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Tuesday, April 29, 1975

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THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 28, 1975

MEETING ON COYOTE PREDATION

Tuesday, April 29, 1975 The Cabinet Room (15 minutes) 12:00 noon From: Jim Cannon

I. PURPOSE

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II. BACKGROUND, PARTICIPANTS AND PRESS PLAN

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There was a shift in emphasis of Federal programs toward research and toward technical and financial assistance to States to control predators by means other than poisons. The basis of the new policy was to control those individual predators causing damage rather than attempting to reduce or eliminate whole predator populations. The major predator problem involves coyotes attacking sheep. In the two years following the Executive Order, the coyote population has grown in certain areas and effective alternative methods of control have, in many instances, not been found. The result has been markedly increased losses of sheep, cattle and poultry.

A massive Federal, State and private research effort is underway to find effective alternatives to chemical toxicants. Federal animal damage control efforts, primarily with the use of mechanical tools, have been increased.

B. Participants

Attached at Tab A.

C. Press Plan

To be announced.

III. TALKING POINTS

- I understand that losses due to coyotes can be very significant to individual ranchers. I appreciate the cooperation you have shown in helping us find a solution to this problem.
- 2. I will request that the new Secretary of the Interior, working with all of you, review the Executive Order and report his findings to me.
- 3. I am confident that by continuing to work together we can develop policies which provide the best level of protection from wildlife depredations as possible.

PARTICIPANTS

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Senator James McClure

Senator Paul Laxalt

Senator John Tower

Senator Paul Fannin

Congressman Harold Runnels

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Congressman Bob Poage

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Mr. President:

I would like to introduce Floyd Marsh, President of the National Wool Growers Association.

Mr. Marsh will begin our discussion with you this afternoon on Federal policy for controlling predatory animals.

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MUMORANDUM

The Honorable James A. McClure

FROM: Arthur Lee Quinn

SUBJECT: Order and Subject of Presentation during Presidential Meeting on Predators

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TO:

Opening remarks by Senator James A. McClure.

Introduction of panel by Floyd Myers Marsh, President, National Wool Growers Association.

Laird Noh, Chairman, Predatory Animal Committee, National Wool Growers Association - principal speaker on sheep industry predation. Kubuly

Chris Jouflas, Rancher, Grand Junction, Colorado predation problems in Colorado.

William Mau, Rancher, Rock Springs, Wyoming - predation problems in Wyoming.

Jim Barron, III, Chairman of Predator Policy Committee, American National Cattlemen's Association - predation as a factor in the cattle industry.

Louis Orlopp on behalf of the National Turkey Federation - predation as a factor in the turkey industry.

Robert Jantzen, Director of the Arilona Fish and Game Department - problems of predatory animals and wildlife.

Roger Davis of the Navajo Nation - predator difficulties of the Indian tribes.

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