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Meeting with Celinda Lake

March 15, 1993

SUBJECT: SCREENING INTERVIEWS FOR FOREST CONFERENCE PARTICIPANTS

- o 30-50 people participating in 3 separate roundtable discussions with the President (see attached DRAFT agenda for subjects to be covered)
- o individuals to be selected for target list from list of 500 provided by interest groups, congressional leaders, transition team, etc.
- o need to conduct telephone screening interviews of individuals on target list to ascertain their:
 - ability to communicate
 - willingness to sit at a table with people with opposing views
 - ability to NOT become bombastic, violent, or out of control
 - willingness to offer constructive input
 - WHAT ELSE??
- o also need background information
 - to help script the event (i.e. who the President ought to call on first), and
 - for the President's briefing book of participants (i.e., so that when he calls on someone, he has a sense of where they are coming from)
- o would like some help writing a 4-5 question survey that can be filled out for each prospective participant

DRAFT AGENDA
(please do not distribute)

FOREST CONFERENCE
Portland, Oregon
April 2, 1993

(to be held in roundtable format)

- 12:30 President's (and Vice President's) Opening
- 1:00 [The Current Situation: Who is Affected and How]
Roundtable Discussion #1: How is the controversy over forest management on federal lands affecting the people and the communities of the Northwest and Northern California?
(15-20 representatives from churches, labor, community groups, school boards, environmentalists, etc.)
- 2:30 BREAK
- 2:45 [How Did We Get Here?]
Roundtable Discussion #2: What are the scientific, economic, social, political circumstances responsible for the extremely difficult situation this region currently faces?
(10-12 "experts" that have analyzed the situation from various perspectives, including the science, the economics, and the sociology) (these panelists will be encouraged to use graphics)
- 4:00 BREAK
- 4:15 [Where Do We Go?]
Roundtable Discussion #3: What are our best ideas for addressing regional economic challenges for workers, for business and for the environment, and how can the Federal Government provide leadership and encourage new, innovative and creative approaches? (12-15 individuals that have creatively responded to the challenges facing their communities, either within the timber industry or through alternative economic development strategies)
- 5:30 President closes with "impromptu" directive to his Cabinet for next steps
- 6:00 Adjourn (Reception?) (Press Conference?)

**Technical Pre-Briefs
for the Forest Conference**

(to be held in "hearing-style" room)

9:00 Opening Statements by Cabinet Officials
 Secretary Babbitt
 Secretary Espy
 Secretary Reich
 Secretary Brown
 Administrator Browner
 Director Gibbons
 Chair Tyson

Expert Panels (to provide Cabinet Secretaries with a fairly
 indepth view of the different facets of the
 problem)

9:30 Forest Management Issues
 ~4 panelists will describe predominant issues in
 managing timber lands from several perspectives
 (including an objective presentation to provide
 context of government involvement, industry, and
 environmental point of view)

10:30 Regional Socio-Economic Perspectives
 4-6 panelists will discuss trends in forest
 economics, on a macro- and micro-scale and the
 relationship of the timber industry to local
 development issues

11:30 BREAK (informal boxed lunch?)