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JOM --

Just in case you haven't seen OMB's
comments on Cuyahoga legislation.

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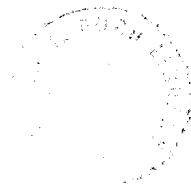
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H.R. 7077 - Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area
(Seiberling (D) Ohio and 22 others) - 12/27/74

Purpose - establishes the Cuyahoga Valley NRA (20,000 acres) in Ohio, and authorizes appropriations of not more than \$34,500,000 and \$500,000 for land acquisition and development, respectively.

Objections - this area does not qualify as a component for the National Park System and if approved it would set an undesirable precedent and very likely lead other expensive urban NRAs near many of our large cities; moreover, significant Federal financial (\$18,000,000) and technical help will be given to Ohio to establish a regional and locally administered park in the Cuyahoga River Valley.

Signed



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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 18, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

JOHN MARSH ✓
MAX FRIEDERSDORF
WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
WARREN RUSTAND

FROM:

TOM C. KOROLOGOS, TK

SUBJECT:

Senator Taft/Cuyahoga Valley National Park

Senator Robert Taft, Jr. (R-Ohio) wants to see the President as soon as possible on the question of vetoing Cuyahoga Valley National Park bill, H.R. 7077.

File attached.

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Make a
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follow up!
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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

December 16, 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR:

WILLIAM E. TIMMONS
JOHN MARSH
MAX FRIEDERSDORF
ROY ASH
KEN COLE

FROM:

TOM C. KOROLOGOS **TK**

SUBJECT:

Bills

Senator Paul Fannin (R-Ariz) has called me to say: "For the love of mud don't let them veto three bills very dear to the hearts of Goldwater, Fannin and Congressman Rhodes...all of whom would be extremely upset..."

The bills are:

H.R. 7730 -- San Carlos Mineral Strip

H.R. 10337 -- Navajo-Hopi (Goldwater went so far as telling Domenici he had cancelled an appearance in New Mexico and would never step foot there again because Domenici voted against it)

S. 1296 -- Grand Canyon Borders Extension (Goldwater introduced it)

In addition, Senator Robert Taft (R-Ohio) called to urge us to sign H.R. 7077 -- Cuyahoga Valley National Park. (He said if it is heading for a veto he wants to talk to the President first).

cc: Pat O'Donnell

WASH

December 16, 1974

Dear Senator:

This is to acknowledge and thank you for your letter to the President urging that he sign H.R. 7077, an Act to provide for the establishment of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area.

You may be assured that your letter will be called to the President's early attention. In addition, I will discuss your views with his advisers whose area of responsibility covers this matter.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,


Tom C. Korologos
Deputy Assistant
to the President

The Honorable Robert Taft, Jr.
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

bcc w/inc to Ken Cole - for further handling

TCK:EF:jk




United States Senate

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20510

December 14, 1974

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The President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

BT
Dear Mr. President:

On December 13, the Senate passed H.R. 7077, an Act to provide for the establishment of the Cuyahoga Valley National Recreation Area. This bill had already passed the House in the same form and will, thus, be presented to you for approval in the immediate future.

I would like to express to you my strongest possible support for this measure and urge that your signature be affixed to the bill signifying your approval.

I am attaching hereto a copy of pages S. 21167 and S. 21168 of the Congressional Record in which the character of the proposed park and the progress already made with regard to it is discussed. The legislation contains an authorization for \$40 million for which no appropriation has yet been provided. The measure had strong bi-partisan sponsorship throughout and will constitute the only Federal establishment of this kind in the entire state of Ohio.

If, by any chance, there should be a recommendation to you against approval, I request an opportunity to discuss the matter with you personally.

Sincerely,



Robert Taft, Jr.
U. S. Senator

Enclosure