or referring to the destruction of those records. This includes, but is not limited to, any and all records relating or referring to the events leading to the clestruction of those records.

### INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING SCOPE AND BREADTH OF REQUESTS

Please interpret the scope of this request broadly. The agency is instructed to interpret the scope of this request in the most liberal manner possible short of an interpretation that would lead to a conclusion that the request does not reasonably describe the records sought.

### **EXEMPTION S AND SEGREGABILITY**

We call your attention to President Obarna's 21 January 2009 Memorandum concerning the Freedom of Information Act, in which he states:

All agencies should adopt a presumption in favor of disclosure, in order to renew their commitment to the principles embodied in FOIA [....] The presumption of disclosure should be applied to all decisions involving FOIA.<sup>33</sup>

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I. DISCLOSURE OF THE REQUESTED RECORDS IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST BECAUSE IT IS LIKELY TO CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO THE PUBLIC UNDERSTANDING OF THE OPERATIONS AND ACTIVITIES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

A. President Trump's bizarre obsession with, and inability to be honest about, the size of his Inauguration crowd in comparison with President Obama's Inauguration crowd and in comparison with the crowds at protest marches opposing President Trump's Inauguration, is global front page news that continues to deeply trouble wide swaths of politicians, the news media, the military and intelligence establishments, analysts, and the broader public. Similarly, President Trump's apparent reflexive muzzling of dissent at the DOI, NPS, and other agencies/components likewise continues to deeply trouble wide swaths of politicians, the news media, the military and intelligence establishments, analysts, and the broader public. These two issues raise serious questions about President Trump's ability to speak honestly, about his mental health and stability, and about his authoritarian and antitransparency tendencies, and about his administration's increasingly troubling efforts to enhance the power of the Executive by eliminating traditional governmental checks and balances. Further, the responses of the DOI, NPS, and other agencies to these issues speak directly to the continued viability of non-political and autonomous government operations in the face of an unprecedented expansion of Executive power. American democracy may literally be on the line, and the disclosure of the requested records will shed necessary light on these critical matters.

B. The disclosure is likely to contribute to an understanding of government operations and activities because the disclosable portions of the requested records will be meaningfully informative about those operations and activities. The vast majority of disclosable information is not already in the public domain, in either a duplicative or a substantially identical form, and therefore the disclosure would add substantial new information to the public's understanding of these urgent matters that threaten the structural integrity of American democracy.

The overwhelming preponderance of records the requesters need to conduct their study and writing are in the possession of the DOI and NPS, and not in the public domain.

C. The disclosure of the requested records will contribute to the increased understanding of a broad audience of persons interested in the subject, rather than merely requesters' own understanding. Further, requesters will be collaborating with professionals who have great expertise in the subject area, and they have the ability and intention to effectively convey information to the public.

As explained herein in more detail, the audience likely to be interested in the subject is broad, and includes, historians of modern American government, politics, culture, and

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national security; journalists reporting on American politics, government, national security, and society; civil liberties attorneys; and the general public.

i) Requesters firmly intend to analyze the requested records in order to facilitate significant expansion of public understanding of government operations. Requesters are well qualified to perform this analysis.

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As should be clear from the above, requesters have the ability and firm intention to disseminate to the public significant expansions of understanding of government operations based on my analysis of the requested disclosures.

II. ALTERNATIVELY, THE AGENCY SHOULD EXERCISE ITS DISCRETION TO GRANT A FEE WAIVER.

Although requesters are entitled to a waiver of fees under 32 C.F.R. 1900.13(b)(2), even if they were not entitled to fees under that provision the agency should grant them a fee waiver in the exercise of its discretion. Pursuant to 32 C.F.R. 1900.13(b)(1), "as a matter of administrative discretion, the interest of the United States Government would be served." The agency should exercise its discretion here to award a fee waiver because release of the documents would be in the interest of the United States Government for the reasons stated above.

#### III. CONCLUSION.

As demonstrated above: a) Requesters are representatives of the news media. b) Requestor Shapiro is also an educational requestor. c) The disclosure of the requested records will significantly contribute to expanded public understanding of government operations. d) Requestors have the intent and ability to disseminate this significant expansion of public understanding of government operations. e) The public interest in this significant expansion of public understanding of government operations far outweighs any commercial interest of the requestors in the requested release.

Accordingly, requestors should be classified as representative of the news media for FOIPA fee category purposes; requestor Shapiro should also be classified as an educational requestor for FOIPA fee category purposes; and requetors' fee waiver request amply satisfies the rules of 32 C.F.R. 1900.13(b). Legislative history and judicial authority emphatically support this determination. For these reasons, and based upon their extensive elaboration above, requesters request a full waiver of fees be granted. Requesters will appeal any denial of our request for a waiver of fees, as well as fee category requests, and will take the issue to the courts if necessary.

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Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions concerning this request.

Thank you. We appreciate your time and attention to this matter.

Ryan Noah Shapiro & Jason Leopold

 The requested information is relevant to a subject of public urgency concerning an actual or alleged Federal government activity.

The requested information involves an actual or alleged Federal government activity and there exists an urgent need to inform the public about this activity. There is an urgent need for the requested information because of multiple and ongoing heated controversies related to the 2016 U.S. presidential election, its aftermath, and the transition to the Trump/Pence administration.

2. We are persons primarily engaged in disseminating information

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3. Certification

I certify the foregoing to be true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief

Jason Leopold

Ryan Noah Shapiro

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**45: The Transition** 

# Interior Department reactivates Twitter accounts after shutdown following inauguration

By Lisa Rein January 21

The Interior Department reactivated its official Twitter accounts early Saturday after an abrupt shutdown following shares of two tweets during the inauguration the agency considered unsympathetic to President Trump.

National Park Service spokesman Thomas Crosson, whose agency retweeted the offending tweets, apologized on Twitter for the "mistaken RT's from our account," referring to retweets.

In an email, Crosson said the shares were "inconsistent with the agency's approach to engaging the public through social media."

"The Department of Interior's communications team determined that it was important to stand down Twitter activity across the Department temporarily, except in the case of public safety," Crosson said in an email.

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"Now that social media guidance has been clarified, the Department and its bureaus should resume Twitter engagement as normal this weekend." With one exception, Crosson said: No social media posts can go up on the policy priorities of the new Interior secretary, because Trump nominee Rep. Ryan Zinke (R-Mont.) has not yet been confirmed.

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It's safe to assume that the Park Service won't be estimating the crowd size of Saturday's Women's March on Twitter.

The reinstatement capped a frantic day of tweets, retweets and internal memos to contain the damage after an employee in the social media division apparently risked embarrassing the new administration.

But the incident made the Park Service a hero to some Americans who don't like Trump. "The National Park Service's Twitter Has Gone Rogue" someone tweeted Saturday. Others defended the agency for telling the public the truth.

The first share was of a tweet noting the new president's relatively small inaugural crowd compared with the number of people Barack Obama drew to the Mall when he was sworn into office in 2009. The second missive was about several omissions of policy areas on the newWhite House website.

"All bureaus and the department have been directed by incoming administration to shut down Twitter platforms immediately until further notice," said an email circulated to thousands of Interior employees.

The email, obtained by The Washington Post, described the stand-down as an "urgent directive" and said social media managers must shut down the accounts "until further directed."

Interior has dozens of official Twitter accounts at its imultiple offices and 10 bureaus, which include the Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and U.S. Geological Survey.

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The shared crowd tweet from New York Times reporter Binyamin Appelbaum (@BCAppelbaum) pictured the mass of attendees at Obama's inauguration next to Friday's gathering on the Mall.

"Compare the crowds: 2009 inauguration at left, 2017 inauguration at right," Appelbaum wrote. The second tweet came from another Twitter user. Anne Trumble, who noted that the Trump administration removed climate change, civil rights and health-care issues from the Obama White House website.

A government official familiar with the stand-down said the agency needed to investigate whether the retweets were purposeful, "errant" or "whether we've been hacked."

The Park Service tweeting ban was first reported by Gizmodo.com.

A retweet is a sharing of another person's tweet. Seen straightforwardly, it's a way to share an interesting piece of information. In the government's case, the agency doing the retweeting must disseminate information that's endorsed by the administration. And the policy includes not disparaging the president.

Crosson declined to say whether the Park Service employee had been identified. But the offending shares from @NatlParkService were removed from the agency's Twitter feed.

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Crosson said that it is against Park Service policy to estimate the size of crowds at events, because the estimates often are inaccurate.

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"Due to the difficulty in accurately assessing crowd estimates for large events, most notably following 1995's Million Man March, the National Park Service no longer makes it a practice to provide crowd estimates for permitted events," he said in an email.

"While we make internal estimates for staffing, security and emergency response purposes, it is left to the discretion of event organizers to make a determination of the event attendance."

Janell Ross contributed to this report.

This story has been updated.

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**Politics** 

# Trump pressured Park Service to find proof for his claims about inauguration crowd

By Karen Tumulty and Juliet Ellperin January 26

On the morning after Donald Trump's inauguration, acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds received an extraordinary summons: The new president wanted to talk to him.

In a Saturday phone call, Trump personally ordered Reynolds to produce additional photographs of the previous day's crowds on the Mall, according to three individuals who have knowledge of the conversation. The president believed that the photos might prove that the media had lied in reporting that attendance had been no better than average.

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For Trump, who sees himself and his achievements in superlative terms, the inauguration's crowd size has been a source of grievance that he appears unable to put behind him. It is a measure of his fixation on the issue that he would devote part of his first morning in office to it — and that he would take out his frustrations on an acting Park Service director.

Word rapidly spread through the agency and Washington. The individuals who informed The Washington Post about the call did so on the condition of anonymity because of the sensitive nature of the conversation.

Neither Reynolds nor the Park Service would talk about it.

"The National Park Service does not comment on internal conversations among administration officials," agency spokesman Thomas Crosson said.

White House deputy press secretary Sarah Huckabee Sanders said the call simply demonstrated that Trump's management style is to be "so accessible, and constantly in touch."

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"He's not somebody who sits around and waits. He takes action and gets things done," Sanders said. "That's one of the reasons that he is president today, and Hillary Clinton isn't."

On Saturday, the same day Trump spoke with Reynolds, the new president used an appearance at CIA headquarters to deliver a blistering attack on the media for reporting that large swaths of the Mall were nearly empty during the event.

"It's a lie," Trump said. "We caught [the media]. We caught them in a beauty."

"It looked like a million, a million and a half people," Trump said, vastly inflating what the available evidence suggested.

Later that day, White House press secretary Sean Spicer reiterated Trump's complaints about media coverage of the crowd in a tongue-lashing from the lectern of the briefing room.

"These attempts to lessen the enthusiasm of the inauguration are shameful and wrong," Spicer said.

The Park Service does not release crowd estimates. Experts, however, have estimated that the 2017 turnout was no more than a third the size of Obama's eight years earlier.

Reynolds was taken aback by Trump's request, but he did secure some additional aerial photographs and forwarded them to the White House through normal channels in the Interior Department, the people who notified The Post said. The photos, however, did not prove Trump's contention that the crowd size was upward of 1 million.

Reynolds, who had served as the Park Service's deputy director of operations for six months before assuming the post of acting director, is a third-

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generation employee who has worked there for more than 30 years. As deputy director, he oversaw the Park Service's \$2.8 billion budget and more

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than 22,000 employees.

In the days since Trump's election, the Park Service has become an unlikely protagonist in a battle between the new president and some career government employees.

The trouble began late Friday, when the agency's official Twitter account retweeted two messages that could be perceived as critical of the new administration: the one comparing the relative crowd size for Trump's inauguration to that of Obama's 2009 swearing-in, and another that noted policy pages that had been removed from the White House's website.

That prompted an "urgent directive" to Interior employees that they "shut down Twitter platforms immediately until further notice," which was lifted early Saturday morning. Crosson then apologized on Twitter for "mistaken RTs from our account."

On Tuesday, the Badlands National Park's Twitter account became a socialmedia sensation when it posted four tweets in a row albout rising atmospheric carbon dioxide concentrations and the threats posed by climate change.

Those tweets were then deleted. An NPS official later explained that Badlands NPS officials learned they were posted by a former employee who still had access to the account, and decided to remove them.

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Spicer told reporters this week that White House officials had not dictated any agency to impose new restrictions on public communications and that

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some federal officials, such as those at the Park Service, were not in compliance with their own department's policies.

Trump, meanwhile, has continued to press the argument that the media has given a misleading account of the crowds that attended his inauguration.

"I had a massive amount of people here," the president told ABC News anchor David Muir in an interview Wednesday. "They were showing pictures that were very unflattering, as unflattering — from certain angles — that were taken early and lots of other things."

As he guided Muir through the West Wing, Trump paused at a photo on the wall, taken from behind him as he delivered his inaugural address: "Here's a picture of the event. Here's a picture of the crowd. Now, the audience was the biggest ever, but this crowd was massive. Look how far back it goes. This crowd was massive."

Brady Dennis and Lisa Rein contributed to this report.

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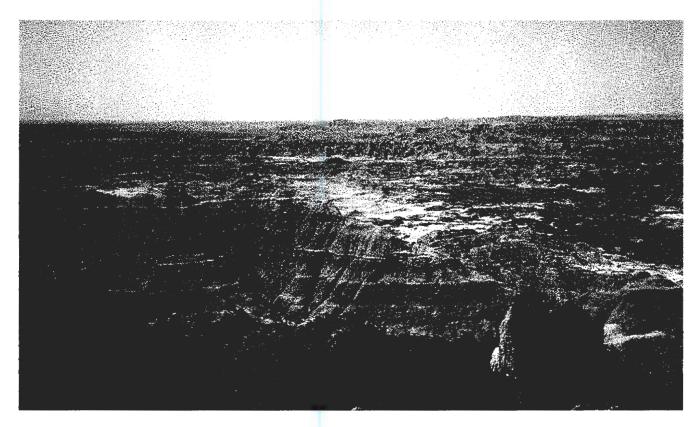


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# Rogue National Park Accounts Emerge On Twitter Amid Social Media Gag Orders

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The official Twitter account of Badlands National Park in South Dakota was the first to tweet climate change facts in defiance of the gag order placed on the Environmental Protection Agency.

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If Twitter accounts fall silent in the woods, can they still make a sound? Turns out, yes — lots.

Tuesday afternoon, a new Twitter account called "AltUSNatParkService" appeared and began tweeting out facts about climate change, support for the National Parks and comments in opposition of President Trump, who has called climate change a hoax created by China.



All this came in response to the news of new orders to limit outward contact with the public, including bans on social media postings, at the Environmental Protection Agency, the Department of Agriculture, the Department of Health and Human Services and the Interior Department, which oversees the National Park Service. The EPA was ordered to enact a temporary media blackout as the Trump administration transitions its team into the agency roles.



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The rogue tweeting started at the Badlands National Park in South Dakota, as the park's verified Twitter account tweeted in defiance with facts about climate change, such as: "Today, the amount of carbon dioxide in the atmosphere is higher than at any time in the last 650,000 years. #climate."

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The messages took Twitter by storm, but were later removed. This led to a public outcry over what many took to suggest was censorship of the accounts. The National Park Service responded with a statement that blamed "a former employee who was not currently authorized to use the park's account":

"The park was not told to remove the tweets but chose to do so when they realized their account had been compromised. At this time, National Park Service social media managers are encouraged to continue the use of Twitter to post information relating to public safety and park information, with the exception of content related to national policy issues."

In true Twitter fashion, the removal of climate change tweets from the official account gave rise to a wave of rogue accounts, including "BadlandsNPSFans" and "BadHombreLands NPS" — the latter referring to Trump's "bad hombres" comment during a presidential debate.

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Both accounts post about science and climate change, as well as in opposition of Trump's policy proposals, with BadlandsNPSFans directly skewering Trump and his team. In both cases, it is unclear who is running these accounts.

The AltUSNatParkService account, for its part, grabbed the spotlight on Wednesday, racking up some 600,000 followers in the span of 24 hours. The account claims to be

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run by current park rangers, which NPR could not confirm. The location of this group is also unclear as they made references to Mount Rainier in Washington as well as the local Washington, D.C., time.



NPR reached out to the self-proclaimed "unofficial resistance team" for a comment, but did not hear back. The official National Park Service communications office also did not respond to requests for further comment.

The official NPS Twitter account found itself in hot water last week, too, when it was asked to stop tweeting after sharing images comparing the crowd size of Trump's inauguration to that of former President Barack Obama in 2009.

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#### United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

February 10, 2017

Via email: kbogardus@eenews.net

Kevin Bogardus, Reporter Greenwire 122 C. Street NW, Ste. 722 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

On February 6, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll communications records that mention "Trump," "Ivanka," "Kushner" and/or "Observer" in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from Jan. 1 to Feb. 1, 2017.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on February 6, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00270**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

We are writing to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. After a search reasonably calculated to uncover all relevant documents, it has been determined that the Office of the Secretary has no records responsive to your request.

Clarice Julka, Office of the Secretary, FOIA Officer, is responsible for this denial.

You may appeal this response to the Department's FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you choose to appeal, the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer must receive your FOIA appeal **no later than 90 workdays**. Appeals arriving or delivered after 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, will be deemed received on the next workday.

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Please include your name and daytime telephone number (or the name and telephone number of an appropriate contact), email address and fax number (if available) in case the FOIA/Privacy Act Appeals Officer needs additional information or clarification of your appeal.

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For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See <u>5 U.S.C. 552(c)</u>. This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist."

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Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

#### Mr. Kevin Bogardus

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer. If you have any questions regarding any of the issues discussed in this letter, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by e-mail at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St, NW, MS-7328 MIB, Washington, D.C. 20240.

You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



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#### **FOIA Request**

Kevin Bogardus <a href="mailto:kbogardus@eenews.net">kbogardus@eenews.net</a>

Mon, Feb 6, 2017 at 4:33 PM

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Hi everyone, Today, I talked to Clarice Julka with OS FOIA and we discussed narrowing this request for everyone. Below is what we came up with. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you for your help.

-Kevin

P.S. – Here is the new narrowed request language for this request:

I request all communications records that mention "Trump," "Ivanka," "Kushner" and/or "Observer" in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from Jan. 1 to Feb. 1, 2017.

Please consider any emails, letters, memorandums, text messages, voice and video recordings as well as other documented forms of communication found in your agency's correspondence log that mention one or more of these terms as responsive records to my request. Please consider Personally Identifiable Information as not responsive to my request.

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From: Kevin Bogardus

Sent: Friday, February 03, 2017 5:27 PM

**Subject:** FOIA Request **Importance:** High

Copied and pasted below are Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from E&E News. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

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I am filing these FOIA requests as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for E&E News. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of these requests, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

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Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,

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#### United States Department of the Interior

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February 27, 2017

Via email: jeffhauser@gmail.com

Jeff Hauser Revolving Door Project 1611 Connecticut Ave NW, Ste 400 Washington, DC 20009

Dear Mr. Hauser:

On February 22, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[E]lectronic (e.g. pdfs on a CD-ROM or via email) list of all officials hired since November 9<sup>th</sup> as members of President Trump's "landing team," sometimes referred to that the President's "benchhead."

By "landing team" and/or "beachhead," I refer to all people hired on either a temporary or permanent basis at the direction of the new President.

In addition to their names, I request all information on each hires' compensation.

Finally, I request each individual's title and the office within the Department in which the individual works.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on February 22, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00295**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. We have enclosed one file consisting of 1 page, which is being released to you in its entirety.

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S. 552(c) (2006 & Supp. IV (2010)). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

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Wed, Feb 22, 2017 at 5:51 PM

#### **FOIA from: Jeff Hauser**

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Submitted on Wednesday, February 22, 2017 - 5:51pm

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Your Organization: Revolving Door Project

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

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Contact Information Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning who I am filing the request on behalf of are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief. If I want to receive greater access to records about a person I represent, I will submit proof that the person consents to the release of the records to me, as discussed in 43 C.F.R. § 2.9.

Bureau/Office: Office of the Secretary (OS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location:

Request Description:

I request an electronic (e.g. pdfs on a CD-ROM or via email) list of all officials hired since November 9th as members of President Trump's "landing team," sometimes referred to as the President's "beachhead."

By "landing team" and/or "beachhead," I refer to all people hired on either a temporary or permanent basis at the direction of the new President.

In addition to their names, I request all information on each hires' compensation.

Finally, I request each individual's title and the office within the Department in which the individual works. The Revolving Door Project is a non-profit public education program housed at the Center for Economic and Policy Research, a 501(c)3. This request is made solely for public educational purposes and not for a commercial use.

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### United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

March 21, 2017

Via email: kbogardus@eenews.net

Kevin Bogardus E&E News 122 C Street NW, Suite 722 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

On March 3, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

[A]ll communications records concerning communications that mention "Trump," "Ivanka," "Kushner" and/or "Observer" in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from Feb. 1 to March 1, 2017.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on March 3, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00314**. Please cite this number in any future correspondence or communications with the Office of the Secretary regarding your request.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. We have enclosed one file consisting of 50 pages, which is being released to you in its entirety.

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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#### Mr. Kevin Bogardus

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Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Cindy Sweeney by phone at 202-513-0765, by fax at 202-219-2374, by email at os\_foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

Electronic Enclosure

### **HAGGIE IVM**

(Integrated Vegetation Management)
P.O. Box 66
Crumpton, Maryland 21628

President Donald J. Trump
The White House
1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW, Washington DC 20500

26 January 2017

Dear President Trump:

Re: a novel approach to solving the DAPL and KXL pipelines controversy.

First, many congratulations on your investiture last week; it was an inauguration that my wife and I attended with fervent enthusiasm.

In order to help ameliorate and mitigate the current swirling controversies concerning the DAPL and KXL pipeline routes, I suggest "selling" these projects as added interconnected wildlife pathways, as long as regionally adapted native vegetation can be allowed to re-establish following construction. Appropriately managed using IVM these and other pipelines and rights-of-way (ROW) can be transformed into very effective **Pollinator Pathway Habitat Corridors** (PPHCs), all being interconnected across the nation. The utility infrastructure is all in place, the appropriate form of vegetation management just needs to be implemented that is also compatible with the ROW use by industry.

Furthermore, most, if not all, of these pipeline routes lie within the traditional north/south migratory routes of the Monarch butterfly (*Danaus plexippus*), another controversy at the environmental forefront. This iconic specie urgently needs more high quality habitat to survive. If you overlay the migratory route of the Monarch with the two pipelines enclosed, the coincidence is quite revealing. The added benefits for other wildlife species will be exemplary.

I work for two NPOs (Chesapeake Wildlife Heritage; <a href="www.cheswildlife.org">www.cheswildlife.org</a> and IVMPartners; <a href="www.ivmpartners.org">www.ivmpartners.org</a>) out of Maryland and Delaware, both of which are able to provide the necessary botanical advisory and establishment proficiency for such a program. I have worked in botanical research along utility (electric and gas) rights-of-way for over 20 years. Full implementation of my suggestions should be done in close collaboration with organizations like the Monarch Joint Venture (<a href="http://monarchjointventure.org/about-us/partners">http://monarchjointventure.org/about-us/partners</a>).

This PPHC suggestion will not fully solve the concerns of Native Americans; however if the idea can be "sold" in the capacity that these suggestions will heal sacred Mother Earth, that, I believe, will go a long way in swaying their opinion.

To the environmental antagonists of these current issues, who are all consumers of energy in one form or another, I say, look within yourselves, and ponder the biblical text: "Let the one among you who is guiltless be the first to throw a stone." (John 8 verse 7). Environmental extremists who preach covering the planet with solar panels and windmills will not arrive at a propitious solution either.

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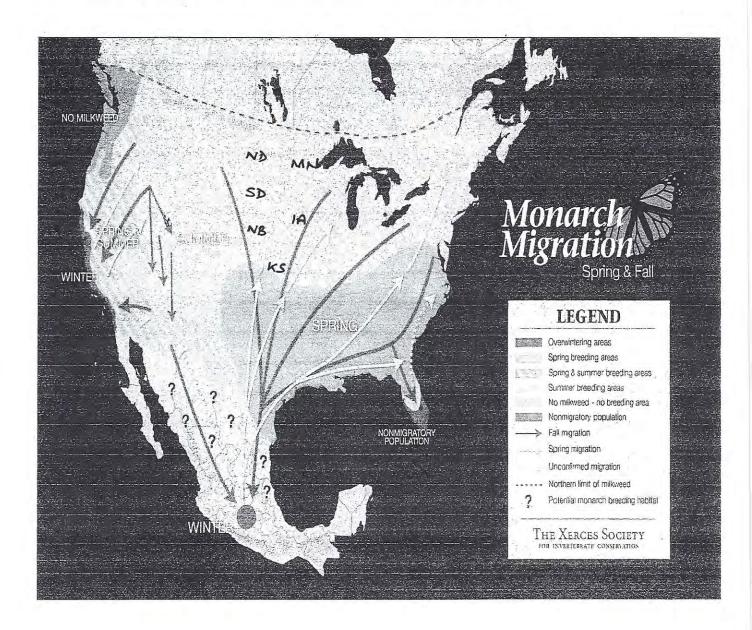
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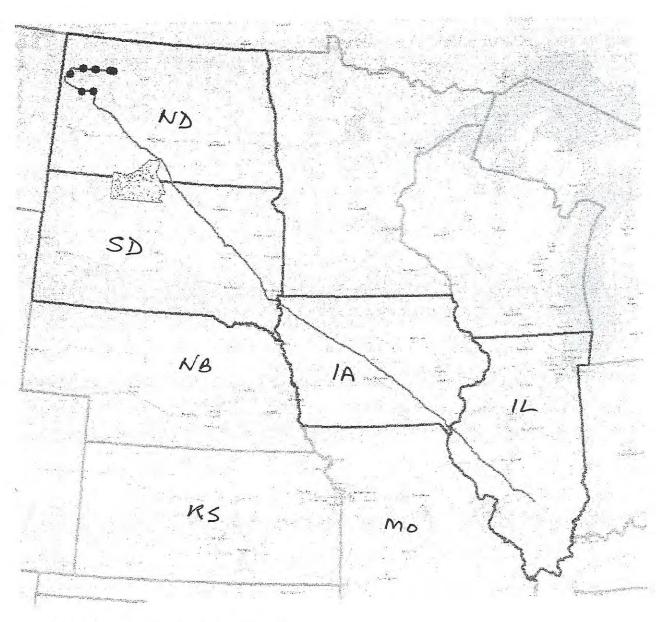
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The Honorable Ryan Zinke, Secretary of the Interior
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Encl: DAPL pipeline map
KXL pipeline map
Monarch butterfly migratory pathway map



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2 February 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W. Washington, DC 20050

Hon. Ryan Zinke Secretary of the Interior 1849 C Street, NW Washington, DC 20240

Re: Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs: Recommendation of Thomas L. LeClaire

Dear President Trump and Secretary Zinke:

Tom LeClaire is a member of the Mohawk Nation, who served as a Superior Court Judge, Maricopa County, Arizona. He was appointed by Arizona Governor Jan Brewer. Mr. LeClaire also served the United States Justice Department as Director of the Office of Tribal Justice, served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, and served as a Navy JAG Officer. Mr. LeClaire is well versed in Indian law and policy and has a strong background in government service.

As Director of the Office of Tribal Justice, Mr. LeClaire served in the Senior Executive Service as a Principal Advisor to the Attorney General on Indian Affairs, coordinated with the Secretary of the Interior on Indian policy and the Solicitor General on Indian cases before the Supreme Court. Mr. LeClaire also served as

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The blue represents the thunderclouds above the world where live the thunder birds who control the four winds. The rainbow is for the Cheyenne River Sioux people who are keepers of the Most Sacred Calf Pipe, a gift from the White Buffalo Calf Maiden. The eagle feathers at the edges of the rim of the world represent the spotted eagle who is the protector of all Lakota. The two pipes fused together are for unity. One pipe is for the Lakota, the other for all the other Indian Nations. The yellow hoops represent the Sacred Hoop, which shall not be broken. The Sacred Calf Pipe Bundle in red represents Wakan Tanka—The Great Mystery. All the colors of the Lakota are visible. The red, yellow, black and white represent the four major races. The blue is for heaven and the green for Mother Earth.

a high-level prosecutor in the Justice Department. He is a lifelong Republican and he has strong experience in business in the private sector.

He would serve you with distinction, and be an asset to the United States of America and Indian nations and tribes as your Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. We highly recommend him to you.

Please afford him an interview for Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Harold C. Frazier, Chairman Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe

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January 31, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

#### Dear President Trump:

We are deeply concerned that the January 23 memorandum directing an immediate hiring freeze for Federal programs will have a disproportionate impact on American Indian and Alaska Native communities. We request that you direct the Office of Management and Budget and the Office of Personnel Management to ensure agencies that provide essential services to Native peoples—in particular, the Indian Health Service and the Department of the Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs and Bureau of Indian Education—are exempt from the hiring freeze and can continue to hire staff to fill vacancies for all core programs.

The U.S. Government has a solemn obligation to fulfill its treaty and trust responsibilities for Native peoples—an obligation that includes providing services such as health care, education, social services, and law enforcement to Native communities. Even before the hiring freeze was announced, Federal agencies that provide these services were struggling to recruit and retain a qualified workforce, with personnel vacancies consistently cited by the Government Accountability Office and agency inspectors general as a major factor in the lack of available essential and basic services for Native peoples.

For example, Indian Health Service medical facilities regularly face vacancy rates that meet or exceed 20 percent for physicians, nurses and other key clinical providers—forcing facilities in many tribal communities to reduce access to critical medical services and threatening necessary accreditation by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services.

The Bureau of Indian Education continues to experience similar staffing problems despite decades of Congressional findings supporting the need to recruit and retain teachers and other support staff critical to providing Native children with quality education. In fact, the Bureau has 100 vacancies posted as of this month – the midpoint of the 2016-2017 school year.

Law enforcement agencies in Indian country also lack sufficient personnel. The Indian Law and Order Commission noted in its 2013 report to Congress that there was a 50 percent staffing shortfall for law enforcement officers in Indian country. Since the issuance of that report, tribes have continued to highlight the existence of a significant law enforcement shortage in Indian country and its impact on public safety in tribal communities.

In short, any freeze in hiring for Indian programs—whether temporary or permanent—threatens to make the challenges outlined here worse. We urge you to reconsider the freeze as it applies to Indian programs and to direct affected agency heads to take whatever actions are necessary to fill positions at programs that serve American Indians and Alaska Natives.

Sincerely,

Tom Udall

Vice Chairman

Jon Tester

United States Senator

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CC: Mr. Mark Sandy, Acting Director, Office of Management and Budget

Ms. Kathleen McGettigan, Acting Director, Office of Personnel Management

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Mr. Jack Haugrud, Acting Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior

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12/28/2016

## SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

To: President Elect Donald Trump and Vice President Elect Mike Pence

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Subject:

Application for the Position of Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Indian Affairs

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Dear President Elect Trump and Vice President Mike Pence,

I am hereby applying for the Position in the Bureau of Indian Affairs for Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Indian Affairs

I am uniquely qualified for this position as I have worked with Native Americans and Native American Veterans in most states of the United States including Alaska for the past 25 years and have supported, built & operated Transitional Housing for All American Veterans including the unique requirements of Native American Veterans for the past 16 years. I am not an American Citizen, however, I would like to be. As an Australian Combat Medic Vietnam Veteran and my Volunteering over the past 25+ years for Veterans has given me a greater insight into the Tribal Culture and I am believable as I am not an American. Native Americans see NO CONFLICT between them and I.

It is past time that the Native Americans stopped being Political Pawns and subject to discrimination, genocide, corruption even within their own and with the Government and Bureaucrats. This is 2016, 160 years since the cessation of hostilities between the Army, American Government and the Indian Tribes. It is past time that the whole system was bought into the 21 century and all areas need to be relooked at.

I have seen tribes or as I believe they should be called First Nation which puts a little RESPECT to them, decimated by Diabetes, Alcohol, Drugs, Gambling, Bureaucratic Bungling and outright intentional Discrimination and by manipulative cooperatives for their Art & Crafts.

Remember 60+% of ALL Native Americans are Veterans and I have seen so much Disrespect, Denying, Discrimination, Lies, Racism Graftland Corruption by the Veterans Administration and other Government Departments.

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Yes, the Bureau of Indian Affairs is one of the great perpetrators of the Hatred, Dissention Discrimination, Disharmony, Graft, Pitiful Health Services, Corruption and up to 90% Unemployment. The Government put them on the Reservations and didn't give them employment opportunities. The



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Government made them by design Welfare Nations so they are totally dependent on the Government, that may have been OK back over 100 years ago, it isn't now! They are AMERICANS.

It is past time that those Bureaucrats stepped aside to see if a New Ideas Person without any preconceived discrimination and the put down of a whole section of the First population of the United States can change the situation for the better.

BIA Tribal Representatives must NEVER be an endemic or historical Enemy of the Tribe they are there to oversee. We have witnessed these vindictive actions so many times.

These are things I am NOT: RACIST, DISCRIMATORY, FRAUDULENT, CORRUPT AMERICAN CITIZEN although Paid for.

These are the Things I am good at and MY Experience:

I am Very DIRECT at the TRUTH and Telling it like it is.

I AM HONEST and I have been bought up with a FATHER instilling in us, "there is nothing we cannot do if we put our Heart, Minds and Effort into it and to Give All 150% for things you take on, YES 150%." As an Engineer, I have worked in approx. 26 countries and visited many more.

I have designed, planned, written the Grants both here and in Australia for and Constructed or renovated many Transitional Homes for Homeless American Veterans; Taught many Hundreds of Homeless Veterans & Volunteers Trade Skills, Construction Skills, LIFE Skills, Animal Husbandry, Dairy and Dairy Food Manufacture, Classic Car and Farm Machinery restoration, and Wooden Crafts.

I am a certified Professional Grant Writer and have written successful grants when there is no FRAUD within the system or the system is rigged. I WILL NOT PAY GRAFT to get a grant or after a grant is approved.

I am an Accredited Chef and have a Certificate in Agriculture; am an accredited Equestrian, Combat Medic, Musician and Military Musician, Foreign Country Tour Guide, Foreign Trade Consultant to South Africa, China, USA, Canada, UK, Italy, Singapore, New Zealand etc.

I was a Senior Executive and/or CEO with Multi National Mayne Nickless, Gearing Dynamics and Forbes America, Inc, Australian Quality of Life Products until War Caused Conditions bought my Career to a halt. I am a Totally & Permanently Incapacitated Veteran that CANNOT WORK for Remuneration under the VA Australian LAW, however, I can VOLUNTEER.



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I know this will throw a spanner in the works, however, the Remuneration Package could be provided to Veterans Fund of the United States, 501C3 to serve more Veterans and Homeless Veterans. Some of the perks like Health Insurance I can take as None from the VA Australia is available to me here in the United States and have written to you about Our Push for a Reciprocal Health Agreement for Connected Veterans between the United States and AMERICA. No one can provide me a good answer why this hasn't been signed off? Lawyers always get in the way of COMMON SENSE as it never affects them and the Lawyer attitude just plain sucks. This is 2016 and it should have been completed as we are supposed to be ALLIES.

I am not a Unionist as in my 68 years I have found I have been remunerated for the Job Well Done. I can see Unions in the Western World have hurt the American Workers by pushing contracts that increase hourly rates and require ridiculous perks within these contracts. I believe there must be an oversight on Union Elections that include a written, secret ballot. The government should NEVER be the collector of Union Dues or the workers must have the Freedom to join or reject the Union membership.

We also have a group of Common Thought Engineers with Special Technologies that we round table and work together to make the World we live in a better place through these Technologies and remedies. We are prepared to provide Veterans these technologies through Our Group to provide Veterans Great Careers.

I have worked with All Veterans from ALL Ethnicities including Native America Veterans for the past 25 years. I have worked with Transitional Housing for ALL AMERICAN VETERANS for 16+ Years. Not being American and the Americans having a great comradeship with Australian during the Wars since the First World War, the benefits are huge as they are NOT WARY OF ME as I have NO preconceived ideas or prejudices against them. Veterans of the Vietnam War, Inc. & The Veterans Coalition both here in the U.S and Australia work with Veterans from 6 Allied Countries. What other Veterans Service Organization can provide Veterans with those type of Services?

I have designed & built Mining and Construction Equipment such as a WET BRAKE etc. for underground mining, etc.

I have been a TROUBLESHOOTER for more than 5 years taking on many difference challenges from Dead or wounded Guards to Insurance Fraud to Mechanical Failures all over the world for a Multi-National Company.

I have Designed, Build, Tested & Patented Fish Nets, The Enviro-trap that allow Air Breathing animals out of the nets thus reducing the killing of at risk Animal and Bird Species as well as cutting down



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on the By Kill. I have also designed built and tested a Crustacean Habitat called a HABITRAP which would increase the volume of Crustaceans in the Bio-Mass.

I have designed and Built Armored vehicles all over the world including Mayne Nickless, The Largest Armored Company in the World. I designed, built and tested Light Weight Superior Ballistic Materials, Armored Vehicle Safety Equipment as well as Armored Vehicles in many parts if the world.

I have designed and built an Organic Food Sanitizer that does not use Chemicals such as Chlorine etc. or Radiation. The only one of its kind in the world. No I will not patent it as this Patent information gets stolen and I have lost much through intellectual Property Theft.

I was bought up on a Farm in Australia that has specialized in Dairy, Beef, Pigs, Sheep, Chickens, Poultry, Hydroponics, Methane digestion and Aquaculture. And YES, I could be sitting on the Back Porch overlooking the creek, gardens and pastures and not have any of these Hassles. However, I CARE about my Brother & Sister Veterans and their Families. I Care about my Adopted Country, America as well and having used and instilled into Veterans and Homeless Veterans many of the Skills I have accrued over the many years.

I CARE DEEPLY FOR VETERANS AND THEIR FAMILIES and the PROMISES MADE TO THEM and the LIES they have had to live with and I am WELL CAPABLE to make a better quality of life for Native Americans, Veterans. Homeless and Incarcerated Veterans if given the CHANCE. JUSTICE for ALL Veterans is very Important to me, With MY Groups' State of the ART Technologies, we can have Veterans obtain GREAT CAREERS by providing Our Technology FREE of charge to Veterans and ONLY TO VETERANS. These Technologies are used to mechanically Desalinate Seawater or salt water, remove heavy metals and Pollutants from industrialized area rivers where drinking water is taken from, Convert Raw Protein (SEAFOOD OFFAL) into Organic Food and Pharmaceutical Protein, Omega Oil and Calcium that has NO bloodline Crossover, is suitable for Premature Babies right up to Geriatrics as well as improve plant growth, nuclear circles, Produce production, inoculant substrate and many more. ALL TECHNOLOGIES are CLOSED LOOP. We will only offer this technology free for manufacture with and for VETERANS.

However, there is a spinoff to this and that is the ancillary jobs created from these Protein Recovery Plans and the Great injection of Salaries, income and affluence. Subsequently better Education would be needed and with education comes greater knowledge and affluence.

I am never TOO BIG to do any job, whatever I have to do in life is what needs to be done. I want, along with Our Veterans, to be a big Part of Making America Great Again and as we Supported you during your Successful Campaign and Now we want to continue that SUPPORT.



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I have lived the life of Probably 5 people and I still have much get up and go even though handicapped and I have much to give. The Doctors give me 4 to 6 years before I am in a Wheelchair and anyone that knows me will tell you that I will ensure it longer than that.

If I am successful at getting this job and you do not like the Job I am doing, you only have to tell me to go and that will be All, However, If I do get the Job, I expect from You Mr. President, Vice President and the Secretary of Department of the Interior FULL and UNWAIVERING SUPPORT until you Sir tell me to leave.

No I am NOT Politically connected although I am not sure that is a detriment, However we Provided a Great deal of Support and Electioneering under Veteransgov, Help Our Warriors and Get off Your ASS America in your Election.

I live by a tough set of Life's Rules and Commitment is everything to me along with my Name. I have attempted to Live every commitment I have made in my 68 years.

One thing Sirs, You will NOT be sorry that I took this position on, in fact, there is no better person that you will find. I am also younger than many in your cabinet and still have a great deal of Fire in my Belly.

I can supply References from many Native Americans

Thank you for your time and consideration. I hope you will seriously consider this application. If you do please call me at any time at 570 954 2268 for any further information.

Sincerely

Peter Forbes

President

cc: Vice President Elect Pence Secretary of Interior, Ryan Zinke



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## SUPPORT OUR VETERANS

To:

Office of the U.S President

Att:

President Trump

Subject:

Native Americans and Native American Veterans

Dear President Trump,

We have followed you first couple of weeks of your Presidency and we are impressed with your actions and your meetings with many different groups of People, Ceo's, Small Business, and African Americans etc.

Can we expect a meeting with the President, Vice President and Native American Nation Chiefs so they can address what I and they can bring forward to see what can be done for the Native American Nations peoples.

Native American and this Organization have great concerns about the now probable Secretary of Veteran Affairs Dr Shulkin and the same discrimination will continue as it has done for years and years.

Most of the Native Americans Veterans I talk to believe there will be no change for them and their Families. They expect nothing from the Department of the Interior and Bureau of Indian Affairs than they have already experienced.

I did request that you include Native American Veterans in your Rallies and yet I listened and attended many, I never heard anything about them and yet they were the First Nation. You mentioned a great deal about the African American and Latino Americans but NO mention of the Native Americans, The First Nation.

If we find the same attitude against Native American Veterans and Our Organizations that have been on the forefront of working with Native American Veterans we will be shutting down our being one of very few providers of Transitional Housing for Native American Veterans. As fighting with the Government Department, Re Veterans Affairs Corrupt and Discriminatory Bureaucrats that is supposed to have NO MALLICE to any Veteran or any American Citizenry no matter what their Race or Creed costs us greatly in funds, health and depletes the Volunteers Enthusiasm.



### **VETERANS OF THE VIETNAM WAR, INC.** & THE VETERANS COALITION

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With a Veterans Affairs Vendetta against our Organizations we have very little chance of gaining any Grants and I will not even apply for a VA Grant as we know we will not get one, as we are black banned as we will not break our Veteran Residents lives for Political Reasons.

We have a United Veterans Beacon House for Female Native American Veterans in Parade, SD that is half completed and has not been worked on for the past 3 years after the Veterans Affairs cut funding and closed the operation. It will be Branded this spring as a Veterans Affairs Caused Failure across the 130 ft of the Frontage that fronts Highway SD 212.

So, I hope you will heed my request and we hope HUD and the VA work with Native American Veterans and Our Organizations. I am getting like Native Americans, Expecting nothing from a Government that is into Genocide and Discrimination. Remember I get nothing from this other than Native American Veterans being Housed, Given a Second Chance and being given Skill Training. I am a volunteer and an Australian Veteran.

I have also notified the new Secretary of Veterans Affairs Dr Shulkin that We do not regard him as being capable in rebuilding the Veterans Affairs and providing Health Services to Veterans. As I stated before Shulkin is the Under Secretary for Health and yet the Veterans are getting the cheapest and oldest Medications when far better and newer and yes more costly medications are available. Medications that are not meant to be split as specified by the manufacturer and yet the Veterans Affairs supply such medications and tell Veterans to split the medication and Sir, you want us to support Dr Shulkin. Dr Shulkin has been the Under Secretary for Health for the past 18 months so he is already indoctrinated into the Veterans Affairs draconian system that does not put Veterans FIRST!

Dr Shulkin was in his VA Job when Veterans have DIED under his leadership. Unacceptable.

If you wish to talk to me, please call me on 570 954 2268, Sorry, I won't expect a call as nothing has changed in the Communications area. Needless to say, Native Americans and Native American Veterans need a new, fair deal and RESPECT.

Sincerely,

Peter J Forbes U.S National Commander

cc. Vice President Pence



Howarth, Robert <robert\_howarth@ios.doi.gov>

### National Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program FY2018 Funding

1 message

Dueling, Kimberly Ann <kdueling@usgs.gov>

Wed, Feb 8, 2017 at 11:01 AM

To: Robert Howarth <robert\_howarth@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Joanne Taylor <ictaylor@usqs.gov>, William Lukas <wlukas@usgs.gov>, Melanie Clark <melanie\_clark@usgs.gov>

Hi Rob,

The USGS received (as a cc:) the attached letter and I wanted to forward it to Exec. Sec. We also provided a copy to our Water Mission Area as appropriate action.

Thanks.

Kimberly Dueling U.S. Geological Survey Office of the Director

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January 20, 2017

President Donald Trump c/o Shaun Donovan, Director The Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503

Re: National Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program FY 2018 Funding

Dear President Trump:

The Susquehanna River Basin Commission (Commission) recently approved the enclosed resolution urging financial support for the national Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program (GSIP) in FY 2018, thereby supporting the Susquehanna Flood Forecast and Warning System (SFFWS). Concern by Congress for the long-term continuity of our national streamgaging data led to the creation of the National Streamflow Information Program (NSIP) by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in 1999, which was integrated into the larger GSIP in 2015. Unfortunately, federal funds appropriated to the USGS for the national streamflow network have not been sufficient to meet the federal need. The resolution recommends that you include the amount of \$122 million in the FY 2018 budget to fully fund all GSIP eligible gages in the nation, thereby providing sustainable funding for the SFFWS. In establishing this network, citizens not only in the Susquehanna River Basin but across the United States will be ensured that critical data necessary to protect their own lives and property will be available. Fully funding the GSIP will further allow the USGS to redirect agency funding to other budgetary priorities in the interest of sustainable water resources for the nation.

The Susquehanna River Basin is one of the most flood-prone watersheds in the nation, suffering on average an estimated \$150 million in damages annually. Remnants of Tropical Storm Lee devastated many communities in the Susquehanna basin during September 2011, once again underscoring the need for the SFFWS. Since 1986, the SFFWS has provided critical data to the National Weather Service (NWS) via a network of stream gages and rain gages. The data are used by the NWS to provide accurate and timely flood forecasting and warning for the Susquehanna basin, thereby reducing resultant damages and saving human life. Commission staff estimate that every dollar invested in the SFFWS prevents as much as \$20 in damages and federal flood insurance payouts every year. Without adequate funding, the SFFWS cannot perform its mission of providing the residents and emergency managers of the Susquehanna River Basin the advance warning they need to prepare for flooding. Any loss of accuracy or timeliness of forecasts increases the potential for loss of life and property damage from flooding. Funding the SFFWS gages through full funding of the GSIP will provide these significant benefits to not only Susquehanna basin communities but to impacted communities nationwide.

If you have any questions or would like more information about the resolution, please contact John Balay, Manager of Planning and Operations, at 717-238-0423 ext. 1217 or jbalay@srbc.net.

Sincerely yours,

Andrew D. Dehoff Executive Director

#### Enclosure

cc: Ms. Kathryn Sullivan, Acting Administrator, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Ms. Renee Stone, Chief of Staff, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Ms. Suzette Kimball, Director, U.S. Geological Survey

Dr. Louis W. Uccellini, Director, National Weather Service

Dr. Robert Hartman, Office of Hydrologic Development Director, National Weather Service

Mr. Jason P. Tuell, Director, National Weather Service Eastern Region

Mr. Kevin Wisely, Director, New York State Office of Emergency Management

Mr. Richard D. Flinn, Jr., Director, Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency

Mr. Russell Strickland, Executive Director, Maryland Emergency Management Agency

SRBC Commissioners and Alternates

SRBC Members of the Congressional Delegation

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2016-10

A RESOLUTION of the Susquehanna River Basin Commission (the "Commission") urging the President and the Congress of the United States to provide financial support to the Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program in FY 2018, thereby supporting the Susquehanna Flood Forecast and Warning System.

WHEREAS, the Susquehanna River Basin is one of the most flood-prone watersheds in the United States, with average annual flood damages of nearly \$150 million; and

WHEREAS, severe flooding in the Susquehanna River Basin in September 2011, from which basin residents are still continuing to recover, caused millions of dollars in flood damages, injury, and loss of life, and further underscored the flood prone nature of the basin; and

WHEREAS, through an integrated rain and stream gage network, timely and accurate flood forecasts and warnings, and flood stage mapping for at-risk communities in the Susquehanna River Basin, the Susquehanna Flood Forecasting and Warning System (SFFWS) has helped prevent injury and loss of life; reduced flood damages by tens of millions of dollars; and delivered a benefit to cost ratio of 20:1; and

WHEREAS, these streamgages are crucial to early warning and flood damage reduction efforts in the Susquehanna River Basin, one of the most flood prone river basins in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the SFFWS is inextricably linked to the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of the Susquehanna River Basin; and

WHEREAS, in the interest of avoiding duplication of effort, maximizing available resources and promoting good government, the Commission, in accordance with its authority under Section 3.7 of the Susquehanna River Basin Compact, Pub. L. 91-575, plays an important coordinative role with federal and state agencies through the SFFWS, and also provides important technical assistance and public information services to the SFFWS; and

WHEREAS, federal funding for the SFFWS was eliminated in FY 2011; and

WHEREAS, concern by Congress for the long-term continuity and reliability of our national streamgaging data led to the creation of the National Streamflow Information Program (NSIP) by the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in 1999; and

WHEREAS, NSIP was designed and authorized to operate as a federally funded "backbone" network supporting approximately 4,750 streamgages and tidal gages necessary to fulfill 5 specific national purposes including streamflow forecasts that provide real-time stage and discharge data that are required to support flood and other streamflow forecasting by the National Weather Service and other federal agencies across the country; and

WHEREAS, Public Law 111-11 known as the "Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009" authorizes full implementation of NSIP by March 2019; and

WHEREAS, NSIP was integrated into a larger Groundwater and Streamflow Information Program (GSIP) by the USGS in October 2015, which fully supports full implementation of the "federally funded backbone" network as authorized by Public Law 111-11; and

WHEREAS, full implementation of the federally funded network will offset costs incurred by other federal streamgage programs, offset associated costs to cooperators within these same programs, and create a sustainable network to protect the lives and property of our nation's citizenry; and

WHEREAS, 45 streamgages in the SFFWS have been designated within the USGS federally funded network and therefore, have been designated as eligible for USGS support.

#### NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

- 1. The Commission recommends the President include the amount of \$122 million in the FY 2018 budget to fully fund all GSIP eligible gages in the nation, thereby providing sustainable funding for the SFFWS.
- 2. The Congress of the United States is likewise encouraged to support the above stated appropriation request for FY 2018.
  - 3. This resolution shall be effective immediately.

Dated: December 8, 2016

Ben Grumbles, Chair

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## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

for the

District of Columbia

District of	Columbia		
ASSOCIATION OF O&C COUNTIES, 16289 HWY 101 South Ste. A, Brookings OR 97415		00063	
Plaintiff(s)		တ	
v. )	Civil Action No. 17-cv-00280-RJL	1	
DONALD J. TRUMP, President of the United States of America; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; KEVIN HAUGRUD, Secretary of the Interior; and BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT,			
Defendant(s)	,		
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Within 21 days after service of this summons on you are the United States or a United States agency, or an officer P. 12 (a)(2) or (3) — you must serve on the plaintiff an answ the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. The answer or motion whose name and address are:  Per A. Ramfjord STOEL RIVES LLP 760 SW Ninth Ave, Suite 300 Portland, OR 97205 Telephone: 503-294-9257	or employee of the United States described in Fewer to the attached complaint or a motion under Rumust be served on the plaintiff or plaintiff's attornal	d. R. Civ. ale 12 of	
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I hereby certify that I served the foregoing SUMMONS as to defendant KEVIN

HAUGRUD, in his official capacity as acting Secretary of the Interior; COMPLAINT;

CIVIL COVER SHEET; CERTIFICATE RULE LCvR 7.1; DESIGNATION OF

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U.S. MAGISTRATE JUDGE on the following named person(s) on the date indicated below by via U.S. Certified Mail, Return Receipt Requested to said person(s) a true copy thereof, contained in a sealed envelope, addressed to said person(s) at his or her last-known address(es) indicated below.

KEVIN HAUGRUD Secretary of the Interior U.S. Department of the Interior 1849 C Street NW Washington, DC 20240

JEFF SESSIONS Attorney General of the U.S. U.S. Department of Justice 950 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20530-0001 CHANNING D. PHILLIPS U.S. Attorney, District of Columbia Judiciary Center Building 555 Fourth Street, NW Washington, DC 20530

DATED: February 14, 2017.

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## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

ASSOCIATION OF O&C COUNTIES, Civil No. 1:17-cv-0280 16289 HWY 101 South Ste. A, Brookings Action for Declaratory and Injunctive OR 97415, Relief to Remedy Violations of the Oregon and California Railroad Lands Act of 1937, Plaintiff, 43 U.S.C. § 1181a; and the Antiquities Act of 1906, 54 U.S.C. § 320301 ν. DONALD J. TRUMP, in his official capacity as President of the United States of America, 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500; UNITED STATES OF AMERICA; KEVIN HAUGRUD, in his official capacity as acting Secretary of the Interior, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240; and BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT, 1849 C Street NW, Washington, DC 20240, Defendants.

#### **COMPLAINT**

Plaintiff Association of O&C Counties ("AOCC" or "Plaintiff") for its complaint against Defendants Donald J. Trump, in this official capacity as President of the United States of America; the United States of America; Kevin Haugrud, in his official capacity as Acting Secretary of the Interior ("Secretary"); and the Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") states and alleges as follows:

#### I. INTRODUCTION

This case arises out of President Barack Obama's Proclamation issued on January
 2017 ("Proclamation 9564"), expanding the boundaries of the Cascade-Siskiyou National

Monument pursuant to the Antiquities Act, 54 U.S.C. §§ 320301-320303. Proclamation 9564 adds approximately 48,000 acres to the existing Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument. Proclamation 9564 states that the Secretary will manage the lands through the BLM as a unit of the National Landscape Conservation System, under the same laws and regulations that apply to the rest of the monument. Those laws and regulations include a blanket prohibition on commercial timber harvest inside the monument.

- 2. Of the 48,000 acres set aside for the monument expansion, approximately 40,400 of those acres have already been set aside by Congress for a special purpose in the Oregon and California Railroad Grant Lands Act of 1937 ("O&C Act"), 43 U.S.C. §§ 1181a-1181f. The federally-owned lands governed by the O&C Act (the "O&C Lands") serve a particular purpose. In particular, Congress mandated that all of the O&C Lands classified as timberlands "shall be managed" for the purpose of "permanent forest production" on a sustained yield basis and required that at least 50 percent of the proceeds from the timber sales on such lands shall be paid to local county governments. Congress entrusted the Secretary to manage these O&C Lands, but with an express mandate: the timber "shall be sold, cut, and removed in conformity with the principal of sustained yield." 43 U.S.C. § 1181a. Furthermore, to ensure adequate revenues to the counties, Congress expressly mandated that the amount of timber sold each year from the O&C Lands shall not be less than one-half billion board-feet or the annual sustained yield capacity of those forests. *Id*.
- 3. President Obama's inclusion of O&C Lands within the Cascade-Siskiyou

  National Monument violates the O&C Act and exceeds the scope of presidential authority under
  the Antiquities Act. Where Congress has set aside lands for a specific purpose, the President is

without authority to reserve those lands for another purpose. Congress set aside O&C Lands for sustained yield timber production for the benefit of counties in Oregon. The President may not, therefore, reserve those lands for a monument that *prohibits* the very sustained yield timber production for which the same lands were previously set aside by Congress. As a result, the President's inclusion of O&C Lands in Proclamation 9564 must be set aside as *ultra vires*.

#### II. JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 4. The Court has jurisdiction of this action pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1331 (federal question) and 28 U.S.C. §§ 2201-2202 (declaratory judgment and injunctive relief). *See Mountain States Legal Found. v. Bush*, 306 F.3d 1132, 1136 (D.C. Cir. 2002) ("In reviewing challenges under the Antiquities Act, the Supreme Court has indicated generally that review is available to ensure that the Proclamations are consistent with constitutional principles and that the President has not exceeded his statutory authority."); *id.* (judicial review of Presidential action available where "the authorizing statute or another statute places discernible limits on the President's discretion").
- 5. Venue is proper in this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1391(e) because this is an action against the United States and United States agencies and officials and because a substantial part of the events and omissions giving rise to the claims in this case occurred in this District, and the Defendants reside in the District. Furthermore, the President signed 9564 Proclamation at issue in this case in the District.

#### III. PARTIES

#### A. Plaintiff Association Of O&C Counties

- 6. Plaintiff AOCC is an association whose members are 17 counties in western Oregon containing O&C Lands managed by BLM ("O&C Counties"). AOCC's members include Klamath, Douglas, Curry, Coos, Lane, Lincoln, Linn, Polk, Yamhill, Marion, Clackamas, Multnomah, Columbia, Washington, Tillamook, Jackson and Josephine Counties. AOCC's sole function is to protect and enhance the O&C Counties' interest in the O&C Lands. AOCC (then known as the O&C County Courts Association) was a proponent of the legislation that ultimately became the O&C Act. AOCC has also participated actively in every significant administrative or legislative process concerning such lands from 1937 to present.
- 7. AOCC's member counties are the intended beneficiaries of the O&C Act. The O&C Act expressly provides that AOCC's member counties have the right to 75 percent of gross receipts from timber sales and harvests on O&C Lands, 43 U.S.C. § 1181f(a), which percentage since the 1950s has been reduced to 50 percent by periodic Interior Appropriations Acts. As such, AOCC's members have a direct financial stake in the validity of Proclamation 9564 because it removes 40,400 acres of O&C Lands from timber production by placing such lands into the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument. The monument designation of these O&C Lands causes, and will continue to cause, immediate and direct financial harm to AOCC's member counties by removing timberlands from sustained yield timber production, thereby thwarting the purpose of the O&C Act. Proclamation 9564 will necessarily deprive the O&C Counties of the receipts from timber sales that would otherwise be harvested on those lands each year. Proclamation 9564 will also necessarily deprive the O&C Counties of timber supply that would

support the wood products industries in those counties, resulting in increased levels of unemployment, as well as increased demand on certain services provided by the O&C Counties.

- 8. The relief requested by AOCC will redress that harm by ensuring that the Secretary manages the O&C Lands by and through the BLM in accordance with the O&C Act for the intended purpose of permanent forest production on a sustained yield basis with the required statutory minimum level of timber harvest. This relief will ensure that AOCC's members receive the receipts from timber sales promised by the O&C Act, and will further help provide for the economic stability and development of the O&C Counties as contemplated by the O&C Act.
- 9. AOCC and its member counties have no other plain, speedy, or adequate remedy at law. President Obama's decision to withdraw O&C Lands from sustained yield timber production and place those lands in the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument is final, and ripe for judicial review.

#### B. Defendants

10. Defendant Donald J. Trump is the President of the United States of America.

President Trump's predecessor President Obama issued Proclamation 9564 that is the subject of this lawsuit. Defendant Kevin Haugrud is the acting Secretary and the official charged with administering the O&C Act and the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument through the BLM.

Defendant BLM is responsible for managing O&C Lands and the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument.

#### IV. BACKGROUND ALLEGATIONS

#### A. The Antiquities Act Of 1906

11. The Antiquities Act of 1906 authorizes the President to proclaim national monuments on federal lands that contain "historic landmarks, historic and prehistoric structures, and other objects of historic or scientific interest." 54 U.S.C. § 320301(a). The President is to reserve "the smallest area compatible with the proper care and management of the objects to be protected." *Id.* § 320301(b).

#### B. The O&C Act Of 1937

- 12. The O&C Act of 1937 mandates that approximately 2.1 million acres of federally-owned land located in eighteen western Oregon counties that have been classified as timberlands, namely the O&C Lands, be managed for permanent forest production on a sustained yield basis, and that between fifty and seventy-five percent of the revenue from the timber sales on such land be paid to the counties in which the land is located, namely the O&C Counties. 43 U.S.C. §
- 13. The O&C Act was enacted to guide the management of lands that Congress had originally granted to the Oregon and California Railroad (the "Railroad") in connection with the construction of a rail line connecting Portland, Oregon to California. *See* Act of July 25, 1866, ch. 242, § 1, 14 Stat. 239. Under the original land grant, as subsequently amended, the Railroad was required to sell the lands in 160-acre parcels at a price of \$2.50 per acre to foster settlement and development of the region. Act of July 25, 1866, ch. 242, § 2, 14 Stat. at 240. However, the Railroad sold only a small portion of the lands in 160-acre tracts, choosing instead to sell off much larger tracts at prices ranging between \$5 and \$40 per acre for timber speculation, in direct contravention to the statutory terms of the land grant. Eventually, in 1903, the Railroad, which

by then had been acquired by Southern Pacific Railroad, withdrew all of the remaining lands from sale, asserting they were timberlands and unsuitable for settlement.

- 14. The Railroad's refusal to sell additional O&C Lands had a detrimental impact on the anticipated settlement and development of the O&C Counties and was criticized by local governments. In response, Congress directed the U.S. Attorney General to enforce the terms of the O&C grant. *See* S.J. Res. 18, 60th Cong., 35 Stat. 571 (1908). As a result, the federal government filed suit and obtained a decree forfeiting the unsold O&C Lands back to the United States (causing the railroad to cease making property tax payments on the lands); however, the United States Supreme Court reversed the forfeiture decree and invited Congress to formulate an appropriate remedy. *Oregon & California Railroad Co. v. United States*, 238 U.S. 393 (1915).
- 15. Congress then stepped in again in 1916 by passing the Chamberlain-Ferris Revestment Act (39 Stat. 218), which, among other things, (a) revested all of the unsold lands granted to the railroad back into the United States, (b) directed the Unites States to pay the O&C Counties the unpaid property taxes owed on such lands and (c) directed the Department of the Interior to sell the timber from those lands "as rapidly as reasonable prices [could] be secured" in a normal market. Chamberlain-Ferris Revestment Act of 1916, ch. 137, § 4, 39 Stat. at 220. Finally, because the O&C Counties would not be able to impose property taxes on the O&C Lands revested in the federal government, the Act also provided that a portion of the revenues from such timber and land sales would be directed to the O&C Counties. Chamberlain-Ferris Revestment Act of 1916, ch. 137, §§ 9-10, 39 Stat. at 221-22.
- 16. But timber sales under the Chamberlain-Ferris Act produced little revenue, causing continued financial hardship to the O&C Counties and eventually leading Congress to

pass the O&C Act in 1937 "to provide the counties in which the O&C land was located with the stream of revenue which had been promised but not delivered by the Chamberlain-Ferris Revestment Act." *Headwaters, Inc. v. BLM, Medford Dist.*, 914 F.2d 1174, 1183 (9th Cir. 1990).

17. To achieve this purpose, the O&C Act mandates that that the O&C Lands be managed for permanent forest production on a sustained yield basis for the benefit of the O&C Counties. Specifically, the O&C Act provides that the O&C Lands

which have heretofore or may hereafter be classified as timberlands, and power-site lands valuable for timber, *shall* be managed . . . for permanent forest production, and the timber thereon shall be sold, cut, and removed in conformity with the principal of sustained yield for the purpose of providing a permanent source of timber supply, protecting watersheds, regulating stream flow, and contributing to the economic stability of local communities and industries, and providing recreational facil[i]ties[.]

43 U.S.C. § 1181a (emphasis added). In addition, the O&C Act provides that no less than "[f]ifty per centum" and up to 75 percent of the revenue obtained from such sales shall be payable "to the counties in which the [O&C] lands revested . . . are situated." *Id.* § 1181f(a).

18. In a further effort to ensure a dependable revenue stream to the O&C Counties, the O&C Act also expressly requires a minimum level of annual timber sales. At the time of the enactment of the O&C Act, the best available estimate of the standing timber on O&C Lands

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> As the Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals has held, this language makes "clear that the primary use of the revested lands is for timber production." O'Neal v. United States, 814 F.2d 1285, 1287 (9th Cir. 1987). Thus, while the statute mentions additional benefits of sustained yield timber management such as protecting watersheds and recreation, there is nothing in the statute or its history to "suggest that wildlife habitat conservation or conservation of old growth forest is a goal on a par with timber production, or indeed that it is a goal of the O & C Act at all." Headwaters, Inc., 914 F.2d at 1184. Instead, timber production is the "dominant use" of the O&C Lands. Id.

was approximately 50 billion board feet and the best estimate of the annual sustained yield was at least 500 million board feet per year, based on an assumed 100-year rotation period on the O&C Lands. This reasoning is reflected in the statute:

The annual productive capacity for such lands shall be determined and declared as promptly as possible after August 28, 1937, but until such determination and declaration are made the average annual cut therefrom shall not exceed one-half billion feet board measure: *Provided*, That timber from said lands in an amount not less than one-half billion feet board measure, or not less than the annual sustained yield capacity when the same has been determined and declared, shall be sold annually, or so much thereof as can be sold at reasonable prices on a normal market.

# Id. § 1181a (underline added).

- 19. The purpose of this minimum harvest requirement is also reflected in the legislative history of the 1937 O&C Act. The underlined language in the above paragraph was added to the O&C Act at the insistence of Representative Mott (of Oregon) and the AOCC. As originally introduced in H.R. 5858, 75th Cong. (1937), the O&C Act would have provided only that "[t]he annual productive capacity shall be determined and declared as promptly as possible after passage of this act, but until such determination and declaration are made, the average annual cut shall not exceed one-half billion board feet." While this language plainly capped harvest in the short term, it provided no minimum cut. Representative Mott noted this and objected to any bill that would not provide minimum harvest levels needed to guarantee adequate revenues for the O&C Counties. See Report of Hearing from April 13, 1937, at 6-8, 25-27, 30.
- 20. Similar objections were made by the witness for the AOCC. Testifying before Congress, the AOCC's attorney Guy Cordon offered the following language to provide a minimum cut level: "Timber from said lands in an amount not less than one-half billion board

feet measure or not less than the maximum annual sustained yield capacity shall be sold annually if the same can be done at reasonable prices on a normal market." Report of Hearings from May 25, 1937, at 121-22. Representative Mott and Mr. Cordon both emphasized several times that the intent of the proposed amendment was to limit the Secretary's discretion and to guarantee a minimum harvest level for the benefit of the O&C Counties. *Id.* at 122-24.

# C. Implementation Of The O&C Act

- 21. Following passage of the O&C Act, the Secretary immediately began to determine the inventory of standing timber and the proper classification of O&C Lands as timberlands or agricultural lands suitable for settlement. By 1942, the Secretary, through the Department of the Interior, determined that 2,446,000 acres of O&C Lands were properly classified as "timberlands." U.S. Department of Interior General Land Office, *Forever Timber: Perpetual Sustained Yield Forestry on the Revested Oregon and California Railroad Grant Lands and the Reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands in Western Oregon* 17 (1945).
- 22. In addition, the Secretary immediately began identifying the annual productive capacity of the O&C Lands and marketing timber from such lands in accordance with the O&C Act. Starting in fiscal year 1940, the Secretary, through the Department of the Interior, sold 593 million board feet of timber (above the 500 million board feet minimum harvest requirement). W. Horning, U.S. Department of Interior General Land Office, *The O&C Lands and their Management, an Important Advance in Forest Conservation* 7 (Dec. 1940). Over time, the allowable sale quantities were steadily increased until starting in 1959 the BLM began selling an average of more than 1.1 billion board feet of timber from the O&C Lands every year for the next 32 years, with the peak sale level of 1.662 billion board feet occurring in 1960. *See* Final Environmental Impact Statement for the Revision of the Resource Management Plans of the

Western Oregon Bureau of Land Management at 3-239 to -240 (Oct. 2008).

23. The revenues from such timber sales provided substantial economic benefits to the O&C Counties. Indeed, in the first 50 years of implementation, the O&C Act returned more than \$1.4 billion to the O&C Counties. Those funds have been used to build and maintain public buildings and construct other public works, and to support basic public services such as law enforcement, corrections, public and mental health services, taxation and assessment, libraries, and a broad array of other services supported by O&C County general fund budgets.

### D. The United States Previously Determined That O&C Lands Cannot Be Reserved **Under The Antiquities Act**

- Proclamation 9564 is not the first time that a President has considered 24. incorporating a portion of the O&C Lands into a national monument. In 1940, President Roosevelt was considering expanding the Oregon Caves National Monument, a 488-acre area in the Siskiyou Mountains. The contemplated expansion would have included O&C Lands.
- 25. The Secretary sought a legal opinion from the Office of the Solicitor as to the whether the President has the authority to set aside O&C Lands "as an addition to the Oregon Caves National Monument." Solicitor's Opinion M. 30506 (Mar. 9, 1940). The Solicitor concluded that "[i]t is my opinion that the President does not have such authority." Id.
  - The Solicitor explained that through the O&C Act, 26.

Congress directed that certain lands (those heretofore or hereafter classified as timberlands and power-site lands valuable for timber) be managed 'for permanent forest production and the timber thereon shall be sold, cut, and removed in conformity with the principle of sustained yield.' .... It is clear from the foregoing that Congress specifically provided a plan for the utilization of the Oregon and California Railroad Company revested lands. The plan among other things involves the disposal of lands and timber and the distribution of the moneys received from such disposition.

# the specified purpose.

*Id.* at 2-3 (emphasis added).

- 27. The Solicitor then contrasted this purpose with the management of property under the Antiquities Act, in which "the disposal of timber in national monuments is restricted" to insect and disease control. *Id.* at 3.
  - 28. Based on that review, the Solicitor concluded that

[t]here can be no doubt that the administration of the lands for national monument purposes would be inconsistent with the utilization of the O. and C. lands as directed by Congress. It is well settled that where Congress has set aside lands for a specific purpose the President is without authority to reserve the lands for another purpose inconsistent with that specified by Congress. In my opinion, therefore, the President is not authorized to include the Oregon and California Railroad Company revested lands in the Oregon Caves National Monument."

*Id.* at 4-5.

- 29. The Solicitor has also issued a number of subsequent opinions conforming the specific purpose of the O&C Lands. The Solicitor concluded that O&C Lands could not be used for mining purposes (*see* Department of Interior Memorandum, Aug. 25, 1941), could not be withdrawn for a state park (*see* Solicitor Opinion, May 17, 1955), and could not be included within wilderness study areas otherwise required as part of FLPMA (*see* Solicitor Opinion, June 1, 1977).
- 30. In addition, in 1986 the Solicitor issued an opinion to the Secretary on the issue of whether the BLM could develop a program to conserve northern spotted owls on BLM-managed land. *See* Solicitor Opinion, Oct. 28, 1986. The Solicitor concluded that the BLM could develop such a program consistent with the multiple use provisions of FLPMA. But that freedom was "limited" on any O&C Lands because "Congress defined how the Secretary must manage" those

lands under the O&C Act. The Solicitor explained that the Secretary could establish a program for managing spotted owls on O&C Lands "if it is possible to do so without creating a conflict with the dominant use there – timber production." *Id.* However, "[i]f a program for managing northern spotted owls conflicts with producing timber on a sustained basis in O&C timberlands, the O&C Act will preclude the program's application to that realty." *Id.* 

# E. The Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument

- 31. President Clinton created the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument under the Antiquities Act by Presidential Proclamation 7318 on June 9, 2000 ("Proclamation 7318). Proclamation 7318 set aside 52,000 acres of federal land. The proclamation states that "[t]he commercial harvest of timber or other vegetative material is prohibited, except when part of an authorized science-based ecological restoration project aimed at meeting protection and old growth enhancement objectives." 65 Fed. Reg. 37249, 37250 (June 9, 2000). The proclamation further states that "[n]o portion of the monument shall be considered to be suited for timber production, and no part of the monument shall be used in a calculation or provision of a sustained yield of timber." *Id*.
- 32. Proclamation 7318 placed management of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument with the Secretary, through the BLM, and instructed the Secretary to prepare a management plan for the monument.
- 33. The current management plan for the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument was issued in 2008. As per the instruction in Proclamation 7318, the plan prohibits commercial timber harvest inside the monument.

- F. President Obama Acts To Expand The Cascade Siskiyou National Monument To Include O&C Lands Despite The United States' Own Prior Determination That O&C Lands Cannot Be Reserved Under The Antiquities Act
- 34. In October of 2016, the BLM released a proposed expansion to the Cascade Siskiyou National Monument. The proposed expansion was for 53,100 additional acres, of which 50,900 were O&C Lands.
- 35. AOCC sent a letter on October 14, 2016 to the Assistant Secretary explaining that the President lacked the authority to include O&C Lands in the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument, and cited and provided the 1940 opinion from the Solicitor General. The letter further explained that the designation would "cut deeply" into the available harvest areas for O&C Lands and would cause significant financial hardship to Klamath and Jackson Counties in particular.
- 36. On January 12, 2017, President Obama issued Proclamation 9564, titled Boundary Enlargement of the Cascade-Siskiyou National Monument. Proclamation 9564 expands the boundaries set by President Clinton in Proclamation 7318, including an additional 48,000 acres.
- 37. Proclamation 9564 states that "[a]ll Federal lands and interests in lands within the boundaries" of the monument "are hereby . . . withdrawn from all forms of entry, location, selection, sale, or other disposition under the public land laws." 82 Fed. Reg. 6145, 6148-49 (Jan. 12, 2017).
- 38. Proclamation 9654 further states that the Secretary "shall manage the area being added to the monument through the [BLM] as a unit of the National Landscape Conservation System, under the same laws and regulations that apply to the rest of the monument." *Id.* at 6149.

- 39. The effect of this Proclamation is that sustained yield timber production is prohibited on all federal lands within the new portions of the monument, just as they are currently prohibited in the original portions of the monument.
- 40. The 48,000-acre expansion includes 42,600 acres in Oregon, of which 40,400 acres are O&C Lands, approximately 95% of the expansion in Oregon.
- 41. At least 35,500 acres of those O&C Lands within the new monument are classified as timber lands that must be managed on a sustained yield basis under the O&C Act.

  As a result of Proclamation 9564, none of those 35,500 acres will be managed for sustained yield timber production as mandated by Congress.

### FIRST CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Proclamation 9564 Violates The O&C Act And Exceeds Presidential Authority Under The Antiquities Act By Reserving O&C Lands From Timber Production

- 42. Plaintiff re-alleges and incorporates by reference the preceding paragraphs.
- 43. Congress set aside the O&C Lands for a specific purpose: to benefit the O&C Counties.
- 44. In accordance with that purpose, the O&C Act requires the Secretary to manage all O&C Lands under the jurisdiction of the Department of the Interior that are classified as timberlands and power site lands valuable for timber for permanent forest production, and the timber thereon shall be sold, cut, and removed in conformity with the principle of sustained yield. 43 U.S.C. § 1181a.
- 45. Proclamation 9564 permanently removes at least 35,000 acres of O&C Lands classified as timberlands from sustained yield timber production. The reservation is inconsistent with and directly contrary to the purpose for which these lands were designated in the O&C Act.

46. Once Congress sets aside lands for a particular purpose, the President is without authority to reserve those lands for a different purpose. By reserving O&C Lands for a monument purpose, and prohibiting their use for sustained yield timber production, Proclamation 9564 violates the O&C Act, and exceeds the authority granted to the President in the Antiquities Act.

# PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays for judgment as follows:

- A. Adjudge and declare that Proclamation 9564 violates the O&C Act and the Antiquities Act by reserving O&C Lands from sustained yield timber production;
  - B. Vacate and enjoin Proclamation 9564 to the extent that it includes O&C Lands;
- C. Award Plaintiff its reasonable attorneys' fees and costs pursuant to the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412; and
  - D. Grant Plaintiff such further relief as may be just, proper, and equitable.

DATED: February 13, 2017.

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I prefer to receive responses to these requests in electronic form. If the responses to any of these requests exceed more than 15 megabytes, please contact me in order to arrange another form of delivery other than email.

I am filing these FOIA requests as a "representative of the news media" since I am a reporter for E&E News. This designation entitles me to a waiver of fees accumulated during the actual search and review process. Nevertheless, if your agency does determine that I should be charged for any part of these requests, please contact me before estimated costs exceed \$25.

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The information responsive to these FOIA requests will contribute to the public's understanding of your agency and the government at large. This information is not in the public domain but once your agency responds to these FOIA requests, it will be printed on our website, www.eenews.net, which has more than 40,000 unique visitors a day. We expect the information that is produced through these and other FOIA requests to serve as the basis for several articles that explain the government's actions and operations to the public. For more information about E&E News, please refer to www.eenews.net.

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If my request is denied in whole or in part, please specify which exemption(s) is (are) claimed for each passage or whole document denied. In addition, please give the number of pages in each document and the total number of pages pertaining to this request and the dates of the documents withheld. Such statements will be helpful in deciding whether to appeal an adverse determination.

As required by FOIA, I look forward to hearing from your office within 20 days in response to these requests.

If you have any questions about the nature or scope of these requests, please call me at 202-446-0401 or email me at kbogardus@eenews.net.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Sincerely,

**Kevin Bogardus** Reporter **E&E News** 122 C Street NW, Suite 722 Washington, DC 20001 Office: 202-446-0401

Cell: 202-247-7844 Fax: 202-737-5299 kbogardus@eenews.net

# Kevin Bogardus < kbogardus@eenews.net>

Fri, Mar 3, 2017 at 11:41 PM

To: "Clarice Julka (os foia@ios.doi.gov)" <os foia@ios.doi.gov>, "cynthia sweeney@ios.doi.gov" <cynthia\_sweeney@ios.doi.gov>

Copied and pasted below are Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) requests from E&E News. Please confirm receipt of this email. Thank you for your help.

To Whom It May Concern:

These are requests under the **Freedom of Information Act** (FOIA).

I request all records concerning Acting Interior Secretary Jack Haugrud's schedule from Feb. 1 to March 1, 2017.

Please include all records that document Jewell's schedule, including but not limited to agenda sheets, appointments, day calendars, itineraries, Google calendars, Outlook calendars, programs and timetables.

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# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

May 15, 2017

Via email: <u>kurt@nationalparkstraveler.com</u>

Kurt Repanshek National Park Advocates, LLC National Parks Traveler 9116 Upper Lando Lane Park City, Utah 84098

Dear Mr. Repanshek:

On March 7, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request with the National Parks Service (NPS) seeking the following:

[A] copy of the Obama administration's National Park Service transition document prepared and sent to the Trump administration..

On March 7, 2017, NPS referred your request to the Office of the Secretary.

On March 8, 2017, we acknowledged your request and advised you of your fee status under the FOIA.

We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. The information you are seeking is publicly available at the following website:

# https://www.doi.gov/foia/os/other-records

There is no fee for the processing of this request. This completes the Office of the Secretary's response to your request.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of the FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c). This response is limited to records that are subject to the requirements of the FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

The 2007 FOIA amendments, the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) was created to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

# Mr. Kurt Repanshek

Office of Government Information Services 8601 Adelphi Road- OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

Web: <a href="https://ogis.archives.gov">https://ogis.archives.gov</a> Telephone: 202-741-5770

Fax: 202-741-5769

Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may contact Nicholas Banco by phone at (202) 513-0765, by fax at (202) 219-2374, by email at os foia@ios.doi.gov, or by mail at U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, MS-7328, Washington, D.C. 20240. You also may seek dispute resolution services from our FOIA Public Liaison, Clarice Julka, at the phone and address above.

Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer



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# Fwd: FOIA from: Kurt Repanshek

1 message

Julka, Clarice <clarice\_julka@ios.doi.gov>
To: "OS, OS FOIA" <osfoia@ios.doi.gov>

Wed, Mar 8, 2017 at 7:31 AM

please log in and give to nick.

Clarice Julka
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Date: Tue, Mar 7, 2017 at 6:05 PM
Subject: Fwd: FOIA from: Kurt Repanshek

To: Clarice Julka <clarice julka@ios.doi.gov>

Hi Clarice.

Are we still sending these over to your office, since the NPS did not actually provide anything to the new administration?

C.

Ms. Charis Wilson, PhD, CRM NPS FOIA Officer 12795 W. Alameda Parkway PO Box 25287 Denver, CO 80225-0287 303-969-2959

Fax: 303-969-2557 1-855-NPS-FOIA npsfoia@nps.gov

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From: U.S. Department of the Interior <webmaster@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Wed, Mar 1, 2017 at 2:26 PM Subject: FOIA from: Kurt Repanshek

To: npsfoia@nps.gov

Submitted on Wednesday, March 1, 2017 - 4:26pm

Submitted by anonymous user: [10.156.8.158]

Submitted values are:

Your Name: Kurt Repanshek

Street Address: 9116 Upper Lando Lane

City: Park City

State or Country: Utah

Zip or Postal Code: 84098

Address Type: Home

Daytime Phone Number: 435-645-8680

Fax Number: 4356458680

E-mail Address: kurt@nationalparkstraveler.com

Confirm E-mail Address : kurt@nationalparkstraveler.com

Your Organization: National Park Advocates, LLC, dba National Parks Traveler

Are you filing the request on behalf of another party? No

If so, who are you filing the request on behalf of?

**Contact Information Certification:** 

Bureau/Office: National Park Service (NPS)

Relevant park, refuge, site or other location: Washington, D.C., headquarters

Request Description: By this transmission I request a copy of the Obama administration's National Park Service transition document prepared and sent to the Trump administration.

Desired Format of Disclosure: Electronic format via email

Select the applicable reason why you are requesting expedited processing:

Justification for Expedited Processing:

Expedited Processing Certification: I certify that the above statement(s) concerning expedited processing are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Please select the appropriate statement: I am requesting a waiver or reduction of fees.

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To assist in determining my requester category to assess fees, you should know that I am: a representative of the news media and this request is made as part of a news gathering effort and not for commercial use.

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Check the boxes to the right to confirm that you meet the Department's fee waiver criteria:

- Disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the Government.

- Disclosure of the information is not primarily in my commercial interest.

Please explain why your request for a waiver of fees or a reduction in fees is justified.: I am editor-in-chief of NationalParksTraveler.com, which provides daily editorial coverage of the national parks and National Park Service. As such, this request is made as part of news gathering and not for a commercial use. I request a waiver of all fees for this request. Disclosure of the requested information to me is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations or activities of the government and is not primarily in my commercial interest.

The results of this submission may be viewed at:

https://www.doi.gov/node/11498/submission/140452



# United States Department of the Interior

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY Washington, DC 20240

April 17, 2017

Via email: kbogardus@eenews.net

Kevin Bogardus, Reporter E&E News 122 C Street NW, Ste. 722 Washington, DC 20001

Dear Mr. Bogardus:

On April 7, 2017, you filed a Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request seeking the following:

I request all communications records concerning communications that men on "Trump," "Ivanka," "Kushner" and/or "Observer" in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from March 1 to April 1, 2017.

Your request was received in the Office of the Secretary FOIA office on April 7, 2017, and assigned control number **OS-2017-00426**. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

You previously agreed that personally identifiable information normally withheld under a FOIA exemption could be redacted as non-responsive. We are writing today to respond to your request on behalf of the Office of the Secretary. We have enclosed one file consisting of 17 pages, which are being released in their entirety.

Because your entitlements as a "media-use requester" (see 43 C.F.R. § 2.39) were sufficient to cover all applicable FOIA charges, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request.

This completes our response to your request.

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The National Archives and Records Administration Office of Government Information Services 8601 Adelphi Road- OGIS College Park, MD 20740-6001

E-mail: ogis@nara.gov

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Sincerely,

Clarice Julka Office of the Secretary FOIA Officer

17-00426ca Electronic Enclosure

March 1, 2017

President of the United States Mr. Donald J. Trump White House, Washington D.C.

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OFFICE OF THE EXECUTIVE SECRETARIAT

Dear Mr. President,

We've never written a letter to a president because we didn't think it would do any good, until NOW. We support you wholeheartedly and thank you for starting to drain the swamp.

We are ranchers in the state of Montana. We have been very concerned about our livelihood which is raising cattle to feed Americans. The Forest Service and BLM have become hostile to the ranchers and would like to see us gone. We have forest permits to run on forest controlled land but the Forest Service and BLM in many cases take numbers away (cattle) for no reason, put people in jail, and take cattle at gunpoint. Harassment by federal agents have put innocent people in jail for "domestic terrorism" while the real criminals are roaming the streets of America. As one local Forest Service employee here told us a few years ago, "In a few years you will be gone". We would like to see some of them "gone" so we can be left alone to do what we do best and that is to raise food and protect the land. Ranchers were the first environmentalists! The power that the FS, BLM, and Fish and Wildlife needs to be taken away as they know it today. There has been a takeover by the federal government for the Western states.

We are sending an article "How the West was Lost" by Stephen Studdert that worked for 3 presidents including President Reagan. Please note how many beaurecrats in Dept. of Interior, employing 70,000, spending #13 BILLION in 2015 alone. Dept. of Agriculture over 100,000 beaurecrats - \$140 BILLION and EPA, 15,000 \$8 Billion... WHAT!!!!!!! No wonder we have problems! Do we really need these swamp dwellers? Answer, NO. They have a lot more money and a lot more time to come up with ideas to get us off the land. We are pleading with you to do something about this major problem. We are the forgotten people – ranchers that feed millions of Americans each year and the beaurecrats in the federal government are trying to get rid of us and using our tax dollars to go against us. Our voice needs to be heard!

We appreciate all you have done so far in such a short time- IT IS A RECORD!. May God guide you in all you do, it was a miracle from God that you were elected but he is using you in a mighty way. Thank you.



# From the Inside

# **How the West Was Lost**

Playing games the Washington way. By Stephen M. Studdert

e all hear stories about how decisions in Washington, D.C., are reached through a combination of political horse trading, backroom deals, corruption, deception and double-dealing flimflam, and outright mugging. Well, it's true. And one of the worst such decisions in recent memory will have enormous lasting impact on the West.

The great American West is engaged in a war—what Wyoming Sen. Michael B. Enzi calls a "regulatory war"—with the Obama administration and unelected Washington minions over the stewardship and use of public and private lands in the West, and the West is losing. At stake is everything from water to oil and gas production, coal mining and coal power plants to cattle and sheep grazing, mineral extraction to timber production, and summer to winter recreation.

Nothing happens in Washington today without a partisan political battle; gone is the consensus for the common good that used to exist. Meanwhile, the feds run roughshod over our lives. State and local governments, ranching and mining interests, and average families are fighting this regulatory war on virtually every front, and the massive churning machine of unelected federal bureaucrats and political appointees has brought a howitzer to a knife fight.

In a classic Washington story, where power is everything and the process is laced with insider intrigue, backroom deal making, political chicanery, scheming backstabbing, conspiring turncoats, partisan obstinacy, and shifty bureaucratic maneuvering, a range bird sort of like a chicken has handed us the potentially most devastating federal triumph yet in the losing battle for western states' rights.

# **Growing Federal Dominance**

Today, the Department of the Interior employs over 70,000 bureaucrats spending over \$13 billion in 2015. The Department of Agriculture employs over 100,000 bureaucrats with a budget of \$140 billion, and EPA

has more than 15,000 with an \$8 billion budget. A recent study revealed that federal workers' pay and benefits were 78 percent higher than private-sector employees, who earn a yearly average of \$52,688 *less* than government workers.

Just to keep things in perspective, there were 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence in 1776, and 55 delegates drafted the Constitution in 1787.

### A Football-size Bird

In what has been a hotly debated topic for several years, the state/federal battle over the



Sen, Mike Enzi (R-WY) is chairman of the Health Education, Labor and Pensions Committee.

greater-sage grouse, a bird about the size of a football, is about far more than a bird. It is about the destiny of western states and the ranching way of life, about food production and resource extraction, about something we used to possess called private property rights, and about whether "we the people" or Washington hacks control our future and our livelihoods.

According to the North American Breeding Bird Survey, in the past 50 years greater-sage grouse populations have decreased by 65 percent. Once believed to number in the millions, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service estimates there are now approximately 500,000

birds spread over 173 million acres in 11 western states and two Canadian provinces. About half of that habitat is on private land.

Conservation officials attribute this decline to a loss of sagebrush-steppe habitat attributable to invasive species such as piñon pine, juniper trees and nonnative cheatgrass, to catastrophic wildfire, loss of wet meadows, power lines, off-road vehicles, predation, industry, and urbanization.

# **Hot Topic**

In 1985, federal bureaucrats and environmental activists proposed listing the sage grouse on the federal Endangered Species List (ESL). Repeated petitions to list were filed, yet no listing was warranted.

In 2005, Western Watersheds Project filed a federal lawsuit challenging that decision. The U.S. District Court of Idaho ruled in its favor and ordered a listing reconsideration. In 2010, the feds concluded the listing was "warranted but precluded," considering if existing regulatory mechanisms and state efforts were adequate to protect sage grouse and their habitats. More lawsuits followed, causing state and private conservation costs to skyrocket, and a September 2015 deadline was established for a listing decision.

When Congress passed the Endangered Species Act, it declared its purpose was to conserve species deemed to be in danger of extinction. Species not in such danger are managed and protected under state authority. But by law it is the feds alone who make the extinction endangerment decision. States can talk throughout the process, but there is no guarantee the feds will listen; on the greater-sage grouse, they didn't.

In what ultimately proved to be a futile effort to preserve state management primacy and avoid a listing of the greater-sage grouse on the ESL, since 2001 North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana, Washington, Oregon, Idaho, Colorado, Wyoming, Utah, Nevada, and Northern California—11 western states having some sagebrush-steppe habitat—have spent several hundred million dollars to

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preserve, enhance, and restore greater-sage grouse habitat. They estimate that millions of acres of habitat have been restored and protected from wildfires and invasive species.

Costs borne by these western state governments have been exceptional, including the enrolling of thousands of ranches in the effort to help protect 44 million acres of habitat. Since 2006, for example, Utah—with an estimated total sage grouse population of only 13,000 birds—has treated over 1,120,491 acres of wildlife habitat at a cost exceeding \$300 million. With only an estimated 308 sage grouse, North Dakota has also spent millions.

# **Western Strategy and Tactics**

Realizing that state efforts were losing to the Obama administration and recognizing an endangered species listing would cost the Defense Department tens of millions of dollars, endanger critical military facilities, and imperial western states' military training essential to national security, last April Utah Congressman Rob Bishop, chairman of the powerful House Committee on Natural Resources, crafted a brilliant solution to balance conservation and national security, preserve state control, and protect military facilities.

Working with Colorado's Sen. Cory Gardner (and after much backroom arm twisting and deal making), Bishop secured a successful House vote on an amendment to the National Defense Authorization Act that would prohibit the Obama administration from declaring the sage grouse an endangered species.

The amendment recognizes that state plans are effectively managing and conserving sage grouse populations and it would ensure time for state plans to be fully implemented. In other words, the states were succeeding and did not need federal control.

Resistance came from the Senate, surprisingly led by Arizona Sen. John McCain, chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee. In essence, McCain abandoned his western colleagues and threw western states' primacy to the Obama forces by deleting the Bishop amendment to secure our western future. It was not included in the final bill signed into law by President Obama.

# **Cagey Federal Decisions**

With just a handful of days remaining before the September 30 listing deadline, U.S. Secretary of Interior Sally Jewell, a nonelected



Rep. Rob Bishop (R-UT) is chairman of the House Natural Resources Committee.

political appointee of President Obama, ambushed states rights and private property rights when quietly behind closed doors she determined that state and private efforts to save the greater-sage grouse mean the bird no longer faces extinction and does not need to be listed as an endangered species. Some heralded this camouflaged federal ploy as a victory for all parties.

But read between the lines, where the feds hide the fine print. "Jewell's cagey move," as one western governor proclaimed,

"was the equivalent of a listing decision outside the normal process and fail[ed] to support an appropriate balance between conservation and other public uses of the land." With the stroke of her pen, this bureaucrat bypassed years of legal contest, leaving the fed's management plan and rules and agenda in force, and let the states



President Barach Obama's Secretary of Interior, Sally Jewell, a Democrat.

be damned. Those federal plans are so excessively restrictive and costly that they are equivalent to a listing under the Endangered Species Act, but without any legal process or challenge. Jewell's decree was arbitrary and final. The Obama plan for control of western land, both public and private, just found greatly expanded authority.

Wyoming Congresswoman Cynthia Loomis, chair of the Congressional Western Caucus and who after a quarter century of elected office is calling it quits, characterized the protections invoked by BLM and Forest Service landuse plan amendments as just as onerous as a listing. "With the stroke of a pen, the Obama administration's

oppressive land-management plan is the same as a listing. Now, successful conservation done at the state level will be in vain. The new command-and-control federal plan will not help the bird, but it will control the West, which is the real goal of the Obama administration."

Saying Jewell's move "changes nothing," House Natural Resources Chairman Bishop adds: "They did not go through the front door. They went through the back door.... They have the same type of control as if it is listed."

### **Federal Control of Western Lands**

"The natural progress of things," Thomas Jefferson once wrote, "is for liberty to yield and for government to gain ground." That's just what's happening today.

By any other name, this policy is nothing more than a disguised federal land control grab. While some state plans provide a onemile buffer around a lek—the mating area

# Through federal sleight of hand we lost another colossal war over federal land use dominance in our slow death by regulation.

for the sage grouse—the federal plans have a three-mile zone. There are also high federal standards for "human disturbance," an enormous federal obstruction of livestock, timber, mining, and energy interests. BLM officials have admitted that "stipulations" for greater-sage grouse will be implemented in the federal permitting process, meaning that long-standing sheep and livestock grazing permits, mining permits for countless minerals, and timber harvesting permits may be arbitrarily reduced or denied states, led by Wyoming Gov. Matt Mead, chairman of the Western Governors' Association, are launching the newest battle against Washington's reluctance to remove species from the list after they've recovered. When a species is listed, western governors argue, there are "extreme opportunity costs." Only about one percent of listed species has ever been delisted.

Meanwhile, Washington carries on in its steamrolling of western states' liberties and freedoms. The use and productivity and des-

> tiny of lands where the venerated sage grouse may live, whether publicly or privately owned, now rest with the opinions of a federal bureaucrat. While the greater-sage grouse may not now be an endangered species, what is endangered is private property rights.

> Everywhere we see government encroaching on such rights through zoning restrictions, requirements, and ever-

increasing regulations. The battle for recourse, if available, can be costly and time consuming, often beyond the resources of individuals and businesses, but never beyond the deep pockets of government.

In four case decisions during 2015, Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas questioned the vesting of "the federal government with an undifferentiated 'governmental power'" beyond the three constitutional branches. We should too.

My old boss, Ronald Reagan, believed private property rights to be "one of our most precious rights." They are fundamental to our United States. What the federal government has just pulled off in the name of one football-size bird is nothing but a federal taking of states rights and private property rights that will have immeasurable, unforeseen, and very costly consequences for generations of westerners.

believe some of the nonsense that is sold



Gov. Matt Mead (R-WY) has served as Wyoming's boss since 2011.

by a bureaucrat. Travel restrictions are likely for livestock, mining, and timber companies, and for off-highway vehicles. This potential financial devastation to the West is incalculable.

So if the habitat is 173 million acres and the feds want a three-mile protective envelope, federal control of a billion acres or more of public and private land may well be the true result. And all this has little to do with a sage grouse that is protected by responsible stewardship; it has everything to do with federal bureaucrats controlling not only our land but everything that happens on it, no matter who owns it.

# Where Do We Go From Here?

The West won the battle to keep the sage grouse off the ESL, but through federal sleight of hand we lost another colossal war over federal land use dominance in our slow death by regulation.

Now there is yet another major battle brewing. Calling the Endangered Species Act a failure and economy killer, western

Stephen M. Studdert is a sixth-generation westerner. He was a senior White House advisor to three presidents.

# LETTERS

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eral other federal agencies is absurd. CARL & TERRI DIXON, VIA FACEBOOK

### JUST AN OKIE

I noticed RANGE at our local Denver King Soopers. The cover headline about global cooling [Mike Coffman's story] caught my eye (and my dollars), and then of course the fantastic cover photo of Dani Jones by Todd

I am not a farmer or rancher, just an ex-Okie and now Denver suburbanite. But I (and my wife and many family members) are concerned about our government's growing indifference to our West and to property rights and common sense. Please keep up your excellent reporting.

ROBERT CULBERTSON, CENTENNIAL, COLO.

# **CLASSY & DELICIOUS**

Classy work by Mr. Klassy [cover, Winter 2016]. The flag raising on Iwo Jima, pregnant with symbolism, cannot hold a candle to this one. The nation is in debt to you, sir, as well as RANGE

T.M. MURPHY, MADISON, MISSOURI

Thanks for a delicious magazine! KENNETH E. SANDERS GRANITE BAY, CALIFORNIA

Best magazine in America. H. JAY PLATT, St. JOHNS, ARIZONA



Here's Avery (3) and Elsie (1-1/2) Flournoy of Likely, Calif., sixth-generation cattle ranchers. JENNY BUDD VIA EMAIL

# **HEARTFELT WANNABE**

Thank you for the integrity and honesty in your work and the work of those who contribute to the magazine. I'm not from a ranching family but have been a heartfelt wannabe" my whole life. The lifestyle, value system and work ethic of the people you bring into my home resonate with me all of the good in the human spirit.

I feel sorry for the masses who believe without asking for proof, send in their money without asking more questions and actually

(Continued on page 6.







March 3, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President of the United States The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

Dear Mr. President:

We, the Governors of the US Territories of American Samoa and Guam and the US Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands, humbly request that you use executive authority under the Antiquities Act of 1906 to remove the fishing provisions applicable to the Marine National Monuments in federal and our island jurisdictions.

Our island communities depend on the ocean for food security and economic opportunities. Our Samoan, Chamorro, and Carolinian cultures are interwoven with the marine environment and fishing. The monument fishing restrictions are unnecessary and impede our socioeconomic and cultural stability. The promises of previous administrations and environmental organizations of monument co-management and revenue generation have not been realized.

Our islands contribute a significant amount of land and water for military training and among the highest per capita US Armed Forces personnel and military casualties, reflecting our resolute American patriotism. Many of our people have not returned from harsh and distant battlegrounds, providing the ultimate sacrifice for our great country.

We trust you will demonstrate your great leadership on this pressing issue and do what is right for our people and the Nation. Please return American fishermen to US waters and remove the monument fishing prohibitions.

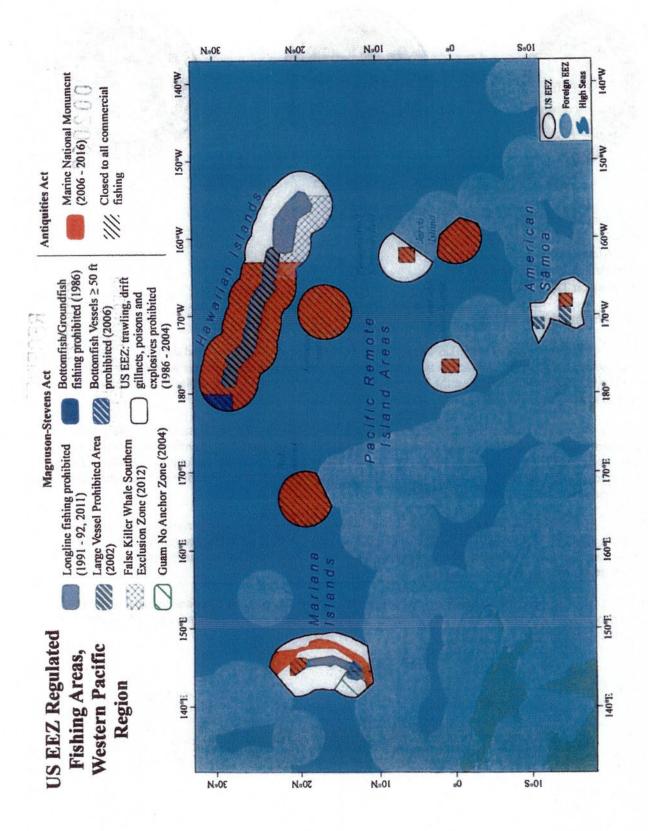
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President Donald Trump The White House 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW Washington, DC 20500

March 29, 2017

Dear Mr. Trump:

In your seeming insistence on a government of revenge rather than governance, the executive order you signed today rescinding at least six Obama-era executive orders that targeted curbing climate change and regulating carbon emissions is one of the most dangerous orders you have signed. Rising sea levels and temperatures create conditions throughout the world that threaten national security as more and more people die from lack of water and food, start wars over water shortages, or overrun other countries as they flee drought conditions or rising water along coast lines. Michael Oppenheimer, a climate scientist at Princeton University, states that, "It takes a comprehensive effort involving every country doing what they committed to and more" in order to meet the pledges under the Paris deal to reduce emissions enough to stave off a warming of the planet by more than 3.6 agrees F, the level at which, experts say, "the Earth will be irrevocably locked into a future of extreme droughts, flooding and shortages of food and water." Also, Mr. Oppenheimer states the your order "sends a signal to other countries that they might not have to meet their commitments — which would mean that the world would fail to stay out of the climate danger zone." Mr. Trump, what makes you think that you and your cabinet and other advisors know more than 97 percent of climate scientists?

Coal powered plants produce the dirtiest air pollution of all energy sources, as well as pollute streams and land areas, rendering them unusable. The Clean Power Plan regulations are aimed at cutting planet-warming carbon dioxide pollution from coal-fired power plants and would have replaced those plants with wind and solar farms and other clean renewable energy sources. How is it okay to cause illness and death from pollution of our air, water and land? What do you have against encouraging and supporting clean, renewable energy sources in order to avoid polluting our environment and by extension creating health hazards for all of us?

Economists have determined that the percentage of coal mining jobs has not dropped sharply because of the Clean Power Plan but rather, according to Coral Davenport, by two key forces: "an increase in the production of natural gas, which is a cheaper, cleaner-burning alternative to coal, and an increase in automation which allowed coal companies to produce more fuel with fewer employees." Your rollback of President Obama's regulations, economists state, will not change either of those forces. In other words, the problem with loss of coal jobs is that, coupled with automation's effects, there has not been as big a market demand for coal, so your order will not likely bring back many coal mining jobs.

To sum up, your executive order to rescind President Obama's well researched, sensible, urgently needed clean energy policies will significantly harm this one beautiful planet on which we all live. And as Tom Steyer, the president of NexGen Climate stated, your actions "are an assault on American values and they endanger the health, safety and prosperity of every American." Continuing, "Tump is deliberately destroying programs that create jobs and safeguards that protect our air and water, all for the sake of allowing corporate polluters to profit at our expense." Andrew Steer, CEO of the World Resources Institute, says that your executive order shows you are "failing a test of leadership to protect Americans' health, the environment and economy."

The United States is the leader of the free world. Everything we do or say publicly is noted and often acted upon in the rest of the world. It is up to us then to be the best example we can be of moral, responsible, sensible people, to pass the best possible policies for our own country that also affect the world at large, such as clean energy policies. Like it or not, we are part of a global economy, and we must be cognizant of that responsibility to our fellow humans, not just to our own countrymen and women.

Until the executive and legislative branches of our government stop catering to big business and their lobbyists and the wealthiest one percent of Americans, we can never have a truly honest, democratic, fair, compassionate form of government. George Washington and the rest of our founders would be cringing in dismay and disgust if they came back today to see the result of their heroic efforts to forge the first truly democratic republic in the world. We can live up to their ideals, but will we?

Yours truly concerned about the viability of our country at this point,



cc: Scott Pruit, EPA Administrator Ryan Zinke, Interior Secretary Rick Perry, Secretary of Energy Mike Pence, Vice President



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President Donald Trump 1600 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20500

March 21, 2017

# Dear President Trump:

I am writing today to suggest that you allow as much oil and gas exploration in Alaska to move forward as possible. Off-shore and on-shore oil and gas reserves in Alaska may be substantial and could help keep oil prices low. The Obama and other administrations have cut-off a lot of Alaskan federal lands and coasts from oil and gas development, but now with a volatile Middle East and difficult economy, it makes sense for national security reasons to open up these areas.

You see oil and gas exploration and development, especially in the arctic regions, takes time to do right. Sometimes a discovery can take ten years until first production, such as happened with Prudhoe Bay. Therefore, we must allow exploration to start happening right now. National security and the potential for an oil crisis should take priority over previous presidents' federal oil lease withholdings, and override any precedent of previous Presidential orders.

Currently the U.S. shale oil reserves look prolific. However, much shale oil is light-oil not midweight crude oil. Such light oil can include C3's to C7's such as propane and pentene which are difficult to convert into gasoline. Pentene can be used in winter grade gasoline, but usually not summer. Some of Alaska's oil and gas prospects that are cut off include a lot of mid-weight crude oil potential, which would be valuable.

If tensions in the Middle East intensify and if we reach a mid-weight crude oil shortage, oil prices can skyrocket even with the vast amounts of shale oil available. The shale oil can be too light and then not be able to help assuage an oil crisis. We may hit a window of dis-opportunity between when light oil is made useful and when peak mid-weight crude oil occurs.

I include a paper about the future oil market and a book that analyses the fall of the Soviet Union since that event may parallel some of our current oil and energy economic situations. This is based on my academic freedom, which gives me the leeway and the responsibility to explain my research to the general public and its elected officials. The book is not a gift nor is this a solicitation from a paid lobbyist. I am giving to you my academic information, which is my responsibility to do. Please use it wisely and if there any question do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely yours,

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# Oil lessons from USSR's fall, 25 years later

By Doug Reynolds

or those interested in history, make sure on Christmas Day that you pour a shot glass full of chilled Stolichnaya vodka, offer cheers to your health and drink it in one gulp. Then reminisce on the 25th anniversary of the fall of the Soviet Union, which officially dissolved on Dec. 25, 1991, when Soviet Premier Mikhail Gorbachev relinquished all remaining power to the then-President of Russia, Boris Yeltsin.

The history of the Soviet Empire is intriguing. Radical comrade Vladimir Lenin incited a Communist revolution in 1917 and, with a motley crew of intellectuals and the working class, he created the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (U.S.S.R.). The U.S.S.R. not only survived for seven decades, enduring Stalinist purges, the Great Patriotic War (World War II) and the Cold War, but actually thrived and achieved greatness. Recall, the Soviets were the first to put a satellite and a man into outer space. Plus, the Soviets were able to consistently increase steel production by 3 percent per year and oil production by 10 percent per year, signifying a vibrant industrial complex.

Through it all, the Soviet Union and its satellites managed to attain military preeminence and could boast nuclear missiles and circuses, ballets, health care and a dacha for every citizen. Indeed, the Soviet Union was more energy efficient than the decadent United States, with Soviet densely packed housing, district heating, trains and street cars as opposed to American land-yachts, McMansions and sprawling highways. However, suddenly, after 70 years of solid if unspectacular economic growth, the Soviet Union inexplicably fell within a short span of three years.

The key to terminal Soviet history is the year 1989, when Soviet oil production started its long descent. This is usually attributed to Soviet inefficiency. However, in that same year, Soviet natural gas production skyrocketed, a puzzling dichotomy in that both oil and natural gas production use similar workers, capital machinery and technology. You cannot have efficiency and inefficiency in basically the same industry, at the same time and location, unless scarcity is involved with one but not the other.

The Soviet oil and natural gas dichotomy is similar to Alaska: Natural gas is abundant and production could increase if there were a pipeline; but oil production continues its decline partly due to scarcity. In other words, it was not Soviet inefficiency so much as oil scarcity that caused the oil production decline, which in turn caused the Soviet economic crisis and collapse of the empire.

The signal for the Soviet Union's terminal crisis was the incredible ruble devaluation in October 1989. Indeed, America also faced an oil production decline and crisis in the 1970s leading to its own recessionary stagflation. If you cannot find more oil given the technology at hand, production will decline, and with it your economy, too, no matter what type of economic system you have.

Luckily, we have nothing to learn from the Soviet Union's fall since these days everyone is sure that there is plenty of shale oil in America. Or do we? The one thing that no one considers about shale oil is how it is mostly composed of very light oil, called natural gas liquids, rather than the more important mid-weight crude oil. Mid-weight crude is better suited to making gasoline, diesel fuel and jet fuel. What this means is that the U.S. and the world will be able to produce quite a lot of propane and petroleum liquids with shale oil, but will face difficulty converting those liquids

into high-octane gasoline and other fuels. An additional barrier is the lack of infrastructure at present to perform this conversion. The upshot could be that we will have high gasoline prices even as many petroleum liquids prices are low. In other words, we may have a lot more to learn from the Soviet Union than you would expect.

The formula for the West's economic future lays not so much in shale oil, per say, but in finding ways to effectively use the light petroleum liquids. One option is to build complex refinery systems to chemically transform the light liquids into suitable high-octane gasoline. Another alternative, though, is to simply use propane, butane or natural gas cars and set up natural gas or propane fueling systems. Both options will require massive investment and probably have some bottlenecks even if it all works out. Regardless, America's energy system will decline in efficiency and it will affect our economy. We could be in for an economic decline similar to the Soviet Union's, so make sure you enjoy that vodka. Doug Reynolds, Ph.D., is a professor of oil and energy economics at the University of Alaska Fairbanks. He can be contacted at dbreynolds@alaska. edu.

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# The Future of Proven Oil Reserves

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The usual explanations for the decline and fall of the Roman Empire include such things as political corruption, inflation of the currency and the heightened incursions of the barbarians. However, Fagan (2004) gives a more compelling reason that may explain the Ward-Perkins (2006) data on the reduction in the production of Roman Baths starting in the Northern Regions of Rome. What Fagan says is that weather patterns changed with a slow cooling starting in northern Europe and moving south. Furthermore, this cooling made it such that northern Roman regions could no longer produce as much wheat as before but instead had to produce millet, which was more resilient to the cooler wetter weather but which also reduced the productivity of those regional farms. This transition from wheat to millet reduced the output of the Roman economy and in turn the tax base from which Rome could collect, which weakened the state and resulted in the *Crisis of the Third Century*. This slow decline and fall of Rome is in stark contrast to the very striking decline and fall of the Soviet Union as explained in Reynolds (2016) where a peak in oil production is the clear and decisive factor of its collapse.

However, the surprising fact about the Soviet Empire's history is not so much that the Soviet Union fell (officially twenty five years ago on December 25, 2016) as much as it survived for over 70 years in the first place. This suggests that the rise and fall of the Soviet Union has more to tell us about economics than meets the eye. One explanation that may help explain Communist history is the stroke of luck behind Soviet economic expansionary success: the abundance of Soviet energy resources available, particularly oil resources. However, the bane of the USSR's economic demise was Soviet peak oil as Reynolds (2000) and Reynolds and Kolodziej (2008) explain. This means that oil production often increases at first but then decreases—i.e. there is a tendency for a peak in oil production as Soviet peak oil attests—which is a very powerful economic force in any economy. This is the Hubbert (1956a) curve, which needs to be considered forthrightly by all economists.

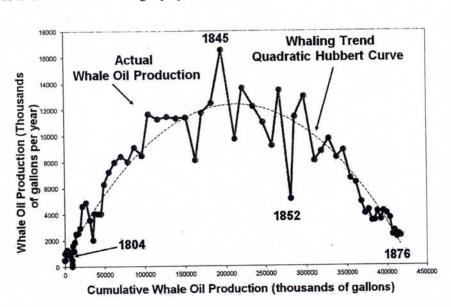


Figure 1, Hubbert Curve Example: Whale Oil Production in the 19th Century vs. Cumulative Production (Bardi 2007)

Fortunately, today the world does not appear to be close to any peak in oil production as the supply has increased by roughly 10% since 2009, contrary to Reynolds (1999b) initial prediction. This gives credence to resource optimists such as Adelman and Lynch (1997), Simon (1998), Lynch (2002), Brandly (2004), Bartlett (2004), Maugeri (2004) and Jahoda et. al (1973) that technology and economic innovation can overcome any scarcity of natural resources including energy scarcity. Resource pessimists such as Deffeyes (2001), Goodstein (2004), Hall and Klitgaard (2012) and Bardi (2011) still contend that resource scarcity—particularly oil scarcity—will pose a problem for the economy. Plus, Reynolds (2011) shows that, so far, most civilizations, up to and including the Soviet Empire, have not successfully overcome a peak in energy supply, although, one can argue that Russia carried on after the fall of the Soviet Union with new technology. Still, it is clear that post Soviet Russia had to endure a substantial reduction in its standard of

is like asking the question, was Ancient Rome producing more wheat or more millet in 250 A.D.? Even though they sound the same and are measured in the same way, they are in fact quite different from a nutritional point of view and, more pertinently, from an economic point of view. The question becomes important because oil was just recently at a \$100 per barrel price (\$16.6 per mmbtu) at the same time when propane was selling for \$1 per gallon (or \$10 per mmbtu); an energy price differential of about 60% and a price differential that still persists, with oil recently at \$8 per mmBtu and propane at \$5 per mmBtu. The U.S. oil reserves statistics, then, make it sound as if the U.S. has 264 billion barrels of valuable mid-weight crude oil, period, when it could be that we have mostly less valuable NGLs. This is an important point and it goes to the heart of the question of whether peak oil is real or not.

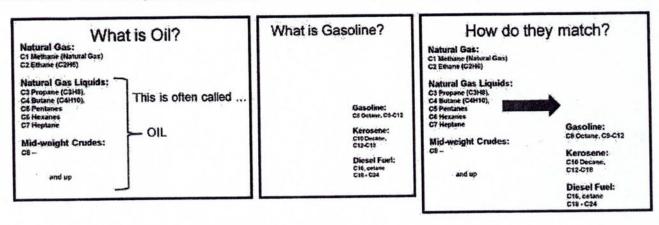


Figure 3, The Chemical/Refining Transformation from Oil to Gasoline

The problem is that not many people in the general economy are going to understand the nuance between NGLs and midweight crude oil, kind of like trying to decipher and understand the nuance between a Rembrandt and a Vermeer work of art. Although the difference in painting can be hard to decipher, the difference in price at an auction can be quite substantial. Likewise, the difference between NGLs, light crudes and mid-weight crudes can make a big difference in economic productivity. Even some pentane and hexane hydrocarbons are going to be difficult to use for producing motor gasoline in the summer, which makes an even murkier oil reserves picture. Peak oil may not be peak oil after all, it may be peak mid-weight crudes, but most people will not comprehend the difference or the significance.

On the one hand, we know that Germany, Turkey and other locations use propane and even butane for automotive fuels so it does seem rather easy to be able to use light crudes for transportation purposes and, therefore, that NGLs, light-crudes and mid-weight crudes are all oil. However, there will need to be major infrastructure adjustments to be able to use propane and butane for automotive travel. Furthermore, important machinery, such as farm machinery, will not easily be able to use such fuels, and this can make farms or other economic entities less effective. This can reduce the productivity of the economy, and the transition is likely to be jerky rather than smooth.

On the other hand, you can always use pure natural gas (methane) to run automobiles, although, as Flynn (2002) shows, natural gas propulsion systems have so far not been very successful. For example, Utah (Krauss 2008) appeared on the surface to have put up a successful natural gas vehicle fuel system, but upon close inspections the details show the realities of long lines, waiting for fill-ups and a lack of supplies at crucial times. Such systems often encounter bottlenecks, due to the high costs of the infrastructure to provide the fuel, that gasoline and diesel systems have never had to contend with since the days of the 1970s oil crisis. Bottlenecks in supply, and other distribution problems may be worthwhile if the fuel is cheap, but that implies a cost to economic efficiency which is the whole point of resource scarcity.

Some might also argue that most if not all NGLs can be made into gasoline and diesel products using such process as hydrocracking, alkylation, polymerization and dehydrogenation, although as A. Abazajian (2016) shows these processes can be expensive and can have bottlenecks associated with them. Plus new gasolines from NGLs often have less BTUs per gallon and are more volatile chemically and so require chemical stabilizers. Alternatively, some engineers envision using propane or natural gas self-driving cars that can fill-up all night long in order to be prepared for the rush hour traffic in the morning, like an army of taxi drivers. What is missing is the idea that these systems, too, have their problems. For example, Queenan (2016) brings up the idea that these cars can be hacked and made to kidnap you, or worse yet, they can all be remotely commandeered to drive right into the propane or natural gas filling stations in order to strategically destroy infrastructure.

They also require significant economies of scale. When you have large economies of scale, you get a natural monopoly that tends to become socially inefficient. For example Vanderbilt's New York Railroad, Gates' Microsoft and Rockefeller's Standard Oil all had one thing in common, they built innovative, cost effective products, but they made most of their money by gaining monopolies in their respective markets. At first, such monopolies are good for society creating innovation and reducing costs, but later on they become less effective. Regulation and government ownership are two solutions to reducing monopoly costs, but those solutions are not necessarily efficient as governments are slow to reduce bottlenecks within such systems whether as a regulator or as an owner.

People may think that electric cars like Tesla's will lead the way, but compared to a Tata Nano, a Tesla, even if its price can be reduced by half, could not compete; and theoretically if a Tesla can be made cheaper, than so can a Tata Nano. The only reason the



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## Fwd: Letter on Commission on Native Children

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Subject: Letter on Commission on Native Children

Good morning,

Please find attached a letter sent to President Trump from Senators Heitkamp and Murkowski and Representatives McCollum and Cole – the lead sponsors of the legislation creating the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff Commission on Native Children (Public Law 114-244). The law states that the President, in consultation with the Secretaries of Interior, Education, HHS, and the Attorney General, must appoint three members to the Commission. Two of those appointments were made during the Obama administration, leaving one to be made by President Trump.

Thank you and please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Libby

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# Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20510

March 22, 2017

The Honorable Donald J. Trump President The White House Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear President Trump:

As lead sponsors of the legislation creating the Alyce Spotted Bear and Walter Soboleff-Commission on Native Children (Public Law 114-244), we respectfully request your support in advancing this critical Commission by making the remaining presidential appointment and directing the U.S. Department of Justice to assist the Commission in beginning its important work.

The United States has a distinct legal, treaty, and trust responsibility to Indian tribes across the country. As part of this responsibility, the federal government must provide for the education, health, social welfare, and safety of Native children. Yet, Native children continue to be the most at-risk population in the country, confronting serious disparities in these areas. For Native children, suicide is the leading cause of death at more than two times the national rate. They suffer from staggering rates of victimization, experience the highest rate of poverty of any racial group in the nation, and are arrested at a rate of three times the national average. The graduation rate for Native high school students is only 50 percent compared to more than 75 percent for white students. These statistics illustrate just some of the significant disparities Native children face compared to their peers.

For too long, we have tried to address the issues affecting Native children by treating the symptoms rather than the cause. We cannot continue to do the same things we have always done and expect different results. Our efforts to create this Commission present a vital opportunity to identify new strategies for lasting solutions. The Commission will provide the much needed expertise, guidance, and cultural wisdom on how best to address the needs of Native children and uphold our nation's trust and treaty responsibilities.

To address these complex challenges, the Commission is charged with conducting a comprehensive study on the programs, grants, and support available to Native children and providing recommendations on improvements to maximize resources, create measurable goals, improve the lines of communication, and close longstanding gaps in available data about Native children. Too often, the needs of Indian tribes are not addressed because federal and state agencies and policies leave American Indians and Alaska Natives out of data collection and reporting efforts. Through this Commission, we have an opportunity to fill this gap in available data and shed light on where this country is failing our most vulnerable population.

This Commission is about the future of leadership with indigenous communities throughout the country and addressing the conditions in which their children are struggling to find a future. It is critically important for the Commission to begin studying the challenges facing Native children and make recommendations on how to ensure they receive the protections and tools they need to thrive.

Thank you for your consideration of our request. We look forward to working with you to improve the lives of Native children.

Sincerely,

Heidi Heitkamp

United States Senate

Lisa Murkowski

United States Senate

Betty McCollum

United States House of Representatives

Tom Cole

United States House of Representatives

Cc: The Honorable Jeff Sessions, Attorney General

The Honorable Ryan Zinke, Secretary of the Interior

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The Honorable Tom Price, Secretary of Health and Human Services

Sincerely,

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Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

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OS- 2017- 00664	Open	FOIA	June 02, 2017			Munoz	Hudson	Department of Interior Secretary Zinke toured the Bears Ears and Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument in May 2017 following President Trump¿s Executive Order (EO 13792) for the review of national monument designations 1996 to 2016. Secretary Zinke was reported to have toured Bears Ears on horseback (The Hill, 05/03/17). This request is for records pertaining to Secretary Zinke¿s

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OS- 2017- 00617	Open	FOIA	May 23, 2017			Weismann	Anne	travel to Bears Ears and Grand-Escalante National Monuments. (Continued below)  1)Copies of Secretary Ryan Zinke's address at the American Petroleum Institute's board of directors meeting at the Trump International Hotel - Washington, DC on March 23, 2017;2)Copies of any documents received by Secretary Zinke and/or his staff during the March 23, 2017 meeting at the Trump International Hotel - Washington, DC;3)Copies of any documents describing the attendees at the March 23, 2017 meeting at the Trump International Hotel - Cont below
OS- 2017- 00591	Open	FOIA	May 19, 2017			Harkavy	Anne	All communications, including any attachments, sent to or from Carl Icahn, Rudolph Giuliani, Richard LeFrak, Steven Roth, Robert Kraft, Ike Perlmutter, Steve Schwarzman, Phil Ruffin, Rupert Murdoch, Corey Lewandowski, Newt Gingrich, Chris Ruddy, Sean Hannity, Thomas Barrack, Jr., Chris Christie, Roger Stone, or Donald Trump, Jr.
OS- 2017- 00560	Open	FOIA	May 11, 2017			Culver	Nada	On March 28, 2017, President Trump issued an Executive Order 13783 entitled Presidential Executive Order on Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth. Section 2(c) of EO requires head of each agency to develop and submit, within 45 days, a plan the Director of the OMB Director to carry out the review required by subsection 2(a) of EO or to submit a letter to the OMB Director a written statement Cont below.  1. Copies of signed ethics pledges
OS- 2017- 00516	Closed	FOIA	May 03, 2017	June 20, 2017	Other	Surgey	Nick	required under the Executive Order issued by President Trump on January 28, 2017 titled Ethics Commitments By Executive Branch Appointees, for all political appointees hired since January 20, 2017. 2. Copies of written waivers relating to the ethics pledge required under the Executive Order issued by President Trump on January 28, 2017 titled Ethics Commitments
OS- 2017-	Open	FOIA	May 02, 2017			Smith	Sean	By Executive Branch Appointees. Cont below. public communication to the Department of Interior and/or its

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2017- 00501	Open	FOIA	May 01, 2017	Saeger	Chris	within or detailed to the Office of the Secretary that includes any of the following words or phrases, at any point since and including January 20, 2017: Trump, new President, Make America Great Again, Oval Office and White House Any and all correspondence or
OS- 2017- 00496	Open	FOIA	April 28, 2017	Federman	Adam	communication between ONRR director Gregory Gould and transition team, beachhead, or landing team members of the Trump presidential administration regarding the stay of the Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Reform Final Rule. Date range for the request is from November 9, 2016 to February 28, 2017. Cont below.  Any and all correspondence or communication between then acting secretary Kevin "Jack" Haugrud and and transition team,
OS- 2017- 00495	Open	FOIA	April 28, 2017	Federman	Adam	beachhead, or landing team members of the Trump presidential administration regarding the stay of the Consolidated Federal Oil & Gas and Federal & Indian Coal Valuation Reform Final Rule.  Date range for the request is from November 9, 2016 to February
OS- 2017- 00477	Open	FOIA	April 21, 2017	Cama	Timothy	28, 2017. all reports, reviews and memoranda called for in, or written in response to, President Trump's March 28, 2017, executive order "Promoting Energy Independence and Economic Growth" or Secretary Ryan Zinke's March 29, 2017, secretarial order "American

OS-								Energy Independence" (order No. 3349). This includes, but is not limited to, reviews submitted to the deputy secretary or assistant secretaries regarding regulations, climate change policies and mitigation policies.  Requesting any emails, communications, memos, presentations, document or otherwise pertaining to President Donald Trump¿s executive order on regulatory reform (https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2017/02/24/presidential
2017- 00463	Open	FOIA	April 18, 2017			Alexander	Madi	office/2017/02/24/presidential-executive-order-enforcing-regulatory-reform-agenda). Specifically, I am looking for documents and communications regarding the selection of regulatory reform officers and establishment of regulatory reform task forces in Section 2 and Section 3 of the executive order.  Request all communications
OS- 2017- 00426	Completed	FOIA	April 07, 2017	April 18, 2017	Total Grant	Bogardus	Kevin	records concerning communications that mention Trump, Ivanka, Kushner and/or Observer in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from March 1 to April 1, 2017.  [A]ll correspondence between DOI and the White House dating from Friday January 20th through Monday January 23rd (including correspondence with White
OS- 2017- 00412	Closed	FOIA	April 06, 2017	April 06, 2017	Other	Kern	Kelly	House Press secretary Sean Spicer). [I]nclude a request for emails with members of the White House staff with both "who.eop.gov" email addresses and "donaldtrump.com" email addresses as some members of the staff may have not switched to White House emails during the beginning days of Trump's term continued below all correspondence between
OS- 2017- 00402	Completed	FOIA	April 04, 2017	April 05, 2017	Other	novak	matt	members of the trump administration and the employees of the department of the interior regarding donation of the president's salary to the national park service Regarding Trump's donation to
OS- 2017- 00399	Closed	FOIA	April 04, 2017	April 04, 2017	Other	korte	gregory	NPS: copy of check, instructions/restrictions on check, record of deposit, subsequent transfers of funds, any receipts/thank you notes
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2017- 00392			2017				for the Department of the Interior that was prepared by President Trump's transition team.  a) all correspondence between the Department of Interior and Gentry Beach of Dallas, TX b) all correspondence between the Department of Interior and Tampy Highs. It as f Dallas, TX
OS- 2017- 00390	Open	FOIA	March 31, 2017		Ambrose	Sue	Tommy Hicks, Jr., of Dallas, TX. c) all correspondence between the Department of Interior and Donald Trump, Jr. d) any guest lists and/or invitation lists that name the people who were on hand to witness Secretary Zinke's reversal of the ban on lead ammunition.  [R]equests from the U.S. Department of Interior (¿DOI¿) all agency directives,
OS- 2017- 00384	Open	FOIA	March 30, 2017		Townsend	Margaret	instructions, and/or other communications, including communications with the Trump administration transition team, instructing agency and/or department staff to not use, or comms between November 8, 2016 and the present between Donald Trump, jr., and/or anyone representing him and: (i) Scott Hommel; (ii) Heather Swift; (iii) Jim Carson; and/or (iv) Douglas Domenech. Records of all
OS- 2017- 00355	Open	FOIA	March 21, 2017		Weismann	Anne	communications between March 1, 2017 and the present to or from Secretary Ryan Zinke that mention or refer to Donald Trump, Jr. All records related to the creation of any position, official or unofficial, for Jason Hairston with DOI created between November 8, 2016 and the present.  Incoming-And-Outgoing Email Correspondence Between The Office Of The Secretary And Donald Trump Jr. From January 2017 To The Present. I am requesting incoming-and-
OS- 2017- 00346	Open	FOIA	March 17, 2017		Casey	Kathleen	outgoing email correspondence between the Office of the Secretary and Donald J. Trump Jr. from January 20, 2017 through the present. The following members of the Office of the Secretary should be included in the search: Kevin Haugrud, Scott Hommel, Micha Chambers, Heather Swift, and Ryan Zinke. Cont below.
OS- 2017- 00323	Closed	FOIA	March 01, May 15, 2017 2017	Other	Repanshek	Kurt	Copy of the Obama administrations National Park Service transition document

prepared and sent to the Trump administration.  All communications records concerning communications that mention Trump, Ivanika, Kushner 1 (1974). Total Grant Bogardus (1974) and February 1 (1974) and February 2 (1974) and February 3 (1974)	//10/201/				Prince	search Report		
of communication found in your agency's correspondence log that mention one or more of these terms as responsive records to my request.  Any and all communications between Bureau of Land Management employees and President Justice and Transition team for the agency, including but not limited to documents distributed to Bureau of Land Management employees and President Justice and Transition team for the agency, including but not limited to documents distributed to Bureau of Land Management employees and President Justice as a limited communications between Bureau of Land Management employees the strain that the strain of Land Management employees and President Justice as a limited communications between Bureau of Land Management employees that cite instructions from Trump transition team officials. Please also includes of Land Management employees that cite instructions from Trump transition team officials. [A]II email or other communications set on or between Feb. 13, 2017 and Feb. 21, 2017, by or to employees within the Office of the Secretary or the Trump administration or beaching the Feb. 21, 2017, big post titled "President Land Equal England Provided Feb. 21, 2017, big post titled "President Lang regarding the Feb. 21, 2017, big post titled "President Lang February Protection Rule"  Cospose Very Park Folia February Total Grant Hauser Jeff President Treet of all people hired on either a temporary or prement basis at the direction of the new President. In addition to their names, I request all information on each hires can be dividual's title and the office within the Department in which the individual works.  Ospose Very Park February Total Grant Hauser Carolina Information on each hires' compensation. Finally, I request each individual's with the Department in which the individual works.	2017-	Completed	FOIA		Total Grant	Bogardus	Kevin	administration. All communications records concerning communications that mention Trump, Ivanka, Kushner and/or Observer in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from Feb. 1 to March 1, 2017. Please consider any emails, letters, memorandums, text messages, voice and video recordings as
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OS- 2017- 00295 Completed FOIA February 22, 2017 27, 2017 Total Grant Hauser  Jeff  "beachhead," I refer to all people hired on either a temporary or permanent basis at the direction of the new President. In addition to their names, I request all information on each hires' compensation. Finally, I request each individual's title and the office within the Department in which the individual works.  OS- Open FOIA February 15, 2017  McKay Caroline  "beachhead," I refer to all people hired on either a temporary or permanent basis at the direction of the new President. In addition to their names, I request each individual's title and the office within the Department in which the individual works.  Caroline (1) All formal and informal documents, including but not	2017-	Open	FOIA	-		Guillen	Alex	or the Trump administration "beachhead" team regarding the Feb. 21, 2017, blog post titled "President Trump Fufills Promise to Miners, Signs Bipartisan Legislation to Repeal Stream Protection Rule" [L]ist of all officials hired since November 9th as members of President Trump's "landing team," sometimes referred to as the President's "beachhead." By
OS- Open FOIA February McKay Caroline (1) All formal and informal documents, including but not	2017-	Completed	FOIA		Total Grant	Hauser	Jeff	"beachhead," I refer to all people hired on either a temporary or permanent basis at the direction of the new President. In addition to their names, I request all information on each hires' compensation. Finally, I request each individual's title and the office within the Department in
	2017-	Open	FOIA			McKay	Caroline	(1) All formal and informal documents, including but not

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								and memoranda, between and among employees of the Department of the Interior Office of the Secretary and/or Office of Water and Science and/or Office of Public Affairs concerning review of the work of agency scientists by political appointees and/or members of the Trump Administration. The timeframe for this request is January 25, 2017 through February 1, 2017. Continued Below  Communications between the Trump administrations DOI beachhead team and any U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI) staff containing the phrases climate change, leasing,
OS- 2017- 00280	Open	FOIA	February 10, 2017			Donaghy	Tim	moratorium, Arctic, methane, or scientific integrity. An adequate search for responsive records will include but not be limited to any communications to or from Kathy Benedetto, Mary Bomar, Karen Budd-Falen, Scott Cameron, Doug Domenech, Daniel Jorjani, Ned Mamula, Thomas Pyle, or Ryan Zinke. Cont below [C]opies of all communications from January 20, 2017 to the present sent to or from anyone
OS- 2017- 00273	Open	FOIA	February 07, 2017			Weismann	Anne	within the Executive Office of the President and/or anyone acting on behalf of the Executive Office of the President, including members of the Trump transition team, to the Interior Department's Office of Public Affairs and/or the office of the Secretary./ all communications that mention Trump, Ivanka, Kushner, and/or Observers in the to/from field of your agency's correspondence log from Jan. 1 to Feb. 1, 2017. any emails, letters, memorandums,
OS- 2017- 00270	Completed	FOIA	February 03, 2017	February 10, 2017	Other	Bogardus	Kevin	text messages, voice and video recordings as well as other documented forms of communication found in your agency's correspondence log that mention one or more of these terms. Personally Identifiable Information as not responsive to my request. separate request directed to each bureau under DOI
OS- 2017- 00268	Closed	FOIA	January 03, 2017	March 22, 2017	Other	Shapiro/Leopold	Ryan/Jason	1. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to a directive to any and all DOI employees and/or contractors to shutdown, restrict utilization of, and/or reactivate

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								any and all Twitter accounts. 2. Any and all records constituting, mentioning, or referring to any and all communications (including emails) between any and all DOI employees and/or contractors and Donald Trump or senior administration officials mentioning or referring to any and all Twitter accounts. Cont below.  All records of communications
OS- 2017- 00263	Closed	FOIA	February 03, 2017	February 10, 2017	Other	Bogardus	Kevin	between your agency leaders offices and the Trump Organization and other various Trump-related businesses. Copy of any records of communications, including but not limited to emails, between the Department of Interior and the Trump Organization, including but not limited to those involving the following company
OS- 2017- 00251	Closed	FOIA	February 03, 2017	March 24, 2017	Other	Voorhees	Josh	representatives: Donald J. Trump, Jr.; Eric Trump; Ivanka Trump, Allen Weisselberg, George Sorial, Jim Petrus, Matthew Calamari, Alan Garten, Michael Cohen, Jason Greenblatt, Rhona Graff, Larry Glick, Ronald Lieberman, Jeff Wagoner, Andrew Weiss, and Jill Martin. Photographs of the National Mall on Inauguration Day 2017. Records summarizing a call between acting National Park Service director Michael T.
OS- 2017- 00234	Closed	FOIA	January 27, 2017	January 27, 2017	Other	O'Connor	Brendan	Reynolds and President Donald Trump on January 21, 2017. Correspondence between the office of acting National Park Service director Michael T. Reynolds and President Donald Trump between January 20, 2017 and the date this request is processed.  1. Communications between DOI staff and any individual with an email domain ending in @ptt.gov or trumporg.com. 2. Communications between
OS- 2017- 00232	Open	FOIA	January 23, 2017			Munoz	Hudson	agency staff and members of the transition landing team, including David Bernhardt. 3. Internal agency communications that reference David Bernhardt. 4. Copies of Edward Keable's schedule from November 9, 2016 to January 19, 2017.
OS- 2017- 00225	Closed	FOIA	January 25, 2017	March 22, 2017	Other	Strother	Roger	All records of meetings or conversations between DOI public affairs staff and representatives of the incoming
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								Trump administration from January 20, 2017 through present concerning the agency's use of social media and other web-based public communication guidance. These records include, but are not limited to, e-mails, memoranda, minutes, attendee lists, agendas, and directives issued.  [A]ny guidance to FOIA processors from the Trump
OS- 2017- 00219	Completed	FOIA	January 24, 2017	January 24, 2017	Other	O'Connor	Brendan	transition team or the Trump administration. [A]ll records generated between November 9, 2016 and the date this request is processed responsive.  [R]equest the following records: - Internal memos and cross-department communication related to the Department of Interior's twitter account. On the
OS- 2017- 00213	Closed	FOIA	January 21, 2017	March 22, 2017	Other	Timmons	Ted	day of Donald Trump's inauguration (Jan 20, 2017), the Department of Interior tweeted or retweeted items related to the inauguration which led to internal memos and discussion about their neutrality. Memos may have been sent from/to the White House.  [A]ny emails sent or received by those individuals listed below on November 8-9, 2016, that mention the word "Trump" in the body or subject Sally Jewell - Secretary of the Interior - Mike
OS- 2017- 00177	Open	FOIA	January 05, 2017			O'Connor	Brendan	Connor - Deputy Secretary of the Interior - Hilary Tompkins - Sol.icitor of the Interior - Kristen Sarri - Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy Management and Budget - Thomas Iseman, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary, Water and Science [Continued below] - Any written communication directed to the agencys executive leadership from a member of the Trump administration transition team, the Trump campaign, or a
OS- 2017- 00175	Open	FOIA	January 05, 2017			McGill	Andrew	member of the Trump family, and received on or after Nov. 9, 2016.  -All electronic correspondence received by an agency employee on or after Nov. 9, 2016 from any email address originating from the following domains: donaldtrump.com, donaldjtrump.com or ptt.gov.
OS- 2017- 00164	Closed	FOIA	December 30, 2016	r May 15, 2017	Other	Cama	Timothy	Any and all transition briefing documents or materials given by the Department of the Interior to the transition/landing team for President-elect Donald Trump.

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2017-00162	Open	FOIA	December 23, 2016		Prange	Jaclyn	staff members described in the Presidential Transition Act of 1963 and all amendments, and includes but are not limited to, Ryan Zinke, Doug Domenech, David Bernhardt, Scott Cameron, DanielJorjani, Kathy Benedetto, Mary Bomar, Karen Budd Falen, and Ned Mamula.  [A]ny and all communications (emails, letters, PowerPoint presentations, etc.) transmitted between DOI staff and the Trump transition and landing teams from Sept. 16, 2016, to Dec. 16, 2016
OS- 2017- 00145	Open	FOIA	December 16, 2016		Traywick	Catherine	("the Records"). this requests includes all materials generated by DOI as well as all materials generated by the transition and/or landing team and sent to DOI.  This request is ongoing, seeking copies of (or access to) all Records as they are filed with the Department of the Interior.  Any records, documents, emails, questionnaires, memoranda or other correspondence or communications between agency officials and the Trump
OS- 2017- 00140	Open	FOIA	December 14, 2016		Levine	Carrie	Presidential Transition Team, regardless of format, medium or physical characteristics and including electronic records and information. The request includes both in-agency and external communications. Continued below.
OS- 2017- 00135	Closed	FOIA	December May 15, 12, 2016 2017	Other	Best	Michael	Any and all materials produced for, received by or relating to President-Elect Donald Trumps Transition Team, including any questionnaires relating to the transition, the incoming administration or produced by any Transition Team for your agency. Please also include any presentations created for, received by or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration since November

OS- 2017- 00132	Open	FOIA	December 08, 2016		Braun	Stephen	1, 2016 through the date of processing of this FOIA request. Cont below.  All emails sent to or sent from your agency employees in which the Internet domains "trump.com", "trumporg.com", "ptt.gov", ¿donaldjtrump.com¿ or "donaldtrump.com" are in email addresses in the To, From, CC, BCC, Subject or Body fields of the message. The time frame for this request is June 3, 2016 through today, Dec. 5, 2016. [c]opy of the primary briefing
OS- 2017- 00127	Closed	FOIA	December May 15, 06, 2016 2017	Other	Michael	Morisy	materials created by XXXX for purposes of the Presidential Transition Process, specifically any presentations created for or delivered to members of the Presidential Transition Team for the new Administration during November/December 2016. Subject: Trump Transition Briefing Materials  Copies of the Freedom of
OS- 2017- 00109	Completed	FOIA	December December 01, 2016 02, 2016	Total Grant	Lange	Jason	Information Act Requests made to the Department of the Interior between Jan. 1, 2015 and Dec. 1, 2016 and which mention ¿Trump¿ or ¿Donald Trump,¿ as well as responsive records provided. Please also provide metadata for the records sought, including the file layout, data dictionary, code descriptions and associated look-up tables.
OS- 2017- 00098	Closed	FOIA	November May 15, 23, 2016 2017	Other	Bogardus	Kevin	[C]opies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or employed by the transition team for President-elect Donald Trump from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed.  1. OS-2016-00140, January 12,
OS- 2017- 00096	Completed	FOIA	November November 22, 2016 28, 2016	Total Grant	Sullivan	Eileen	2016: Constituent]Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming]and]outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present. Continued Below.
OS- 2017- 00068	Closed	FOIA	November May 15, 13, 2016 2017	Other	Kick	Russ	All 'briefing materials and information relating to the Presidential transition' prepared by the Department of Interior for the Trump administration's Agency Review Teams and incoming political appointees.
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	2017- 00067			11, 2016	15, 2016				Rudy Giuliani, the former New York City mayor, presidential candidate and supporter of President-elect Donald Trump. The time frame for this request is Jan. 1, 2010, through the present, Nov. 11, 2016. This request covers paper and electronic records, including but not limited to emails, email attachments, Portable Document Files and Microsoft Excel spreadsheets. [C]opies of all records prepared for and/or distributed to any individuals affiliated with and/or
	OS- 2016- 00468	Completed	FOIA	September 29, 2016	October 21, 2016	Other	Bogardus	Kevin	employed by the transition team for Donald Trump, the 2016 Republican presidential nominee, from May 1, 2016 to the date that this FOIA request is processed. All emails sent by or to Secretary Jewell from July 18, 2016, through July 28, 2016, that mention Donald Trump or Hillary
	2016- 00392	Completed	FOIA	July 29, 2016	August 02, 2016	Other	Blutstein	Allan	Clinton. Please note, however, that this request does not seek any 'mass' emails received directly from a listserv (for example, news clippings).  Any email or written correspondence between the U.S. Department of Interior and any
	OS- 2016- 00390	Completed	FOIA	June 22, 2016	July 29, 2016	Total Grant	Cherkis	Jason	companies owned by Donald Trump concerning any land use (i.e. golf course construction, hotel and property concerns) from 2006 to the present. Internal and external correspondence and internal
	OS- 2016- 00377	Closed	FOIA	July 20, 2016	July 21, 2016	Other	Dillon	Lauren	documents regarding Donald Trumps lawsuit against Interior Secretary Bruce Babbitt and the National Indian Gaming Commission. Correspondence, memos, e- mails, grant applications and
	OS- 2016- 00325	Completed	FOIA	June 07, 2016	June 08, 2016	Other	Doyle	Michael	other documents to, from or involving the Trump Organization or other Trump- named entities between Jan. 1, 2010 and June 1, 2016. A) [C]opies of all record requests submitted [under the Freedom of
	OS- 2016- 00200	Completed	FOIA	March 02, 2016	March 04, 2016	Total Grant	Payton	Abraham	Information Act] to your agency between June 1, 2015 and March 2, 2016 that contained the phrase "Trump" in it. B) [C]opies of all responsive records provided for the requests identified in Part A as available.
	OS- 2016- 00152	Completed		January 25, 2016	April 15, 2016	Total Grant	Dillon	Lauren	Any and all records (including but not limited to: incoming or outgoing communications such as
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OS- 2016- 00140	Completed FOIA	January 12, 2016	January 28, 2016	Other	Payton	Abraham	letters, written requests, memos, telephone records, and electronic correspondence; reports; complaints, investigations, or violations; applications or forms; records of meetings or appearances on schedules or calendars) regarding Donald Trump and business associates. Constituent-Correspondence Mentioning Trump: I am requesting copies of all incoming-and-outgoing constituent correspondence between DOI and elected, public officials which makes direct mention of 'trump' from 1999 to the present.  Correspondence With Various Trump-Businesses and their
OS- 2016- 00139	Completed FOIA	January 12, 2016	May 19, 2016	Other	Payton	Abraham	Representatives: I am requesting copies of all incoming and outgoing correspondence the members of the Department of Interior (including the Office of the Secretary, the Office of the Deputy Secretary, and the Office of Congressional and Legislative Affairs) and the Trumpbusinesses (and its known legal/lobbying representatives) listed below from 1999 to the
OS- 2015- 00402	Completed FOIA	July 13, 2015	August 03, 2015	Total Grant	Massie	Christopher	present: All Department of Interior records containing the name Donald Trump and/or the words Trump Organization ranging from January 1, 1980 to July 13, 2015.

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