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Press Guidance

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LAKE TAHOE PRESIDENTIAL FORUM

The President will host the Lake Tahoe Presidential Forum in Incline Village, NV this Saturday, July 26. The forum will celebrate the partnership between public and private, and state and federal, interests in the Lake Tahoe Basin and renew federal commitments to help resolve environmental and economic issues facing the basin communities. The forum will also showcase Lake Tahoe as a special place of natural beauty in America and affirm the Administration's efforts to protect such places. Lake Tahoe's economy depends on a healthy environment and the President's visit will remind Americans of the national importance the Administration has placed on protecting such special places as the old-growth forests of the Pacific NW, the Florida Everglades, the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem, the Headwaters and the Escalante Staircase.

Note for the briefer: The schedule for Lake Tahoe has not yet been released. The following is for your information in case you are asked:

The President will arrive in Reno at 8:20 a.m. (PDT) and arrive in Incline Village at 8:55 a.m. via Marine One. There are three events at Tahoe:

- 1) 10 a.m.: The President tours Lake Tahoe and participates in water quality testing on a UC Davis research vessel. (POOL PRESS with the likely possibility of an accompanying press boat.)
- 2) Noon: The President hosts the Lake Tahoe Presidential Forum at the Lakeside Lodge at the Hyatt Regency Hotel. (OPEN PRESS)
- 3) 3 p.m.: The President addresses the people of Lake Tahoe at the Marine One Landing Zone. (OPEN PRESS)

On Friday, July 25, in South Lake Tahoe, the Vice President will hike the Mt. Tallac trail head at Fallen Leaf Lake and host a wrap up session on the 3 previous workshops held by Cabinet members at the Pope Baldwin Recreation Center. The Vice President will also participate in the forum discussion with the President on Saturday.

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POTUS Trip to Arkansas
March 3, 1997

- President Clinton will travel to Arkansas tomorrow to inspect damage in College Station, outside Little Rock, and in Arkadelphia following weekend tornadoes that left more than 20 people dead and hundreds injured.
- The President declared a major disaster in the state on Sunday and ordered Federal aid to supplement state and local recovery efforts. The President's action makes Federal funding available to affected individuals in Clark, Cross, Greene, Hempstead, Jackson, Lonoke, Nevada, Pulaski, and Saline counties. Assistance can include disaster housing, grants, low-cost loans to cover uninsured property losses, and other programs to help individuals and business owners recover from the effects of the disaster.
- Today, Transportation Secretary Rodney Slater, FEMA Director James Lee Witt and SBA Administrator Aida Alvarez are in the Little Rock area, inspecting damage from the storm.
- The President said today that over the weekend he talked twice to Governor Huckabee, as well as to the Mayor of Little Rock and Representative Malone in Arkadelphia.

Q: What will the President be doing in Arkansas?

A: After landing in Little Rock, the President will take an aerial tour of damage in Southwest Little Rock and Saline County on his way to Arkadelphia. In Arkadelphia, the President will inspect damage in the downtown area. The President will then head back to College Station, outside Little Rock, where he will inspect damage and visit with residents as they work to clean up from the destruction. The President will then return to the Little Rock airport for a small meeting with local and state officials before returning to Washington.

You have a schedule in the bins with departure and arrival times. At this point, most of the President's schedule will be covered by the pool to prevent us from impacting too much on recovery efforts.

Q: Will the President be announcing new aid tomorrow? How much is the recovery going to cost?

A: In addition to the assistance that will be provided by FEMA, other relevant federal agencies, including Transportation and SBA, are reviewing what kind of assistance they oversee which might be made available. It is too early to ballpark costs, but they will clearly be in the millions of dollars.

Q: Have other states requested assistance?

A: While other states, including Ohio, Kentucky and Tennessee were also hard hit by the storm, no other state to date has asked for a disaster declaration. FEMA teams are in those states, however, helping state officials conduct preliminary damage assessments. Disaster assistance requests could come from those states in coming days.

Q: Did the President know any of the people who suffered losses?

A: In his meeting with Chairman Arafat today the President said:

“Not to my knowledge, although I did recognize a couple of people on television last night who had lost their homes. One man said -- did you see that -- where he had given away a couch to the Goodwill Industries, and whoever got the couch had their home destroyed and the couch was blown back into his house. I recognized three or four people on television. But I'm going down there, I'll see tomorrow.”

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Conversation with Morrie Goodman, FE

TENTATIVE PRESS SCHEDULE

Check-in: 8:00-9:00 am Gear call ends: 8:15 AM
Press charter dpts Andrews: 9:25 AM EST
Press charter arr Lit Rock 10:35 AM CST

For non pool press in Little Rock.

* Filing/Press Ofc etc. will be in Excelsior Hotel.

* Phone service at Excelsior should be okay.

* Trying to do bus tour in Little Rock area for non-pool press while the President is in Arkadelphia.

10:00 am Marine One departs White House

10:20 am Air Force One departs Andrews

11:30 am AF One arr Lit Rock Airport

11:45 am Marine One dpts Lit Rock

Micro pool ON Marine One

Rest of Tight Pool on another helo

11:45-12:45 Aerial tour of damage (SW Little Rock and Saline County)

1-3 pm CST VISIT Arkadelphia. Tour. - TIGHT POOL only

No sitdown talking events planned as of this writing for Arkadelphia.

NOTE: Poolers must survive on cellphones. ZERO phone service in Arkadelphia, but cellphones are working. Probably no filing time for pool - President will keep moving.

3:30p CST Marine One departs Arkadelphia for Little Rock.

Again: Micropool on Marine One with the President.

Rest of pool on another helo.

4:45-5:45p CST VISIT College Station/view damage.

POOL only - - but - -

we will take more WH Press and Arkansas Press to this visit, if conditions allow. We'll know later.

NOTE: There MIGHT be some talking with victims and families in this part of the afternoon. All details, including coverage, TBA.

6-7 pm Private time, Little Rock area

6 - 7 pm WRAP-UP FILING at Excelsior.

7:15 pm CST AF One dpts Little Rock.

10:25pm EST AF One arrives Andrews AFB

10:45 pm EST Marine One arrives the White House.

Press out of Rock:

7:45-ish CST Press plane dpts Lit Rock

10:45-ish EST Press plane at Andrews

bal budget vote at 515

officials at airport pool spray after meeting

Travel 7/3/96

Upcoming Travel
7/3/96

Thursday, July 4

8:30am Depart South Lawn for Patuxent River Naval Air Station
(Press Charter Departs Andrews at 8:00am)

9:30am Release of Bald Eagle and Remarks *OPEN PRESS*

3:00pm Address at Youngstown's Fourth of July Celebration for the 200th
Anniversary of Youngstown and the 150h Anniversary of Mahoning
County, Ohio *OPEN PRESS*

6:30pm Arrives White House (Press Charter Arrives Andrews at 7:05pm)

Wednesday, July 10

Late Morning Depart Andrews for Charlotte

Early Afternoon Address NAACP Convention, Charlotte *OPEN PRESS*

Late Afternoon Event in Charlotte, TBD

RON: Tampa

Thursday, July 11

Morning Education Event, Tampa

Early Afternoon Event in Orlando, TBD
Topic: TBD Event for Local Purposes (DO NOT ANNOUNCE)

Late Afternoon Brief Visit with US Women's Olympic Basketball Team Practice,
Orlando (DON'T ANNOUNCE - OLYMPIANS HAVEN'T BEEN
CONTACTED)

RON: Washington, DC

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