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Document Date: **02/28/2006**

Correspondent:

Subject/Description: **NOTES FROM PRESIDENT'S MEETING WITH BIKING
INDUSTRY LEADERS**

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Staff Name: **PRESIDENT BUSH**
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Correspondent: **JIM CONNAUGHTON**
Subject/Description: **MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT RE MOUNTAIN
BIKING ON PUBLIC LANDS: TO REPORT ON ISSUES
RAISED IN A LETTER FROM JOHN BURKE DATE APR 28
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WASHINGTON

May 11, 2008

INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JIM CONNAUGHTON

SUBJECT: MOUNTAIN BIKING ON PUBLIC LANDS

Purpose:

To report on issues raised in a letter from John Burke dated April 28.

Summary:

Policy changes such as those suggested by Mr. Burke to expand access to public lands for mountain bikes are already underway at the Forest Service but have not yet been undertaken at the Park Service. Forests and Parks both currently allow biking and are working with bikers within existing policies as much as possible. The Park Service has acknowledged the possibility of amending its regulations; action on this amendment is being planned for completion this year.

Background:

Mountain bikes have no clear status in public land use planning. Therefore, unlike hikers, horseback riders, and motorcyclists, mountain bikers have greater difficulty participating in decisions by the Forest Service and Park Service as to where biking will be allowed. Sometimes mountain biking is prohibited or restricted unnecessarily simply due to policies that treat bikes and cars as the same thing. In National Forests, biking is permitting on most roads and trails up to the boundary of Wilderness Areas and other primitive areas, and where particular Forests have designated specific routes for certain types of travel. On National Parks, bicyclists may travel on park roads and parking areas and on designated routes, but access beyond this requires a special regulation issued from the Washington office for an individual park, which has been done for more than 40 of 390 National Parks so far.

The Forest Service and Park Service have begun to address this growing issue by signing agreements with biking groups to exchange information and improve communication. This clarifies biking issues during agencies' decision processes to change travel routes and manage biking opportunities. Also, the Park Service has undertaken several mountain bike projects with the International Mountain Biking Association to improve trails and explore expanded mountain bike opportunities across the country.

These opportunities can be accelerated and expanded by amending the Forest Service Manual and Park Service regulations so that biking can be considered directly and not grouped with other uses such as driving or horseback riding. For the Forest Service, this means amending their manual, which is underway and scheduled for completion this summer. For the Park Service this means amending their regulations, for which Interior is drafting a proposal. This will most likely entail editing one line in the current regulations, though the policy process will reveal what, if any, further changes are required to fix the problem. We plan to complete a rule change by December. The issue concerning Wilderness areas requires more case-by-case work with interest groups to develop a recommendation, if any, for policy change, so no policy changes are sought or advised for this issue at this time.

Both the Forest Service and Park Service policy changes would ensure that the opening and closing of bike trails is decided on each Forest or Park according to the purpose of the area, local conditions, and compatibility with other uses such as hiking and horseback riding.

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

May 8, 2008

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Subject/Description: **MOUNTAIN BIKING ON PUBLIC LANDS, JUL 28 08**

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WASHINGTON

July 28, 2008

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INFORMATION

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: JAMES L. CONNAUGHTON
SUBJECT: MOUNTAIN BIKING ON PUBLIC LANDS

Summary

The Forest Service and National Park Service will soon complete an update to their policies on mountain biking. The policies will enable individual forest and park supervisors to decide directly and clearly whether and where bike trails make sense in forests and parks. Currently for National Parks such decisions require a time-consuming and relatively inflexible nationwide rulemaking decision. In National Forests, the planning manuals do not clearly distinguish between bicycles and motorized vehicles.

Background

The National Park Service allows bicyclists on park roads, in parking areas, and on a limited number of designated routes. Although hikers and horseback riders are able to work through access issues at the local park level, bicyclists interested in further access must obtain a "special rule" from Park Service headquarters in Washington D.C., which has issued such rules for only 40 out of more than 300 parks. The National Forest Service allows biking on most roads and trails up to the boundary of Wilderness Areas and other primitive areas. While decisions about access can be made locally, the process of identifying specific routes for bicycling is cumbersome.

A number of biking interests have sought improvements to these processes. After consultation with interested parties and following a policy process convened by CEQ, the agencies are moving forward as follows. The National Park Service will be asked this week to draft a new regulation allowing decisions on biking access to be made by the local park superintendent, instead of through a special rule from Washington, using the same public notice and comment and decision-making process as for other local decisions (though bicycles would still be precluded from Wilderness Areas). The Park rulemaking may be completed by December. Through a separate policy process, the Forest Service will complete an amendment to its handbook that simplifies and clarifies its approach to biking access. This is scheduled for completion by end of August.

Although such steps are modest and essentially procedural, some negative press coverage may occur.

April 28, 2008
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Staff Name:

Document Date: **4/28/2008**

Correspondent: **JOHN BURKE**

Subject/Description: **THANK YOU FOR OUR RECENT MEETING IN THE OVAL OFFICE. THIS LETTER IS TO FOLLOW UP ON OUR CONVERSATION REGARDING WHAT THIS ADMINISTRATION CAN DO TO CONTINUE TO LEAVE A LEGACY FOR MOUNTAIN BIKING.**

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