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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

February 10, 1976

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *jc*

SUBJECT:

Exclusion of Chamberlain Basin  
from Salmon River Wilderness  
Proposal

The President reviewed your memorandum of December 22 on the above subject and made the following notation:

"Jack, our son, vigorously disagrees. We have such divergence in our family."

cc: Dick Cheney

THE WHITE HOUSE  
WASHINGTON

Jeni Cannon

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Jack, our son,  
regrettably diagnosed. We  
have such divergence in  
our family.

~~THE PRESIDENT HAS GREN....~~

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1975

REQUEST

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT  
FROM: JIM CANNON  
SUBJECT: Exclusion of Chamberlain Basin from  
Salmon River Wilderness Proposal

I have your note about the Salmon River Wilderness proposal.

I have been advised that the Chief of Forest Service in the Department of Agriculture originally proposed that the Chamberlain Basin be included in the proposal. Upon review by Secretary Butz, in the fall of 1974, the Basin was excluded for the following reasons:

1. The area contains 2.6 billion board feet of timber that could at some time be harvested.
2. There were installations, e.g., landing strip, helicopter pads, that would have to be removed to meet wilderness criteria.
3. Exclusion preserves the flexibility for wildlife management that was felt to be needed in that area.
4. The Basin adjoins a mineralized belt and probably contains high mineral potential that should not be withdrawn at this time.

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 22, 1975

ADMINISTRATIVELY CONFIDENTIAL

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JIM CANNON

FROM:

JIM CONNOR *JEC*

Confirming verbal request to your office, the following notation was returned in the President's outbox:

"Why was the Chamberlain Basin excluded from Salmon River Wilderness proposal?"

Please follow-up with appropriate action prior to the President's departure for Vail.

cc: Dick Cheney