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Crucial Desert Wilderness Review

Things move fast in California, and the Bureau of Land Management Wilderness review is no exception. While in the rest of the Nation the BLM intends to make wilderness recommendations by 1991, in the California desert the deadline is Sept. 30, 1980. As a result, 1978 is the year of decision for millions of wild acres in the California Desert.

The accelerated wilderness review in California is in response to a special provision in the Federal Land Policy and Management Act that required a plan to be developed for the California Desert Conservation Area. The BLM wisely determined that they could develop a plan for 16 million acres of desert without conducting a wilderness review. In order to meet their 1980 deadline the BLM hopes to designate wilderness study areas by Jan. 31, 1979.

At a Wilderness Society sponsored workshop last month, citizen leaders identified nearly 100 separate areas as high priority for wilderness study. A few of these areas are huge, like the half million acre Eureka Saline Valleys area, and the total for these prime roadless lands probably exceeds 6 million acres.

The BLM will have three periods of public involvement this year. The first period, ending June 30, is already underway. 17 workshops are scheduled for May (all but one in the southern half of the state). Through these workshops and information packet mailings the public will have an opportunity to review the preliminary BLM inventory and recommend adding, subtracting or adjusting roads and wilderness study areas.

Additional opportunities for public comment will occur in late summer and fall. The first period will be updating the preliminary inventory while the second will be a formal review of the recommended wilder-ness study areas. The study areas will be evaluated during 1979. Suitable wilderness areas will then be selected by BLM for recommendation to Congress. Conservationists should get involved in this process by attending a workshop during May or by writing to BLM for a "preliminary Inventory Packet". The California Wilderness Coalition would like to know of your interest so we may contact you during the next phase of this wilderness

To obtain a preliminary Inventory Packet or learn the date and locations of workshops, write or visit the BLM's Riverside District Office, 1695 Spruce Street, Riverside, CA. 92507, or call 714 787-1462, or the Bakersfield District Office, U.S. Federal Buiding, Room 311, 800 Truxtun Avenue, Bakersfield, CA. 93301 or call 805 861 4191.

The following schedule outlines the Wilderness Inventory and Study Programs for the California Desert. A program schedule has not been prepared at this time for submission of Reports.

CALIFORNIA DESERT CONSERVATION AREA

march-April 30, 1978

Bureau of Land managements preparation of the first preliminary inventory of roads and areas that do and do not possess wilderness characteristics.

March 8, 1978

Wilderness Review Notice in the Federal Register requesting public comments and suggestions on proposed policies.

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South Providence Mountains, East Mojave, potential BLM Wilderness.

R.A.R.E. Wars

created and produced by the Forest Service

R.A.R.E. II is developing into an epic process which will include a cast of thousands. While there are humorous and fantasy like aspects to it (such as the forest service's actual creation and use of the Wilderness Attribute Rating System-W.A.R.S.), RARE II can either result in much needed formal protection for our remnant wild lands, or a final exploitive assault upon them.

Simply put, the success of RARE II-including success in recommending wilderness for Congressional designation will rest ultimately on the

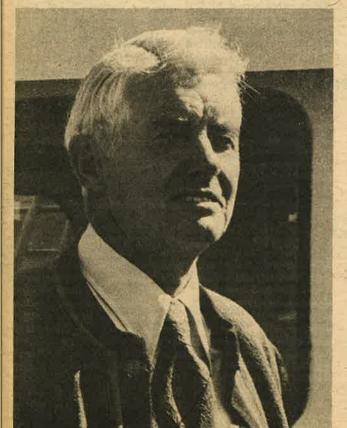
level of public support we build locally, staewide, and across the country.

RARE II is now entering phase II: evaluation of all roadless areas. Data has been collected about each of the 343 inventoried roadless areas in California. Using the information in a computerized analysis, the forest service is developing a series of RARE II alternatives. These will provide the

framework for a nationwide RARE II draft environmental impact statement, scheduled for release in mid June. That draft, supplemented with a more detailed supplement covering

the areas in each region or state, will provide the information and vehicle for our critical public involvement leading to a final RARE II EIS and recommendations to Congress in early 1979. Document all such questions or disagreements in writing, by carefully dated letters, submitted to the Regional Forester. (Forest Service, 630 Sansome St, S.F. Ca.; Be sure to retain a copy and send a second copy to Jim Eaton (see address below)

AVOID PRE-JUDGING
ANY AREA. By its inclusion in the basic inventory,
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David Brower, President; Friends of the Earth, Seatured speaker of Wilderness Conference, April 28-30.

Conference April 28-30

Brower Featured Speaker

"David Brower-charismatic leader of the crusades for the liberation of the temple of nature from its oppressors, archbishop of the church of the wilderness; archdeacon of the cathedral of the environment; archemnemy of all who would sell our heritage in nature for a mess of pottage; and by universal and unchallenged acclaim, the first, the greatest, and indeed the only archdruid."

So wrote Garrett Hardin when Brower received a Doctor of Humane Letters from Starr King in 1971. On Saturday, April 28 at Merritt College, David Brower

will highlight the first major conference to focus on the wilderness movement in California.

California.

Involved in the conservation movement for 38 years, David Brower founded Friends of the Earth in 1969, has been involved internationally in conservation groups, and is cofounder of the John Muir Institute for Environmental Studies. He also founded Friends of the Earth Foundation, a tax-deductible organization devoted to environmental research and education.

His career began as a volunteer in the Sierra Club

in 1933. In 1941 he was elected to its Board and in 1952 became its first Executive Director, a position he held until 1969. During that time the club membership grew from 7,000 to 77,000. He was active in several major national park campaigns; establishing Kings Canyon National Park, preventing

Park, preventing relinquishment of timberlands from Olympic National Park, and the establishing of Redwood National Park and the Point Reyes National Seashore. He was one of the two principal citizen activists in establishing the National Wilder-

ness Preservation System and originated and was chief promoter of the Outdoor Recreation Resources Review.

Mountaineer, skier, editor, author, and publisher of many works in conservation David Brower has travelled world-wide to contribute his wisdom on conservation efforts. The California Wildernes Coalition and the Bay Area Chapter of the Sierra Club, sponsors of the conference, welcome his timely talk on California wilderness in a time when many decisions are about to be made.

Interview on Conference with President Bob Schneider

(The following is an interview with Bob Schneider, current President of the California Wilderness Coalition and primary program planner for the April 27-29 conference.)

Editor: Bob, you have been in the planning stages of this conference for many months now. Could you give us an idea of how the conference fits in with the goals of the California Wilderness Coalition?

Bob: We are a clearinghouse for groups throughout the state and one of the functions we have is to provide an opportunity for local groups to get state-wide coverage of their issues and people to meet each other. The conference provides a concentrated time for this same function.

Editor: What are some of the important events that will take place during the weekend?

Bob: I look forward to hearing David Brower talk. He is the modern John Muir and has done alot for the wilderness movement. I always feel David Brower's work in the environmental movement centers on his

basic committment to wilderness. Huey Johnson will talk about some of the major shifts made by the State of California on wilderness. For example, they wrote a letter supporting the inclusion of Golden Trout and a letter supporting legislation on Mineral King. I look forward to hearing about Johnson's efforts in his re-forestation projects, plans for urban parks and how they relate to wilder-ness. The slide shows should be great!

Editor: How is the weekend structured so both new people to wilderness issues and old experienced folks will both benefit from the conference?

Bob: Exhibits and slide shows are the best introduction for the new people, and then the panels are structured so that specific and general information are running concurrently. The RARE II panel gives a good overview of the movement in California. Question and answer times will give individuals a chance to question experts in the field.

Editor: You seem to want to get more people involved in the wilderness movement. Could you relate something about how you got involved?

Bob: Much of the grassroots wilderness started in the Free Speech Movement in People began to realize they needed to take more control over their des-tiny. One of the first activities of the Berkeley **Active Conservation Tactics** was to pick up tires from the mud flats. Going to school at Davis, I got involved with **Active Conservation Tactics** and the effort to classify Snow Mountain as wilderness. I studied geology, worked for an environmental firm for two years and have climbed and hiked for years. Recently, I have felt the need for a statewide. communication system to increase the effectiveness of the wilderness movement. Editor: Who are the people you would like to involve? Bob: Thousands of people backpack in California and each should be concerned about the areas they use and love. Retail and manufacturing people should make equipment that backpackers use should be more involved. The assistance Recreation Equipment in Washington gave to save Alpine Lakes is an example of what businesses can do. Editor: At what level of

wilderness efforts would



Celia Hunter, Executive Director of the Wilderness Society will speak at Wilderness Conference, April 28-30.

you recommend people get involved?

Bob: A basic approach is to adopt a wilderness area. Join already existing groups. Form new groups. There are national groups like the Wilderness Society all the way down to local groups like the Mt. Shasta Resource Council.

Editor: If people don't live in Davis where your group meets, how can they relate

Bob: Much of the nittygritty work is done in Davis, but we would like to develop a network throughout the state involving contact people in each member organ-

ization. The wilderness alert system we have is very important, and needs many individuals. We mail out a notice when there is a decision coming up on a particular area or issue, and warn individuals who have expressed interest in that area warning so they can write letters or testify.

Editor: Over the next five years what changes do you foresee in the wilderness movement and groups working together?

Bob: The two big things that will happen are the RARE II process and the Bureau of Land Management Review. The decisions made in these

two review processes will be major and may determine much of the status of remaining wilderness land. Increased statewide communication has to happen simply to increase the effectiveness of preservation. Northcoast people must provide support for desert wilderness area and desert people must provide support for Siskiyou wilderness proposals. Decisions made in Congress need statewide support. Instead of looking like we are going for a piece of the pie, we must present the image of wanting the best wilderness system for the people of California.

BLM National Wilderness Review

Public Involvement the Key

The Federal Land Policy & Management Act (FLPMA), commonly known as the "BL ' Organic Act", was signed into law on October 21, 1976. This Act established basic policies and procedures for the administration, management, and protection of the 446 million acres of public lands now under the jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), an agency of the Department of the Inte-

One of the requirements of this law, spelled out in Section 603, is that the Secretary of the Interior (through the BLM) is to review all "roadless areas of five thousand acres or more and roadless islands of the public lands...having wilderness characteristics described in the Wilderness This requirement

was strongly supported by wilderness conservationists. Implementing this very broad mandate will soon

become a major and probably controversial program of the BLM. Millions of acres of roadless BLM Public Lands will be affected by the requirements of Section 603.

Citizen support is essential to assure that a sound Wilderness Review Process is devised, and then to help make it work. On March 13, the agency issued a draft "Wilderness Policy and Review Procedure" for public comment. Written responses will be received until May 17, 1978. Informed comments in writing are needed.

THE STEPS IN THE BLM WILDERNESS REVIEW

The following outline describes the various steps in the BLM Wilderness Review process as now conceived. Since a final policy has not been adopted, there may be some minor chan-

1. Circulate draft Wilderness Review Policy for public comment until May 17, 1978; this policy will establish the process by which all of the hundreds of mil-lions of acres under the jurisdiction of the BLM shall be reviewed for wilderness consideration.

2. Have the final Wilderness Review Process fully approved and operational by July 30, 1978;

3. Complete inventory of roadless areas with wilderness characteristics;

4. do wilderness studies on each of the above areas.:

5. Report to the President on the suitability or nonsuitability for preservation as wilderness of all formally identified primitive and natural areas by July 1980;

6. Complete wilderness studies of all. areas identified in the inventory and report to the President on their suitability or non-suitability for preservation as wilderness by October 21,

The responsibilities of the BLM end with these reports to the President. The President in turn is required to make recomn: ndations to Congress. The final step is the designation by the Congress of individual wilderness areas on BLM lands or the determination, again by Congress, that other areas in the inventory

should not be wilderness. There is no deadline for either the actions by the President or by the Congress. There will be many opportunities for the public to have input throughout this process.

INTERIM MANAGEMENT AND SOME SPECIAL **SITUATIONS**

Section 603 directs that BLM Public Lands subject to the wilderness review requirement be managed "in a manner so as not to impair the suitability of such areas for preservation as wilderness". Until the wilderness inventory is completed, this requirement is being met by a directive that all environmental reviews of projects or proposals that might impair the wilderness potential of any roadless area shall consider those wilderness valuès.

In practice, what this means is that there may be an accelerated wilderness inventory for those locations where specific proposed projects might impact an area's wilderness character. If that inventory identifies land that should be studied, then those wilderness studies and Congressional consideration of them must be completed before permitting any project to go ahead.

Section 603 should not be used to merely delay or narass projects that may be objectionable for reasons tht have nothing to do with wilderness values. Local groups and individuals who are concerned about such projects or proposals should closely coordinate their activities with the Club's

National Coordinator for BLM Wilderness, John McComb, 330 Pennsylvania Ave. S.E., Washington D.C. 20003 (202) 547-1144 and Jim Eaton, C.W.C., P.O. Box 429, Davis, CA.

WHAT YOU CAN DO NOW!

The Bureau of Land Management has prepared and released for public comment a draft "Wilderness Policy and Review Procedure", which will be the BLM's and the public's basic guide for the implementation of the Section 603 BLM Wilderness Review Process. Copies of the document may be obtained from any BLM office (see list). Comments may be submitted in writing until May 17, 1978. They should be sent to the:

Director Bureau of Land Management Department of the Interior Washington, D.C. 20240

It is important that the BLM get off to the right start on this very important program. Hopefully, they will learn from the experiences of the Forest Service and other agencies and thus will avoid some of their mistakes. Your input at this time is crucial. Please write a letter to the Director.

Here are our general thoughts concerning issues which you may wish to comment on:

-We support for the requirements of Section 603 and a fair, unbiased procedure for implementing that requirement. There will be many who don't want any BLM Wilderness Review at all, and we need to develop strong support for that re-

-Remember that we are commenting on the "process" at this point. The goal should be to develop a process that fairly evaluates the wilderness potential of qualifying BLM administratered lands and balances those wilderness values against the uses that would be precluded if the area were designated as wilder-

-Now is not the time to support (or oppose) wilderness designation for any specific area or even to comment on whether any specific area should be studied. Nor is it appropriate to express opinions about the total amount of BLM land that should be desigwill be numerous opportunities later in the process to express such opinions.

-The BLM should make their procedure and terminology conform to the maximum extent possible with those of other agencies that have wilderness review programs, particularly the Forest Service. A high degree of consistency and uniformity between agencies will benefit everyone.

-The BLM should follow carefully the general policies already carefully established by the Congress. The now discredited and abandoned "purity" and "sights and sounds" policies which formerly plagued the Forest Service, should have no place in the BLM Wilderness Review Process.

-The BLM should be more specific in this important policy document about how both the inventory and the wilderness studies will be earried out.

-The BLM currently proposes that a full environmental impact statement be required to accompany any agency recommendation for wilderness; but proposes no such requirement for recommendations to open an area to non-wilderness use. This is both absurd and inequitable. Clearly, and EIS should be required for wither action.

-Upon the official definition of "road", millions of acres shall either be reviewed for their wilderness value, or dismissed as already roaded. The definition contained in the draft has a sound basis in law and Congressional application.

The confusing notions of "Intrusions" and "contrast" which are found throughout the draft should be dropped in favor of the concepts of "imprint of man's work" and "substantially unnoticeably" found in the Wilderness Act itself, and used by citizens, other agencies, and the Congress.

-The BLM should coordinate their wilderness re-views with the studies and existing proposals of other agencies where a single potential wilderness affects the contiguous lands of several agencies.

-Lastly, no review will ever be perfect. The BLM should continue to consider the wilderness potential of all qualifying lands in their on-going land management planning process. Only in this fashion can the proposals recommendations resulting from this mandated process be corrected and updated in the light of new information and changing public atti-

NEWS BRIEFS

Sinkyone Cost Coast Wilderness

The State park Commission took no action concerning official wilderness designation of land with the Sinkyone Wilderness State Park during its April 14 meeting in Eureka. This may not be a defeat, however, as the commission encouraged Director Russ Cahill to begin research on removing Mendocino County's legal right of way on road 431 in the park, thus allowing a much larger and more meaningful acreage

available for wilderness. Besides dissecting the most desirable lands, the traffic can not be controlled and visitor use is heading toward a de facto recreational vehicle park.

The southern Usal Beach acquisition also suffered a major setback due to a lack of acquisition funds it was announced. The total acreage will now fall way short of the original 11,600 acres probably about half of that.

Letters from groups or individuals to Director Cahill, Box 2390, Sacramento, CA. 95811 would be a big Support the Park Department's prompt control of the county road and encourage a re-evaluation of priorities in favor of the original acquisition plan. This will provide a very spectacular 14 mile coastal wilderness, rather than the bare skeleton of land now being negotiated for.

Channel Islands M.P.

Three public workshops were held late in April as the first step toward development of a General Management Plan for Channel Islands National Monument .The General Management Plan is the document that guides the long-range management and development of a unit of the national park system.

A wilderness review of the

monument was never conducted by the Park Service. The California Wilderness Coalition hopes that the management plan will consider potential wilderness areas in the Channel Is-

Southern California citizens also are asking for the creation of a (hannel Islands National park that would include islands currently in the monu- nt as well as islands private or militar, vnership.

Anyone wishing ac utional information or who ants to submit comments a out the monument should wite the Supering ent, Channel Islands : al Mo iment, Way Drive. 1699 A Ventura

Emigrant M·P·

The Stanislaus National Forest is in the process of developing a management plan for the Emigrant Wilderness. If you are aterested in receiving information on how you may articipate in developing the

Emigrant Management Plan, contact the Stanislaus National Forest, 175 South Fairview ane, Sonora, CA.

Mineral King

The battle to save Mineral King is still on. A bill to move Mineral King from the status of U.S. Forest Service Land to National Park Service jurisdiction would forestall the present problems, authored by Congressman John Krebs (HR 1771). It is moving through the committee. Senator Alan Cranston has a similar bill (S 88), due to enter subcommittee hearing

Because of these bills.

opposition has mounted. The downhill ski industry attempts to amendments that would weaken the bills. The worst of these amendments would require the National Park Service to permit a downhill ski development. Skiers are also pushing for a study of all federal lands to locate potential downhill ski areas. Either of these proposals would be disastrous; our parks have been considered natural reserves which are

to be preserved unimpaired for the enjoyment of future generations. Opening the parks to downhill skiing developments would threaten the very premises and concepts on which our National Park System was founded.

Those of the two particular congressman's districts can be particularly influential in the process of this important decision making time for Mineral King.

Desert Trail Progress Report

The National Park Service has assume I responsibility for conducting a feasibility study for the Desert National Scenic Trail The proposed trail v ou d run from Mexico to Id tho.

In California, all the alignments considered basically connect three major existing natural reservations: Anza-Borrego State Park, Joshua Tree National Monument. and Death Valley National Monument. egments through the proposed East Mojave National Park also have been suggested.

The Desert Trail planners are always in the market for ideas and suggestions both on the location and design of the trail and on the conduct of the feasibility

study itself. While there will be public meetings scheduled later in the planning process, you need not wait for these to express your views. Contact the Regiona Director, Nat onal Park Scrivice, 450 Golden Gate Avenue, P.O. Bex San Francisco CA. 94107

Sheep Mountain

The Forest Service is proposing for wilderness designation, only 28,000 acres of the 68,500 acre Sheep Mt. wilderness study area, (See last issue; March-April details.)

A public hearing held at 2

p.m., May 22, in La Fetra Hall, La Verne College, La Verne, CA., will be for oral testimony on the proposal. To be included, notify Forest Supervisor, Angeles National Forest, 150 S. Los Robles Ave., #300, Pasadena, CA. 91101 prior to May 15.

Until June 13, written comments or requests to review the Draft statement and report should be sent to the same address above.

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USFS APPEALS

Sierra Ski Ranch

The proposal by the Eldorado National Forest to expand

onto a portion of the pro-posed Upper Truckee Wilderness has been appealed to Forest Service Chief John McGuire. An earlien appeal to Regional forester Douglas R. Leisz was turned down.

The appeal was filed by the Wilderness Society, California Wilderness Co-Society, alition, and Ms. Sari Sommarstrom. The Mother Lode Chapter of the Sierra Club does not oppose the expansion plans.

At stake is the future of the

250 acre Hanson Canyon portion of the Upper Truckee area. The appellants believe that the Forest Service ignored their own regulations by committing this area to development without considering the wilderness potential of the entire roadless area, the appellants state:
'The Regional Forester

would have appellants be-lieve that any area not inventoried in RARE I would remain uninventoried forever. The fact that an area has gone into and out of the RARE II inventory in a 'now you see it, now you don't' fashion does not mean it is non-inventoried it has been inventoried.

A master logician would have trouble in the tangled jungle of semantics upon which this judgement is based. Region 5 claims to have all things all ways at all times. To the appellants, it appears as if a team of lawyers examined every di-

rective on the roadless subject in an effort ot find loopholes so as to avoid the substance of the directives. Appellants and members of appellant groups are often led to believe that the agency is playing semantic games and is avoiding the substance of their missions to protect and objectively evaluate roadless land. The importance of a 250

acre parcel of land is overwhelmed by the implication that regional policies such as those mentioned in this response could be applied elsewhere. Appellants must presume that these statements apply regionwide and could affect thousands of acres. Indeed, appellants have evidence that such policies do affect other areas."

Rancheria Creek

The continuing battle over the 13,780 acres of roadless lands in the Rancheria Management Unit is now before the Secretary of agriculture. The Sierra National Forest wants to log much of the area and has justified their proposal in a recent Environmental Impact Wilderness Statement. supporters are fighting to have the area protected as part of a proposed Kings River Wilderness.

The current issue is an appeal filed by the Sierra Club, the Wilderness Society, Natural Resources Defense Council, and Larry E. Moss. The appellants are asking the Secretary of Agriculture to hold in abeyance all management activities inconsistent with maintenance of the existing wilderness character of the Rancheria Lands, pending Presidential and Congressional action establishing the final boundaries of the proposed Monarch (Kings River) wilderness. also ask that the RARE II inventory be corrected to show a single roadless area instead of the separate River Kings and Woodchuck Roadless Areas (Rancheria was not inventoried as being roadless).

The Appellants have three main contensions in their

appeal:

1. The Wilderness Act requires that the Rancheria Lands be preserved, pending a determination by the President and Congress of what undeveloped territory, contiguous to the High Sierra Primitive Area, will be included in the final form of the Monarch (Kings River) Wilderness. Both the original 1972 management scheme and Alternative F of the EIS are in violation of the Wilderness Act.

2. The Forest Service has failed to properly add the

Rancheria Lands to the RARE II Inventory as an integral part of the larger scalesingle roadless area of which the Rancheria lands are but a part.
3. The EIS for the land

management plan is legally deficient because it fails to adequately identify and assess the roadless and undeveloped character of the Rancheria lands and is so biased in favor of non wilderness uses as to imperil an objective comparison of the various ma-nagement alternatives presented.

Joining the fray are the American Forest Products Corporation and the Western Timber Association who have filed a brief in support of the Forest Service's actions.

Wilderness supporters are hopeful that the Secretary of Agriculture will agree with their appeal.

Negit Island

- Saving Its Wilderness Potential

In wilderness jargon becoming "natural" area means high priority for being designated as wilderness later. That's what happened to Negit Island, but unless Mono Lake which surrounds it ceases to be drained, the island may have no wilderness value. Other areas given the status of "natural" by BLM while they review the potential for wilderness are Baker C press and Lava Rock (1,148) Bitterbrush (640 acres(and San Benito (1,900 acres). By October 1979, they hope to determine the suitability for wilderness. Chemise Mt. fell into their "primitive" area category, another holding status.

Negit Island has come into the public eye because of the value it holds for birds.

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appreciated.

the Santa Monica Bay Audobon Society put together a position paper from which this information was excerpted. "East of Yosemite National Park, a landscape of

Mono Lake Committee of

volcanoes, glacier-scoured canyons and snow laden peaks is dominated by the blue expanse of Mono Lake. its visual grandeur, spectacular bird concentrations and bizarre geological features are an irreplaceable part of our natural heritage. Tragically, the Mono Lake

environment is being jeopardized by the unrestricted diversions of water from its major tributary streams for use by the city of Los Angeles. Unless this diversion is curtailed, the lake will shrink to approximately 30 percent of its present volume by the middle of the next century. Shrinkage means the island will be connected to the mainland, endangering migrating birds and other life forms. Thousands of acres of white

birds to predators. Its water will become too salty for barren shoreline will be exposed. On windy days clouds of alkali dust will obscure Sierran peaks and pose a definite threat, not only to vegetation, but to human health."

The Mono lake Committee,

headed by David Gaines proposes leaving the lake at the 1976 level. Negit Island the black one in one of North America's oldest lakes, was formed by volcanoes. Here, and on Paoha, the white island formed from sediments, 50,000 gulls come to breed each year. The island comprises over 95 percent of the breeding population of gulls that feed on brine shrimp and flies, unique life forms that would be destroyed by lake shrinkage. Negit Island also has the grebe, a duck-like diving bird and Wilson's phalarope a colorful relative to sandpipers. Shovelers and American avocets make rest stops there as well. Four of the five major

streams that feed Mono Lake have been diverted for Los Angeles water supply. In 1941, Mono lake began dropping 2 feet per year because of diversions. Salinity doubled. Negit Island became connected to the mainland then disconnected by blasted channel, engineered by BLM and Fish and Game, but not totally successful.

To support maintaining the 1976 level of 6,378 feet and Negit Island, write the Mono Lake Committee at P.O. Box 2764, Oakland, CA. 94602.

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PURPOSES OF THE CALI-FORNIA WILDERNESS **COALITION:**

the State of California the preservation of wild lands as legally designated wilderness areas by carrying on an educational program concerning the value of wilderness and how it may be best used and preserved in the public interest by making and encouraging scientific studies concernand cooperation in protecting existing or potential wilderness areas.

Director- Steve Evans

Desert Planning Schedule

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April 19, 1978 General Wilderness State Meeting- Sacramento. Sacramento Location: Community Center, 14th and and K Streets.

Time: 2 sessions, 1:00-4:00 p.m. and 7:00-10:00 p.m. Purpose: Review Bureau's Draft Wilderness Review Procedures and Review Wilderness Program for California Desert.

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California Desert

Wilderness Anaheim.

Location: Anaheim High School Auditorium, 811 W. Lincoln

Time:7:00-10:30 p.m. Purpose: Review wilderness program for California desert and review Bureau's draft wilderness review procedures.

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Desert Wilderness Meeting Location: Kennedy Junior

High School Auditorium, 1000 Armory Road. Time: 7:00-10:30 p.m. Purpose: Review wilderness program for California de-

sert and review Bureau's draft wilderness review procedures.

May 4-Dec. 31, 1978

Public Information The California Desert Conservation Area Public Information Program will provide information, status reports and program coordination for interested members of the public Information contact: phone 714 787-1462, Riverside District Office or 805 861-4191, Bakersfield District

May 4-June 30, 1978

Initial Public Participation

Through information packet mailings and the workshops the public will have an opportunity to review the preliminary BLM inventory and recommend adding, subtracting or adjusting roads and Wilderness Study Areas using applicable criteria.

The preliminary Inventory Packets will be available at each workshop or may be obtained by writing or visiting the Riverside District Office, 1695 Spruce Street, Riverside CA. 92507, or calling 714 7871462, or the Bakersfield District Office, U.S. Federal Building, Room 311, 800Truxton Ave, Bakersfield, CA. 93301 or calling 805 861 4191.

(Note: This Preliminary Inventory information will not cover the entire desert. Initially it will cover only those areas of public lands which appear to have characteristics which readily qualifies them or disqualifies them as potential study areas. The purpose of this preliminary analysis is to quickly identify wherever possible those areas that will not require indepth analysis thereby permitting special attention to the remaining roadless areas. All areas however are subject to public comment and review and will be inventoried in the field.)

May 4-31, 1978 Workshops

The public will have an opportunity to review and discuss the preliminary BLM inventory at each workshop, however public comments or inputs on roads of qualified and non qualified study area need not be submitted during the workshops. Each workshop listed will consist of two parts-the first day: Evening session-general program and policy review, public questions and answer period, and a workshop session involving the Preliminary Inventory maps with personal assistance in preparing written input and comment of roads, potential wilderness study area and non-qualified roadless area. The Second Day: Afternoon and Evening Session-BLM personnel will be available to further answer individual questions regarding this program on an individual basis as public interest per-

May 3-Oct. 1, 1978 California desert conservation area advisory committee Meeting-Bishop.

Program Wilderness Review-Procedures to be used in the California desert

May 17, 1978

Tentative end of public comment period on the Bureau's draft wilderness review procedures. All written comments on this subject are to be mailed to: Director (370), Bureau of Land Management, Washington D.C. 20240

Information on the current status of the policy comment period may be obtained by calling Mr. Robert Lund, Bureau of Land Management, Washington D.C (202) 343-9353 or the public: information number shown

May 4-5,1978 Workshops-Bakersfield

May 8-9, 1978 Workshops-Lone Pine and Victor Valley.

May 10-11, 1978 Workshop- Bishop

May 11-12, 1978 Workshops-Indio and El Centro

May 15-16, 1978 Workshops-San Fernando

May17-18, 1978 Workshops-Ridgecrest and San Diego

May 22-23, 1978 Workshops-Baker

May23-24, 1978 Workshops-Yucca Valley

May24-25,1978 Workshops-Needles and

May 25-26, 1978 Workshop-Bay Area

May 30-31, 1978 Workshops-Riverside

Proposed Plan for Medicine Lake Area

The U.S. Forest Service has issued a Draft Environmental Impact Statement for the Medicine Lake Planning Unit in Modoc and Siskiyou Counties. The proposed plan does not recommend wilderness for any of the 68,100 acres of roadless land found in the unit. Public comment will be accepted until May 23,

Eureka Dunes

The planning unit wraps around Lava Beds National Monument and is located in three national forests: Modoc, Shasta-Trinity, and Klamath. Terrain varies from the relatively flat areas along the eastern portions of the unit to mountainous. Elevations range from 4,500 feet to 7,913 feet at Mount Hoffman.

Five roadless ares have been identified, including two adjacent to the existing Lava Beds Wilderness Ar-

The proposed plan of management, Alternative F, calls for no wilderness study for any of the five roadless areas.

The 8,000 acre Callahan Roadless includes a portion of the Callahan Lava Flow. A straight section-line boundary separates this roadless area from an existing wilderness in Lava Beds National Monument. The Forest Service proposes to designate a portion of the roadless area as a"geological area".-

Roadless Areas are not recommended for study because wilderness designation "would preclude the use of equipment for wildlife habitat maintenance and improvement on approximately 38,300 acres of key' winter deer range".

The 25,400 acre Lavas area is immediately adjacent (by a straight line boundary) to part of the Lava Beds Wilderness and is separated from the 12,900 acre Dobie Flat area by a railroad track.

The National Park Service apparently has no problem managing key winter deer range on their adjacent wilderness lands.

The 8,552 acre Burnt Lava Flow Virgin Area is not recommended for recommended for wilderness even though the primary effect of such classification...would be the continued protection and preservation of this area in its natural state mandated by legislation, rather than by regulation under the authority of the Chief of the Forest Service". The Forest Services suggest "geo-logical area" designation for this roadless area.

The only area of the five with any commercial timber, the 12,500 acre Mount Hoffman Roadless Area, will not remain roadless under the Forest Service plan. "A reduction of the available commercial forest land base by approximately 6,000 acres and a decrease in the unit's potential an-nual timber yield by approximately one million board feet would be expected to result" should this area become wilderness. That part of the roadless area without trees, the Medicine Lake Glass Flow,

'geological area". Mount Hoffman area contains less than 5 percent of unit's annual programmed harvest of timber.

The proposed plan also considers the use of off-road vehicles. Alternative F would close 8 percent of the 266,778 acres of public land to summer ORV's. Four per cent of the unit would be entirely open, subject only to seasonal restrictions. 92.5 percent of the unit would remain open to snowmobiles.

The only decent alternative in the plan is Alternative B. This proposal ealls for wilderness studies for all 68,100 acres of roadless lands, and no open use of Even with the ORV's. restrictions on development in this alternative, 90 per cent of the timber to be cut under Alternative F would still be available. As far as the jobs vs. wilderness argument, the plan reports "since employment opportunities are affected only slightly under each of the alternatives, the impact on population characteristics within the affected counties is expected to be negligible.

The Forest Service will accept comments on their **Draft Environmental Impact** Statement until May 23, 1978. Write: Kenneth C. Scoggin, Forest Supervisor, Modoc National Forest, 441 North Main Street, Alturas, CA. 96101

Yosemite

The WORKBOOK, the latest information on the general plan for Yosemite National Park will soon be available for public input.

would be recommended as a

To be placed on the list to receive the WORKBOOK, write Yosemite Planning Team, N.P.S. Fort Mason, S.F., CA. 94123.

Mining the Wilderness

mining in designated wilderness areas? The California Wilderness Coalition is updating its files and would appreciate any knowledge you have on mining in wilderness.

We know of mining in just two of California's wilderness areas:

Do you know of any active WILDERNESS: Union Car-MUIR bide has tungsten/ molybdenum/copper localities at the Hard Point Claim Group and at Brownstone Mine (Pine Creek). Also, we have been informed of mapping, mill planning, and metallurgical testing for silver and gold but not who is doing this or where.

HOOVER WILDERNESS: We know of two small gold mining operations at the Gorilla Mine and the Virginia Lakes Arm. There is also underground sampling and drilling for gold (site unknown) and surface exploration for tungsten near Emigrant Basin.

Wilderness Water Quality

POTENTIAL PROBLEMS

Are you aware of any location where water quality could become a problem in the future as the result of any activity on national forest lands?

The 208 Non-designated Area Planning Program hopes to eliminate water quality problems there by identifying problems from public input. Expertise is not necessary. Simply use answers to these questions and mail to:

State Water Resources Control Board P.O. Box 100 Sacramento, CA. 95801

EXISTING PROBLEMS

/. Describe any existing water quality problem of which you are aware.

2. Where is the problem located?

3. When does the problem

4. What do you think is the cause of the problem?

5. Is this a problem that is occurring in more than one place in the forest? If so, how widespread do you think the problem is?

6. Can you suggest any possible solutions?

RARE

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each roadless area has been judged to meet the minimum criteria for suitability as defined in the Wilderness Act. It would be a mistake for conservationists to "pick and choose" now. RARE II is not making "final" decisions on every roadless area-neither should we. We must insist that each be fully considered all the way through.

Citizen focus must be on assuring that the "release" category includes only those areas we are confident we

can agree to see released at. this time. When in doubt or where such consensus does not emerge, the process should hold areas in the "further evaluation" category for later decisions.

BEGIN 4.PLAN AND FIELD CHECKING Plans should be made for necessary field checking to document disagreements with data, to assess important boundary issues, and to familiarize more and more people with areas which will need strong public support.

If wilderness opponents try to use phoney economic and job impact arguments, conservationists must be ready to refute these with well-researched facts. California state-wide RARE II coordinators are: Jim Eaton

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Legislative Guide

by Harriot Manly

In your home, there are two simple tools to help you save beautiful wilderness areas throughout America. Combined with your personal suggestions arguments on legislative proposals, those tools can influence preservation of wilderness areas. These two tools: a pencil and paper.

Although you might have written a legislator before, you might also have questioned the effectiveness of your letter. Or if you have never written a legislator or governmental representative, the reasons are shared by many other people. It takes times, and it is a bother to keep up on who to write. "Who is my congressman anyway?" you might ask. Probably the foremost reason is you do not believe that your opinion matters or will make a difference on how a legislator votes.

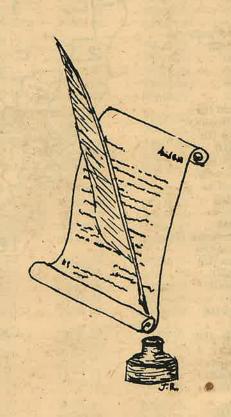
History has proven differently, and that is why the California Wilderness Coalition presents a section on letterwriting, one of the many tools to the politics of wilderness preser-

By knowing the basics of what to include in a letter, the process can become very simple and habit-like. Knowing your congressman's stands and voting record helps tremendously. Another section presented here should help you see your

congressman's voting record on past wilderness bills, what committees he or she sits on that concern wilderness, and the status of current important congressional bills. The material here is limited to the federal level (e.g. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate) just to keep the confusion down. In later newsletters, you will find similar information about the State of California level.

Aside from knowing the informa-tion to make it possible to write an effective letter, you must believe in the strength of your participation and opinions. Your single opinion does matter. By writing intelligently concisely and honestly how you feel about a wilderness issue, you can influence the attitudes of your representative. They do listen. The power of the vote keeps them in office or removes them, and you can

Representatives listed here will end their terms in November, as well as bills will be terminated then also. It is important to keep current. And don't forget to vote! This insert should educate you, if not inspire you to continue or start writing your congresman. Remember: it's easy, inexpensive and most importantly, it



Technique of Letterwriting

let a congressman know how you personally feel about an is ac. As popula tion increases, legislators are less ab and willing to be involve with their con stituents a personal lev el. For many it is humanly impossible A well written letter serves the function of public expression, and be gins a dia gue that must happen for change to take place. A poorly written letter can ause harm be cause it becomes associated with the issue.

There are several key points to remember when writing your congressman. These fundamentals guide you in writing the most

effective letter:

1. Address the envelope properly, making sure to in clude a return address.

2. Remember to sign your

3. identify the bill by a

Letters are the key way to number, or use the proper name for the issue. With some 20,000 bills in each session of Congress, the number is very important to a congressman.

4. Keep your letter legible. Even if it is not typed, make it neat. No crayons or greasy paper bags.

5. Be brief and to the point. State your opinions in one page or less.

6. Write only to your own congressman. If a congress man receives a letter from someone who is not in his district, he will not read or react to it, but will merely forward the letter on to the right congressman who does represent that district.

7. Timing is essential. Keep tabs on where a bill is in Congress (see the flow chart of Congress elsewhere in this insert). Don't send your letter if it's too late. They key times are at three points. First, if you want to

see the particular issue or wilderness area developed into a legislative bill, send your letter early in the session. Second, if your congressman sits on an important committee for a wilderness bill send your letter at the beginning of the committee's hearing on that bill. Thirdly, if your congressman is not the committee hearing the bill, send a letter just before a full vote or debate on the House or Senate floor.

There are do's and don'ts about the content of a letter that you may wish to keep in mind. DO write your own personal viewpoint, includ ing personal experiences and observations of the topic. Make your congress man aware of the bill's impact on his constituents.

DO indicate a familiarity with the bill, and what the congressional status is. Show them you are serious.

DO write as if you are addressing someone of equal sensitivity and intelli gence, but with a mind toward informing that per DO share expert knowledge if you have it. Your congressman cannot be an expert on everything. If your letter has evidence in support of the issue, it could become a valuable tool and educational device for him or her. DO thank congress folks for past assistance in passing wilderness bills if they have done so. Re member, they are haman to and like to think they have and like to think they are

doing good.

DON'T be hostile. Your congressman does not like to be belittled any more than you do. A congress man can se through shallow or exaggerated arguments, particularly those involving threats and accusations.

DON'T follow a form letter

format set up by an organi zation. Personal opinions are the dy to your letter, and will more often influence a legislator than the standard form letter. DON'T send quantity, but quality. This applies to the number you send and the length. Your representative does not need a pen pal; when you write, have something solid and constructive to say.

About receiving a reply from a congressman, donot be offended by a returned form letter even though you have just been encouraged not to send form letter. Realize how impossible it could be for their staff to respond with personal let ters. You may want to follow-up their response with another letter. This procedure separates the ca sual letterwriter from the serious one.

Consider the three choices

and how then you can respond to it.

1. If he or she agrees compliment him and re quest a public announce ment of his support for the bill, and to co-sponsor it (have his name on the bill). If possible, ask him to talk to committee members who do not hold his viewpoint. 2. IF he is noncommittal, ask him to take a stand. Remember that he may be waiting for more informa tion or pressure to take a stand. Add any additional arguments to suporty your viewpoint. 3. If he disa grees, send a rebuttal but be pleasant about it.
With these basic rules for

letterwriting, you can now formulate your ideas about an issue and put them on paper. Take a stand, ed ucate representatives of the government and participate in the history of wilderness

A Congressman Comments on Letters by Congressman Clem Miller

"During and after meetings in the district, I was asked, 'What influence do I have?' 'What can I do to help?' 'Do you read your correspondence?' Certainly, in the round, public opinion is decisive. How decisive varies with the congressman and the legislation, and the nature of the appeal.

MY councel to everyone

who asked was to write. One letter might spark an entirely new line of thought or endeavor. I can think of several times last session upon which particular let-ters gave me a fresh or

definitive focus.
"Letters in aggregate may help to resolve congressional thinking. Every vote must be consensus. There-

fore, it must be a resolution of many stimuli. Sometimes a volume of mail seems to force an'issue to a conclusion without seeming to have any particular effect on the actual result. The Labor Bill (1960) is a good case in point. The agitation for a labor bill pushed the House Committee on Education and Labor to take some sort

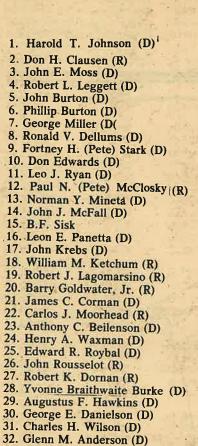
of action. Our mail was not much help in deciding exactly what should be done. The congressional mail bore a doubtful relationship to the bill which actually resulted. Because of the parliamentary ins and outs, the complexities of the field, and the emotional involvement of the experts on both sides, most of the mail gave us little help. Most useful

lare such times are direct, first-person factual accounts of constituents' own personal experiences. This is the most difficult letter to write, because the hum drum of our lives cannot be seen as pulse and excitement for the nonparticipant. On other types of legislation, heavy mail in aggregate seems to exert some influence. On the bill to

permit self-employed persons to defer taxes on certain retirement funds, the sudden volume of mail, descending all at once, with no adverse mail, seemed to make passage a certainty. It tended to resolve any doubts one might have. And, indeed, the bill did pass with a thumping ma-

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A Way to Identify Your Congressional District



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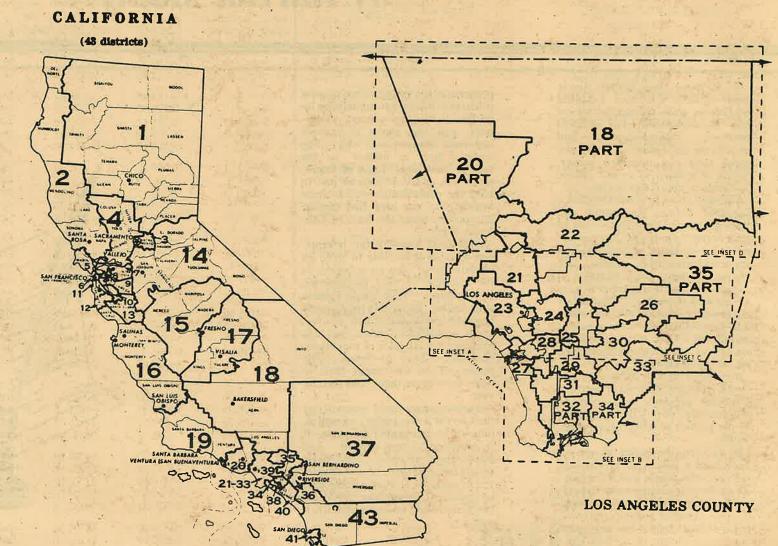
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Voting Record Chart

The following chart will give you an indication on how your congressman has voted on some recent wild erness legislation. The three bills listed here ar SB 393, HR 3454, and HR 3813, which have all passed both the House and the Senate and hve been signed into law. SB 393, the Montana

Wilderness Study Act of 197 irrects the Secretary of Agriculture to study nine areas of land within certain National Forest in Montana and wadvise the President as to their suitability of being designated as wilder ness areas. HR 3813 facili tated the addition of a

HR 3454

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48,000 acre buffer region to the Redwood National Park

in northwestern California. Locate your congressman by your district number. A "+" indicates a vote in favor of wilderness preser vation, "-" means a nega tive vote, due to abstention or absence.

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Important Committees

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Agriculture committee

George E. Brown, Jr. (D) John Krebs (D) Leon E. Panetta (D)

Forests sub-committee

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Merchant Marine and Fisheries 'committee

> Robert K. Dornan (R) Robert Leggett (D) Jerry M. Patterson (R) Glenn M. Anderson (D) Paul N. McClosky

Fisheries and Wildlife conservation and the environment sub-committee

Robert Leggett-chairman Glenn M. Anderson (D) Paul N. McClosky (R) Robert K. Dornan (R)

Senate

Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry-committee

S.I. Hayakawa (R)

Environment, Soil Conservation, and Forestry sub-committee

S.I. Hayakawa (R)

Active Wilderness Groups

ISLAND FOUNDATION Purpose: wilderness and environmental advocacy.

Contact: B. Alexander, R. Chavez, or J. Kreger at 707 983-6212.

Currently: supporting the work of Citizens Committee to Save Our Public Lands; Freestone Wilderness Institute; Warner Chabot, Meca Wawona and Gail Lucas.

Ellen & David Drell Citizens Committe to Save Our Public Lands Star Rt. 1, Box 22 Willits, CA. 95490

Warner Chabot P.O. Box 17 Caspar, CA. 95420

Freestone Wilderness Institute Box 575 Covelo, CA. 95428 **Gail Lucas** Box 397 Albion, CA. 95410 Meca Wawona P.O. Box 61 Ukiah, CA. 95482

S.F. CALIFORNIA NATIVE PLANT SOCIETY

Purpose: Passage of legislation to protect rare and endangered plants. Contact: Jim Roof, Botanical Garden, Tilden Re gional Park, Berkeley, CA.

Newsletter: Mailed to members \$8/\$5

Editor: Mitchel Beuchamp 714 474 7219 Recent Victory: Obligated developers in areas of vernal pools to incur liability of \$70,000. Also helped write and get passed SB 308, the "State Rare Plant Bill" FRIENDS OF THE RIVER

Purpose: protection of our remaining beautiful freeflowing rivers and creeks, and conservation of water

and energy resources.

Contact: 401 San Miguel
Way, Sacto, CA. 95819 916 **451-9955.**

Alexander Gaguine and Mark Dubois Newsletter:

bi-monthly, \$10/year. Recently: battling flooding of the Stanislaus above Panotts Ferry; pressing for inclusion of Tuolumme River in National Wild and Scenic Rivers System; op-

posing S.F. dam plans. Victories: holding off Au-burn Dam and knocked out SMUD (Sacramento Muni-Utility District) plans for hydroelectric dams on north fork of the Stanislaus.

AMERICAN ALPINE CLUB

Purpose: encouragement of mountain climbing and exploration; cultivation of mountain craft; promotion of good fellowship among climbers; the dissemination of knowledge concerning mountains and mountaineering.

Contact: Bruce McCubbre 415 981-8008 (days(or 388-8576 (eve.)

Newsletter; no cost. Recently: participated actively in Yosemite Master Plan.

FRIENDS OF THE EARTH

Purpose: Lobbying and publishing on environmental issues

Contact: Connie Parrisii 415

Newsletter: Regular \$25/-STUDENT AND RETIRED 1/1/2. Subscription \$12 into "Not Man Apart"

Recent Victory: Helped get Yosemite Master Plan rejected; expansion of Redwood National Park; helped stop surface mining in Death Valley; and helped pass the Endangered American Wilderness Act.

Recommends: Organizing at the grass roots level.

MT. SHASTA RESOURCE COUNCIL

Purpose: to explore and enjoy Mt. Shasta; educate the public about its natural resources worth retaining and to work towards legislative protection of the mountain.

Contact: Phil Rhoades 415 456-6076.

Newsletter: \$3/year.

Recently: lobbying against Ski Shasta Corp. relocation and preparing for upcoming Mt. Shasta wilderness review.

Recommends: letterwriting as an effective political technique.

(STUDENTS FOR ENVIRONMENTAL **ACTION**

Purpose: UC Davis group attempting to raise environmental awareness. Contact: Rm. 223 Pierce Coop, U.C. Davis, Bill De-Jager 916 752-5316.