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VISIT TO BURRILL LUMBER COMPANY
MEDFORD, OREGON
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1992
6:00 P.M.

THANK YOU, MIKE, FOR THAT INTRODUCTION. AND THANKS TO THE ENTIRE BURRILL FAMILY AND ALL OF YOU FOR LETTING ME VISIT TODAY. LAST WEEK IN DETROIT, I RELEASED MY AGENDA FOR AMERICAN RENEWAL. THE AGENDA WAS BASED ON A FUNDAMENTAL PREMISE: THAT THE CHALLENGES AMERICA FACES -- FOREIGN, DOMESTIC, ECONOMIC, AND, YES, ENVIRONMENTAL -- ARE CONNECTED. THE SOLUTION TO ONE CANNOT BE DIVORCED FROM THE SOLUTION TO THE OTHER. WE NEED AN INTEGRATED APPROACH.

WE NEED TO BRING THIS INTEGRATED APPROACH TO THE RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE ECONOMY AND THE ENVIRONMENT, TOO. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND ECONOMIC GROWTH MUST GO HAND IN HAND, THEY CANNOT BE DIVORCED FROM EACH OTHER. THIS MORNING, I SPOKE IN CALIFORNIA ABOUT WAYS TO BRING THEM TOGETHER. BUT FRANKLY, I BELIEVE THAT WHEN IT COMES TO THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT AND ITS APPLICATION HERE IN THE NORTHWEST, THE BALANCE HAS BEEN LOST.

LIKE MANY OF YOU, I LOVE TO HIKE AND HUNT AND FISH. AND LIKE YOU, I HAVE LEARNED THROUGH A LIFETIME OF EXPERIENCE TO APPRECIATE AND RESPECT THE WILDERNESS.

I KNOW THAT YOU -- YOU WHO HAVE CHOSEN TO LIVE IN THESE WOODS -- RESPECT AND REVERE THESE FORESTS AS OTHERS NEVER CAN. AND YOU RESENT THE IMPLICATION THAT EARNING YOUR LIVELIHOOD HERE -- WITH SOUND MANAGEMENT OF THE FOREST -- MAKES YOU LESS OF A CONSERVATIONIST THAN THE CITY DWELLER OR THE SUBURBANITE.

FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS, WE HAVE WORKED HARD TO PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENT -- AND WE HAVE ACCOMPLISHED A GREAT DEAL.

FOUR YEARS AGO, I PROMISED AMERICANS A NEW CLEAN AIR ACT. FOR OVER A DECADE, NO ONE COULD GET IT DONE. BUT WE DID IT. MY CLEAN AIR ACT REDUCES SMOG IN OUR CITIES, GETS TOXIC POLLUTANTS OUT OF THE AIR AND WILL CUT ACID RAIN IN HALF.

FOUR YEARS AGO, I PROMISED THAT I WOULD PROTECT THE ENVIRONMENTALLY SENSITIVE AREAS OF OUR COASTS FROM OFFSHORE DRILLING. AND TODAY, THERE WILL BE NO DRILLING OFF THE COAST OF CALIFORNIA, OFF THE COASTS OF WASHINGTON AND OREGON NOT FAR FROM HERE, OFF THE FLORIDA KEYS, OFF THE NEW ENGLAND COAST. WE HAVE BANNED OCEAN DRILLING UNTIL THE YEAR 2000.//

FOUR YEARS AGO, I PROMISED TO BE A GOOD STEWARD OF OUR PUBLIC LANDS. AND WE HAVE ADDED THOUSANDS OF MILES OF TRAILS FOR AMERICANS LIKE YOU WHO LOVE THE OUTDOORS; WE ARE REOPENING AND UPGRADING CAMPSITES ALL ACROSS AMERICA; AND WE HAVE ADDED A MILLION AND A HALF ACRES TO OUR NATIONAL PARKS, WILDLIFE AREAS, FORESTS AND RECREATION LANDS.

THE FACT IS THAT EVERY AMERICAN CARES ABOUT THE ENVIRONMENT -- AND MOST CONSIDER THEMSELVES ENVIRONMENTALISTS. THAT IS PARTICULARLY TRUE HERE IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST. YET AMERICANS TODAY REALIZE THAT WE CAN PROTECT OUR LANDS WHILE ALSO USING THEM FOR THE PEOPLE'S BENEFIT. THEY UNDERSTAND THE NEED FOR WILDERNESS AND RECREATION AREAS, AS WELL AS THE NEED FOR PAPER FOR OUR SCHOOLS AND OFFICES AND TIMBER FOR NEW HOMES.

BEING OUT HERE IN THE GREAT PACIFIC NORTHWEST, I AM REMINDED OF TEDDY ROOSEVELT -- THE VERY FIRST PRESIDENT TO FOCUS THE ATTENTION OF THE NATION ON THE CONDITION OF OUR NATURAL RESOURCES. TEDDY ROOSEVELT ONCE SAID: "WISE FOREST PROTECTION DOES NOT MEAN THE WITHDRAWAL OF FOREST RESOURCES... FROM CONTRIBUTING THEIR FULL SHARE TO THE WELFARE OF THE PEOPLE..." WHAT PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT HAD IN MIND, AND WHAT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE ALWAYS WANTED, IS BALANCE.

NOT FAR FROM HERE, IN THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IS A TIMBER TOWN CALLED FORKS. FORKS SUPPORTED A MILL, AND THE MILL SUPPORTED A COMMUNITY. BECAUSE OF A LACK OF TIMBER, THE MILL HAD TO CLOSE. TODAY UNEMPLOYMENT IN FORKS IS AT 20 PERCENT. THE CAR DEALERSHIP HAS CLOSED. THE CLOTHING STORE IS GONE. THE MOVIE THEATER -- SHUT DOWN. DOMESTIC VIOLENCE COMPLAINTS HAVE DOUBLED, JUST IN THE PAST YEAR.

FORKS IS IN CRISIS FOR A SIMPLE REASON: THE BALANCE HAS BEEN LOST. I HAVE COME HERE BECAUSE WE MUST RESTORE THE BALANCE.

LISTEN TO OREGON'S OWN SENATOR MARK HATFIELD, WHO WAS A COSPONSOR OF THE ORIGINAL ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT BACK IN 1972. THIS YEAR, HE WROTE: "THERE IS NO QUESTION THAT THE ACT IS BEING APPLIED IN A MANNER FAR BEYOND WHAT ANY OF US ENVISIONED WHEN WE WROTE IT TWENTY YEARS AGO."

THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT WAS INTENDED AS A SHIELD FOR SPECIES AGAINST THE EFFECTS OF MAJOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS LIKE HIGHWAYS AND DAMS -- NOT A WORD AIMED AT THE JOBS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES OF ENTIRE REGIONS LIKE THE NORTHWEST.

BUT TODAY, WHEN HARVESTING ON FEDERAL TIMBERLAND IS STOPPED OUTRIGHT BY 13 DIFFERENT LAWSUITS -- UNDER 7 DIFFERENT STATUTES, EACH INCONSISTENT WITH THE OTHER - - THE BALANCE HAS BEEN LOST. IT'S TIME TO FIGHT FOR JOBS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES.

WHEN HUNDREDS OF MILLS HAVE BEEN SHUT DOWN, THOUSANDS OF TIMBER WORKERS THROWN OUT OF WORK, AND REVENUES FOR SCHOOLS AND OTHER LOCAL SERVICES HAVE BEEN SLASHED, THE BALANCE HAS BEEN LOST. IT'S TIME TO FIGHT FOR JOBS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES.

THE TIME HAS COME TO TALK SENSE ABOUT THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, ABOUT THE SPOTTED OWL, AND ABOUT THE MANAGEMENT OF OUR FORESTS. BECAUSE IT'S MY FIRM BELIEF THAT PEOPLE AND THEIR JOBS DESERVE PROTECTION TOO.

LET ME BE CLEAR: THE BASIC PURPOSE OF THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT IS GOOD AND NOBLE -- TO SAVE THE RARE AND THREATENED SPECIES OF THIS COUNTRY.

BUT TODAY, THE ACT AND OTHER LAWS ARE BEING USED BY PEOPLE WITH EXTREME VIEWS, PARTICULARLY HERE IN WASHINGTON AND OREGON, TO ACHIEVE IN THE COURTS WHAT NO SANE ELECTED OFFICIAL WOULD EVER VOTE FOR -- THE COMPLETE LOCK-UP OF THE MOST PRODUCTIVE FORESTS IN THE ENTIRE UNITED STATES.//

THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT, AS RIGIDLY INTERPRETED BY SOME COURTS AND AS DRIVEN BY THE CONGRESS, HAS FORCED AN EXTREME APPROACH AND CREATED AN UNNECESSARILY TRAGIC SITUATION HERE IN THE NORTHWEST. MASSIVE AREAS OF FEDERAL LAND ARE BEING SET ASIDE FOR THE OWL -- VIRTUALLY IGNORING THE FACT THAT TWO-THIRDS OF THE NORTHWEST'S OLD GROWTH FORESTS ARE ALREADY DESIGNATED AS PARKS, WILDERNESS, OR OTHER CLASSIFICATIONS THAT PREVENT HARVESTING. EACH PAIR OF OWLS GETS 3,500 ACRES TO ITSELF! MEANWHILE, JOBS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES ARE BEING WIPED OUT IN THE PROCESS.

THE OTHER SIDE HAS BEEN TALKING ABOUT A "FALSE CHOICE." THEY CLAIM THAT THIS TIMBER CRISIS IS JUST POLITICS. THE SIMPLE FACT IS THIS: THE FALSE CHOICE IS BEING DRIVEN BY EXTREMISTS WHO ARE TWISTING THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT AND ITS APPLICATION TO THE NORTHERN SPOTTED OWL.

NOW LET'S SET THE RECORD STRAIGHT. WE HAVE ALWAYS WORKED WITHIN THE PARAMETERS OF THE LAW TO ADDRESS THIS PROBLEM -- BUT I CAN TELL YOU THIS. THE LAW IS BROKEN, AND IT MUST BE FIXED.

WE HAVE ASKED CONGRESS FOR FUNDS TO CUT ENOUGH TIMBER IN THIS REGION TO KEEP PEOPLE EMPLOYED. BUT THESE CONFLICTING LAWS ALLOW CHALLENGE AFTER CHALLENGE.

WE CONVENED THE GOD SQUAD TO EXEMPT 13 TIMBER SALES HERE IN SOUTHERN OREGON FROM JEOPARDY OPINIONS FROM THE FISH AND WILDLIFE SERVICE. AND EVERY ONE OF THOSE SALES IS NOW ENJOINED.

SO THIS YEAR, WE SENT CONGRESS AN ALTERNATIVE PLAN:
A PRESERVATION PLAN THAT WOULD SAVE 17,000 JOBS
COMPARED TO THE RECOVERY PLAN REQUIRED BY THE ACT.
CONGRESS HAS FAILED TO ACT.

MY FRIENDS, IT IS TIME TO CONSIDER THE HUMAN FACTOR
IN THE SPOTTED OWL EQUATION. MY OPPONENT TALKS ABOUT
"PUTTING PEOPLE FIRST" -- WELL, WE CAN START RIGHT HERE
IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST.

SO HERE IS WHAT I PROPOSE:

FIRST, I WILL NOT SIGN AN EXTENSION OF THE
ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT UNLESS IT GIVES GREATER
CONSIDERATION TO JOBS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES. AND
I WILL NOT SIGN IT WITHOUT A SPECIFIC PLAN IN PLACE TO
HARVEST ENOUGH TIMBER TO KEEP TIMBER FAMILIES WORKING
IN 1993 AND BEYOND. IT'S TIME TO MAKE PEOPLE MORE
IMPORTANT THAN OWLS.

SECOND, I WILL FIGHT TO END THE INJUNCTIONS THAT HAVE PUT AN ECONOMIC STRANGLE-HOLD ON THE NORTHWEST, IN ORDER TO FREE UP THE TIMBER THAT WE NEED TODAY -- BECAUSE THE FAMILIES AND THE TIMBER COMMUNITIES OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST NEED RELIEF NOW.

I CALL UPON CONGRESS TO PASS MY PLAN TO PRODUCE 2.6 BILLION BOARD FEET OF TIMBER FROM FOREST SERVICE LANDS IN THE NORTHWEST REGION NEXT YEAR -- AND AT LEAST 500 MILLION BOARD FEET ON B.L.M. LAND. AND I ASK CONGRESS TO TIE THAT PLAN TO LANGUAGE THAT PREVENTS LAWSUITS FROM STOPPING REASONABLE HARVESTS WITH REASONABLE SPECIES PROTECTION. IT'S TIME TO PUT PEOPLE AHEAD OF PROCESS.

THIRD, MY ADMINISTRATION WILL SPEED THE HARVESTING OF DEAD OR DYING TIMBER THAT HAS BEEN DANGEROUSLY BUILDING UP DURING A 7 YEAR DROUGHT. ONE STEP IS OUR NEW RULE TO ALLOW MORE TIMBER SALVAGE OPERATIONS TO OCCUR WITHOUT TRIGGERING SOME OF THE TIME-CONSUMING REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE BLOCKING PROGRESS. THIS WILL REDUCE THE RISK OF FIRE, AND IT WILL PROVIDE UP TO 450 MILLION BOARD FEET OF TIMBER FOR THE MILLS IN THE NEAR TERM. IT'S TIME TO PROTECT JOBS WITH TIMBER THAT'S AVAILABLE NOW AND PUT THE MILLS BACK TO WORK.//

FINALLY, I CALL UPON CONGRESS TODAY TO PASS THE SPOTTED OWL PRESERVATION PLAN -- THE BILL SPONSORED BY SENATOR PACKWOOD, SENATOR HATFIELD, AND SENATOR GORTON WHICH THEY CALL "THE NORTHERN SPOTTED OWN PRESERVATION AND NORTHWEST ECONOMIC STABILIZATION ACT OF 1992". IT'S TIME TO PRESERVE BOTH OWLS AND JOBS, JOBS IN THE TIMBER INDUSTRY AND IN AGRICULTURE, IN TRANSPORTATION AND IN RECREATION AS WELL, WHERE THEY TOO ARE THREATENED BY THE ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT.

NOW, MY OPPONENTS' APPROACH TO THIS PROBLEM -- TO YOUR JOBS -- IS DOUBLESPEAK. WHEN BILL CLINTON SPOKE IN PENNSYLVANIA, HE SAID WHAT THE SIERRA CLUB WANTED TO HEAR. THEY CONCLUDED THAT GOVERNOR CLINTON WAS -- QUOTE -- "PROMISING THE PROTECTION OF OLD GROWTH FORESTS IN THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST." THEN, WHEN HE HEARD I WAS COMING HERE, MR. CLINTON CYNICALLY HELD OUT FALSE HOPE TO TIMBER FAMILIES BY PROMISING ANOTHER MEETING.

THERE HAVE ALREADY BEEN MORE THAN 40 BIPARTISAN MEETINGS OF THE NORTHWEST CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION ON THIS ISSUE FOR THREE YEARS. [HOLD UP STUDIES.] WE'VE PRODUCED A PILE OF STUDIES AND PROPOSALS THIS HIGH. THE ONLY GOOD REASON FOR THE TIMBER INDUSTRY IS ALL THE TREES IN TOOK TO PRINT ALL THESE REPORTS. NO MORE STUDIES, LET'S CHANGE THE LAW.

AND THE DIFFERENCE ON THIS IS CLEAR: I WILL. ITS AS SIMPLE AS THIS: MY OPPONENT WILL NOT FIGHT TO CHANGE THE LAW TO RESTORE BALANCE.

NOW I KNOW THAT MR. CLINTON, GOVERNOR DOUBLESPEAK, IS GETTING FAMOUS FOR BEING ON BOTH SIDES OF EVERY ISSUE.

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW THE REAL VIEWS OF THE OTHER TICKET? SENATOR GORE WROTE IT IN BLACK AND WHITE IN HIS BOOK, BEFORE HE KNEW HE'D BE PANDERING FOR VOTES.

IN HIS BOOK, SENATOR GORE SAID THIS, AND I QUOTE: "I HELPED LEAD THE SUCCESSFUL FIGHT TO PREVENT THE OVERTURNING OF PROTECTIONS FOR THE SPOTTED OWL." SENATOR GORE WROTE, AND I QUOTE: "...THE JOBS WILL BE LOST ANYWAY." I CHALLENGE GOVERNOR CLINTON -- DO YOU AGREE WITH YOUR RUNNING MATE? DO YOU ENDORSE THE BOOK THAT YOU ONCE CALLED "MAGNIFICENT"?

IT'S TIME WE WORRIED NOT ONLY ABOUT ENDANGERED SPECIES -- BUT ABOUT ENDANGERED JOBS.

I HAVE COME HERE TO TELL YOU THAT I AM THE CANDIDATE WHO WILL RESPECT WILDLIFE, YES -- BUT WHO WILL ALSO FIGHT FOR JOBS, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES.

I HAVE COME HERE TO TELL YOU THAT I WILL NOT STAND FOR A SOLUTION THAT PUTS AT LEAST 32,000 PEOPLE OUT OF WORK. IT WILL NOT STAND.

I HAVE COME HERE TO TELL YOU THAT WE HAVEN'T FORGOTTEN ABOUT THE HUMAN FACTOR -- BECAUSE, IN THE END, THAT'S THE MOST IMPORTANT FACTOR OF ALL.

I HAVE COME HERE TODAY TO TELL YOU THAT WE CAN RESTORE THE BALANCE, WE MUST RESTORE THE BALANCE, AND WITH YOUR HELP, WE WILL RESTORE THE BALANCE.

THANK YOU, GOD BLESS YOU, AND MAY GOD BLESS THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

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September 12, 1992

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

THROUGH: STEVEN PROVOST *SP*
FROM: BOB GRADY *hg*
SUBJECT: REMARKS IN MEDFORD, OREGON

On Monday, September 14 at 6:10 p.m., you will address an audience of 2,000, which includes lumber workers and their families at the Burrill Lumber Company. Your remarks are ~~twenty~~ minutes in length and will be on teleprompter.

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9/12/92

PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: VISIT TO BURRILL LUMBER COMPANY
MEDFORD, OREGON

Monday, September 14, 1992

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Thank you, Senator Bob Packwood, for that introduction. And thanks to Mike Burrill and all of you for letting me visit today.

Last week in Detroit, I released my Agenda for American Renewal. ~~I hope you'll call us and ask for a copy.~~ The agenda was based on a fundamental premise: that the challenges America faces -- foreign, domestic, economic, and, yes, environmental -- are connected. The solution to one cannot be divorced from the solution to the other. We need an integrated approach.

We need to bring this integrated approach to the relationship between the economy and the environment, too. Environmental protection and economic growth must go hand in hand, they cannot be divorced from each other. This morning, I spoke in California about ways to bring them together -- ~~partnerships, market mechanisms, and new technology, instead of regulation, litigation, and paralysis.~~ But frankly, I believe that when it comes to the Endangered Species Act and its application here in the Northwest, the balance has been lost.

Like many of you, I love to ^{hike} ~~camp~~ and hunt and fish. And like you, I have learned through a lifetime of experience to appreciate and respect the wilderness.

I know that you -- you who have chosen to live in these woods -- respect and revere these forests as others never can. And you resent the implication that earning your livelihood here -- with sound management of the forest -- makes you less of

an conservationist than the city dweller or the suburbanite.

For the last four years, we have worked hard to protect the environment -- and we have accomplished a great deal.

Four years ago, I promised Americans a new Clean Air Act. For over a decade, no one could get it done. But ~~I got it done~~ ^{we did}. My Clean Air Act will cut acid rain in half, reduce smog in our cities, and get toxic pollutants out of the air.

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Four years ago, I promised that I would protect the environmentally sensitive areas of our coasts from offshore drilling. And today, there will be no drilling off the coast of California, off the coasts of Washington and Oregon not far from here, off the Florida Keys, off the New England coast, ~~because we have placed these areas under a moratorium until the year 2000.~~ ^{because we banned ocean drilling}

Four years ago, I promised to be a good steward of our public lands. And we have added thousands of miles of trails for Americans like you who love the outdoors; we are reopening and upgrading campsites all across America; and we have added ~~1.2~~ ^{and a half} million acres to our National Parks, Wildlife Areas, Forests and recreation lands.

The fact is that every American cares about the environment -- and most consider themselves environmentalists. That is particularly true here in the Pacific Northwest. Yet Americans today realize that we can protect our lands while also using them for the benefit of the people. They understand the need for wild areas and recreation areas, as well as the need for paper for our schools and offices and timber for new homes.

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Being out here in the great Pacific Northwest, I ~~cannot help~~ ^{am reminded} but ~~think~~ of Teddy Roosevelt -- the first President to focus the attention of the Nation on the condition of our natural resources. Teddy Roosevelt once said: "wise forest protection does not mean the withdrawal of forest resources... from contributing their full share to the welfare of the people..."

What President Roosevelt had in mind, and what the American people have always wanted, is balance.

Not far from here, in the state of Washington, is a timber town called Forks. Forks supported a mill, and the mill supported a community. Because of a lack of timber, the mill had to close. Today unemployment in Forks is at 20 percent. The car dealership has closed. The clothing store is gone. The movie theater -- shut down. Domestic violence complaints have doubled, just in the ⁷ last year. ~~The community has been ravaged.~~

Forks is in crisis for a simple reason: the balance has been lost. My friends, I have come here because we must restore the balance.

~~I want to quote you a statement from Oregon's own Senator~~ ^{C. S. Yu} Mark Hatfield, who was a cosponsor of the original Endangered Species Act back in 1972. ~~Not long ago~~ ^{This year}, he wrote: "There is no question that the Act is being applied in a manner far beyond what any of us envisioned when we wrote it twenty years ago."

~~The fact is that~~ the Endangered Species Act was intended as a shield for species against the effects of major construction

projects like highways and dams -- not a sword aimed at the jobs, families, and communities of entire regions like the Northwest.

But today, when harvesting on Federal timberland is stopped outright by 11 different lawsuits -- under 5 different statutes, each inconsistent with the other -- the balance has been lost. It's time to fight for jobs, families and communities.

When hundreds of mills have been shut down, thousands of timber workers ~~have been~~ thrown out of work, and revenues ~~to communities~~ for schools and other local services have been slashed, the balance has been lost. It's time to fight for jobs, families, and communities.

When a class project at a small college in Connecticut can mail in appeals to stop people from earning a living in the Northwest -- when students get college credit for playing games with people's lives -- the balance has been lost. It's time to fight for jobs, families, and communities.

It's gone too far.

The time has come to talk sense about the Endangered Species Act, about the spotted owl, and about the management of our forests. Because ^{it's my firm belief that} after all, people and their jobs deserve some protection too.

Let me be clear: the basic purpose of the Endangered Species Act is ~~a~~ good and noble ~~one~~ -- to save the rare and threatened species of this country.

But today, the Act and other laws are being used by people with extreme views, particularly here in Washington and Oregon,

to achieve in the courts what no sane elected official would ever vote for -- the complete lock-up of the most productive forests in the entire United States. //

The Endangered Species Act, as rigidly interpreted by some courts and as driven by the Congress, has forced an extreme approach and created an unnecessarily tragic situation here in the Northwest. Massive areas of Federal land are being set aside for the owl -- virtually ignoring the fact that two-thirds of the Northwest's old growth forests are already designated as parks, wilderness, or other classifications that prevent harvesting. Each pair of owls gets 3,500 acres to itself! Meanwhile, jobs, families and communities are being wiped out in the process. 4 ?

The other side has been talking about a "false choice." They claim that this timber crisis is just politics. The simple fact is this: the false choice is being driven by extremists who are twisting the Endangered Species Act and its application to the Northern Spotted Owl.

Now let's set the record straight. We have always worked within the parameters of the law to address this problem -- but I can tell you this. The law is broken, and it must be fixed.

We have asked Congress for funds to cut enough timber in this region to keep people employed. But these conflicting laws allow challenge after challenge.

We convened the God Squad to exempt 13 timber sales here in southern Oregon from jeopardy opinions from the Fish and Wildlife Service. And every one of those sales is now enjoined. 14

So this year, we sent Congress an alternative plan: a preservation plan that would save 17,000 jobs compared to the recovery plan required by the Act. Congress has failed to act.

My friends, it is time to consider the human factor in the spotted owl equation. My opponent talks about "putting people first" -- well, we can start right here in the Pacific Northwest.

Today, it's time to face one fact: the situation is out of control, and it must be addressed -- because the balance must be restored.

So here is what I propose:

First, I will ~~not~~ sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act unless it gives greater consideration to jobs, families, and communities. And I will ~~not~~ sign it without a specific plan in place to harvest enough timber to keep timber families working in 1993 and beyond. It's time to make people just as important as owls.

Second, I will fight to end the injunctions that have put an economic strangle-hold on the Northwest, in order to free up the timber that we need today -- because the families and the timber communities of the Pacific Northwest need relief now.

I call upon Congress to pass my plan to produce 2.6 billion board feet of timber from Forest Service lands in the Northwest Region next year -- and at least 500 million board feet on BLM land. And I ask Congress to tie that plan to language that prevents ~~procedural~~ lawsuits from stopping reasonable harvests

with reasonable species protection. It's time to put people ahead of process.

Third, my Administration will speed ~~up~~ the harvesting of dead or dying timber that has been dangerously building up during a 7-year drought. One step is our new rule to allow more timber salvage operations to occur without triggering some of the time-consuming requirements that are blocking progress. This will reduce the risk of fire, and it will provide up to 450 million board feet of timber for the mills in the near term. It's time to protect jobs with timber that's available now and put the mills back to work.

Finally, I call upon Congress today to pass the Spotted Owl Preservation Plan -- the bill sponsored by Senator Gorton, Senator Packwood, and Senator Hatfield. It's time to preserve both owls and jobs.

Now, my opponents' approach to this problem -- to your jobs -- is doublespeak. When Bill Clinton spoke in Pennsylvania, he ~~promised~~ ^{said what} ~~to~~ the Sierra Club, ^{wanted to become} which concluded that ~~he~~ ^{Governor Clinton} was -- quote -- "promising the protection of old growth forests in the Pacific Northwest." Then, when he heard I was coming here, Mr. Clinton cynically held out false hope to timber families by promising, get this, ^{another} a meeting. ~~That's doublespeak.~~

There have been more than 40 bipartisan meetings of the Northwest Congressional delegation on this issue for three years. [We've produced a pile of studies and proposals this high.] ~~The conclusion is the same:~~ ^{the} we need a change in law.

No more studies, let's

The only good news for the timber industry is all the money

And the difference on this is clear: I will ~~fight to change the law to restore balance.~~ *It's an example of this* My opponent will not, ~~fight to change the~~ *fight to change the*

a little Now I know that Mr. Clinton, ~~Governor~~ *Doublespeak,* is *how to respect balance* getting famous for being on both sides of every issue.

Do you want to know the real views of the other ticket? Senator Gore wrote it in black and white in his book, before he knew he'd be ~~pandering~~ *booby* for *yes* votes.

In his book, Senator Gore said this, and I quote: "I helped lead the successful fight to prevent the overturning of protections for the spotted owl." Senator Gore wrote, and I quote: "...the jobs will be lost anyway."

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It's time we worried not only about endangered species -- but about endangered jobs.

I have come here to tell you that I am the candidate who will respect wildlife, yes -- but who will also fight for jobs, families, and communities. *at least*

Does he agree with any of these? Not.

I have come here to tell you that I will not stand for a solution that puts 32,000 people out of work. It will not stand.

I have come here to tell you that we haven't forgotten about the human factor -- because, in the end, that's the most important factor of all.

I have come here today to tell you that we can restore the balance, we must restore the balance, and with your help, we will restore the balance.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God Bless the United States of America.

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I challenge Governor Clinton -- do you agree with your reasoning? Do you agree that you are...?

WHITE HOUSE STAFFING MEMORANDUM

DATE: 9/12/92 ACTION/CONCURRENCE/COMMENT DUE BY: ---

SUBJECT: PRESIDENTIAL REMARKS: VISIT TO BURRILL LUMBER COMPANY
MEDFORD, OREGON - MONDAY, 9/14/92

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REMARKS:

The attached has been forwarded to the President.

RESPONSE:

PHILLIP D. BRADY
 Assistant to the President
 and Staff Secretary
 Ext. 2702

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I know that you -- you who have chosen to live in these woods -- respect and revere these forests as others never can. And you resent the implication that earning your livelihood here -- with sound management of the forest -- makes you less of

an conservationist than the city dweller or the suburbanite.

For the last four years, we have worked hard to protect the environment -- and we have accomplished a great deal.

Four years ago, I promised Americans a new Clean Air Act. For over a decade, no one could get it done. But I got it done. My Clean Air Act will cut acid rain in half, reduce smog in our cities, and get toxic pollutants out of the air.

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The fact is that every American cares about the environment -- and most consider themselves environmentalists. That is particularly true here in the Pacific Northwest. Yet Americans today realize that we can protect our lands while also using them for the benefit of the people. They understand the need for wild areas and recreation areas, as well as the need for paper for our schools and offices and timber for new homes.

Being out here in the great Pacific Northwest, I cannot help but think of Teddy Roosevelt -- the first President to focus the attention of the Nation on the condition of our natural resources. Teddy Roosevelt once said: "wise forest protection does not mean the withdrawal of forest resources... from contributing their full share to the welfare of the people..."

What President Roosevelt had in mind, and what the American people have always wanted, is balance.

Not far from here, in the state of Washington, is a timber town called Forks. Forks supported a mill, and the mill supported a community. Because of a lack of timber, the mill had to close. Today unemployment in Forks is at 20 percent. The car dealership has closed. The clothing store is gone. The movie theater -- shut down. Domestic violence complaints have doubled, just in the last year. The community has been ravaged.

Forks is in crisis for a simple reason: the balance has been lost. My friends, I have come here because we must restore the balance.

I want to quote you a statement from Oregon's own Senator Mark Hatfield, who was a cosponsor of the original Endangered Species Act back in 1972. Not long ago, he wrote: "There is no question that the Act is being applied in a manner far beyond what any of us envisioned when we wrote it twenty years ago."

The fact is that the Endangered Species Act was intended as a shield for species against the effects of major construction

projects like highways and dams -- not a sword aimed at the jobs, families, and communities of entire regions like the Northwest.

But today, when harvesting on Federal timberland is stopped outright by 11 different lawsuits -- under 5 different statutes, each inconsistent with the other -- the balance has been lost. It's time to fight for jobs, families and communities.

When hundreds of mills have been shut down, thousands of timber workers have been thrown out of work, and revenues to communities for schools and other local services have been slashed, the balance has been lost. It's time to fight for jobs, families, and communities.

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It's gone too far.

The time has come to talk sense about the Endangered Species Act, about the spotted owl, and about the management of our forests. Because after all, people and their jobs deserve some protection too.

Let me be clear: the basic purpose of the Endangered Species Act is a good and noble one -- to save the rare and threatened species of this country.

But today, the Act and other laws are being used by people with extreme views, particularly here in Washington and Oregon,

to achieve in the courts what no sane elected official would ever vote for -- the complete lock-up of the most productive forests in the entire United States.

The Endangered Species Act, as rigidly interpreted by some courts and as driven by the Congress, has forced an extreme approach and created an unnecessarily tragic situation here in the Northwest. Massive areas of Federal land are being set aside for the owl -- virtually ignoring the fact that two-thirds of the Northwest's old growth forests are already designated as parks, wilderness, or other classifications that prevent harvesting. Each pair of owls gets 3,500 acres to itself! Meanwhile, jobs, families and communities are being wiped out in the process.

The other side has been talking about a "false choice." They claim that this timber crisis is just politics. The simple fact is this: the false choice is being driven by extremists who are twisting the Endangered Species Act and its application to the Northern Spotted Owl.

Now let's set the record straight. We have always worked within the parameters of the law to address this problem -- but I can tell you this. The law is broken, and it must be fixed.

We have asked Congress for funds to cut enough timber in this region to keep people employed. But these conflicting laws allow challenge after challenge.

We convened the God Squad to exempt 13 timber sales here in southern Oregon from jeopardy opinions from the Fish and Wildlife Service. And every one of those sales is now enjoined.

So this year, we sent Congress an alternative plan: a preservation plan that would save 17,000 jobs compared to the recovery plan required by the Act. Congress has failed to act.

My friends, it is time to consider the human factor in the spotted owl equation. My opponent talks about "putting people first" -- well, we can start right here in the Pacific Northwest.

Today, it's time to face one fact: the situation is out of control, and it must be addressed -- because the balance must be restored.

So here is what I propose:

First, I will not sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act unless it gives greater consideration to jobs, families, and communities. And I will not sign it without a specific plan in place to harvest enough timber to keep timber families working in 1993 and beyond. It's time to make people just as important as owls.

Second, I will fight to end the injunctions that have put an economic strangle-hold on the Northwest, in order to free up the timber that we need today -- because the families and the timber communities of the Pacific Northwest need relief now.

I call upon Congress to pass my plan to produce 2.6 billion board feet of timber from Forest Service lands in the Northwest Region next year -- and at least 500 million board feet on BLM land. And I ask Congress to tie that plan to language that prevents procedural lawsuits from stopping reasonable harvests

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Now, my opponents' approach to this problem -- to your jobs -- is doublespeak. When Bill Clinton spoke in Pennsylvania, he pandered to the Sierra Club, which concluded that he was -- quote -- "promising the protection of old growth forests in the Pacific Northwest." Then, when he heard I was coming here, Mr. Clinton cynically held out false hope to timber families by promising, get this, a meeting. That's doublespeak.

There have been more than 40 bipartisan meetings of the Northwest Congressional delegation on this issue for three years. [We've produced a pile of studies and proposals this high.] The conclusion is the same: we need a change in law.

And the difference on this is clear: I will fight to change the law to restore balance. My opponent will not.

Now I know that Mr. Clinton, Governor Doublespeak, is getting famous for being on both sides of every issue.

Do you want to know the real views of the other ticket? Senator Gore wrote it in black and white in his book, before he knew he'd be pandering for votes.

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What President Roosevelt had in mind, and what the American people have always wanted, is balance. But in these ancient forests, the balance has been lost.

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I want to quote you something from Oregon's own Senator Mark Hatfield, who has served in the Senate long enough to remember the creation of the Endangered Species Act. Not long ago, he wrote: "There is no question that the Act is being applied in

manner far beyond what any of us envisioned when we wrote it twenty years ago."

The application of the Endangered Species Act to these forests has gone far beyond what the drafters intended. The balance has been lost.

The fact is that the Endangered Species Act was intended as a shield for species against the effects of major Federal projects like highways and dams -- not a sword aimed at the jobs, families, and communities of the Northwest.

But today, when all harvesting on Federal timberland is stopped outright by 11 different lawsuits, the balance has been lost. It's time factor in the worries about jobs, families and communities.

When hundreds of mills have been shut down, thousands of timber workers thrown out of work, and revenues to communities for schools and other local services slashed as a result, the balance has been lost. It's time to worry about jobs, families, and communities.

Today, when interest groups can tie our Federal agencies up in knots by suing them under five different statutes enacted by Congress -- each inconsistent with the other -- the balance has been lost. It's time to worry about jobs, families, and communities.

Today, when a class project at Wesleyan University in Connecticut is to come up with lawsuits to stop people from earning a living in the Northwest -- when students can play games

with people's lives -- the balance has been lost. It's time to worry about jobs families and communities.

I have come to this great Pacific Northwest, to these beautiful and productive forests, to join you in saying: we must restore the balance. We must worry about jobs, families and communities. Enough is enough.

The time has come to talk sense about the Endangered Species Act, about the spotted owl, and about the management of our forests. Because after all, people and their jobs deserve some protection too.

Let me be clear: I care about protecting the environment. The basic purpose of the Endangered Species Act is a good and noble one: to save the species of this country.

But today, the Act is being used, particularly here in Washington and Oregon, to achieve in the courts what can't be achieved through legislation or administrative procedure -- the complete lock-up of the most productive forests in the entire United States.

The Endangered Species Act, in its current form as interpreted by some courts and as driven by the Democrats in Congress, has forced a radical approach and created an unnecessarily tragic situation here in the Northwest. Massive and unnecessarily large areas of Federal land are being set aside for the owl. And jobs, families and communities are being wiped out in the process.

You know, the other side has been talking lately about a "false choice." They claim that this timber crisis is just politics. The simple fact is this: the false choice is being driven by the Endangered Species Act and its application to the Northern Spotted Owl. It is being driven by those in Congress who have permitted this crisis to go unresolved.

The simple fact is that when it comes to the Owl, the Act is too rigid -- and Congress is too timid.

Now let's set the record straight. We have always worked within the parameters of the law to address this problem -- but I can tell you this. The law is broken, and it must be fixed.

We have asked Congress for funds to cut enough timber in this region to keep people employed. But these conflicting laws allow challenge after challenge.

I endorsed and signed into law a provision which would ban the export of raw logs taken from Federal land. This will mean more work in Oregon's mills.

This year, we asked Congress to make a choice. We showed them the Spotted Owl Recovery Plan, as required by the Endangered Species Act -- a plan that would cost this region 30,000 jobs. And, because that plan imposes too great a cost on the families and communities of the Pacific Northwest, we asked them to consider instead an alternative: a preservation plan that would cut that job loss in half.

We sent Congress a bill that would help save 15,000 jobs. And Congress has failed to act. So while the gridlock Congress

stalls, no timber is being cut -- and your jobs are disappearing alot faster than the owl.

I spoke before about balance.

It is not balance when mills that have operated responsibly for generations are threatened with extinction because of a lack of fiber from our public lands.

It is not balance when the Act prevents the mere consideration, at key points in the process, of costs that directly affect people and their livelihood -- of the human factor.

My friends, it is time to consider the human factor in the spotted owl equation. My opponent talks about "putting people first" -- well, we can start right here in the Pacific Northwest.

Today, it's time to face one fact: the situation is out of control -- and it must be addressed...because the balance must be restored.

So let me say this:

I will not sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act that does not allow economics to be considered [in the listing process], and that is not accompanied buy a specific plan to harvest enough timber to keep timber families working in 1993 and beyond. It's time to make people just as important as owls.

I call upon Congress to pass my plan to cut 2.6 billion board feet in the Forest Service Pacific Northwest region next year -- and at least 500 million board feet on BLM land. And I ask Congress to tie that plan to language which makes sure that a

reasonable cut that provides protection for species cannot be blocked on procedural grounds. It's time to put people ahead of process.

My Administration has recently announced several steps to speed up the harvesting of dead or dying timber. We will shortly issue a rule to allow these timber salvage operations to occur without triggering some of the restrictive and time-consuming laws that are disrupting the balance today.

This will help in two ways: by reducing the risk of fire from the large volume of dead or dying trees on our forest floor; and by providing up to 450 million board feet of timber for the mills in the near term. It's time to protect jobs and put people back to work.

I will fight for legislative language to end the injunctions that have put an economic strangle-hold on the Northwest, in order to free up the timber that we need today -- because the families and the timber communities of the Pacific Northwest need relief now.

And I call upon Congress today to pass the Spotted Owl Preservation Plan -- Senator Slade Gorton's bill -- because we must preserve the owl; we must preserve the livelihood of the Pacific Northwest; and we must preserve the jobs of the American people.

Now, my opponents would have you believe that they, too are in favor of balance. They won't commit to any specific action to

solve the problem. Their idea of balance is doublespeak -- promise both sides exactly what they want to hear.

When Bill Clinton spoke on Earth Day back in Pennsylvania, he earned the praise of the Sierra Club for "promising the protection of Old Growth forests in the Pacific Northwest." He wanted their endorsement, and he got it.

Now, just recently, with the election nearing, he has come to Oregon to hold out false hope to timber families by promising a meeting. Classic doublespeak. But we should face one fact. This problem isn't going to be solved with one meeting. We've had enough meetings, it's time for action.

Bill Clinton says that he'll have his meeting within 100 days. Well, we've been meeting for two years. What's needed is a change in law. I will fight for it. Bill Clinton will not.

Now I know that the Governor of Arkansas is famous for being on both sides of every issue. But I hope you'll ask him -- for once -- to stop the rhetoric and take a stand. Families are in the Northwest are at risk. So this is one issue where sincerity would be better than slickness.

The plain truth is that the other ticket is on the record on this problem, and here is what they have said.

In his book, Senator Gore said this, and I quote: "I helped lead the successful fight to prevent the overturning of protections for the spotted owl." The reasoning offered was simple. The Senator said: "The jobs will be lost anyway. The

only question is whether the effort to create new jobs will begin now or later."

Senator Gore and Governor Clinton don't realize that generation after generation of families -- families like Mike Burrill's -- have made a living for their family, for their neighbors, and for their community -- not by locking these forests up, but by managing them wisely. By restoring what they take, so that the land can sustain the next generation and the one after that. After all, it's no mistake that America today is home to more forest land than it was when Teddy Roosevelt was President.

The other side doesn't understand that leading the fight against any change in the tangled web of conflicting laws means leading the fight against your job and your family and your community and your way of life.

Or maybe they do understand. But I ask you only to do this: let them know that you understand, too. And do not be fooled by this doublespeak.

It's time we worried not only about endangered species -- but about endangered jobs.

You know, the father of our national forest system, and one of America's great conservationists, Gifford Pinchot, once defined conservation this way: "Conservation means the wise use of the earth and its resources for the lasting good of men."

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Today, it's time to face one fact: the situation is out of control -- and it must be addressed...because the balance must be restored.

So let me say this:

I will not sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act that does not allow economics to be considered [in the listing process], and that is not accompanied buy a specific plan to harvest enough timber to keep timber families working in 1993 and beyond. It's time to make people just as important as owls.

I call upon Congress to pass my plan to cut 2.6 billion board feet in the Forest Service Pacific Northwest region next year -- and at least 500 million board feet on BLM land. And I ask Congress to tie that plan to language which makes sure that a

reasonable cut that provides protection for species cannot be blocked on procedural grounds. It's time to put people ahead of process.

My Administration has recently announced several steps to speed up the harvesting of dead or dying timber. We will shortly issue a rule to allow these timber salvage operations to occur without triggering some of the restrictive and time-consuming laws that are disrupting the balance today.

This will help in two ways: by reducing the risk of fire from the large volume of dead or dying trees on our forest floor; and by providing up to 450 million board feet of timber for the mills in the near term. It's time to protect jobs and put people back to work.

I will fight for legislative language to end the injunctions that have put an economic strangle-hold on the Northwest, in order to free up the timber that we need today -- because the families and the timber communities of the Pacific Northwest need relief now.

And I call upon Congress today to pass the Spotted Owl Preservation Plan -- Senator Slade Gorton's bill -- because we must preserve the owl; we must preserve the livelihood of the Pacific Northwest; and we must preserve the jobs of the American people.

Now, my opponents would have you believe that they, too are in favor of balance. They won't commit to any specific action to

solve the problem. Their idea of balance is doublespeak -- promise both sides exactly what they want to hear.

When Bill Clinton spoke on Earth Day back in Pennsylvania, he earned the praise of the Sierra Club for "promising the protection of Old Growth forests in the Pacific Northwest." He wanted their endorsement, and he got it.

Now, just recently, with the election nearing, he has come to Oregon to hold out false hope to timber families by promising a meeting. Classic doublespeak. But we should face one fact. This problem isn't going to be solved with one meeting. We've had enough meetings, it's time for action.

Bill Clinton says that he'll have his meeting within 100 days. Well, we've been meeting for two years. What's needed is a change in law. I will fight for it. Bill Clinton will not.

Now I know that the Governor of Arkansas is famous for being on both sides of every issue. But I hope you'll ask him -- for once -- to stop the rhetoric and take a stand. Families are in the Northwest are at risk. So this is one issue where sincerity would be better than slickness.

The plain truth is that the other ticket is on the record on this problem, and here is what they have said.

In his book, Senator Gore said this, and I quote: "I helped lead the successful fight to prevent the overturning of protections for the spotted owl." The reasoning offered was simple. The Senator said: "The jobs will be lost anyway. The

only question is whether the effort to create new jobs will begin now or later."

Senator Gore and Governor Clinton don't realize that generation after generation of families -- families like Mike Burrill's -- have made a living for their family, for their neighbors, and for their community -- not by locking these forests up, but by managing them wisely. By restoring what they take, so that the land can sustain the next generation and the one after that. After all, it's no mistake that America today is home to more forest land than it was when Teddy Roosevelt was President.

The other side doesn't understand that leading the fight against any change in the tangled web of conflicting laws means leading the fight against your job and your family and your community and your way of life.

Or maybe they do understand. But I ask you only to do this: let them know that you understand, too. And do not be fooled by this doublespeak.

It's time we worried not only about endangered species -- but about endangered jobs.

You know, the father of our national forest system, and one of America's great conservationists, Gifford Pinchot, once defined conservation this way: "Conservation means the wise use of the earth and its resources for the lasting good of men."

I have come here today to tell you that I am the candidate who will worry about jobs, families, and communities.

I have come here today to tell you that I will not stand for a solution that puts 30,000 people out of work. That is a non-solution. And on my watch, it will not stand.

I have come here to tell you that we haven't forgotten about the human factor -- because in the end, that's the most important factor of all.

I have come here today to tell you that we can restore the balance, we must restore the balance, and with your help, we will restore the balance.

Thank you, God bless you, and may God Bless the United States of America.

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REMARKS BY THE PRESIDENT
TO EMPLOYEES OF BURRILL LUMBER COMPANY

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THE PRESIDENT: Mike, thank you, sir. Thank you very -- he's getting our props ready for this presentation. (Laughter.) Now, thank you so much, Mike, for the introduction. Thanks to your wonderful dad and to the entire Burrill family, and all of you for letting me visit here today.

Last week in Detroit, I released my Agenda for American Renewal. And the agenda was based on a fundamental premise: that the challenges that America faces -- foreign, domestic, economic and, yes, environmental -- are connected. And the solution to one cannot be divorced from the solution to the other. And we need an integrated approach.

And we need to bring this integrated approach to the relationship between the economy and the environment, too. And environmental protection and economic growth must go hand in hand, and they cannot be divorced from each other. And this morning, I spoke in California, down in San Diego, about ways to bring them together. But, frankly, I believe that when it comes to the Endangered Species Act and its application here in the Northwest, the balance has been lost. (Applause.)

Like many of you, I love to hunt and hike and to fish. And like you, I have learned through a lifetime of experience to appreciate and respect the great outdoors -- the wilderness.

And I know that you -- you particularly who have chosen to live in these marvelous parts of the woods -- respect and revere these forests as others never can. And you resent the implication that earning your livelihood here -- with sound management of the forest -- makes you less of a conservationist than the city dweller or the suburbanite. (Applause.)

And for the past four years, my administration and I have worked hard to protect the environment -- and we've accomplished a great deal. Four years ago, I promised Americans a new Clean Air Act. For over a decade, no one could get it done, but we did it. And our Clean Air Act reduces smog in our cities and gets toxic pollutants out of the air and will cut acid rain in half.

And four years ago, I promised that I would protect the environmentally sensitive areas of our coasts from the offshore drilling. And today, there will be no drilling off the coast of California, off the coasts of Washington and Oregon and off the Florida Keys and off the New England coast. And we banned that ocean drilling until the year 2000.

And then, four years ago, I promised to be a good steward of our public lands. And ~~more~~ we have added thousands of miles of trails for Americans like you who love the outdoors; and we're

reopening and upgrading campsites all across this great country; and we've added a million and a half acres to our national parks and wildlife areas and forests and recreation lands.

But the fact is that every American cares about the environment -- and most consider themselves environmentalists. And that is particularly true here in the Pacific Northwest. And yet Americans today realize that we can protect our lands while also using them for the people's benefit. They understand the need for wilderness and recreation areas, as well as the need for paper for our schools and offices and timber for new homes. (Applause.)

And being out here in the great Pacific -- the Northwest, I'm reminded of Teddy Roosevelt -- the very first President who focused the attention of the entire nation on the condition of our natural resources. And Teddy Roosevelt once said: "Wise forest protection does not mean the withdrawal of forest resources from contributing their full share to the welfare of the people." What President Roosevelt had in mind, and what the American people have always wanted, is balance.

And not far from here, in the state of Washington, is a timber town called Forks. And Forks supported a mill, and the mill supported a community. And because of the lack of timber, the mill had to close. Today unemployment in Forks is at 20 percent. The car dealership is closed. The clothing store is gone. The movie theater -- shut down. Domestic violence complaints have doubled, just in the past year.

Now, Forks is in crisis for a simple reason: the balance has been lost. And I've come here because we must restore the balance. (Applause.)

Listen to one of the senators -- Senator Mark Hatfield, from here, who was a cosponsor of the original Endangered Species Act back in '72. And this year, he wrote: "There is no question that the act is being applied in a manner far beyond what any of us envisioned when we wrote it 20 ago."

The Endangered Species Act was intended as a shield for species against the effects of major construction projects like highways and dams -- not a sword aimed at jobs, families and communities of entire regions like the Northwest.

But today, when harvesting on federal timberland is stopped outright by 13 different lawsuits, under seven different statutes, each inconsistent with the other -- the balance has been lost. (Applause.) And it's time to fight for jobs, for families and for communities.

And when hundreds of mills have been shut down, thousands of timber workers thrown out of work, and revenues for schools and other local services have been slashed, the balance has been lost. And it's time to fight for jobs, families, and communities. (Applause.)

And so the time has come to talk sense about the Endangered Species Act, about the Spotted Owl, and about the management of our forests. Because it is my firm belief that people and their jobs deserve protection, too. (Applause.)

Let me be clear: The basic purpose of the Endangered Species Act is good and noble -- save the rare and threatened species of this country. But today, the act and other laws are being used by people with extreme views, particularly here in this state, here in Oregon, to achieve in the courts what no sane elected official would ever vote for -- the complete lock-up of the most productive forests in the entire United States. (Applause.)

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The entire Endangered Species Act, as rigidly interpreted by some courts and as driven by the Congress, has forced an extreme approach and created an unnecessarily tragic situation here in the Northwest. Massive areas of federal land are being set aside for the owl -- virtually ignoring the fact that two-thirds of the Northwest's old-growth forests are already designated as parks, wilderness, or other classifications that prevent harvesting. Each pair of owls gets 3,500 acres to itself. And meanwhile, jobs and families and communities are being wiped out in the process.

And the other side has been talking about a "false choice." And they claim that this timber crisis is just politics. And the simple fact is this: The false choice is being driven by extremists who are twisting the Endangered Species Act and its application to the Northern Spotted Owl. (Applause.)

And now let's set the record straight. We've always worked within the parameters of the law to address this problem. But I can tell you this. The law is broken, and it must be fixed.

And we have asked the Congress for funds to cut enough timber in this region to keep people employed. But these conflicting laws allow challenge after challenge.

We convened the God Squad to exempt 13 timber sales here in southern Oregon from jeopardy opinions from the Fish and Wildlife Service. And every one of those sales is now enjoined.

And so this year, we sent Congress an alternative plan, a preservation plan, if you will, that would save 17,000 jobs compared to the recovery plan required by the act. And Congress has failed to act on my plan.

My friends, it is time to consider the human factor in the Spotted Owl equation. My opponent talks about putting people first -- well, we can start right here in the Pacific Northwest. (Applause.)

So here is what I propose:

First, I will not sign an extension of the Endangered Species Act unless it gives greater consideration to jobs, to families, and to communities. (Applause.) And I will not sign it without a specific plan in place to harvest enough timber to keep timber families working in 1993 and beyond. It is time to make people more important than owls. (Applause.)

And second, I will fight to end the injunctions that have put an economic strangle hold on the Northwest, in order to free up the timber that we need today, because the families and the timber communities of the Pacific Northwest need relief and they need it now.

And I call upon the United States Congress to pass my plan to produce 2.6 billion board feet of timber from Forest Service lands in the Northwest region next year, and at least 500 million board feet on BLM land. And I ask Congress to tie that plan to language that prevents lawsuits from stopping reasonable harvests with reasonable species protection. (Applause.) It is time to put people ahead of process. And the Congress must understand that.

And third, my administration will speed the harvesting of dead or dying timber that has been dangerously building up during a seven-year drought. One step is our new rule to allow more timber salvage operations to occur without triggering some of the time-consuming requirements that are blocking progress. This will reduce the risk of fire, and it will provide up to 450 million board feet of timber for the mills in the near term. And in other words, it's time

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to protect jobs with timber that's available now and put the mills back to work. (Applause.)

And finally, I call upon Congress today to pass the Spotted Owl Preservation Plan -- that's the bill sponsored by Senators Packwood and Hatfield and Slade Gorton, which they call "The Northern Spotted Owl Preservation and Northwest Economic Stabilization Act of 1992". It's a long name, but it's a good bill. And it's time to preserve both owls and jobs -- jobs in the timber industry and in agriculture, transportation and in recreation as well, where they, too, are threatened by this Endangered Species Act.

And now a word about my opponent. My opponent's approach to this problem -- and I'll try to be fair -- no, but his approach to this problem, to your jobs, really is -- and look at the record -- doublespeak. When he spoke in Pennsylvania -- Governor Clinton spoke in Pennsylvania -- he said what the Sierra Club wanted to hear. They concluded that Governor Clinton was -- quote -- "promising the protection of old-growth forests in the Pacific Northwest." And then, when he heard I was coming here, Mr. Clinton cynically held out false hope to timber families by promising another meeting.

There have already been more than 40 bipartisan meetings of the Northwest congressional delegation on this issue for three years. Now, look, here are the studies. We've produced a pile of studies and proposals this high. And the only good reason for the timber industry -- the only good news is all the trees in took to print all these darn reports. (Applause.) Look at them. And so I say to Governor Clinton, no more studies. Help me change the law. That's what needs to happen. (Applause.)

And the difference on this is clear: I will. I will change it. And it's as simple as this: My opponent will not fight to change the law to restore balance.

And now I know that Mr. Clinton -- and Governor ~~Doublespeak~~ -- I call him -- (laughter) -- but, nevertheless, is getting famous -- getting famous for being on both sides of these issues. But do you want to know the real views of the other ticket? I hate to bring this word up, but Senator Gore --

AUDIENCE: Boo --

THE PRESIDENT: He wrote it in black and white in his book before he knew that he'd be out there pandering for votes. And in his book, Senator Gore said this -- and I quote: "I helped lead" -- I want to get it right here -- "I helped lead the successful fight to prevent the overturning of protections for the Spotted Owl." And he wrote -- and this is an exact quote -- "the jobs will be lost anyway." I challenge Governor Clinton -- do you agree with your running mate? Do you endorse the book that you once called "magnificent"? It is time we worried not only about endangered species, but about endangered jobs. (Applause.)

And I am here to tell you that I'm the one who will respect the wildlife, yes. I think we all do. We all agree. But I'm also the one who will also fight for jobs, for families, and for communities.

I have come here to tell you that I will not stand for a solution that puts at least 32,000 people out of work. It will not stand. I mean it. (Applause.)

And I've come here to tell you that we haven't forgotten about the human factor; because in the end, in the final analysis when all the campaigns are over and all the charge and countercharge takes place, the human factor, that is the most important factor of all.

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And I've come here today to tell you that we can restore the balance. We must restore the balance. And with your help, we will restore the balance.

May God bless your families, your jobs, your hopes for our great country. And may God bless the United States of America. Thank you all very, very much. Thank you. (Applause.) Thank you all. (Applause.)

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